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Suicide bomber suspected

U.S. military says attack indicates attacker had inside knowledge of base

Ine Associated reess
BACHDAD, Iraq — The U.S. military
said Wethiesday that a suicide homber
likely carried out the explosion at a U.S.
base near Mostul, spraying a crowded
mess tent with small pollets and killing 22
people — nearly all of them Americans.
The announcement raised questions
about how the attacker infiltrated the
base, which is surrounded by blast walls
and barbed wire and guarded by U.S.
troops, However, as in many other U.S.
milliary facilities, Iraqis do a variety of
jobs at the base, including cleaning.

cooking, construction and office-duties. The apparent sophistication of Thesday's operation — In deadliest single attack on U.S. troops since the war began — indicated the attacker probably had inside knowledge of the bases layout and the soldiers' schedule. The blast came at lunchtime.

the soldiers schedule. The blast came at hunchtime.

"We have had a suicide bomber apparently strap something to his body ... and go into a dining hall." Gen. Richard Myers, the claiman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. told reporters at the Pentagon. "We know how difficult this is to prevent people bent on suicide and stopping them."



I.t. Gen. Thomas Metz. commander of the multinational force in Iraq, ordered an investigation. Troops found 'no physical evidence of a recket, mortan, or other type of indirect fire weapon,' according to a statement issued early Thursday by military authorities in Baghdad.

There was little apparent sympathy for the dead Americans on Mosulis deserted streets, where hundreds of U.S. troops backed up by armored vehicles and helicopters. Blocked bridges and cordoned copters, blocked bridges and cordoned copters, blocked bridges and cordoned largest city.

Twish that 2,000 U.S. soldiers were

killed," deçlared Jamal Mahmoud, a trade union official." Initial reports said a rocket had ripped into the tent. Later, however, a radical Sunni Muslim group, the Ansar al-Sunnah Army, claimed responsibility, saying it was a "marrydom operation" — generally a reference to a suicide bomber. Millitary officials in traq said Wednesday that shrapped from the explosion in-cluded small ball bearings, which are often used in suicide bombings but are not usually part of shrapped from rockets or mortars.

The attack sparked renewed concerns about the ability of U.S. troops and their

or mortars. The attack sparked renewed concerns about the ability of U.S. troops and their lradi allies to secure elections fan 30. The military sald they had expected an increase in violence as insurgents attempt to derall the vote for an assembly that will draft trads new constitution.

Doing the dam circuit

Troubleshooters keep the lights on in Magic Valley

By Rebecca Meany Times News writer

HAGIERMAN leff Jester is not one to be fattled by a dam alarm.

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Making a left onto U.S. Highway 30, lester a generation specialist for Idahn Power, headed for the power plant. This time he was in lack, having to drive only a few miles to reach the scene of the problem.

"That's the beauty of electricity," he said. "It's really teally fast, voirte not yoing to outrun it. If you're a half hour away."

Ducking out of the howling wind into the power plant, list and how a half hour away.

Ducking out of the howling wind into the power plant, lester quickly determined that the leadwater alarm had sounded.

It's so windy, the headwater got too low, "he said: "It's blowing hard enough against it."

It's a typical day for lester, one of numerous power plant employees who keeps the juice lowing in Magie Valley, He and other generation specialists conduct walk-throughs of seven power plant shat form the laagerman Hydro Feam.

One of their tasks is to set water levels as close as possible to the top of the flume so water doesn't go over the edge, nor sink too far down. Even a few inches off the mark will activate a sensor.

Power plant shing many problems before an employee even arrives at the source.

"These are my favorite..."



Jeff Jester, generation specialist for Idaho Power, looks over and



The Associated Press

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A Bush administration initiative that will allow forest managers more discretion to approve logging and other commercial projects has environmentalists

Two geese Upper Malac Power Plant Wednesday morning. The seven power plants in the Hagerman Hydro Team 120

electricity.

State asks store to pull slot **machines**

Officials say units are illegal

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS—Looking for a toy slot machine as a last-minute Christmas gift? Don't bother looking at Costco Wholesale.

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Coalition lobbies for Nez Perce agreement

Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A powerful coalition that favors pushing the Nez Perce Agreement through the Legislature early in the session began contacting lawmakers Wednesday.

Rep. Douglones, R-Filer, sald Dick Rush, who works for the state's most powerful business lobby — the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry — called him to discuss Jones's position on the agreement.

"I was surprised they would call me, since I've been so public in supporting it," Jones said, Rush explained he is contacting all members of the Legislature's resource committees.

Jones-site on-the-House-Resources and Conservation Committee,

sources a Committee

Rushr said the coalition is marshalling forces against another group that is aggressively contacting voters and lawniak-ers urging them to turn against the agreement. He did not name the group.

But recently the Idaho Farm Bureau began campaigning with a strong state position to defeat the agreement. Considered a notable lobby force to contend with at the Legislature, the farm group said it preferred to light the American Indian claims on all the water in the Snake River Basin in court rather than settle.

The presidents forest regu-iations are an early Christmas gift to the timber industry mas-querading as a government streamlining measure, said of Defenders of Wildillie. The long-awalted rules, an-nounced Wednesday, overhaud application of the landmark-1976 National Forest Manage-ment Act, which sets guidelines for managing 191. million acres. of national forests and grass-lands and protecting wildlife

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Bush tweaks policy on forests

Plan gives managers more discretion on logging, drilling

By Julie Pence Times News writer

the Snake River Basin in court rather than settle. "Going to court is very risky, very expensive, and you have no Idea how it would come out," Rush said, "With this agreement, we know how it will



more discretion to approve logging,
drilling and
mining operations without having to
conduct formal scientific inves-

conduct formal scientific investigations known as environ-mental impact statements, For-est Service officials say the idea is to make forest planning more responsive to changing condi-tions by eliminating unneces-sary paperwork and relying on assessments by local and re-gional managers rather than, one-size-fits-all federal require-ments.

Forest Service Associate ChiefSally Collins said the new rules
will make forest planning more
open, understandable and
timely. Forest managers will be
able to respond more quickly to
changing conditions, such as
wildlines, and emerging threats
such as invasive species, she
said.

"We really have a process that
akes way too long—that really
isn't as responsive—she is thould
be." Collins said.

"The complex forest management rules have not been updated since the 1970s, and officials have long complained that
detailed analyses required
under the law take years to
complete. For example, a 15year management plan for the
Arapaho and Roosevelt Nationul Forest in Colorado took sevenPlease see Forest, Page AB

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Other members of the coalition include Gow. Dirk Kempthorne, the Idaho Water Resource Board, Fort of Lewis-coalition in the Idaho Water Resource Board Fort of Lewis-coality and the Idaho Water Serging and Control and Water Laser groups.

Rey. Movies, 16-31.

Rep. Maxine Beli, R-Jerome. Rep. Maxine Ben, re-perone, who has been vice-chair-woman of the American Farm Bureau Women for the past 16 years, said she can't support the Idaho Farm Bureau's posi-

"This isn't something that was just patched together

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overnight. It took eight years. It's a very delicate and very complicated issue," Bell said. "I know there's a different view-in northern Idaho, but this is something that has just got to be settled."

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something that has just got to be settled."

Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, said he's not sympathetic to the Farm Bureau's state position. It elaso said the's been contacted by a number of Farm Bureau's county groups that are against the group's state position. including Twin Falls, Minidoka, Cassta, Ada and Canyon counties. "This agreement will ensure won't have some federal-judge making a Klamath Fallsetype order against the upper Snake for salmon." Bedke said.

"Is it a perfect agreement? No. Did both sides get everything they wanted? No. But for Magic Valley—there's—to—much—at stake not to go along with the agreement."

The Nez Perce agreement of the stake the st

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The Nez Perce agreement gives the tribe annual rights to 50,000 acre-feet of water in the Clearwater River and S80 million in cash and land in return for dropping claims to nearly all the water in the Snake River and its tributaries. The state and federal governments also pledged tens of millions of dollars for fish habitat and other environmental improvements.

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gilts could be charged with misdemenours for having the slote-in-their-possession. Costco charges an annual, membership fee to customers in order to shop at its stores, and customer information can be tracked. While Costco is not tracking down every customer who bought as lot machine, the company could turn over to the state the membership in-formation of one Idaho cus-tomer, who purchased several of the games at once, Messmer said.

said.

He said he didn't know at which Idaho store the customer purchased the multiple machines.

machines.
The removal of the slot machines from Costco shelves was a big disappointment of the force of Twin to Grey Horsley of Twin falls. Horsley likes to gamble at casinos in Jackptot Nev, but doesn't get to go as much as

loggers and landowners in the Clearwater and Salmon river basins from endangered species-based lawsuits. The agreement, which was an amounced last lune, passed both the U.S. Senate and I louse during the closing days of the 2004 Congress. It now has to be approved by the Nez Perce Tribe and the Idaho Legislature. Rush praised the Idaho congressional delegations linesse at getting Congress to approve the agreement during a lanne-duck session, culling it a "political intrack".

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

she'd like.
"I don't go down and gamble-very-often-because my hus-band doesn't wan in et o." she said. "But I love just to sit and play the slot machines." So when Horsley saw the toy

play the slot machines."
So when Horsley saw the toy
slot machines for sale at Costcreeently, she put one on her
Christmas wish list. With her
own machine, she could hav
the slots without even leaving
the bouse, she thought, But
her husband, Gary, was too
late — by the time he got to
the store, the machines were
one.

Cat cloner appeals to pet owners

Los Angeles Times

A Tiexas woman who said she paid \$50,000 to a northern Cali-fornia biotech company has re-ceived an cight-week-old clone of their dead cat, Nicky, the first known sale of a cloned pet. Genetic Savings & Clone Inc., Genetic Savings & Clone Inc., Based in Saussallio, handed over Little, Nicky, a Maine Coon cat, cardier this month at a company holiday parry in San Francisco. "He is identical." I have not been able to see one difference," said the woman, who asked to

said the woman, who asked to be identified only by her first name, Julie.

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Despite its whimsteal name, the company has been working for more than four years on the cat cloning process. The founder of the company, Arizon's billionaire John Sperling, Turided in cresenre at least Acadian weekly that led to the company is employing at chindren that the company is employing a technology known as chromatin transfer that is currently being used for cloning cattle.

Company spokesman Ben Carlson and four other people have cats on order, at \$50,000 each, He said all the clories are expected to be ready by spring. The announcement of Little Nicky sparked criticism from some antinal protection groups, who saw the event as opening the door to a new realm of problems.

"There are million of cats"

who saw hie even as optimized he door to a new realm of problems. Here are million of cats being killed in shelters every year, said Michael Mountain, press said Michael Mountain of this? There is no short-age of cats, so why do they have to do this? It described the cloning of animals — still a complex and ricky procedure that can said in deformities — as an Intumane game of trial and error. "You're dealing with a Dr. Frankenstein situation." Mountain said.

But Lou Hawthorne, chief executir of Genetic Savings & Clone, said there was no denying the intense desire of some pet owners to bring back their deceased companions.

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state crackdown. But the machines have heen deemed illegal-to-soil-by-sovoral-statos-in-cluding, Oregon. Washington, Calliornia and now Idaho, Mossmer-said.

Costco believed the games were legal to sell in Idaho because Idaho's gambling laws were legal to sell in Idaho because Idaho's gambling have regarding slot machines are fuzzy. The said.

"We would nover, ever sell anything that we considered il-legal." Messmer said.

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gone.
"I think it'd be a real kick,"
Horsley said. "But now that
they're gone, I want one even
more."

Woman can be reached at Canvonside Realty

Due to incorrect information provided to The Times-News, a news brief Sunday contained an Incorrect phone number for Diane W. Petrie of Canyonside Realty. Petrie can be reached at 420-6046.

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Insurgent attack shows vulnerability of U.S. troops

CAMP FALLUJAH, Iraq (AP)—
American troops in Iraq must
work around a wide range of vulnerabilities: soft-skinned tents
instead of concrete buildings, a
shortage-of body armor endopen or unprotected vehicles.
They also try to boost the Iraqi
economy by hiring Iraqis for
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and delivering food—leaving
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inherently at risk in a war zone like Iraq.
Tuesday's explosion at a U.S. base near Mosal highlighted the concerns. The military now believes the attack, which killed 22 people and wounded dozens, was carried out by a suicide bomber, further evidence of how insurgents can exploit the American policy of hiring Iraqis.
At Camp Fallujah, Iraqis drive truck convoys full of food, gravel or other supplies and roam the grounds clearing trash. They eat at the base's two mess halls, often sitting at tables to chat with the Americans.
Some troops worry the Iraqis are not well supervised. They say

at the base's two mess nausoften skitting at tables to chat with
the Americans.

Some troops worry the Iraqis
are not well supervised. They say
it is a common belief that the
-iraqi workers are feeding information to insurgents.

"Iraqis here on this base are
supposed to be escorted, but
you see them walking around by
themselves," said Lance Cpl.
Chris Roell, member of a K-y
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make us feel better, saying this is
the holiday season, cher up,
and them they're leaving base
and giving their buddies grid coordinates."

U.S. officials have acknowledged the hiring policy can be
risky, particularly in a country
with no database of criminal
records. But they maintain it is a
sound practice at this spinwling
base southeast of the city of Fallajah.

"Thy should be the ones who
have the jobs and get the income
and plow it back in for their fam-

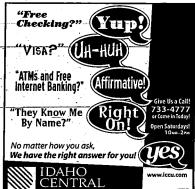
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Workers and U.S. soldlers tend to the wounded after Tuesday's attack near Mosul that killed 22 people. The attack shows weaknesses In the effort to protect U.S. troops.

reporting the base had been infiltrated by insuagents.

"The interrogators say to check the Iragis on the base, to be aware of their actions—if they walk past a certain area to many times, writing down stid, that kind of thing," the Marine said, who spoke on condition of anonymity.



Weight, activity both affect longevity, study indicates

WASHINGTON — Physical activity can offset some of the harmful health consequences of being overweight but cannot fully erase them, according to the biggest study to examine the relative benefits of being fit versus fat.

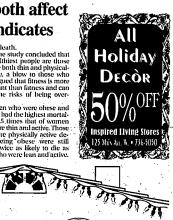
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The study of more than 115,000 female nurses found weight and activity levels are both powerful predictors of longevity, and that being either overweight or sedentary independently increases the

risk of death.

But the study concluded that the healthiest people are those who are both thin and physically active, a blow to those who have argued that fitness is more important than fatness and can offset the risks of being overweight.

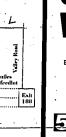
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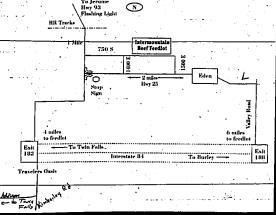
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Airport search rules see changes

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Airport se-curity screeners this week will be -instructed not to -touch women passengers between their breasts as part of new par-down procedures, the Transportation Security Ad-ministration said Wednesday.

ministration said Wednesday.
The aigency said it is making a
modification to its searching
methods that began in September after imore than 400
passengers — mostly women
formally complained that the
experience was invasive, humillating—and—akin—to—being
molested.

molested.
Screeners had been instructed to use their hands to touch ed to use their hands to touch women between and under-neath their breasts to inspect for explosives that might be hidden beneath clothing. Now, the agency said, security screeners will be directed to pat down only the "chest perine-ter" of female passengers and not to touch women between their breasts unless they set off a hand-held metal detector in the

Democrat pulls ahead in recount of Washington votes

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — After losing the first two counts in the extraordinarily close Washington governor's race, Democrat Christine Gregoire pulled ahead by 10 votes after

Washington governors' race, Democrat Christine Gregolic pulled ahead by 10 votes after king County reported its hand recount results on Wednesday, Gregolic's slim margin could widen on Thursday, when De-nocrat-heavy. King County officials plan to count 700-plus belatedly discovered ballots Cover Republicans' objections, the state Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that those ballots should be counted. The election results are not

Wednesday that those ballots should be counted.
The election results are not official. They will likely be challenged in court. Republicans rowed to keep fighting. "When Christine Gregoire was 261 and then 42 votes behind, she referred to it as a 'tie." Rossi spokeswoman Mary Lane said, quoting Gregoire's reaction to Rossi's victories in the first two statewide vote counts. "We're not going to call this a tie but it is extremely close, it's certainly too close to call and Dino Is not conceding." Land Dino Is not conceding." Land Said. "This election is not over." Gregoire, 57, a three-term at-

torney gener-al, was the favorite going into the elec-tion against Rossl, 45, a

real estate agent and former state senator.
But Rossi
Christine Gregolre Suprised political experts
by squeaking out a 261-vote win over Gregolre. His Jead was whittled to 42 votes in a subsequent machine recount.
Democrats paid \$730,000 for he hand recount, though by law the state has to repay the party if the recount reverses the results.
"We asked for a hand country."

results.

"We asked for a hand count because we knew machines make mistakes," said state Democratic Party spokesswoman Kirstin Brois. "We believe than the hand count is the most accurate count and we're very excited by these results."

Gregolie won another victory on Wednesday when the state Supreme Court ruled that King County should include hun-

algal prize.
"Pulling trash" allows water to

dreds of recently discovered bal-lots in the hand recount of the still-undecided governor's race. "There is a sacred American right to have legitimate votes counted." Gregoire 'said' in 'a news release after the ruling.

right to have eigenmate votes counted, "Gregotie said in a news release after the ruling. The justices recognized that principle today." Republicans said they will now seek out Rossi voters whose ballots were disqualified because of election workers errors and fight to have those ballots counted as well. "Well be stating them to canvassing boards in counties across the state and asking those canvassing boards to review their decisions and to consider these ballots." Lane said.

view their decisions and to-consider these ballots." Lane-said.

King County officials discov-ered hast week that up to 735 ballots had not been counted because of mistakes made by election workers.

At a hearing Wednesday morning before the high court. Republicans argued that a re-count should be a mere retabulation, and that it was too late for counties to go back and correct errors.

Administration says care improves with access to data

improves with

WASHINGTION (AP) - About
35,000 fewer nursing home resistents are kept in restraints on a
daily basis - down 23 percent
from two years ago - according
to a federal report released
Wednesday that also found
fewer patients in pain.

The Bush administration, the
nursing home industry and patient advocates said the declines
show the value of the administration's 2-year-old program to
tackle serious quality problems
in many homes by requiring the
nation's 16,000 nursing homes to
disclose dang on care.

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cholices and to prompt the
homes to improve their performance. It is available on the
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policy director for the 35-million
member seniors group AARP
All the information is based
on data the nursing homes must
routinely collect from residents
as part of their participation in
the federal Medicare program.

About 1.6 million people live in nursing homes daily. During a year, more than 3 million people have a nursing home stay, the re-port from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

saud.

In the middle of 2002, 9.7 percent of nursing home residents were restrained on any day. Two years later, the number was 7.5 percent.

years letter the number was 7.5 percent.
Patients kept in restraints can become weak lose their ability to go to the badtroom on their own and develop bed sores. Restraints should only be used when ordered by a doctor as part of a patients medical treatment according to federal law.

Measurements of pain among long-term and short-term nursing home patients also improved, dropping 38 percent and 11 percent, respectively.

The report showed a slight increase. 2 percent, in the percentage of patients with pressure, or bed, sores. But among select group of homes that focused on the problem, there was elect group of homes that focused on the problem, there was elect group of homes that focused on the problem, there was elect group of homes that focused on the problem, there was elect group of homes that focused on the problem, there was elect group of homes that focused on the problem, there was the patients of the problem and can indicate neglect.

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morning, "Isster said, "Ninety-five, percent, of the alarms, are
like this, but they pay me for the
other five percent."
Despite the false alarms,
Jester clearly loves his job.
He's a troubleshooter, responding to alarms and
performing preventative maintenance on the mechanical and
electrical paris that make up the
hydroelectric power plants.

Putting technology to the test

The lower flyball motor was spinning in the governor. "Everything is looking good," lester said, conducting an in-spection of the Upper Malad Power Plant.

compared of the Upper Malad Power Plant.
Every week, he'll add a drop of oil and check linkages on the mechanism that controls wick-er gates, which, in turn, control how much water goes in the turbine.
"If something have

turbine. Something happened the night before, we have to react to that, he said. Thoubleshooting is a big part of our job.

Moving 20 feet to the left, he lowered hinself into a hole. He dangled his legs over a pool of water and lightly kicked a job.

"Left see if that will do it, he said."

said.

The pool of water meant something was slowly leaking and perhaps needed a figeling. In addition to generation specialists, utility and maintenance crews and technicians work to keep things running at the plants.

Workers have to be adaptable

Workers have to be adaptable because each of the seven plants has different technology. "There's a regular list we go through: we visually check everything," jester said. "Most importantly we walk around and listen and smell. You can hear that hum. It just becomes real—obvious if anything changes."

He walked around the vertical geometro- and listened to the

He walked around the verti-cal generator and listened to the drone.

one.
'As soon as you hear a clang something — it's noisy in re — but it really sticks out."

he said.

Adapting-to-changes

Adapting-to-changes

Due to lack of water in the region, only two of four generators have been running at the Lower Salmon Falls Power-Plant for the past few years."

We're dictated by water," Jester said. We're a run-of-the-river power plant.

With freshly-painted light temon chiffion and pale avocado walls and machinery, the plant is reminiscent of a 1950s. School.

Indeed, some of the equipment predates the employees who oversee it.

Most of the major machinery has been around for 50 years, and Seeve Wood, an Idaho Power employee. "As long as you maintain them, they'll ast another 50 years."

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nal faults.
"These guys are good," Jester said of his fellow workers.

The inspected the panduit, a long plastic box that bundles wires together. "I told them I wasn't going to be able to do it his morning and they've done it."

Meanwhile, the technicians had moved on to another task.
"You might want to run your
rheostat and test it," said tech

nician John Bergh, "Did you call Boise?" Jester

"Did you call Boiser Jesus asked.
Generation dispatchers at the Boise headquarters have to be informed when equipmer tested so alarms don't rigger response.
Jester cased a dial marked

response. Jester eased a dial marked "Rheostar" a quarter turn to the right and eyed an indicator.

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"Everything I'm doing is faking stuff out." he said. "We do
that on a weekly basis to make
siture alarms are working!
Later in the day, Jester
donned work gloves and hiked
over rock piles near Cove Creek.
He peered down into the
water at gunk that had built up
over the past 24 hours on the
trash rack.

He lowered a weed hook intothe water and dragged up his
algal prize.

"You could get a big machine to do this but it wouldn't be-cost effective," he said.

He lowered the hook one more time and heaved a big, wet pile of green slop over his shoulder.

"One time we pulled a bull out," he said, grimacing.
"The coolest part of my job is that my days are always different," he said.

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Stewart sends holiday message

NEW YORK (AP) — Martha Stewart, in a Christmas message posted on her personal Web site. called Wednesday for sentencing reform and took a swipe at the "bad food" in prison.

Stewart, who is roughly halfway through a live-month sentence for lying about a stock-sale, urged fans to think about the women she has met in prison who are "devoid of family." She suggested Americans should push for-reforms in federal sentencing guidelines for nonviolent first-time offenders and particularly for drug of fenders, who she said would be better served by rehabilitation

than prison. Stewart, who built a billion Stewart, who built a billion-follar empire in homemaking, reported that her job at the fed-cral prison camp in Alderson,
W.V.a., has been cleaning-in-cluding sweeping vacuuming and raking leaves.

"I have had time to think, time to write, time to exercise, time to not eat the bad food, and time to walk and confem-plate the future," she said.







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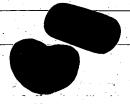
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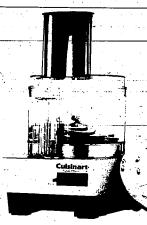


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Driver training works best before the costly accident

the snow, in a g ne - h or s e open sleigh may sound exciting for winter travel.

But if you re really seeking ibrills and chills on the holi-day route nothing here the

thrills and chills on the holi-day roads, nothing beats, the shopping rush on Blue Lakes, foulevard.

Twin Falls police appar-ently have decided that the NASCAR cir-cuit doesn' belong on Blue Lakes, Officers have, stepped up enforcement in recent weeks, in an driving skills Our view: More private insurance incentives would be thebest way to improve bad in recent weeks, in an effort to stop speeders and reckless drivdriving skills on busy Twin Falls streets. What do you think?

ers. In addition We welcome viewpoints to more pa-trols, city cops want the City from our readers on this and other issues Council to ap-prove_a_four-hour_drivers

prove a four-hour-driver's education class. Ticketed drivers would have the option of attending the \$50 class, or paying the \$53 citation. Cited drivers, however, would not see driving points reduced for attending. Heavier enforcement and drivers' education represent worthy attempts to put the brakes on bad driving. But the problem is both solutions come after drivers are caught speeding or are in-

tions come after drivers are caught speeding or are in-volved in an accident. To make that happen, pri-vate industry and state government should give drivers some incentives for correcting their bad habits, and re-learning safe driving skills.

skills.

A good model to follow would be the AARP's very successful "35 Alive" driver safety program. "55 Alive" involves trained instructors who discuss defensive driving estal. who discuss defensive driv-ing skills, sharp reactive

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skills, freeway driving and other pointers with drivers who hayen't been in driver's ed for decades.

Even though the class is specifically geared for drivers 51 and older. Itvin Falls instructor Charlie Siegel says younger drivers are common. The Idahlo Department of Transportation refers some drivers to the class when they are about to run out of driving points.

points. The defendriving instruction instruction goes. a long way in helping drivers correct their faulty skills. Perhaps best of all, attendance of "55 Alive" has its financial beautiful and the second statements of the second statements of the second statements beautiful and the second se financial benefits. Succe requires in-surance

-companies to give a dis-count to class participants 65 and older. Siegel says stu-dents even younger than that have earned similar in-

surance discounts.

Private industry would be wise to extend that benefit to more drivers who use these classes to correct bad driving

classes to correct oad driving behavior.
Today's drivers have learned every bad habit pos-sible, from cell phone use at the wheel to not using turn signals and even running red

signals and even running red lights.

If a driver volunteers for a flas before he or she gets in an accident or earns a ticket - why shouldn't it pay off with a few dollars off the monthly premium?

That small reward could go a long way in avoiding speeding tickets, accident costs and more speed patrols. And who knows, before long Blute Lakes - Bouldeard may become safe for the holidays.

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No excuse for failing the troops

Mearly two years ago.

An understood that it was an invasion on short notice and I was willing to accept the risk inherent in beginning combat operations without body armor inserts and in a Humvee with no doors that was left over from the Persian Gulf War.

It was, after all, a new war, and we went with what we had. But last month, our war-iors in Iraq invaded Fallujah, at times driving trucks and Humvees without upgraded armor kits.

We have been in this war for 20 months. We are the greatest, wealthlest mation on Earth. How can we deliver billions of dollars in swelfare to corporations, farmers and other groups and seek to make tax cuts for the wealthy permanent when our troops permanent when our troops need equipment and services

permanent winen our troops need equipment and services overseas?
What is American about putting the well-being of the wealthy over the well-being of the defenders of freedom? Have the people who once appeared to convince a majority of Americans that Saddam Hussein had a hand in the Spt. 11, 2001, attacks and that Iraq possessed weapons of mass destruction also convinced America that we can run a "war on the cheap" without seeing our troops suffer?
The violence and intensity of the combat is higher today than during the invasion, but -the-wounded-survive-in-exponentially higher numbers, requiring services for lost limbs and eyesight. This "low" killed-in-action statistic is

ANDREW M. BORENE

misleading Americans, but some politicians talk about the successes in fraq and an improving situation.

Young heroes display physical courage on the front lines in the global war on terror, yet even as our troops accomplish mission after harrowing mission, our politicians fail them. It's time to demand that our politicians stand up and showsome moral courage, as did Army Spc. Thomas Wilson in Kuwait before Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld. Supporting the troops means more than placing a yellow sticker on a vehicle's bumper. It also means buying up-armored Humvees and small arms protective vest inserts in body armor, offering the best training in the world and reducing excessive deployments of the Reserves and National Guard. These things cost money.

It will take a new genera-

Guard. These things cost money.
It will take a new generation of great Americans to turn around the devastation that the continued failures and excuses of this administration have caused. It will take Americans who aren't afraid of the truth, Americans who understand that sometimes success requires sacrifice, Americans who put thoughful decision-making before dogmatic political

mantras.

We have a lot of work to do before our troops, veterans and their families get what they deserve, and it has noth-

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politicians fail them.

ing to do with party politics. It's about taking care of those who take care of us. Young men and women are fighting for us as I write, but who is fighting for them? If every concerned American wrote the members of Congress who put tax cuts for the wealthy before troop welfare, demanding that our veterans and soldiers be given their due, perhaps we could make some headway honoring America's contract with its veterans.

weierans.

May our political leaders show their thanks and take responsibility for their decisions by taking care of those who protect us all.

Andrew Borene, an adviser to Operation Truth, a veterar to Operation Truth, a veterans organization, is president of the National Security and Lau-Society-at-the-University-of-Minnesota. He was an intelligence officer with the 1st Marine Division during the invasion of Iraq.

the whims and desires of those minor organizations and indi-viduals to the point we wonder what they will try to do next.

The time has come when we must make a stand and say

The time has come when we must make a stand and say enough is enough. I am very opposed to any further discussion about changing the Scout Oath, removing "In God We Trust" from our coins and bills and removing "under God" from the Piedge of Allegiance. I still take a great deal of pride in standing at attention with hand over heart while the National Anthem is being played, proud to rectie the Piedge of Allegiance as it is presently worded, and I bink we ought to sing "God Biess America" to the top of our lungs.

Let's all go forth and elder de the promotion of the properties of the provided of the standard of the control of the standard of

City zoning enforcement went too far

A limit two years go, my wife and I were looking at a small business at 1105 Kimberly Road.

The people who work for the city were all smiles and encouragement. They waited until after we were legally bound to purchase the property before take out 10 feet of our parking to all the way around for land-scaping. That's 1,300 square feet that would have reduced access and parking to almost nothing, making it impossible to make a living out of this location. It would have devalued the property so much we would the we foult or sell it. the property so much we wouldn't be able to sell it.

READER COMMENT **Ken Stevens**

We asked for a hardship to keep our parking lot. Planning and Zoning said no. They gave us a temporary certificate of occupancy and forred us to sign a commitment to do the landscaping. That gave us a year to landscape. A year later, we still didn't have the money to landscape. The clty gave us a deadline to have the landscap-ing done by Nov. 1, 2004, or i would take away our business permit.

permit.

I made an appointment with
the city manager to see what I.
Tould do. He said to write Planning and Zoning and ask foranother extension, but it didnt
look good. I asked for and received a copy of the ordinance
that applies. It's No. 2323, approved Oct. IS, 1990, Code
Section 10-7-12. As I was writing the letter, I read and retead the ordinance, and I found the
following

ing the letter, I reat and re-reache ordinance, and I found the following:

"A landscaped strip of at least 10 feet in width shall be provided immediately behind the sidewalk or future sidewalk when existing buildings are being remodeled."

P&Z knew we weren't remodeling and yet it was going to take our permits because we couldn't afford to landscape.

I went back to the city manager and gave him the letter!

I went back to the city manager and gave him the letter! wrote asking P&Z for an extension. I had him get out his ordinance book and open it to display the side of the land of the land open it to the city attorney and get lack to me.

Less than two days later, the permeasure called and said

laced and sau he was going to lack of the city attorney and get back to me.

Less than two days later, the P&Z assistant called and said my certificate of occupancy had been issued and was in the mail and that I was going to receive a letter from the city. The certificate arrived Nov. 29.1 couldn't believe it er from P&Z. It said. "We appologize for any inconvenience this may have caused."

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The inconvenience this may have caused. "Could be the country of the period of the p

Kenneth D. Stevens is the owner of Magic Valley Polycoat-ing on Kimberly Road.

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its effective! Let's make sure that every veteran in this great state gets the medical care they deserve. They gave their best, now let's give them ours! JOE MORAN

Christmas traditions lose their spiritual touch

2004 Christmas reflections esus is or was the reason for

Joseph Christman Friedcions, Joseph Christman Friedcions, In 1944 through 1950, I remember the Christmas plays and songs in December at Washington Grade School on the corner of Bilee Lakes and Addison in Twin Falls depicting the birth of the promised one, lesus Christ the savior.

I remember the daily Bible reading at Washington School and O'Leary Junior High in Twin Falls, I remember the lower and passion of my eighthight out saviors birth.

I remember being taught in history the Pigirins came to America for freedom of religion and our founding fathers tearly

political leaders) often referred to God and sought his guid-ance and blessing for our

nation.
Moses holding the Ten Com-mandments is engraved on the mandments is engraved on the front of the Supreme Court building. The Ten Commandments are engraved on the two-big oak entrance doors to the Supreme Court courtroom. The Ten Commandments are displayed above where the Judges sit.

I have Madison, known as the Father of our Constitution, stated. Whe have asked the whole of all our political institutions upon the capacity of manking for the self-government, upon the capacity of eight and all of us to govern ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God."

Patrick Henry said, "It cannot be emphasized too strongly on-

Patrick Henry said, "It canno he emphasized too strongly or, too often that this great nation was founded not by religionists but by Christians, not on reli-gions but on the gospel of Jesus Christ, Since 1777, every ses-sion of Congress has begun with prayer. The first Supreme Court Jus-tice, John Jay, said: Americans

should select and prefer Chris-tians as their rulers.

The Bible says, "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord." That reference is to God the creator who sent his son, sus Christ, to be the sa

Jesus Christ, to be the savior of all that would accept his plan of eternal life. God's promises are to all that will honor him as Lord and Savior. Merry Christmas. CARTER KILLINGER Twin Falls

America's religious past can't be ignored

Just vanted to say "amen" to Dr. Hagerman's letter the first of the week and add a few comments of my own. No, the time has not come and I hope it never will when we take Christ out of the holiday, greeting. Merry. Christmas. Our founding fathers have probably already turned over in their graves because of what we have already allowed to happen to this great Christian nation. What we have alloyed in our schools and other public places is shameful. We have yielded to

Vets must band together for medical care answers I would like to bring to the attention of every Idaho veter- an a problem that none of us should have to be dealing with-live purposeful denial of basic, much-needed medical care for hundreds of veterans hy the Boise Veterans Administration Medical Center. I have been denied basic and emergency medical care while dealing with intimidation from the Boise Veterans Administration Medical Center personnel - a problem I never encountered in any other Veterans Administration facility in the United States. I've talked to many other area veterans who have dealt with the same outrage but have too many medical problems or are too intimidated to challenge it. Well, I flave to suggestion to every veteran in Idaho, Every one of you who has dealt with similar problems to the above can join together to try to resolve them by calling Sens. Craig and Crapo or Reps. Simpson and Otter at (800) 839-5276. It's free, it's easy, and Doonesbury













National pastime will redeem capital

Tradivative time that President Bush holds one of his rare full-length news conferences, that's the top news event of the day. But on Monday Bush's answers on Iraq, Social Security and other-topics were overshad-owed by the 12-minute "samunit" inteeting between D.C. Mayor Anthony Williams and Caly Council Chalrman Linda Cropp. Their topic was the future of major league baseball in the nation's capital. And my purpose is to explain to you why this is a matter of national import, not just of parechial interest.

Many theories have been of-

port, not just or paracominate each of the interest.

Many theories have been of-fered about the causes of the increasingly bitter partiannship that has infected Washington, D.C. Things have reached such a sorry state that Bob Novak, the most garrulous of TV quarrelers, has advocated simply nuzzling the Senate Democrash by strippling them of the rats by stripping them of the right to filibuster judicial nomi-

nees.
When a born contrarian like
Novak says the dissonance in
the Capitol building has become so screechy even he can't
stand it, you know things have
bit bettom.

Status as Joseph Mistorians and political scientists is the fact than political conditions in Washington began to decline in 1971, the year the baseball Senators decamped for Texas and became the Rangers.

After a hard day in the Senate man political scientists with the Senate than the Statistical washington's nierves. After a hard day in the Senate has formed the political scientists. After a hard day in the Senate in the foreign and pull detailed scientists. After a hard day in the Senate in the foreign and pull detailed scientists. After a hard day in the Senate in the foreign and political scientists. After a hard day in the Senate in the foreign and political scientists. After a hard day in the Senate in the foreign and the stuffing out of the budget, the same token, disgruntled bureaucrats, bloody from fighting to save their por programs from the fiscal surgeons in the Bureau of the Budget, could sit in the stands and enloy the sight of Camillo Pascual baffling the Yankees with his curveball.

That tonic has been missing from Washington In the Senate is the sight of Camillo Pascual baffling the Yankees with his curveball.

That tonic has been missing from Washington In the way until and worse enaity years, and look at the mess we are in. The city and its resident politicians now fixate on the football Redskin, who play only eight home games a year – and in one of the ugliest stadiums ever constructed, with no certainty except that the traffic will be maddening on the way in and worse on the way out. And you wonder why the atmosphere is poisoned by unger and frustration.

Our dear friends, the Camadians, saw our suffering and graciously agreed a few months ago to send us the Montreal Expos. The news that they would open the season at RFK stadium as the Washington Nationals and then move in a few years to a brand-new ballpark on the Anacostia River, even closer to the Capitol, was greet of incur

scotch the deal for the new sta-dium, unless half the money was raised privately. And base-ball said: No deal. Opinion in Washington was badly divided on what should happen, Pulitzer Prize-winning Post columnist Colbert I. King.

Day of giving Maybe it means more than presents. Saturday in

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seconded by the sports pages' Sally Jenkins, cheehed Cropp and the other City Council op-ponents for standing up to baseball and telling off "the suburbs, where most of the baseball fans make their bone." The caually estimable oaseball fans make their home." The equally estimable Post sports columnist. Thomas Boswell, pointed out that those suburbanites will pour money into the city coffers when they come to the games and spark the economic revival of what is now a blighted section of the District.

District.

In the end, the mayor, the council chairman and baseball executives agreed on a compromise, apparently saving the Washington franchise. The resolution is greatly in the nation's interest.

Washington franchise. The resolution is greatly in the nation's interest.

Baschall is the sovereign remedy for what ails our government. It teaches respect for the rules - especially since the Expos/National Leaguers, playing a game uncontaminated by the abomination known as the designated-hiter rule. Furthermore, baschall is a slow game. A single contest lasts three hours; a season, six months. It focisies your mind on long-term goals: the playoffs, the Sories It accustoms you to errors: it cushions the pain of losses. It provides heartwarming comebacks, it eaches patience. (Especially to

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playing a game uncontaminated by the abomination known as the designated-hitter

rule.

those of us who have been Cubs fans.) All these lessons apply directly to politics. Fust think what it will mean when Republican Tom DeLay and Democrat Nancy Pelois walk off the House Boor after another marsthon roll call, where Republicans have squeezed out the narrowest of wins. Instead of sulking and secteming revenge, she turns to him and says. Tiey, Tom. let's go to the ball game. I ve got good seats and we can still see skt Innings? good seats and six innings!" That way lies salvation.

David Broder's e-mail address

LETTER Hansen Christmas lights

deserve fanfare

so more people know about it. I definitely suggest that Idaho Power would make the pay-ments of those people's power bill or at least a good portion of deserve fannare
We recently went to see the
beautiful lights displayed about
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astonished at the beauty,
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Parachute system keeps planes from crashing

WASHINGTON (AP) Canadi an rancher Albert Kolk's small plane banked mecontrollably in darkness over the Monishee mountains, then began spiraling toward earth. "Seat belist" he barked to his teertage gambon and two young friends. Hen he reached for a red lever in the york-pit.

ph. Suddenly, an orange-and-white purachute, as big as a house-opened above the plane and gently landed his stricken afteralt in a

rocky clearing.

If the maker of the parachute that saved kolks life this past spring succeeds, one day commer

cal ane aff like regional communer jets may have similar salety sys-tems. First, though, there's the colleges of creating a parachim-iobust enough to rescue bigger. Sweight and speed ag always the challenge, acknowledged Robert Nelson, charmann of Balli-solid about 500 of liss 50,000 pan-citude systems diasecan for me by small private planes and pilots like kolk.

small private planes accession.

The company's most advanced parachute right now can accommodate nearly 1,000 pounds, While small planes canyveight up to

2,000 pounds and cruise about 175 miles per hour, regional jets weigh 80,000 pounds and fly at more than 600 miles per hour. That's why Ballistic Recovery Systems is working with NASA—which gave it \$670,000 for research to design a new generation of emergency parachutes that would work on small jets and could be steered by pilots as they drift to the ground.

Kolk, who was piloting his private plane April 8 from Seattle, to his ranch in British Columbia, remembered reaching for the parachute hapdle as his plane, slipped Into a dangerous flat spin.

over the mountains in British Columbia, "like how a dog chases is tail." A seasoned pilot, Kolk said he had never experienced such a disaster in over a decade of private flying.

"Enew I was in trouble, I couldn't straighten out." Kolk said. "When that cluite opened, it was neaccful, wonderful feeding." Kolk's experience is one of four cases where parachtue-equippied planes landed safely hencuch a canopy since U.S. regulators approved the system six years ago. Ballistic Recovery Systems, Saes and in St. Paul. Minn., says eight lives were saved in those four incidents.



in this un-dated photo, an emergency narachute system is de-ployed on a small private plane

Forest

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Forms and S.5. million to reviee.
Under the new rule forces plan resistons could be completed within
two to three years officials said.
Idaho's two Republicant U.S.
senators. Larry Cadig and Mike
Crapto, welcomed the Bush administration's initiative. Crapto,
who serves as chairman of a
Forestry, Conservation and Rural
Revitalization subcommittee, befleves the plan will aflow for
reflective public participation
while still utilizing the best available science.

while still utilizing the best avail-able science. The revision of the planning regulation is both overdue and much-needed. Crapo said. Tap-pland the Forest Service for developing a rule that will allow the on-the-ground experts to manage the resources more effec-tively.

Graig challenged environmentalists to give the change a chance and toniced the plan is coming into the 21st century."

This new forest planning rule is so wastly superior to the one produced in the waning days of the Clinton administration that even the environmental groups will have to admit its merit. If they will just take the time to read it. Craig sample of the control of t



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Section B

MORNING LINE SPORTSQUOTE

Tice looked as though he was aging faster than your average opposition candidate in the .. Ukraine.

- Patrick Reusse of the Minneapolis Star Tribune, on Minnesota Vikings coach Mike Tice, ikings coach Mike Tice, who appeared to be in agony during the final seconds of the Vikings' 28-27 victory over the Detroit Lions Sunday.

TRIVÍA OUESTION:

Name the Kansas City Chiefs' defensive front four from Super Bowl IV.

.... answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE HS-Girls-Basketball

Madison at Minico, 6 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Jerome Rec District holds open gym

JEROME - The Jerome Recreation District will have an open gym for basketball on Monday, Dec. 27 through Thursday, Dec.

30. Please call (208) 324-3389 for more information.

Radio Rondevoo holds signups

holds signups

TWIN FALLS — The Radio and an advantage of the Radio League is currently putting to gether teams for girls in grades 5 and 6. Registration ends on Dec. 27 for the upcoming season, which extends from fan. 11-Feb. 17, with games held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Game times will be 4:30-5:30 p.m., 5:45-6:45 p.m. and 7-8 p.m. Practices will be held 30 minutes prior to each game. Matches will be three games to 25 points or 25 minutes. A fournament-will-be held-during the final week.

The registration fee is \$25 which includes a shirt. Checks are to be made payable to Radio Rondevoo.

For more information, call (2008) 733-2911.

MVTA announces tournament winners

TWIN FALLS - The Magic Valley Tennis Association recently announced the winners of its mixed doubles tournament held in November. Winners are as follows:

5.5 division - 1. Lavon Khachrian/Donna Stalley; 2. Valdon llancock/Becky Lassen. 6.5 division - 1. Liavon fisher bruchen; 2. Mind of fisher bruchen; 2. Mind of fisher bruchen; 2. Mind of fisher bruchen; 2. Susan Roy/Iohn Smith. 8.5 division - 1. Sylvia Jensen/Chris Pollow; 2. Linda Coates/Randy Winstell.

CSI offers baseball camp Dec. 27-29

TWIN FALLS - The College of Southern Idaho will be holding its 22nd annual Southern Idaho Basehall Camp, Dec. 27-29. The camp will be held inside the Eldon Evans Expo Center on cannus.

campus.

The camp offers instruction in the following fundamentals: hitting, pitching, fielding, catching, infeldiod, instructors include major league players, professional scouts, college coaches and CSI staff and players. For an application or more information, call Skip Walker at 732-6650.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

The defensive ends were Jerry Mays and Aaron Brown; the defensive tuckles were-Buck Buchanan and Curley Culp.

Twin Falls tames Tigers

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - Better late

TWIN FALIS. – Better late than never.
Twin Falls Bruins senior guard Mike Smith waited until the fourth quarter of Wednesday-Region four-Five-Six boys basketball against the visting feather Falls Tigers to leave his mark. But when he finally did. Smith left a packed Baun Gynnasium rocking. Smith scored all of his seven points in the fourth quarter, tallied three of his four key steals and dished out two final-frame assists to help the 9-0 Bruins to a 61-53 win.

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"I really didn't shoot much." smith said. "We were supposed to press the whole game, but we really weren't in the first half. We talked about it at half-time, how we might as well go as hard as we can for 16 minutes since we have the break coming up."

The Bruins found themselves, trailing 43-40 after three periods and a Tony Carmack circus-style flip that found the bottom of the net Just before the third quarter buzzer sound-ed. Middway through the fourth quarter. Brundon Stokes went to the hoop strong and got a lay-up to drop in despite taking one of many hard fouls he received on the night. Stokes sank the ensuing free throw to the the game at 45.

It was then that Smith took action.

Smith buried a three-pointer

game at 45.

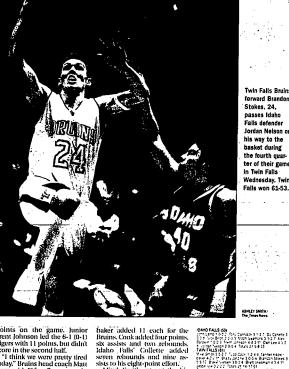
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Smith buried a three-pointer to give the Bruins a 48-45 lead. Ite then stole the ball from the advancing Tigers offense on the next play, but couldn't connect with junior post Brady Jardine on an alley-oop attempt. The Tigers got the rebound, but fardine quickly swiped the ball and dished it off to Smith, who laid in his final bucket of the game to give the Bruins a 50-45 lead with 450 remaining in the contest.

"Tim excited for the break," Smith said, "I was exhausted today, I couldn't get open worth anything in the first half."

Smith, Todd Cook and Timner Hazelbaker made life miserable for sharp-shooting Tigers guard D.I. Collette, holding the senior to only eight



points on the game. Junior Trent Johnson led the 6-1 (0-1) Tigers with 11 points, but didn's core in the second half.

"I think we were pretty fred today," Bruins head coach Matt Harr said. "After five games in eight days, it's tough to play like we'd want. I'm probably the first 9-0 coach you're going to hear say is glad to see the break is here.

Stokes came off the bench to lead all scorers with 12 points while Brett Vriesman and Hazel-

baker added 11 each for the Bruins, Cook added four points, stassists and two, rebounds, it also 'Falls' Collette added seven rebounds and nine as-sists to his eight-point effort. Mitch Smith sat out the his second game of a four-game suspension for violating Bruins team rules. Twin Falls travels to Pocatello lan 5.

Twin Falls 61, Idaho Falls 53

Filer finds groove in win over .lerome

By John Derr Times-News writer

Twin Falls Bruins

Stokes, 24, passes Idaho Falls defender Jordan Nelson on his way to the basket during

the fourth qua-

ter of their game

Wednesday, Twin Falls won 61-53.

HEROME - It took Filer 29 minutes to get things going the way it wanted to.
Filer broke open a close game in the final three minutes to earn a season was a season when the season was to earn a season was season when the season was season was a season w

game in the final three minutes to earn a season sweep over the lerome Figers with a 51-41 girk nonconference basketball victory Wednesday night. "We didn't come ont like we usually do. We needled to find our game." said Filers Lindsay Heinkes, who led all scorers with 20 points. "It took us a bit, but we found it and took it to them."

them."

Filer (10-1) easily won the first matchup between the two teams, which started the Wildcats current ten-game win streak.

cats current ten-game win streak. Wethoesday's game would be a close until the end. Things-snayed close early in the fourth. Filer tried to break away as Heimkes bit a short jumper in the path in the 37-34 Wilden. Acad: Lindzie Kulin then stepped up for the Tigers, natling a three-pointer for the the with the minutes left. Kulin added a long jumper and the light of the step of the three short of the the step of the step of

ree throw put the Wildeats up by two.

"They took me out of the game, but I knew I had to step up. I didn't want to lose this game, 'said Mecham, who lin-ished with 13 points. Lindsay Williams hit a pair of free throws and the teams were still tied at 41-all with three minutes left. The Tigers would be shut out for the rest of the game, Mecham added another long jumper and Heimkes con-verted another putback and two free throws to give Filer the 47-41 lead with two minutes left.

left. Jerome misséd several op-Please see FILER, Page B2

Eagles lead Pro Bowl roster

NEW YORK - Donovan McN-abb and Terrell Owen abb and Terrell Owens were among nine Philadelphia Eagles voted to the Pro Bowl, the most representatives for a team since

representatives for a team since 1998.

The Eagles, who already clinched home-field advantage for the NFC playoffs with a 13-1 record, easily had the most 19-1 record, easily had the receiver Owens, who had ankle surgery Wednesday John Michael Levis Charles and sout of the resular season and perhaps the playoffs were tackle Tra Thomas, linebacker Jeromiah Trotter, placekticker paud Akees, special teamer like Reese, and three of four secondary starters: corner-back Lito Sheppard and safeties with the surgest of the starter of the surgest of the

"You just try to encourage all the guys," McNabb said. "It's good to see that Lito, Mike and lke have made it and get an op-

portunity to get over there and ger a good feel of All-Star play and to say that they've been a Pro Bowler. It says a lot for this organization, it says a lot for those players and it says a lot for this team."

oliganization. It says a lot for thisterial through the leagues other through the leagues other 13-1 team, and the next-mest-lections in balloting by players, coaches and fans. The Steelers had she linebackers Joey Porter and James Farrior, safety Troy Polamalu, center Jeff Hartings, guard Alan Fancea and wide receiver Hines Ward. That led the AFC, ahead of Baltimore and Kansas City with five each, while Indianapolis and New Englandhad four apiece.

Green Bay, Atlanta and Dallas had four each in the NFC for the game in Honolulu on Feb. 13.

For only the third time, a set of Tampa Bay and running back Tikl Barber of the Glants were selected—the first twins to make it. Peyfon Manning set a recont in the fan voling and was a runiawy choice for AFC.

quarterback, along with the Pa-triots Tom Brady and the Chargers Drew Bress. The other Colts on the AFC toster were wide receiver Marvin Harrison, running back Rigerrin James and defensive end Dwight Freency, the league's sacks leader with 15.

Freeney, the league's sacks leader with 15.

Thy, consistent Pro Bowlers, with 15.

Thy, consistent Pro Bowlers, Wikings wideout Randy Moss and Beans linebacker Brian Urlacher did not make it, mostly because of injuries.

Cartis Martin, the league's leading rusher with 1.511 yards, was one of three lets chosen, joining defensive end John Abraham, and center. Kewin Alawaa-Martin is having one of the best seasons of a 10-year career in which he has rushed for at least 1.000 yards each time.

The other AFC running back was San Diegos't aDainian Tomlinson. The, NFC runners were Shuan Alexander of Seattle and Alman Green of Green Bay.

Folining McNatho as NFC quarterbacks were Michael Vick of Aliana and Daumte Calpepper of Minnesota.

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Even without use of AP poll, BCS is staying put

By Raiph D. Russo Associated Press write

Championship Series, goes from here remains to be seen—but it's definitely not going away.

"We're not heading toward a playoff," Big East commissioner Mike Transplaces said.

The Associated Press has told the BCS to stop using its poll to determine which teams play for a national title.

The BCS appears to be be a form to move on which teams.

a national title.

The BCS appears to be willing to move on without the AP pale to move on without the AP pale confination and Big 12 commissioner. Kevin Wetherg has said the BCS topes to have a new formula ready by April.

So for the second saright season and the fifth time since the system was implemented in 1998, the BCS will be change the

way it computes its standings. "I wasn't surprised by the AP's decision," Transphese said. "I don't think it's a negative issue, were just going to have to put our heads together and come up with an alternative way of picking the teams for the 1-2 game."

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This season, the BCS stream-tined its formula and put heavy emphasis on the AP and ESPA/USA Today coaches poll. The goal was to make it more likely that Nos. I and 2 in the polls played in the national title game, unlike last season when Southern California was a consensus No. 1 but left out of the BCS champlonship.

Without the AP poll, the BCS current formular is left with the coaches poll and six Please see POLL, Page B2

Latest game of the century is one-sided

The Shaq-Kobe split is a good example of why no-find divorces caught on so quickly. They were never going to stay together, no matter how good the winning was. At some point, the stay of the stay of



not something that I have time to think about, because I'm not that type of player."

But given a moment to think about it, he couldn't resist adding: But of course, when you've got a Corvette that runs into a brick wall, you know what's going to happen.

O'Neal was smilling slyly when he said it, but that little cautionary tale works at several levels. First, it puts Bryant on notice that business is just that business = and that anyone-cleavels, rifect to drive-the-lane-would get the same.

Not surprising, it also fixes

Not surprising, it also fixes the differences between the two

in terms most favorable to Shaq, It says one of them is fast and flashy – that would the the same guy O'Neal nicknamed "Showboat" not long after they started playing together – and the other is solid; that one is high-maintenance "and—the other is solid; that one is high-maintenance "and—the other decidely low-tech. For those fans who still haven't chosen sides since the breakup, it's an invitation to do just that. And why nor? As he reminded the nation during the interview that run at halfilme of "Monday Night Football." O'Neal has the upper hand on the court at the moment, too. "I got somebody, that other guy, who's just as tehal. "Sha who's just as lethal." Sha court at the moment too. "I got somebody that other guy, who's just as lethal." Sha court and budding superstar Doyane Was.

"He's a little bit younger, he's sol-a-lot-of-tools-and-a-lot-of-do-but he's just as lethal. It's my job to make him lethal-er, it's my.

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Indiana Pacers fans hold signs about suspended players Ron Artest and Jermalne O'Noel as the Pacers played the Philadelphia Téers in Indianapolis, Wadnesday, The Pacers have a rematch with the Detroit Pistons on Christmas day, the first time the teams will meet since

76ers rally past Pacers Trail Blazers 104,

Bucks 95

Bucks 95

MIJWAUKEE - Nick Van Exel had season highs with 26 points and six 3-pointers, and Zach Randolph added 22 points to lift the Portland Trail Blazers to a victory over the reeling Milwaukee Bucks.

Derek Anderson and Darius Miles each had 14 points for Portland, which went 3-3 on its six game, nine-day road trip, Milke James scored a season-high 22 points and Desmond Mason added 16 and Joe Smith 14 for the Bucks.

Bulls 89, Pistons 82

AUBUIN 111LS, Mich. - Ben Gordon scored 19 points and fellow reserve 1/9son Chandler had 13 points and 11 rebounds as the Chicago won its fifth straight game. The Bulls hadn't won five In a row since Michael Jordan led

them on a 14-game run during the 1997-98 championship sea-

the 1997-98 championship sea-son.
Channecy Billups scored 32 points for Detroit, and Ben Wal-lace had 12 points, 15 rehounds and six blocks despite a spraimed ankle.

Spurs.

Tony Battie had 11 rebounds, and bis defense on Tim Duncan kept the two-time MVP-from being a factor down the stretch. Duncan led the Spurs with 24 points, but didn't score after a free throw with 5:58 remaining.

Celtics 114, Knicks 109

BOSTON - Mark Blount-scored-22-points-Paul-Pierce-added 21 and Kendrick Perkins had a career-high 13 rebounds for the Celties.
Nazr Mohammed had 22 points and 18 rebounds, and Jamal Crawford scored 25 for New York, which blew a 14-point first-quarter lead and lost to the Celties for the 11th time in 14 terms.

point first-qu to the Celtic in 14 games.

Mavericks 100 ATIANTA - Antoine Walker scored 25 points, and the Hawks snapped a five-game losing streak.

Magic 93, Spurs 87 ORIANDO, Fla. – Steve Fran-cis scored 29 points to lead Orlando over San Antonio, breaking the Magic's seven-game losing streak against the Source

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - Alten Iverson got exactly what he wanted Wednesday night, and it wasn't a third straight 50-point game. Iverson scored 40 points.

game. Iverson scored 40 points, ending his streak of 50-point games at two. More importantly, he led the Philadelphia 76ers to a 102-90 win over the Indiana Parones.

a 102-50 with teers in that "I'm glad it didn't take that," erson said, "I hope it was there

Pacers.

"I'm glad it didn't take that," lverson said. "I hope it was there if we needed it."

The Pacers led by five with just over six minutes to play, but Phila del phia closed the game with a 19-2 runhelped by two technical fours. I helped by two technical fours. This was a second for a

Nets 92, Cavallers 90

Nets 92, Cavaliers 90

BAST RUTHEBUORD, N.J.
New Jerseys Richard Jefferson
capped 'the highest-scoring
right of his career with arralleyoop layup off and inbounds
pass with 18.8 seconds left.
Jefferson scored 42 points
three above his former career
ligh. The final two came when
he rolled free of defender Lebron James and caught labari
Smithis lob pass.
James had 23 points, nine rebounds and nine assists.

Raptors 98, Jazz 86

TORONTO - Donyell Mar-shall scored 12 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, and Chris Bosh added 18 points for Toron-

to, 2-2 since trading Vince Carter to New Jersey last week. Carlos Boozer had 29 points and 10 rebounds for Utah, which went 1-4 on its road trip.

Poll

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computer rankings.

The BCS could just stick with those two and change the weighting system. Or it could add more computers. Or maybe it could even revive the strength of schedule component, which was eliminated because it was deemed redundant.

"We certainly have other op-

was eliminated because it was deemed redundant.

"We certainly have other options on how to select and rank the teams," Pac-10 commissioner fom Hansen said.

The BCS already was looking at the possibility of a selection committee picking the teams for the chairplonship game, taking a page from the NCAA baskethal tournaments.

But a committee probably wouldn't be the best way to fill the two at-large spots. And starting with the 2006 season, the number of at-large exams is destined to gu in as the BCS expands to five games to allow greater access to teams from outside the sky conferences wall inow have automate carry." Adding the fifth game is

"Adding the fifth game Is going to give us less pressure, Hansen said. "One of the prob Hansen said, "One of the prob-lems has been good teams being left out. With one more game, that's less likely to hap-

losing streak.
Al Harrington added 17
points Atlanta, which got 16
from Josh Childress and 14
from Josh Smith,

The original BCS formula was comprised of an average of the two human polls, an average of three computer rankings, total losses and strength of schedule. Since then the computers rankings have changed in number and name and other clements have come and gone. The polls have been a constant of the computer of the concept of the computer of the concept came up to have two teams play for a national championship it fit with the coaches' desires. We have the BCS, which is far from perfect, but it has provided by and large, what the coaches want. The AP's move is not without precedent.

The New York Times pulled its computer rankings out of the BCS this year because the newspaper fell it was a conflict of interest.

newspaper felt it was a conflict of interest. The AP said in a statement that the BCS's unauthorized use. of its poll has "harmed AP's rep-utation and interfered with AP's agreements with AP poll vot-ers,"

Blackfoot pins Minico, 40-21

RUPERT - The Minico wrestling team couldn't maintain the momentum from a strong performance at this past weekend's Bear-Cat. Joshig to Blackfoot 40-21 Wednesday night in Rupert.
Blackfoot dominated the lower weight classes, winning six of the seven matches between 103 and 140 pounds.
"We didn't wrestle well conight." Minico coach left congent." Minico coach left conpersaid: "We'should've won more than we' did. They just wrestled better than we' did.
One bighlight for Minico 15-4 RUPERT - The Minico

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overall) came at 171 pounds where Wes Cooper pinned Alex Owen, runked No. 2 in the state, in 2:55. Kurt Anderson, who moved up one weight class for his match, earned an 8-2 decision over Eric Spoddard at 145

pounds.

Minico travels to Wood River on Jan. 5.

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Boys Basketball

Jerome 45, Burley 44 BURLEY - Jerome's Brett Boe-siger hit a shot with one second romaining to lift Jerome to a 45-

remaining to lift Jerome to a 45-44 Great Basin Conference win over host Burley.

Chance Craig scored 11 points and Boesiger 10 to pace Lerome, which shot better than 50 percent from the field. 3 overall, 0-1 conference) with 21 points, but missed all three of

21 points, but missed at three of his free throw attempts. As a team, the Bobeats shot just 5-of-12 from the free throw line. Burley travels to the Delta Center in Salt Lake City on Monday to face Jordan, Utah.

Jerome 45, Burley 44

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Explosive Bowling Green dumps Memphis, 52-35

MOBILE, Ala. – Omar Jacobs passed for 365 yards and five touchdowns, leading Bowling Green to a \$2.35 victory over Memphis Wednesday night in the GMAC Bowl.

The Falcons (9-3) turned a shootout into a blowout after leading \$2.52 at halftime to win their fourth consecutive bowl game.

Jacobs got them started with four first-half touchdown pass-es - two apiece to Charles lacobs got them started with four first-half touchdown passes – two apiece to Charles Sharon and Steve Sanders – and PJ. Pope helped carry them the rest of the way.

Pope ran 28 times for 151 yards, and a pail; of 1-yard touchdowns, also scoring on a 13-yard reception for the only score of the third quarter.

The Tigers (8-4), playing in back-to-back bowl games for the first time, couldn't keep up with the nation's No. 4 offense, which totaled 58 total yards.

Memphis star DeAngelo.

with the nations No. 4 offense, which totaled 559 total yards. Memphis_star_DeAngelo. Williams rushed for 120 yards on 18 carries before limping to the locker room at the end of the third quarter with a fractured right fibula. Danny Wimprine nearly matched lacobs' performance, going 26-of-39 for 324 yards and four touchdowns but passing for just 11 yards: in the third quarter and losing a fumble. Iacobs, whose 41 touchdown passes led the nation and set a Mid-Annerican Conference record, completed 26 of 44 passes with an interception ons. A halftime, the teams seemed poised to take aim at the 2001 (ToMAC Bowl, the highest scoring bowl game in historia for Marshall and East Carolina.



Bowling Green running back P.J. Pope, left, runs past the Memphis defense during the first quarter in the GMAC Bowl, Wednesday, in Mobile, Ala.

GMAC Bowl, Wednesday, in Mobile

The offenses stopped themselves early in the third quarter.
Jacobs threw only his fourth interception of the season to give
the Tigers the ball at Bowling
Greens 41.

Memphis tried to go for it on
fourth down but was twice penalized for having 12 men on
the field.

Bowling Green made it 42-28
on the ensuing possession with
Pope slipping underneath for a
13-yard touchdown catch on
third-and-7
The Tigers then squandered
another trip across midfield
when a scrambling Wimprine
fumbled the ball and Bowling
Green's Mike Thaler recovered
31 yards behind the line of

scrimmage to set up a field goal.
Even the weather worked in
the offenses' favor, however,
with driving rainstorm subsititing a few minutes before kickoff
to clear the way for Jacobs and
Wimprine to go to work.
They took full advantage, Jacobs — capped his

They took full advantage. Jacobs capped his four-touchdown half with a 17-yarder to Sanders, who reached over defensive back Cameron Essex in the end zone with 37 seconds left.

Wimprine was nearly as good, throwing for a 42-yard score to tight end John Doucette, a 60-yarder to Chris Kelley and a 39-yarder to Martice Avery on a screen pass.
Williams momentarily stopped

New England Patriots'

Tom Brady looks for an open receiv-er against the Balti-

In this Dec.

Foxboro,

the aerial show with a 31-yard scoring run down the sideline. Sanders had seven earthers for 12-yards and Sharon gained 117 yards on five catches. Not surprisingly, it was a night for offensive records. Jacobs set the MAC record with his 41st overall touchdown rushing or passing in the first quarter, adding four more. He also Joined Ben Roethlisberger and Byron Leftwich as the leagues. only 4,000-yard passers.

passers.
The Falcons also set the MAC record for scoring average in a

eson. Wimprine, meanwhile, went ver 10,000 career passing

Patriots QB hopes to learn from bad decision

ociated Press writer

FOXBORO. Mass. - Tom Brady flashed his customary smile as he talked about the bad decision that led to one of the worst passes of his NFL ca-

Ilis cheerful mood was back Wednesday, but he's very serious about avoiding such a costly mistake as that interception as he was hit Monday night that led to Miami's winning touchdown in a 29-28 upset of the Patriots.

"Playing quarterback for as long as I have. I've made plenty of had decisions." Brady said.
"We'll add that to the list and then move on and then, hopefully, there are better decisions to be made."

Ile's won two Super Bowl er. His cheerful mood was back

fully, there are better decisions to be made:

Ite's won two Super Bowl MVP awards, He's known for his poise and Intelligence. And he usually makes plays that win games, not lose them.

Is every play perfect? No, coach Bill Belichlick said Wednesday. But I'm glad he's our quarterback. There Isn't anybody less I'd rather haw. Brady wasted no time trying to bounce back from his terrible decision. He was at Gillette Stadium early Tuesday morning studying his performance. On Wednesday, he returned to practice for Sunday's road

game against the New York Jets, a much tougher opponent than

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matched his career high of four interceptions. He also struggled in his first game of the season against Miami, going 7-for-19 for 76 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. But the Patriots won that 24-10. Despite those games, he's seventh in the AFC in passer rating, and has -24-touchdown-passes.

passes.

For most of his career, Brady has been an excellent decision-maker, a major reason the Patriots are 46-14 when he starts.

"We've seen him bounce back fime and time again," wide receiver David Patten said. "He's the guy that we trust and believe in. Idon't see us losing that this week."

In the Pattion's 'previous six games, all wins, Brady threw for reight touchdowns and had only two interceptions. That's one reason Monday's collapse was so surprising.

"You can't practice some of the things that happen, You have to really make sure that when those situations do come have to really make sure that when those situations do come up, you have to make the right decision." he said. "That's one of the great things about playing that the latter than the property of the great things about playing that the came that the said of the great up, you have to make the right decision." he said. That's one of the great up and the ream trusts you with that bail." he added, over if other players make mistakes as a play develops. "When hose come up, you have to say. OK as quick as a decision as you can make, you have to make it what's best for the team."

His teammates stood solidly behind belief with Werbursday.

His teammates stood solidly behind him Wednesday. Brady still tried to complete the pass even though defensive and Jason Thylor was wrapping. end Jason Taylor was verapping-him up for a sack, which Brady said he should have taken. That would have enabled the Patri-ots to punt and given the Dolphins more ground to cover to win the game.

Filer.

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portunities and was forced to
foul. Kendra Koyle and Lacy
Miller each hit free throws for
the final 10-point advantage.
Filer coach joel Bates said his
team needed a game like this
"We put some stuff in and
were finally able to get things
working in the final quarter."
Bates-said "They-(Jeromo)-have
improved since November. We
need to feel that grind, It will
help us."
The teams traded baskets

through the first quarter. Heimkes tossed in six first-quarter points to pace Filer to a 12-11 lead after one. Mecham hit her first basket midway through the quarter and alloimkos added-a-free-throwach. Filer pushed the lead to 18-13. All German, who led Jeromewith 10 points, connected—twice-then-added-the-assist-to-Williams and the deficit was back down to a single point, the unit of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the paint off the assist from Megan Parish to

give the Tigers the two-point edge at the half, 23-21. German converted two putbacks early in the third as lerome took a four-point edge. Helmkes answered right back-for-Filer-with a pair of jumpers. Sarah I Ianey came off the bench to score three points in the third quarter, giving Filer a 33-32-edge heading into the final period, Jerome travels to Mountain Home on Dec. 29 while the Wildcats return to action Jan. 4

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NHL board of governors set to meet Jan. 14

Associated Press writer

NEW YORK - The NHL board
of governors will meet next
month, when commissioner
cary Bertman could seek permission to call off the 2004-05
season.

Top officials from the 30 clubs
will gather on Ian, 14- with
lettman, the league confirmed
Wednesday. If a collective bargaining agreement hasn't been
reached with the players association by then, the lockout will
probably cause the cancellation
of the 2004-05 season.

Bettman has so far resisted
announcing a drop-dead date
ocall off the entire season.

"Lean't confirm any particular
agenda for that meeting." Bill
Daly, the NHLs chief legal officer, told The Associated Press in

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an e-mail, "I think it would be premature to do that, and quite frankly, unfair to the process."

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When the group got togethern Sept. 15, Bettman was given the go-ahead to impose the together.

lockout.

Bettman has remained stead-fast that he' is committed to making the right deal that will provide cost certainty to clubs. If that agreement comes in time

to play a respectable season, then the league will do so. "The calendar is not an issue. It's about making the right deal." Bettman said earlier this

dea, Dettrian Safe Camer Safe month.
As of Wednesday, the lockout was 98 days old and had forced the cancellation of 470 regular-

season games and the 2005 All-Star game.
Whether there is an official cancellation date or not, time is clearly running short to make a deal and play a legitimate sea-son to lockout during the 194 Most and the star of the 194 Most and the star of the 194 Most and the star of the 195 Most and the star of the star of the 195 Most and the star of the star of the 195 Most and the star of the star of the 195 Most and the star of the star of the star of the 195 Most and the star of the star of the star of the star of the 195 Most and the star of the sta

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Minico Booster Club sets January meeting

RUPERT - The Minico Boost-er Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Ian. 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.

O'Neal's suspension

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NEW YORK — Iermaine
O'Neal won a 10-game reduction Wednesday in his
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Ron Artest and two other Indiana players.
Arbitrator Roger Kaplańs de-cision makes O'Neal eligible to return Saturday, when die Pacers host the Pistons in the teams first matchup since one of the most violent meices in NIRA history.
But it was unclear whether he NIRA would recognize Kaplan's authority to intervene. The league refused to participate in the arbitration hearing Kaplan conducted Dee. 3

Kaplan conducted Dec. 9.
The NBA had no immediate

The NAM had to introduce comment. O'Neal had been suspended for 25 games, Artest for the rest of the season. Two other Pacers players also appealed their sus-pensions: Stephen Jackson was banned for 30 games, and Anvanned for 30 games, thony Johnson for five.

Philadelphia's Owens has ankle surgery

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has ankle surgery
BAITIMORE – Terrell Owens
had surgery on his right nakle
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Philadeliphia Eagles' star receiver was knocked out for the rest
of the regular season – and possatureus so be disconsistent of the rest
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taken in the day at the Baltimore
hospital where he was treated.
Eagles hoed trainer. Blek.
Burkholder said Monday that
Owens had only an outside shot
at being able to play in the
Super Bovd on Feh. 6 – if
Philadeliphia (13-1), makes it
that far.
Owens injury was a devastating blow to a team that
dominated the NFC and
clinched home-field advange
throughout the playoffs.
Owens who had 77 catches for
1,200 yards and a team-record
1 TD catches, has missed justseven gunes in his nine-year
career.

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VANCOUIVER. British. Co-lumbia - Vancouver Canucks player Todd Bertuzzi pieaded guilty to assault Wednesday, more than nine months after slugging Colorado forward Steve Moore from behind and driving his face into the ice dur-ling a game.

driving his face into the ice during a game.

A lawyer acting on behalf of Moore asked the judge to delay sentencing until fantuary to give his client a chance to travel to Vancouver to make a statement. Moore was hospitalized with three fractured vertebrae, facial cuts, post-corcussion symptoms and aurunesia.

Judge Fjorth Weltzel said he would decide later Wednesday when he would decide her wednesday when he would decide her wednesday when he would decide returned.

would decide hier Wednesday when he would deliver his sentence.

Bertuzzi was suspended indefinitely by the NIII. missing 13 regular-season games and seven postseason games while losing nearly 5502,000 in salary. On Friday, he was barred from playing in Europe by the International Ice Hockey Federation playing in Europe by the International Ice Hockey Federation because of his violent conduct. Tim Danson. Moore's Toronto-based attorney, said Tuesday it was his understanding that Bertuzzi would not receive a criminal record in exchange for leading guilty.

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Dolphins offer coaching job to LSU's Saban

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DAVIE, Fis. – The Miami Dolplains offered their couching job
Wednesday to LSU's Nicks
Saban, the favorite for the position... since. Dave. Wannstedt.
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Louisiana State athletic direc-tor Skip Bertman said Saban told him of the offer late Wednesday afternoon, but did not divulge details of the deal or indicate if he planned to accept. A Dolphins source, speaking

on condition of anonymity, confirmed that Saban's agent. Jimmy Sexton, and team owner Wayne Huizenga met Wednes-day. The source did not know if a deal had been struck.

Boston finalizes \$25.5M deal with Clement

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BOSTON - The Red Sox finalized a \$25.5 million, three-year
contract Wednesday with freeagent right-hander Matt
Clement, who fills a hole in a
starting rotation weakened by
the departure of Pedro Martinez.

tinez. Clement, who passed a phys-Clement, who passed a pnys-ical on Thesday, joins a rotation that also includes ace Cyrt Schilling, 41-year-old left-han-der David Wells, knuckleballer Tim Wakefield and Bronson Ar-

nim Wakehed and Bronson Arroyo.
Clement gets S6.5 million in 2005 and \$9.5 million each in 2005 and \$9.5 million each in 2006 and 2007. His solaries in the final two seasons can increase by up to 33 million annually based on starts and innings in the prior season, and be can earn \$3 million in pfromance bonuses during the linal year.

final year. Clement went 9-13 with the Chicago Cubs last season.

Astros, Beltran meet in Florida to negotiate

Florida to negotiate
HOUSTON - Carlos Beltran
met with Astros officials on
Wednesday, Houston's latest effort to keep the All-Star center
fielder who led the team within
one win off is first World Series.
Beltran mat his agent. Scott
Borns, spoke with Astros owner
Drayton McLane, team president Tal Smith and general
manager Tim Purpura at the
team's spring training camp in
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In addition to the Yankees, the Chicago Cubs are also thought to be pursuing Beltran. If Houston doesn't reach an agreement by Jan. 8, the Astroswould be ineligible to re-sign him until May t. Dodgers reach

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1.05 ANGELES - Outfielder

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Dodgers have reached a prelimary agreement on a S5million, five-year contract.

Drew's contract is contingent
on him passing a physical
cam, which is scheduled for
Thursday, a person involved in
the negotiations said on condition of anonymily.

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news conference for Thursday
to introduce a player but would
not confirm that it was Drew.

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MEW YORK — Right-hander
Carl Pavano and the New York
Vankees finalized their \$39.95

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He joins hollovers Mike
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York also has a preliminary

greement with free agent faret

Wright and is trying to acquire

Randy Johnson from Arizona in

a. trade-that likely, would, send,

Javier Vazugue to the Diamondbacks or another team.

Pavano was 18-8 with a 3.00

ERA for Florida last season. He

4.21 ERA in seven seasons with

Montreal and the Marlins.

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Darius wants focus on Ferguson's recovery ACKSONVILLE. Pla. - Jacksonville safety Donovin Darius probably will appeal the leagues's 75,000 line for his. clothesline hit that temporarily paralyzed Green Bay receiver Robert Ferguson.

Darius hinted. Wednesday that he would appeal, but declined to say for certain, wanting the focus to remain on Ferguson's recovery from the declined to say for the focus on the property of the focus of the production of the probability of the focus of the production in the hospital for two days.

Compiled from staff and whe reports

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WHAT'S ON T.V.

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right, and others walk through a buffet line at the Unity Church of Dallas fellowship hall as to watch the Dallas Cowboys take on the Minnesota Vikings following church service, Nov.

'Holy Huddle' helps fans keep the faith

By Bobby Ross Jr. Associated Press writer

DALIAS - For a long time, the Cowboys cost the Unity Church of Dallas people and money.

On Sundays when the Cowboys kicked off at noon, some members stayed home. Others left work of the comparison of the compa

My first commitment is to the Lord, so I'm going to be there. But that doesn't

mean I'm not a little bit edgy and twitchy wondering how the Vikes are doing.

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Larry Ghan, an elder at the Central Christian Church in Pocatello

way coming out of church are gomin be very sorry. Be joked. Larry Ghai, an elder at the Central Christian (Church (Disci-ples of Christ) in Pocatiol, Idalto, said he almost always picks God over football. Occasionally, though, a Min-mesota Wikings kickolf at 11 a.m. Mountain time is just too-much to resist.

On a recent Sunday, Ghan had little choice but to attend

had little choice but to attend services: The congregation was counting on him to preside over the community. The community of the Lord, so I'm going to be there. The said. But that doesn mean I'm not a little bit edgy and twitchy wondering how the Vikes are doing. In Brentwood, Tenn, south of Nashville, the lare of the Tennessee Titans played into one

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church's decision to start a Saturday night service.

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grain found itself smack in the path of the Packers.

At the last minute, the church changed the December pageant to Lp.m. to avoid the conflict. A newspaper editorial criticized the decision, describing any parent who would miss a child Christmas program to watch a football game as a jerk.

"I would agree with that," Behrendt said, "But you don't want kids to find out their parents are jerks any more than they have to,"

At the Unity Church of Dallas, Holy Huddle has brought a half to the previous 1145 a.m. exotless of Cawboys fais, and exotless of Cawboys fais, and exotless win-clows—dozens—of-church members much pizza, get to know each other heter (during commercials) and watch the list-hulf of the game. At hulf-time, they drive home, presumably in time to catch the second half.

Similar teams meet in Fort Worth

Associated Press witter
FORT WORTH, Iessas - There
are plenty of similarities between Cincinnati and Marshall
besides their 6.5 records.
The Fort Worth Bood will be
the last gaine for each before
moving to different conferences.
Cincinnati is going to the Big
East from Conference USA, the
league Marshall will join next
-year after winning five of the last
seven Mid-American titles.
If not for winning streaks after
poor starts, neither sentor
laden team would be playing
Thursday night. It's the eighth
bowl for both the Bearcuts and
Thundering Herd.
"We've sort of been rollercoaster type Teams, played
some really good games, played
some games wed both like to

have back." Marshall coach Bob Pruett said. "Our quarterbacks are very similar ... if they have a good day, we usually have a good day, we usually have a good day. If they have an off day we sort of have a tough day."

Cincinnati knows that too well. The Bearcast lost their regular season finale 70-7 to No. 7 toutisville when quarterback Gino Guidugil was out with a broken bone in his throwing hand.

Before that, they had won four straight with Guidugil completing 7 percent of his properties of the completing 7 percent of his properties of hi

other.
Without Guidugli, the
Bearcats got 33 yards passing
from two quarterbacks and

trailed Louisville 63-0 before

trailed Louisville 63-0 before scoring.

"Nobody wants to end the season on a game like that." Said Guidufi, whose 24 TD passes are one short of the school record.

The Thundering Herd, whose last losing record was in 1983, began this season with three straight losses, including at No. 8 Georgia and No. 24 Ohip State. They then won their first five MAC games, but losses to Akron and Bowling Green denied a departing championship.
"We get to play one more game, a chance to prove we're a good team," said Josh Davis, only the second receiver in NCAA history with 300 career receptions. "It was one of the toughest schedules' Marshall ever had, We overcame a lot of things."

Wyoming tries to end bowl drought

By Ken Peters Associated Press writer

LAS VEGAS - The last time Wyoming won a bowl game. Cowboys' coach foe Glenn was still in high school. Most of his players wouldn't even be born for another 19 years or so. Wyoming beat Florida State 20/20 in the 1966 Sun Bowl, then lost in six consecutive bowls.

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The 55-year-old Glenn, wrapping up his second year as the Cowboys' coach, obviously hopes to end that 38-year drought for a number of reasons. Autong other lings, lie doesn't want to disappoint a pal of his.

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"Tom Frazler, a captain on that team 'that beat Florida-State, is a friend of mlne, still very active in the program," Glenn said as the Cowhoys praed to face UCJA in Thuspared pared to face UCJA in Thuspared, night's Lass Vegas Bowl.
"He sent a very nice letter to our team, hoping that we could

get it back on track. Our kids obviously are very aware of how long it's been.

The Cowboys haven't even played in a bowl since a \$2-17 citabing by Kansas State in the 1993 Copper Bowl.

Glenn said his players realize just getting to a bowl for the first time in 11 years isn't enough.

"Our goal wasn't just to go to a bowl our goal wasn't just to go to a bowl our goal sis to win a bowl. Glenn said.

Both Wyoming and UCLA.

Glem said, wining and UCLA, which have never met in fortable before finished the egular season with 6-5 records. UCLA, in a bowl for the several trime in elight years, will make its second appearance in the Las Vegas Bowl. The Bruins beat New Mexico 27-13 in the 2002 game.

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2002 game.
Last year, they lost 17-9 to Fresno State in the Silicon Valley Classic to finish their season with five consecutive defeats.
Bruins coach Karl Dorrell, like

Glenn, is in his second year on the job, and he noted the simi-

larities between the teams.

"It's two programs trying to prove themselves, get themselves in position to get some national recognition. Dorrell sald, "We hope to use this game to keeping moving on, to jump start us for next year."

Neither team was highly regarded heading into this season, with Wooming picked to flinish last in the Mountain West Conference and UCLA predicted to flinish eight in the Pac-10. The Cowboys wound up fourth in their conference and the Bruins tied for fifth in theirs. Neither team was highly re-

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fourth in their conference and
the Brains ited for fifth in theirs.
"I guess we've had kind of a
chip on our shoulder." Glenn
said. "Our guys wanted to prove
people wrong."

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Winning is still about making everyone play better. While his own numbers are down slightly this season, Wade's are up across the board – points, minutes, assists, even rebounds. And with Shaq taking Tuesday night of rest up for the weekend. Wade produced a 33-point, 11-assist performance to lead the Heat past the Celtics, extend their season-best winning streak to nine games, and improve their lastern. Conference-leading record to ab-8-meanwhile, are the season-best winning streak to nine games, and improve their lastern. Conference-leading record to ab-8-meanwhile, are 13-11 and fill smartlug over consecutive losses to Washington, for the first time in a dozen years, and Memphis, which hadrit wom in B triss in Los Angeles, daiting to when the franchise began play in Vancouver in 1995.

Their shortcomings are evidence but none is more glaring than the weakness in the middle. Bryant still thinks he can play – or, worse yet, talk – his way out of any jum, and so he tries to paper over the holes by laying at a triple-double pace every night. But all he's proved is had live guys will almost always beat one. That was Phil Jack

son's mantra, too, and when Bryant finally tired of hearing it, he simply ran off the coach, last before O'Neal met the same fate, he warned lakers owner Jerry Buss that hanging on to Bryant at all costs would-come back to haunt the fran-chise.

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"They say I'm getting older.
Of course, I am. But can't no-body mess with me." he said,
"I'm like tollet paper. Pampers and toothpaste. I'm definitely proven to be effective."

O'Neal made his case once he and Bryant were separated, and now comes his first chance to make it when they share a court. Everything about their relationship will be different, but in one important sense, nothing has changed.
"Kobe's got all-world talent,"
O'Neal said a few years back.



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when it still seemed possible they might iron out their differ-ences. "But you have to learn to play with other people who can score."

Jim Litke is a national sports dumnist for The Associated cess. Write to him at



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Many offices will be closed Friday

TWIN IFALLS — Many offices, agencies and places of business will be closed Friday for Christians Ive. Here's a rundown of what's closed and open:

• City and county offices will be closed.

• State and followloffices will

- State and federal offices will be closed.

- De closed.

 Social Security Administration office will be closed.

 U.S. Post Offices will be
 open, but most will close early.

 Most banks will be open, but
 will close early.
- Twin Falls Public Library will be closed.
- be closed.

 YMGA/Twin Falls Gity Peol will be open for lap swimming only and will close at 1 p.m.

 College of Southern Idaho will be closed.

 Magic Valley Mall will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

 Trash collection will follow the regular schedule.

Police arrest juvenile in stabbing incident

JEROME — Jerone Police have arrested a juvenile suspect in connection with a stabbing that occurred Tuesday afternoon, according to a news release from the Jerome Police Department.

At about 3 p.m. Tuesday, two Jerome youths were involved in

Åt about 3 p.m. Thesday, two Jerome youths were involved in a fight in the 200 block of Third Avenue Bast. A 12-year-old male suspect stabbed the 14-year-old male victim in the stomach, the news release said. The victim then walked to the nearby Jerome Middle School for assis-tance where police were notified.

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Based on information obtained during investigation of the incident, police located the suspect at a residence on East Main Street. The residence on East Main Street, and the suspect was taken into custody without incident at about 3:35 p.m. After further investigation, the suspect was taken to the Smake Blown Determine Center and theid for the crime of aggravance barleys. Names of the juvenile suspect and victim were not being released by the police department Wednesday.

Blue Cross to Issue new ID numbers

BOISE— In an effort to pro-tect-lis-mombers-privacy-and prevent identity theft. Bluc Cross of Idaho on Wednesday an-nounced it will no longer base enrollee identification on Social Security numbers, according to a news release from the insur-

Security numbers, according to a news release from the insurance company. Instead of using members' Social Security numbers, identification numbers will be riandomly assigned. Most of the 380,000 members in Idalio will receive their new identification, cards in the mail during the first week of January. Blue Cross of Idaho does not anticipate that the changes will cause any distruption of service.

Incidences of identity thefinave increased during the past several years, the news release said. According to a U.S. Federal Trade Commission survey in the past five years 27.3 million Americans fave been victims of identity thefi. Consumer out-of-pocket expenses in the past year alone to alone 55 tillion, the news release and one to alone 55 tillion, the news release and one to alone 55 tillion, the news release and the past five years 27.3 million Americans fave been victims of alone to alone 55 tillion, the news release said.

Fair Board office is closed for holidays

RUPERT — The Minidoka County Fair Board office will be closed until Jan. 3. The next fair Board meeting is scheduled for Jan. 5. For more information call 436-9748.

- compiled from staff reports

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Big Wood	83%	28%
Little Wood	78%	26%
Big Lost .	81%	26%
Little Lost	75%	27%
Henrys Fork/Teton	. 81%	28%
Upper Snake Basis	n 71%	26%
Oakley	110%	34%
Salmon Falls	98%	32%
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HOLIDAY CRIME



id-daughter Taylor stand in their front yard in Twin Falls. On the night of Dec. 2, someone stole a

Thefts take the merry out of Christmas decorating

Times-News writer

TVIN BALLS — Natie
Carothers isn't feeding very
merry this Christmas, at least
not merry enough to deciding the
form of the consideration of the consideration of the
After years of sprucing it up
for-every-major-holiday, she's
had enough.
Last year, the baby lesus doll
in ther Nativity scene was soilen
from her yard. This year, some
of her decorative Italiaween
lights and costumed dolls suffered the same fate.
Rather than the baby lesus to
the manager, she's given up her
decorating.
"Why put out the money and
the time when somehody's
going to steal it?" Carothers'
said.

She said she's appalled at the

lack of common decency in the decoration thieves. The Christmas season brings a lot of joy, but it also has seasonal problems.

"It's sad and unfortunate, but it does happen," said Staff Sg. Mike Covington of the Twin Falls Police Department, "It's a crime of opportunity."

Decorations see out in yards are easy to swipe. Covington said some people take them for their own yards, while others take them as prants.

Covington remembers a spree of thefis several years ago where people took decorations and left them in yards in different parts of town.

It said this year's holiday theft levels are average — they happen at least once a week during the holiday season.

Kevin Koonce also lost a large

decorative snowman out of his yard earlier this month. When he went to sleep. Frosty was standing in the yard. He woke up the next morning to find nothing tell except for sev-cred straps and an extension cord. ered straps and an extension cord.

If the culprit was a young per-son pulling a prank, who knows what the person will steal next, he said. If it was an adult steal-ing decorations for a family, he

would have given them money if they had just knocked on the door and asked for it. Either way, he's angry. "I didn't appreciate it," Koopee said

"I didn't appreciate in. Koonce said.

Now he feels his yard is marked for theft. He'll keep his lights set up because they're high out of reach, but he doubts he'll be decorating much in the

Covington said police confis-cate stolen decorations, then wait for theft reports to match

care stores walt for theft reports to match the herns. Inflatable decorations are particularly value-rable because they're compact and easy to care when they shall off, they are inflatable decorated to the store that they are inflatable they're value to be inflatable to blow gams and HB guns. Cowington had an inflatable Frosty the snowman in bis yard vandalized that way. Cowington said the best way to prevent theft and wandalism is to keep the expensive items near the bouse. Motion detector lights are also good deterrents.

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

Civil rights case goes to federal court

By Karin Kowalski Times News writer

TWIN FALLS — A civil rights case against, the Twin Falls Highway District has moved to feeleral cour.

Cody Robinson, a highway district employee of 11 years, is suing the district, us director Dave Burges and 10 John Does for wrongful termination.

The Rogerson man also claims his civil rights were violated.

claims his civil rights were vio-hated.

Mike Kane, an attorney for the highway district, said he re-quested moving the case from the 5th Audicial District Court to United States District Court be-cause it is a more appropriate, place to trya federal issue.

Robinson's civil complaint states that the was wrongly fer-minated from his job operating heavy equipment in August 2003 because of who he voted for in a highway commissioner, election. It was eight days after Herman Osterkamp was elect-ed-to-a second-term in than-position.

Osterkamp defeated chal-

ed to a second term in this position.

Osterkamp defeated challenger lim Landing by a vote of 445 to 256.

Robinson's attorney, Thomas Kershaw, previously said Robinson supported Lanting, but was not excessively vocal about it.

Kaue said he has yet to answer the criminal complaint, but the highway district did not have the criminal complaint, but the highway district did not many Robinson's rights in any way. This is the first civil rights ease against the highway district that he knows about. According to the civil complaint. Robinson is seeking compensation for lost income and benefits, mental and emotinal distress and deprivation of his constitutional rights.

He's also seeking compensatory damages, court costs and fees.

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Jerome enters into Idaho Power franchise agreement Other business

The agreement is expected to generate \$41,000 annually

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times News correspondent

JEROME — The city of Jerome has entered into a 10-year franchise agreement with Idaho Power Co, that should generate an estimated \$41,000

generate an estimated \$41,000 in revenue.
The City Council voted to set-aside half of the franchise fee revenue for road maintenance in the city. City Administrator Travis Rohweiler said Tuesday that he would like to see the council eventually devote all the franchise fees toward

sucer maintenance.

Councilman Rob Lundgren said he supported "the idea of passing the cost of road and street maintenance on to the customer."

customer."

The franchise agreement gives the power company the nonexclusive right to place power lines in the city streets, highways and other public places and the right to service there line.

highways had the right to servel hase lines. Rothweiler explained and clarified language in the franchise agreement. "The agreement does not give Idaho Power the exclusive right to provide electricity to resident to be said." Other Lidano Power the exclusive right to provide electricity to resi-dents of the city." he said. "Other electric companies could pro-vide power if they wished." However, the city will not Please see DEAL, Page C3

Other Jerome City Council business included:

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**Annexation — Council members voted to annex 80 acres of land located at the south western corner of the intersection of Lincoin Street North and 100 North Road. The land, which is owned by Tim Thomason of Jerome and is being developed by Bret Kenfield of Klikland, Wash., is contiguous to the city. Thomason and Kenfield requested annexation so that the city could provide services. To the Land. It. Will be subdivided and brought into the

services.to.tune.land.rt.will.be-subdivided and brought into the city without a zoning designation. A public hearing on the land's zor lng is scheduled for Jan. 11 before the city's Planning and Zoning Commission.

PSI contract — A five year co tract to Twin Falls-based PSI to supply sanltation services to Jerome residents was approved by the council. The city recently advertised for the contract and PSI came in with the lowest bid. City Administrator Travis Rothweil er sald that as of Jan. 1.
residents of Jerome will see their
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sanitation bill drop by about
\$1.50 per month. The reverage
sanitation bill is now around
\$5.97. It will drop to about
\$4.44 per.month. After the initial
trop the bill will increase an overage of 1.4 percent per year to an
estimated \$4.50 per month in
2006. \$4.56 per month in
2008. \$4.56 per month in
2009. said that as of Jan. 1.

members approved emergency re pairs of up to \$24,000 for the H Street wastewater lift station. John Boyd, the city's wastewater reatment plant manager, told the council that an air conditioning until had been installed in the lift station but not before consider. station but not before consider-able heat damage was sustained to the computer, transformers, drives and assorted electrical equipment. The station is the main wastewater lift station in town, Boyd-said.

The temperature inside the sta-tion should not exceed 104 degrees. Boyd said.

Shoshone gets proposals for study

Engineers will study long-term sewer needs

Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE — The City Council has received proposals from eight engineering firms with bids to do the city's sewer

The council is planning a Jan. 6 work session to discuss the proposals and plans to choose an engineering company by

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The sewer study will assess the long-term—needs of Shoshone's sewer and water systems and will outline plans for future development for the growing town.

The company selected should have the study done by mid-April, said Councilman Ken Haught, who added that impact fees should be included in the sewer study.

"How much should fees be for sewer hook-ups?" Haught asked.

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Those fees would help cover the cost of hooking up new developments, he said.

"We don't want the people who alreadylive in town to have to pay for upgrades for developments that are now coming in, he said. "The developers need to help pay for it.

The sewer study was prompted by visits from developers such as Lauri Maher, manager of Syringa Plains LLC who visited with the council last month. Maher questioned the city ability to handle new sewer hookups.

She asked the council if 100

hookups.

She asked the council if 100 units could be approved for hook-ups into the city sewer

System.

Syringa Plains is shooting for May to have the first 10 units completed_of_a_140-home housing complex on the north end of Shoshone.

end of Shoshone.

Maher said she had heard
that Shoshone's sewer system is
having problems meeting Environmental Protection Agency

and Department of Environ-mental Quality requirements. mental Quality requirements.

Shoshone council members are in the process of seeking grants for the sewer engineering study.

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Matter said she saw no problem in seiling the unite-because the need for affordable housing for people who work in Blatne County is skyrocketing.

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S**e**rving their country *****

Profiles of servicemen and women with local ties de-ployed to Iraq or Afghanistan. The information is supplied



Staff Sgt. Jason T. Cordova

Local Family: Parents. Tim and Becky Cordova of Jerome; sister. Angie and Randy Durham of Buhl; nicees and nephews. Megan, Matt, Mark and Morgan Durham.
 Service, date of enlist-ment: U.S. Army. September 1992.
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ment: U.S. Army, September 1992.

Rank, Assignment: Staff Sergeant, special forces.

Additional Information: Cordova is with his Green Beret unit serving in Iraq, His wife, Rebecca, and two chil-dren are in Japan where he is stationed.

Message from Cordova: Happy Birthday, Dad! Don't wory and stop watching the news.

ews. Love your son, Jason.'

To send a message to those serving in the military, go on-the to tweutmagicivilicycom, and click on "Military Mes-sages." To submit information and photos about local service-nien and women involved in tag and Affilianistan, please call Times-News clerk Jami Whited-at-35-3270 or email-jubitted@magicivalley.com, Please include your own name and contact information.

--- DEATH NOTICES

Leonard Guy Revels

TWIN PALLS — Leonard Gay Revels, 88, former Twin Falls area resident, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2004, at Heritage Manor Nursing Home in Elroy, Wis, Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Mary Conrad

MURTAUGH — Mary Con-tad, 70, of Murtaugh, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004, at her

Arrangements will be made by White Mortnary.

Noian Victor

TWIN FALLS — Nolan Victor, 81. of Twin Falls, died Tuesday,

Dec. 21, 2004. A funeral will be held at 12:30 A luneral will be held at 12:30 pm. Thesday, Dec. 2B, 2004, at the 5th Ward LDS Chapel, 42: Maurice St. N., in Twin Falls. A viewing will be held from 4 to B p.m. on Monday, Dec. 27, 2004, a arWhite Mortuary, and from 11 a.m. to 12:15-p.m. on Tuesday at the church. A complete obbinary will appear in a later edition.

Alberta D. Grant

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EDEN — Alberta D. Grant. 90.

of Eden. died Tuesday. Dec. 21.

2004. at Magic Valley Regional
Medical Center.

A service will be conducted at
10 a.m. Wednesday. Dec. 29,
2004. at White Mortuary with
Pastor Kevin Anderson officiating Friends may call from 4 to 8

p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary

Reuben A. Ward

ALBION — Reuben A. Ward, a 95-year-old Albion resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004; at Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Cassia aegional Medical Center in Burley.

A funeral will be held at 1 a.m. Monday, Dec. 27, 2004, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Albion Ward Chapel, with Bishop Kay Powell officiating. Barial will be in the Grandview Cemetery in Elba.

Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Payte Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral on Monday at the church.

OBITUARIES -

Sydney Herbert McNeely

Sydney Herbert McNeely re-turned to his Heavenly Father on Dec. 21, 2004, in his home surrounded by his family. He was born in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Merintha Elz-abeth Hansen and Roy H. McNeely. Syd was an avid gardener. Syd was an avid gardener. He retired as an installer/en-gineer for Western Electric (AT&T) in 1991 after 40 years of-pineer for was a friend to surround the surrounder of the Life is surrived by his eternal sweetheart. E. Larine Williams McNeely' his clid-dren. Lori McNeely lensen.

Sidne (Scott Gillespie, Rohn (Huong) McNeely and Linda (Timi) Wangsgaardt, his sister, lame da Noyl Homas sister Internet Lawy Homas sister Internet Lawy Homas sister Internet Lawy Homas (Lawy Homas) (Lawy Homas)



OBITUARIES

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

Clayton M. Halbert

Clayton M. Halbert passed away at his home in Buhl, Dec. 21, at the age of 77.

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Born Ian, 4, 1927, Clayton grew up in Mt Rauch, Calif., where he actually walked 3 miles in the snow each day to school. As a teen he moved to be obtained a calif. and lived in the Oakland, Calif., and lived in the Oakland and Marin County-arcas-anti-Involving-in-2001-to Idaho to live with his son, Ferry and his wife. Stevie, in Buill.

An active voluntous with the

Bull.

An active volunteer with the
Boy Scouts. of America in
Alameda and Marin County,
Clayton loved all outdoor activities, especially gardening,
hunting, camping and fishing.

The often said it was not easy tocatch fish in Bull.

Clayton owned C&H Scaf-

"Uncle Grandpa."

"Uncle Grandpa."
Clayton is survived by his son. Terry Halbert (Stevie) of Bulti; daughters, Tyrie Peralta (Pedro) of Novato, Calif. and Tummy McKinney, of Clarksville, Ind.; brother, McKinney, of Glarksville, Ind.; brother, McKinney of Glarksville, Ind.; brother, McKinney of Sebastapol, Calif.; and numerous granderbildren, nicces and niphrows was pasadud in

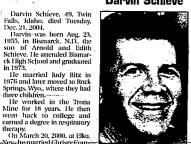
Clayton was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Kenneth; and wife, Gwen.

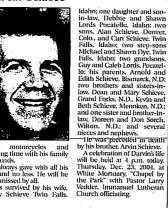
Gwen.
At Clayton's request, there will not be a service at this time. The family requests that any donations be made to Philmont Staff Association, Philmont Scout Ranch, 17 Deer Run Road, Cimarron, NM 87714.



folding in California and was known as "King Scaffold" in the construction world. To his many relatives he was affec-tionately known as "Carly" or

Darvin Schieve







riding motorcycles and spending time with his family

dearly missed by all.

The is survived by his wife.

Christy Schieve Twin Falls.

and friends.

He always gave with all his heart and no less. He will be

Center. Darvin was known as a gen-erous person who enjoyed fishing, camping, hunting,



carned a degree in respiratory therapy. On March 20, 2000, at Elko, New-he-married Christy-Com-stock who survives. They later moved to Twin Falls, Idaho, where he was employed at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

Johnette Prather Braga, 86, of Gooding, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2004, at Magic Valley Manor Assisted Living in Wendell.

Johnette was born on March 17, 1918, in Gooding to Van and Fern Prather. She was raised in Gooding, graduated from Gooding High School and attended the Gooding Gollege for two years. She graduated from the School of Nursing at Preshyterian College in Chicago and served four years in the Navy Nurse Corps, receiving her honorable discharge as a full licutenant.

She then returned to Good-

Jieutenani.

She then returned to Gooding where she worked at the TB Hosphial and served as the Gooding County Public Health Nurse for two years, On Now 23, 1949, Johnette and Pred Braga were united in marriage. They raised four sons, David, Jim. John and Don.

sons. David. Jim. John and Don.
Johnette continued her nursing career for more than 25-years at the Idaho School for the Deaf and Illind during which time she also served as a specialty nurse at the Good-ing County Memorial Hospital. Johnette continued service to her fellow mankind, even in her retirement. She devoted many hours of care to the people-she came-to-know-in-the-retirement park in Mesa, Ariz, Johnette was a free-spirited person and was driven by an intellectual curlosity in all avenues of life and a deep



compassion to care for people

compassion to care for people and amimals.

She leaves a legacy that there is always someone in greater—need—than—yourself and that we all have a responsibility to take action to that need,

sibility to take action to transced.

Johnette is survived by brother, Watt (leanne) Prather of Meridian; her four sons, David (Sue) Braga of Scottsdale, Ariz, and their children, Gina of Las Vegas, Nev. Devyn, Kaitlin and Tessa, all of Scottsdale, Ariz, ilm (Roxy) Braga of Gooding and their children, Dan (Alexis) Braga and their daughter, Sophia of Twin Falis, Troy (Katle) Braga of Gooding John (Mary Kay) Braga of Gooding John (Mary Kay) Braga of Wendell and Johnschildren; Lorf (Ron) McCrae and their daughters, Coffreny and Asiley, Jennifer. Harites; Wert, and Zieler, Larites; Wert, and Zieler, Larites; Wert, and Zielary, all

dren, Lauryn and Zachary, all of Wendell and Stephanie



(Matt) Clark and their son, Derek of Jerome; Don (Sharom Braga and their chil-dren, Darci Shaver of Raleigh, N.C.: Tibbey Bragarand her son, Blake Maxwell of Nampa and Jordan Braga of Gooding, Many nicces and nephews also survive Johnette.

Many niteces and nephews also survive jointette. Johnette was preceded in leath by her parents, Van and Fern Prather, her husband of 31 years, Fred Braga; and her brother, Gene Prather.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. today Thursday. Dec. 23rd. at Demaray's Gooding Funeral Chappel. Services—will conclude at the chapel with cremation arrangements under the direction of Demaray Funeral Service. In fleu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial donations be made in Johnettes name to the Gooding County Memorial. Hospital-Foundation, 10. Box 418, Gooding, ID 83330.

Ciera Michelle Livia

Ciera Michelle Livia, age 8, daughter of Laura Johnson and Cesar Livia died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2009. at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho, as the result of an auto pedestrian accident near Bulh, Idaho. Ciera was a third grade stu-

dent at Buhl Elementary school, Survivors, in addition to her parents. Laura and Cesar, include her siblings. Mariah, Erik, Ryan and Alishian grandparents. Bacilia Livia, Leona Hill, Frank and Debble Johnson: great-grandmother, Johnson: great-grandmother, Afton Johnson, numerous

aunts, uncles and cousins.

A funeral will be conducted at 1 pm. Tuesday, Dec. 28, 2004, at the Buhl Elementary School, Visitation and viewing will be from 5 to 7 pm. Monday, Dec. 27th, at Demaray's Puneral Chaple, 164 E. Main, Wendell, Idaho.

SERVICES

Duane Edward Hanson of Ivin Falls, friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday at Parke's Magie Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at

Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

Linda Marie Abbott King of grome, funeral at 11 a.m.

today in the Jerome LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S., Jerome: visitation one hour before the service at the church (Farnsworth Mortu-ary).

-LINCOLN COUNTY COURTS -

SHOSHONE — Recent activity in 5th District Court in Lincoln County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments

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Ruben C. Baldwin, 4% use or possessions of the drug propherolated with intent to the possession of a controlled substance; pretrial conference Dec. 1; Magistrate ludge Mark A. Ingram. Matthew Erik Larson, 27; driving without privileges; pretrial conference Dec. 1; Magistrate ludge Mark and privileges; pretrial conference possession of the drug Vietna, no date of birth listed; franci - insufficient funds check; pretrial conference Dec. 8; Magistrate ludge Mark A. Ingram.

Juvenile misdemeanor arraignments

Debarah K. Roth, 51; driving with-out privileges amended to failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; 863.50 fms, 863.50 cunt costs; Magis-trate ludge Mark A. Ingram.

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stopher D. Stewart, 19; driving at privileges; 180-day driver's li-suspension; \$300-time, \$78,50 cense suspension; \$300 fine, \$78.50 court costs; two years supervised pro-bation: Magistrate Judge Mark A. Ingram.

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Mary Moreland; Casey Moreland; and Any Boyer vs. Boyer Adoms; and Any Boyer vs. Boyer Adoms; Bardly Adams; John Does and Jane Does I through X, Individuals; Corporations A through Z. General Corporations AA through JD, and Seeking \$10,000 special damages, \$10,000 general damages, attorney cess. Plantiff alleges that defendant failed to keep a calf enclosed in a technical control and such control and the control and such control and the control and such control and such as a such as a

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Federal judge ends an order blocking immigration initiative

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — A federal judge cleared the way Wednesday for an Arizboa initiative to become law, more than a month after voters decided to deny some public benefits to llegal immigrants.

Opponents of the law said they would appeat the decision. Backers of Proposition 200 praised the outcome.

"We just hoped against all hopes that justice would be served and it was," said Kathy McKee, a key supporter of the measure.

The Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund had filled a lawsuit arguing that the measure was unconstitutional. U.S. District Judge David C. Bury on Nov. 30 issued a temporary restraining order preventing the measure from becoming laws on he would have porary restraining order preventing the measure from becoming law so he would have more time to consider the is-

sues. He lifted the restraining order

Wednesday.
"Undoubtedly, we are disappointed with the judge's opinion," said Danny Ortega,

Bury said in his ruling that he didn't believe It was likely that opponents' arguments would succeed in court. Additionally, while the court initially found serious questions "regarding Proposition 200, further review led the judge to believe that those questions were resolved in favor on the measure's backers, the ruling said.

Proposition 200, which was approved by voters Nov. 2, requires proof of lumnigration status when obtaining certain government services and proof citizenship when registering to vote.

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Government workers who don't report illegal immigrants seeking benefits could face jultime and a fine.
Backers promoted the measure during the campaign as a

time and a fine.

Backers promoted the measure during the campaign as a way to begin cracking down on legal immigration in Arizona, the busiest illegal entry point on the U.S.-Mecker brotter.

Gov. Janet Napolitano, who opposed the measure, reacted to Bury's latest ruling by direction bury's latest ruling by direction.

ing all state agencies to imple-ment Proposition 200, to conduct internal audits to make sure all employees are trained to comply with it and to make pe-riodic checks to determine that recipients of affected services are eligible under Proposition 200.

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"We've done a lot of work to prepare for this day, and we're ready to go." Napolitano said in a statement, "The voters made the decision, and I intend to make sure the law is enforced correctly." make sure the law is enforced correctly."

The state Department of Economic Security, the agency that oversees welfare programs, said it had completed training of more than 2,000 employees and had new procedures and policies in place for implementation of Proposition

200.

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200.
In a statement read by a spokeswoman. Attorney General Terry Goddard said: "The court has made its decision and now the state can move forward and implement the will of vot-

Convicted rapist pleads innocent to murders

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An imprisoned man who police say could be the most prolific serial killer in Los Angeles history pleaded not gailly Wednesday to charges he has killed 10 women since the late 1980s. Police said they linked Chester D. Turner, 38, to the unsolved cases earlier this year through DNA evidence collecting the comment to rape in 2002. The charges include the special circumstances of murder-during rape and multiple murders, which could make Turner eligible for the death penalty if

convicted. He was ordered held without ball until his next court appearance on Feb. 23. . Turner is currently serving an

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INEEL removes tons of waste

ARCO (AP) — Almost 5,000 pounds of nuclear material containing highly enriched uranium has been moved out of Idaho to South Carolina and Tennessee, said officials overseeing the cleanup project.

That's the first shipment of many destined to leave the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory over the next five years.

The single shipment actually.

took place four months aneau of schedule in August.
But it was announced only Tuesday as the U.S. Department of Energy keeps a fight lid on details of nuclear-related activities at the site.

"We're going to get this stuff out safely. Stacey Francis, a spokeswoman for the Idaho, Completion Project, the entity overseeing the clean up of nuclear waste generated from

years of atomic research at the Eastern Idaho site.

The material — about 2.4 tons of a product called denitrator product — had been stored at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory since being produced by a fuel reprocessing project in 1992.

The material was shipped to the Denartment of Energy's Saturb Denartment of Energy's Saturb Person of the Penartment of Energy's Saturb Penartment of Energy's Sa

vices, Inc. in Erwin, Tenn, where it will be processed into commercial nuclear fuel and used to generate electricity in reactors.

Francis said the ICP is under Francis said the ICP is under contract to have the entire stock of 40 different classifica-tions of nuclear material moved offsite to an appropriate destination by September 2009.

Groups demand fuel investigation

SPOKANE. Wash. (AP)

Local leaders of the Sierra Club on Wednesday demanded an independent investiguation of a diesel leak from a Burlington of a diesel leak from a Burlington Northern Santa le Ruisway Co. refueling station that threatens the only drinking water for 400,000 people in two states. The leak of wastewater containing diesel fuel and motor oil was discovered Dee. 10 at the fueling station at Hauser, Idaho. about 25 miles northeast of Spokane.

The state-of-the-art refueling depot, intended to relieve train congestion in the Seattle area, opened Sept. 1 over the objections of many residents and environmental groups who feared it would pollute the underground water supply for the greater Spokane region.

"This mistake shows the utter failure of government to provide basic protections for our sole source of drinking water," said Ruchael Paschal Osborn, a lawyer who represents Friends of the Aquiffer and the Stern Club.

Gus Melonas, a spokesman for the railroad in Seattle, said BNSF: is keeping state and county officials apprised of the situation.

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situation.

While it does not appear that drinking water is at risk, BNSF scientists are studying engineering methods to make sure no contamination occurs in the future, Melonas said.

"The fractured pipe has been taken out of service and the entire wastewater system has been pressure-tested to ensure its integrity." Melonas said in a

telephone interview.
'The refueling station remains in operation, he said.
Officials for the railroad proudly showed off the 500,000 callon refusion denotes Aug 31.

proudly showed off the 500,000 gallon refueing depot Aug. 31, declaring it was too well designed to pollute the aquifer that runs front the Rathdrum Prairie of Idaho to Spokane.
But a crack occurred at some point in an B-inch plastic pipe, allowing wastewater mixed with small amounts of diesel fuel and motor oil to get Into the soil.

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Melonas said an investiga-tion is under way to determine when the crack might have oc-curred, how much pollution wits leaked and what effects it may have had on the aquifer. The investigation will not be concluded until next week,

week that it appears at least some diesel and oil leaked into the aquifer.

the aquifer. Club and Friends
The Sierra Club and Friends
of the Aquifer also want Kootenai County, Idaho, officials to
determine if the railroad performed the 33 conditions
imposed in the permit issued
by the county to the railroad in
2000.

This depot was supposed to "This depot was supposed to be built to the highest engi-neering standards," said Julian Powers, board member of Friends of the Aquifer. "... it is critical that a competent and independent engineering team be hired at BNSF's expense to review construction of the facil-ity."

Busy season



With a package in one hand and her son Trey Burkes, 7 months, in witto a package in one hand and ner son trey Burkes, 7 months, in the other, Judy Burkes and son Kevin Burkes, 8, carry a load of packages to be mailed at the West Sacramento (Calif.) Regional Mall Processing and Distribution Center on Monday. Monday was considered one of the busiest days for the center as thousands of packages and other pieces of mall were handled for the holiday rush.

Crash-victim-identified

Ada County voters will decide on district

BOISE — Ada County voters will get to decide whether to pay more for their cash-strapped ambulance district.

County commissionners descided unanimously to hold an election over the contentious issue. But-they?!! avait-until-aleast next month before they settle on the amount of a proposed increase or when to hold the vote. It could be held in Esbruage.

e vote. It could be held in February.

It could be held in February.
May, August or November.
The Ada County Ambulance
District is being pinched because of a 2002 federal
Medicare rule change that prohibits the district from
collecting fees from some patients whose care costs exceed
federal reimbursements. That's
drained reserves and left tax-

Idaho in brief

payers to cover the difference.

At the current rate, supapers pay about \$12 per \$100,000 pf _assessed value cach year. L Increasing that to ahout \$30 per year would allow the dis-trict to continue functioning at its current level of service for

its current level of service for the next two years. The decision to let voters de-cide means the County Commission wont raise Emer-gency Medical Services taxes on its own. There's also no guar-antee that voters will choose to raise their taxes.

anter that voters was choose to raise their taxes.
"It still leaves the district in a lot of uncertainty," Commis-sloner Fred Tilman said.

Blue Cross won't use **Social Security numbers**

BOISE — Blue Cross of Idaho will no longer base its cus-tomer's identification numbers on Social Security numbers in a move to curb the theft of the identities of its 380,000 mem-

then the sol is 380,000 members.

The changes will take effect Inn. 1. After that, the insurer plans to start using randomly assigned numbers for its customers IDs.

Some people have already re-

tomers IDs.
Some people have already requested that their identification numbers be converted to the new system as the company began offering the new numbers last May. But about 140,000 people who haven't yet switched will get

new numbers come next year. Identity theft has grown as a concern in recent years as more and more people use electronic or computer-based systems to process financial transactions. A report by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission shows that 27.3 million Americans have been victims of identity theft in the last five years, costing cosumers some 55 billion. "While we have not had any known cases of identity theft associated with our members, Social Security ID numbers, we are proactively taking these steps to reduce the risk of this happening," said thay Flachart, chief executive officer of Blue Cross in Idaho.

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dent occurred.

MALIA — A Meridian man vas killed Tuesday afternoon when he lost control in icy con-litions on Interstate 84 and the

car overturned.

— Tracy-Moffett, 53, was traveling westbound near milepost 230 east of Malta when the acci-

His passenger, Muriel Moffett also 53, sustained minor injuries in the crash. Both were wearing seat helis

Bom were wearing sear beas A number of other silde-off accidents were: reported along the stretch of 1-84 during Tues-day's snow storm.

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ten, a public hearing will be heid to allow business people to comment about the ordi-nance.

nance.
City Clerk Mary Kay Bennett said the ordinance had to be rewritten to address concerns about home-based business inspections and several other concerns.

concerns.
Patricia Weaver addressed the council about some lots she owns east of the bowling alley. Weaver requested that the lots be changed from residential to mixed plan development because she

plans to build a four-plex on the lots.

The council granted Weaver's request after Bennett said that Shoshone planning and zoning recommended that the change be made.

Weaver said she plans to build one four-plex lirst, but could build more depending on demand.

on demand.
"I'll see if it gets filled," she said.

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Some cities cut back on Christmas decorations

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — City Christmas lights are a tradition in Utah, but some cash-strapped towns are trimming their decorations literally, cut-

strapped towns are trainming their decorations literally, cutling back on lights and turning, those costs to the private sector. Salt Lake City, for instance, quit supplying labor and maintenance costs for Main Street lighting displays in the mid1990s. Over the past decade, the city has stopped being responsible for downtown lighting displays, send that duty to the city's Redevelopment Agency, the Downtown Alliance and other private entities.

"The city said, 'We can't do

that anymore.' Financially, they were having some budget-diffi-culties," said Bob Farrington, executive director of the Down-town Alliance. town Alliance

executive director of the Down-town Alliance.

—That's why private groups, in-cluding The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, combine to spend what Far-rington estinates at \$1 million to light up Urabs capital city. Sair Lake City Isn't alone. In Davis County, the Kaysville-Fruit Heights Civic Committee loids a July Fourth Ind-raising breakfast to pay for the annual Christmas star on the moun-tainside above the two cities. Ogden relies heavily on pri-

vate donations to fund its—Caristmas-Village-display-Al-ready, Ogden and Weber County spend \$200,000 in tax-payer funds for the village. But—Carolyn—Bachman.—Ogdon's special events coordinator, said that isn't enough, so each miniature building in the, display is sponsored by a private company. In South fordan, the city is looking to take its Christmas lighting needs to the private sector. One idea the city is considering is socking sponsorships from local businesses. "Christmas decorations are very expensive." Ponzuric said. "We'd like the city to be beauti-

ful, but we want to make sure we plan for it right."

we plan for it right."

Some Utah cities are opening their wallets to spread Christmas cheer, with some governments paying thousands of dollars to pain the town with lights and decorations.

Sandy spends about \$17,000 a year on holiday decorations. Layton's holiday display, near City Hall, runs about \$19,000 a year.

"It's hard to put a price on the spirit of a community," said Ryan Mecham, Sandy city spokesman, "It helps with that spirit of identity."

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compete with Idiho power by
providing electricity or power
lines to residents. The city reserved the right to maintain
wires for its own internal comnumications for fire, police and
governmental services.

As compensulon for the
franchise, Idaho Power will collect from city residents and cap
the city 1 percent of its quarterty gross revenues. According to
the agreement, if the city wistes
to increase the franchise fer can
raise it up to three percent
with the approval of the majority of the voters in the city.
Bob Ruebel, an Idaho Power
spokesman, said the average
residence in the city of Jerome

uses 1,200 kilowatts of electricity per month, for an average bill of \$72. That would translate to 72 cents of revenue for the city per month, or \$8.60 per year, for the typical residence.

Ruebel told City Council members that Idaho Power's rates are determined by the Public Utilities Commission. The difference in fees charged in different cities around the state is determined by the 1 percent to 3 percent franchise fees. Idaho Power is operating as a monopoly in ferome and much of Idaho, but that's only because other power companies have not tried to expand into the area, Ruebel said.

In farewell, Walker asks for lower tax structure

Governor says policies would provide stability

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) — In her farewell address Wednesday night, Gow Olene Walker urged the Legislature to pass tax policies that will provide greater. "We have presented a plan that will broaden the base and lower tax rates, which will make Utah a more desirable place to provide quality jobs while leveling the highs and lows of the

provide quality jobs while leveling the highs and lows of the
conomy. Walker said.
Walker, 74, became Ulah's
first female governor after she
took over for former Gox Mike
Leavitt, who loft the office to become the head of the federal
Environmental Protection
Agency in Nox. 2003.
"I marvel at how rapidly the
last 14 months have flown by:
Walker said in her speech from
the Governor's Mansion.
In addition to her call for a

the Governor's Mansion.
In addition to her call for a new tax code, Walker devoted much of her final address to what may be remembered as the focus of her short term: education.

cation.
"We must recognize that quality jobs are only possible—with—outstanding—education—systems," she said. "The two will always go hand in hand together."

Walker counted securing the funds for a state reading program as one of her greatest accomplishments in the 2003 Legislative session. As governor she initiated a program to encourage adults to read to a child for at least 20 minutes each day. She said the state must continue in its efforts to ensure every child masters busic education skills, as well as recognize the potential that comes from ligher education. The most strength our universities and colleges so that quality jobs flow from ideas to job rendom'ronder ormeet the needs of our clitzens," she said. In her roughly ten minute speech, Walker thanked her

family and recalled some of the most memorable moments of her tens to memorable moments of her tens expowers with my grandchildren at the Mansion, the invitations to come to your schools and the suggestions you have given on how to be a better governor, she said.

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See Heave the governorship with wonderful memories, built wonderful memories, built wonderful memories, built wonderful memories, built will be seen the full wonderful memories of the propie who live here. Waller said.

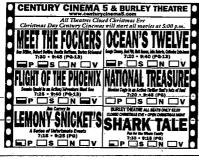
Before becoming the state's 15th governor Waller saved as 15th governor Waller saved as 15th governor waller seved as 15th governor for 12 years under Leavitt. She loss the bid for a second term at the state Hepublican convention.

Walker holds bachelors, mas-ter's and doctorate degrees from Brigham Young, Stanford and the University of Utah, respec-

the University of Control of the Valler served as a member of the University of the

rip. From 1969 to 1992, she served From 1969 to 1992, she served as the vice president of a family business, Country Crisp Foods. She and her husband, Myron Walker, have been married 50 years. She is the mother of seven children and has 25 grantlehildren; Utali's Gov.-elect. Jon M. Huntsman Jr. will take the oath of office on Jan. 3.







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County clears plan for wind farm Detectives work

POCATELLO (AP) — The Power County Planning and Zoning Boards has approved plans from two Boise-based companies to build large-scale wind farms south of American Falls

Falls. Project could be an geo-nomic bono for a county that lost II percent of its tax base fol-lowing, the December 2001 closure of I-MCS Astairs plant. After two years of taking ide-tailed measurements of wind conditions, both companies are conditions, both companies are conditions and hope to start construction in 2005.

The plans are contingent upon securing power contracts with any of the three electric utilities whose grids are accessible from near American Jalls. Windlend-Shell had plans approved I/ce. 7 for a \$1.00 million wind farm, which would produce between 120 and 150 megawaits of electricity. One. megawait is enough to power about 650 bornes for one year.

"The Gay Value of the PAIC plant," and Mike Heckler, Windlend-Shell director of marketing and development.

Windlend-Shells proposed 80-turbine farm on the edge of the Deep Creek Mountains, near Bowen Caupyn Fagle Reserve, would create 150 jobs in Power County during a six-mouth con-struction period and about a dozen tall-time jobs, throughout the project's 30-year life. Heckler safe.

said.
Another company, Bidgeline Energy, got approval Nov. 22 for a wind farm of up to 280 tur-bines to be built in phases south of American Falls according to power demands.
Construction, Would start in 2005 on a ridge spanning Bon-

neville and Ringham county lines. "I think it will be a good neighbor," Power County Com-missioner Ken Estep said, Idaho Power's, Integrated Re-source Plan for 2005 includes a wind plan, which calls for using 200 megawatts of wind energy in its Idaho and Oregon service a-rea-Tire plan helped spur logal-interest in wind energy. "This first 200 megawatts is to learn more about it and see how it goes," said Roger I. Rowe, Idaho Power community rela-tions representative. "We know it can be just a piece of our re-source plan,"

to identify body

Autopsy doesn't show signs of trauma to body

Grauma to Doury

COBUR (JALEME (AP) — An
autopsy revealed no signs of
trauma to the decomposed
hody of a man found by a duck
huner in the Pend Oreille Recr
over the weekend, so officials
are waiting for dental records to
identify the person.
The body was discovered at a
mill site in Dover, just downstream from Samploint, Li, John
Valdez of the Homer County
Sheriffs Office said Thesday.
Investigators were seeking
dental records of Dan Claue: a
man who disappeared near the
river almost two months ago,
said Detective Sieve Feldhausen
of the Sandpoint Police Department.
Claue is a 29-year-old soft-

ment. Clum is a 29-year-old soft-ware programmer who vanished in the early morning hours of No. 6 after a fight out with friends at the Long Bridge Grill in Sagle. The bar is at the south end of the mile-long bridge separating

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again Thresday there is at teas one other possibility police can't rule out.

A lisherman on the river found clothing apparently belonging to a -Hispanic man 'about the same time Clune went missing,' Valdez said. "There was a coat, some money, an INS identity card, which we found out is a phony."

Valdez said investigators can't rule out the owner of the clothing, possibly a migrant worker, drawned.

In an e-mail from New York, Kristen Clune, Dan Clune's siser, said the family is preparing to hear bad news.

"If is Damy, our hearts will be forever broken." Kristen Clune wond.

Dan Clune had only recently moved from the East Coast to Sandpoint. After his disappearance, family and friends came to klalio to help in the search, putting thy posters describing Dan Clune and starting a reward fund, which has grown to \$10,000.

GOODING COUNTY COURTS

GOODING - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Gooding County included the following:

Misdemeanor

arraignments

lesse W. Haacke; driving under the influence; court trial Ian. 24; Magis-trate Indge Casey Robinson. Joseph Scott Peterson: battery; sen-tencing Ian. 24; Magistrate Indge Casey Robinson.

Misdemeanor sentencings

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public detender fee; one war unsu-provised probation; 100 days in jail. 179 suspended. Magistrate Indige The State of the India of the India David Biodes-Common reckess driving the India of the India of the India Magistrate India (India) of the India John R. I claim II; prossession from Section Color of the India Section Control of the India Section Color of the India Section Color of the India Section India of the India Section In

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costs, \$35 probation fee, one year su-pervised probation; 30 days in jail, 30 suspended: Magistrate Indge Casey Robinson.

obusion.

Samuel G. Pate; disturbing the sace amended to disorderly con-uct; \$100 fine, \$63,50 court costs; lagistrate Judge Casey Robinson.

Misdemeanor dismissals

Billy James Mercer; disturbing the peace distuissed by prosecutor; Mag-istrate fidge Casey Robinson. Doinald Seven Shockey; driving under the influence; dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate Indge Casey Robinson.

Felony arraignments

lared Wade Hillier: two counts for-gery/making and/or passing of fethious notes, checks: preliminary hearing Feb. 3; Magistrate hidge Casey Roblisson.

JEROME COUNTY COURTS

JEROME - Recent activity in 5th District Court in Jerome County included the following:

Misdemeanor arraignments.

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sen.

Alma Diane Ramirez, 32: driving without privileges: exceeding the speed limit failure to provide proof of insurance; pretrial conference Ian. 3: Magistrate Judge Thomas II, Borresen

sen. Casey T. Ward, 34: driving without privileges: failure to provide proof of insurance; pretrial conference Ian. 3; Magistrate Judge Thomas 11. Borre-

Misdemeanor sentencings

Amber Rence Bulcher, 18: failure to give immediate notice of an accident; 5.150 fine, 5100 suspended, 583.50 court costs, 535 probation fee; six months unsupervised probation; Magistrate Judge Thomas 11. Borre-

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advocate dies

BOISE (AP) — Richard Cortex, a businessman who launched the lalapeno Open golf tournament and was one of the areas foremost advocates of Hispanie entrepreneurship, died Saturday after a battle with cancer. He was 69.

Cortez will be honored in several services this week.

He was a founding member of the Hispanie Business Association and started the Metaleralt Jalapeno Open, which has awarded 163 scholarships to students through the HIBA Richard G. Cortez, Scholarship Fund. He was named the U.S. Small Business Administrations Minority Business Advocate of 1994 for the Northwest region.

BOISE (AP) — Richard Cortez,

Hispanic

obation: 180 days in fail, 170 sus-inded, credit for 10 days served; 0-day drivers liceuse suspension; iving without privileges; dismissed prosecutor. Separate case; failure to urchase/linvalid-drivers-liceuse; dispurchase/invalid-drivers-license; dis-missed by prosecutor; exceeding the speed limit; \$20.50 fine, \$32.50 court costs; failure to provide proof of insur-

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the influence \$1,000 fine, \$700 sits-pended; "two years supperfised probation; 180 days in jail, 99 sits-pended, cied into one day served, 70 days discretionary; 180-day drivers is-ceives suspension; open container; failure to purchase/irwalld drivers li-ceives: dismissed by prosecutor; Magistrate holge Thomas 11, Borre-

Magistrate Indge Thomas II. Borre-ser.

Garaina Chavez Hores. 50; wilfide Concoalment: \$300 fine, \$200 sus-pended, \$30.50 court costs. \$50 public concoalment: \$300 fine, \$200 sus-pended, \$30.50 court costs. \$50 public con-defender fee one year unsupervised probation; 90 days in pil. 188 uspend-ch credit for more day served, one day-eligible for work programs Magistrate Jackon Tyreld Koelm. 21; hardery— domestic violence amended to dis-tanting the pence: \$300 fine, \$250 suspended, \$63.50 court costs. \$50 suspended, \$63.50 court costs. \$50 suspended, \$64.50 court

sen.
Kenneth P Krause, 22; driving without pradieges amended to failure to purchase/mvalid driver's license; 586,50 fue; 566,50 fue; 566,50 fue; 166,50 fue; 166,5

Pannela Jo Rippey, 46; driving ur te influence: \$750 fine, \$550 influence: \$750 fine, \$550 pt

orresen.
Tonya R. Roholt, 28; use or posses-on of drug paraphernalia with intent use; \$300 line, \$200 suspended.

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Magistrate Mafge Thomas
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fine, \$750 suspended, \$750 count
year supervised probation; 110 days
year supervised probation; 110 days
in jail, 118 suspended, 60 days discretionary-two-days eligible for-work
program; 180 dry driver's ficenes suspension; Magistrate Judge Thomas 11.

-Misdemeanor withheld judgments

Withheld Judgments

Brace Lev Addisson, 40: abuse, exploitation, neglect of a vulnerable duting indigenent withheld for one year; \$300 fine, \$200 suspended, \$61.50 court costs, \$55 potabition fee, \$50 public defender fee one year unposed to the property of the property

Misdemeanor dismissais

David H. Slotten, 39; driving on a divided highway/restricted access: dismissed by prosecutor. Magistrate ludge Thomas H. Borressen, lerenny Richard Henage, 28; driving without privileges; dismissed by pros-ecutor. Magistrate ludge Thomas 11.

Felony arraignments

Antonio Rahson, 30; possession of a forged check forgery/making, pass-ing of fieldius notes, checks; status hearing Dec. 20. Separate case: bad jumping status hearing Dec. 20. Sep-arate case: two counts bad jumping status hearing Dec. 20; District Judge John K, Baufer.

Felony sentencings

Ronald Lee Sears, 37: two counts grand theft: dismissed by prosecutor burglary: three years determinate pentientiary time, five years indeterminate, credit for 121 days served; unlawful possession of a finearm by a convicted felon; dismissed by prosecutor, District Judge John & Builer.

Child support cases

Child support cases
State of Idaho Health and Welfare
x-Angela M. Coverdale. Seeking \$226
monthly support for Nitasha M. HeaLicht, and. Syke, L. Liettich.—plus.-64percent of child's medical expenses.
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period, attorney fees.
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expenses for Kelly Leyva Valericia;
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expenses for Kelly Leyva Valericia;
State of Idaho I Idahi and Welfare
vs. Seeplo C. Ceja. Seeking 69 percent
of child's medical expenses. for
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hantel -Marie Hossovec, automo-ges.

State of Idaho Health and Wefter Ho-s. Seeking of Mr. Cardenas; Still bonthly support for Tacot J. Flores, lass 65 percent of childs medical ex-enses; \$1,262 for his pro rata share of irth costs; attorney fees.

Divorces

Darrin Eugene Stump vs. Maggie



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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the regular meeting of the Stockholders of the Twin Falls Canial Company will be held on Tuesday, the 11" of January, 2005. The meeting will be called to order by the Director's at 9:00 a.m. in the Bick_Allen_Room in the Hercett Center at the College of Southern_Idate in Twin Falls.

A Director from District 3 (Filer) will be elected for a three-year term.

Other business will also be transacted. There will be reports from the Company's General Manager, auditors and lawyers. There will also be reports concerning operation and maintenance efforts, 2005 water supplies, water quality issues, Snake River Aquifer studies, the Endangered Species Act, the SRPA, and other matters of interest.

The corporate books will close for the transfer of stock on January 3, 2005.

The polls shall be open at the office of the Company at 357 Sixth Avenue West, Twin Falls, Idaho, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m. on January 11, 2005.

Proxies shall be filed with the Company's Assistant Secretary at the Company Office on or before January 7, 2005.

DATED this 8th day of December, 2004.

TWIN FALLS CANAL COMPANY Brian Olmstead, Assistant Secretary

Blair proposes Mideast conference

RAMALIAH, West Bank (AP)

British Prime Minister Tony
Blair offered Wednesday to host
one-day Mideast conference
in the new year to help reliabilitate the battered Palestinian
Authority, encourage reform
and serve as a bridge to renewed peace talks, stalled, by
four years of violence.

Blait, the highest-anking vistor to the West Bank since
Yasser Arafats death on Nov. 11,
sald a growing sense of hope



must now be translated into action, while endorsing Israel's pre-condition for peace talks — an end to Palestinian at-

Tony Blair goal of an inde-pendent state. Wednesday was the first time

Blair talked in public about his proposed London conference, considerably scaling down the especiations of many who expected a full-blown British Middle East peace pash. Instead, Blair said, the conference would be a one-day affair in March dealing only with recommendation of the particular administration and additional administration and additional did. He said it would serve as a administration and additional aid. He said it would serve as a "bridge to the road map," the stalled international peace plan

leading to a Palestinian state, but calling a conference to discuss substantive issues "Is not for meto undertake. In the conference of the conference and the conference although the Palestinians initially hoped for a broader agenda, including key disputes with Israel over lerusalem, the fate of Palestinian refugees and the borders of a Palestinian state.

Yushchenko warns of troubles during runoff

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko praised thousands of his supporters with the state of the state o

temperatures on Independence Square to mark one mouth since the beginning of the "orange" revolution protests. "There are some forces preparing to disrupt and they are preparing brigades, groups who are readying to come to Kiev."
"We will come on this quare."

"We will come on this square,

"We will come on this square, this stage, after the vote on Dec. 26, and will stay until our victory is celeptaced," he sald.

The call echoed an appeal he made after the Nov. 21 number of the this rival Prime Minister Victor Yanukoyoch won until the Supreme Court amulled the vote, cling fraud. It ordered a new vote for Sunday.

Artwork in road latest in U.S., Cuba dispute

HAWANA (AP) — Cuban art students and cartoonists painted an American eagle cartoon Wednesday on the asphalt of lavana's coastal highway so cars can drive over it as they pass the U.S. diplomatic mission, the latest salvo in a spara decorations hung by the Americans.

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Leconations hung by the Americans of the highway as the students draw the colorful cartoon of an aggressive-looking eagle with an enormous "B" on its chesteferring to the U.S. "bloqueo," or trade sanctions. The government has used the figure in a televised campaign to criticize four decades of sanctions.

"This character represents the blockade and will be squashed by all the cars and people who pass by here," said Emesto Tadron, a well-known, cartoonist working on the painting.

painting.

Dozens of other artists worked on billboards outside the mission. They said they planned to paint a caricature of James Cason, chief of the U.S.



Cars pass over a glant bird called 'Super B' in front of the U.S. Interests Section in Havana, Cuba, on Wednesday. The artwork refers to the U.S. 'bloqueo.' or trade sanctions, and was painted by cartoonists and art students in an escalating protest.

Interests Section, as well as images protesting the U.S.-led war

ages protesting in Iraq.
U.S. officials declined to comment. Wednesday on the

ment Wednesday on the painting.

The row began last week when Cason ignored orders by

the Guban government to re-move Christmas decorations including a sign reading "75" — a reference to 75 Guban dissi-dents arrested in a crackdown last year.

The Guban government then erected a biliboard outside the

U.S. mission emblazoned with photographs of U.S. soldlers abusing Iraqi prisoners and the word "fascists" overlaid with a "Made in the U.S.A" stamp, "We reject the U.S. operations against Cuba and against Iraq," Lisandra Ramirez, 18, said as

Lisandra framirez, 18, said as she painted.
Earlier in the week, thousands of university students rallied outside the U.S. Interests Section to protest the Christmas display.

Section to protest the Christmas display.

U.S.-Cuba relations, never good during four decades of communist rule on the island, have deteriorated during President Bush's administration, which has toughened economic sanctions and publicized its plan for a democratic Cuba after Fidel Castro.

Cuban officials charged last decades and community of the community of

ollicials to undermine me is-land's government — a charge the activists and Washington denied. The dissidents were sentenced to up to 28 years in prison, but 14 have since been released for medical reasons.

Russia test-fires ballistic missile

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia successfully test-fired a heavy intercontinental ballistic missile on Wednesday in a launch intended to extend the lifetime of aging Soviet-built weapons. It was the first time that an RS-20V Voewoda, which NATO identifies as the SS-18 Satan, had been fired from its combat positions in Russia since the 1991 Soviet collapse, Previously, such missiles had been flored from the flussian-leased. Balkonur cosmodrome in the former Soviet republic of Kazakhstan.

The missile, which was launched from a silo in the Orenburg region in the southern Ural Mountains, bit a designated target on a testing ground on the Far East Kamchatka Peninsula, more than 3,750 miles away.

"The main result of the launch was the confirmation of the technical characteristics of the missiles, which have no analogues in the world," ltussias Strategic Missile Forces said in a statement.

in a statement.
It added that the missile had been on combat duty for 16 years before the launch.

Court opens hearings for Pinochet

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) —
The Supreme Court opened hearings Wednesday on whether to uphold the Indicament and house arrest of Gen. Augusto Pincehet on human rights charges, as the former dictator was released from hospital after five days recovering from a stroke.

The Santiago army hospital said Pinochet, 89, was taken to his home to continue his treatment and rehabilitation there.

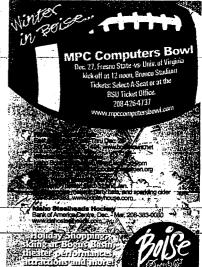
Pinochet was indicted and

Appeals upheld both decisions.
Pinochet's defense lawyer
Pablo Rodriguez appealed to
the Supreme Court and on
Wednesday he opened the
hearings requesting the annulment of the indictment and
house arrest on health
grounds.

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to take any action. Even so, hold
off until later in the year ahead
to take any action. April, when
you are art your channing; best;
could bring helpful people and
conditions that put a positive
spin on your hopes, dreams and
wishes. July and August might
be filled with brief restrictions,
but you will be on a positive roll
next November and December
when both love and money can
drop in your lap without impediment.

ARIES (March 21-April 1997

**Landing under the mistletoe

drop in your lap without impediment.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):
Standing under the mistletoe
might bring you an unexpected
surprise or two. Charming com
panions could create romantic
deas, rather than visions of sugarplums. Try something
-different.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20):
Arrange spur-of-the-moment
happy holiday get-togethers
today or tomorrow when celestiday or tomorrow when celestiday to the next few days
ahead you can be the life of the
party and the center of attention.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

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GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Innocent filtrations may be just
that, so don give your hear
away after one date. Only time
will tell if this is the real thing.
Tastes run to the exotic and unusual, so search off the beaten
track to find that unique last
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—CANCER (June-21-July-22):-14-doesn't matter if gifts are wrapped in newspaper or tled with a silver bow. You have the holiday spirit and are willing to

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share your last cent to make others glow with pleasure.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): As they, say, there are plenty of fish in the sea — so don't limit yourself to one partner if you are single.
Married folks may need to give their mates room to roam as friendships take top billing tody.

today.
ViRCO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):
Spend some relaxing hours with
famillar faces. Maybe the party
mood rubs off at the workplace
and coworkers receive your attention. The perfect gift of the
day is something with a new age
avor or the latest techno gadget.

et.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): A
whiriwind of parties over the
next few days can be exciting
and you are at your entertaining
best. Fresh faces might appear
in the crowd and new friendships are possible. Seek tunsual
one-of-a-kind items that might
appear to work returned tests.

one-ol-a-kind items that might appeal to your new age tastes. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You can't have too many riends, so don't put all your eggs into one basket. Sultry glances during a chance encounter may lead to a fling — but the attraction might be based on differences rather than similarities.

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beating wildly.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Dont cast aside solid reladionships of succumb to sudden
inges to abandon obligations.
Catch-a-catnap-because-late
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tovely head. The way to enjoyment is to buy something for
someone else.

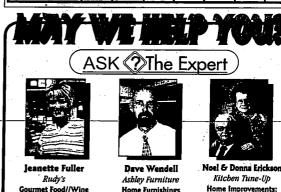
ment is to buy something for someone else;
AQUARIUS (Ian. 20-Feb. 18):
Ou area tyour best when paired with a congenial other today, so take a friend along on last-minute shopping jaunts. Throt cards and aromatherapy candles might make perfect stocking stuffers to delight stolid souls who are just learning to stretch their wings.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):
Under these amiable stars you can get away with wearing that battery run flashing red-nosed reindeer tie or the outrageous T shirt that shocks and amuses. Stand out in a crowd by being a little different-and-others-will-love you more.





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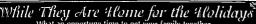


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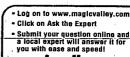


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Husband's verbal abuse only stops after he leaves for good

DEAR ABBY. You printed a letter from "Heaten Down in Oklahoma." who said that although she had a history of severe depression, her verbally abusive husband_refused to allow her to get medication. "Because he didn't believe in it. He told her she was "worth-sess", and said he omly Popt her around so he could be near the kids. That letter could: have been written by me live years ago.

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1 was nine years into a physically and envisionally abusive marriage. I heard the same, cally and envisionally and envisionally and envisionally and afterward, when he was trying to make up, he too always said he "didn't mean it." Well, it turned out he did mean it. Once he found his next victim — a younger woman — he walked out. As he cause everything hed said had been the truth. I was ugly, fat, worthless, lousy in bed, and hed only stayed because he wanted to be around the kids.

You should have advised "house lawyer" to see a lawyer.

hets andered be advised that should have advised "Botten Down" to see a lawyer in addition to a counselor, while she still has a shred of self-esteem. Following my divorce, I got counseling, Once I got counseling, Once I got counseling, Once I got thetter about myself. I met a wonderful man. Were married mow. I wish I could give "Beat-en Down," a hug, because she's

DEAR ARRY Jeanne Phillips

not alone. She's in my prayers.

— FULL OF HOPE

IN GEORGIA DEAR FULL OF HOPE: I heard from many readers who identified with that letter and felt it was important for her to break away. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: A husband who tells his wife she's worthless and stupid is using verbal abuse to wear her down and control her. Marriage counseling and psychiatrists worth help. The man has low self-esteem and tries to make himself appear powerful and intelligent by making his wife feel inadequate. Every day she stays with him is far more harmful to the children than taking them and leaving. Abuse is not always physical. She needs to get out before it becomes physical.

— DIANE
IN PENNSYLVANIA
DEAR DIANE: It's true: chilren model their behavior on
hat thou to average to what they're exposed to.

DEAR ABBY: As a clinical so-

cial worker and therapist with strong background in the field domestic violence. I must con domestic violence. I must comment on your response to Reaten Down in Oktahona. Your suggestion of marial courseling is not recommended; in such situations. It can render the victims more vulnerable to abuse and manipulation after they leave the counselor's office. Your, suggestion of going alone and building her own-strength is helpful. Contacting her local domestic violence or-ganization, for support is also recommended.

— LSCW I MAINE

DEAR LSGW. Thank you for

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DEAR LSCW: Thank you for
the input. The toll-free number
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Christmas poem was published in 1823

This day in history: "Itwas," the night before Christmas." The Dec. 23, 1823, Troy Record published an anonymous poem under the headline "Account of a Vikit from St. Nicholas." Fourteen years later. Clement C. Moore would take credit for the famous poem — to the chiggin of poet Henry Livingston's children, who remembered duer late father writing the poem in 1808. "Math "students," remember this request." May I have a large container of coffee? Thank you." If you count the letters of each word, you'll get pi to ten digits, 3,141592653. (Coffee and pit Minning).

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The Constitution says that a president has to be native-horn, yet eight were not born in the United States. How can this he? The first eight presidents were born in the American colonies, before the revolution brought the United States into existence. A cruciverballst is a crossword puzzle fanatic.

English beckeepers used to deck their hives with holly on Christmas Eve, believing the



bees would hum Christmas car-ols.

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PT. Barnum's conjoined
"Siamese-Iwins," Chang and
Eng got rich enough as as
sideshow auraction to buy a tobacco farm in the mid-Bious,
Compiler with Slaves. They
married twin sisters, and the
ap roblem: Chang had 10 children, and Eng had 11 Children, and Eng had 11 U.S. Poet Laureates
so Tar, three were born on
March 1.

March I.

A study by an anthropologist
a few years back claimed that
people_drank_alcohol_more

quickly while listening to coun-try music than to any other musical genre. He also found that the slower the tune of any genre, the fister the drinking. Spiders keep from getting stuck in their webs by spinning stuck in their webs by spinning two kinds of silks; non-stick an-chor threads, and sticky snare threads. If it accidentally gets stuck in its own snare thread, a spider has an emergency esspider has an emergency es cape clause: it can secrete ar oily solvent that neutralizes the stickiness.

stickines.
After the American Revolu-tion, Christmas fell out of favor, because it was considered an English custom by the colonists. Congress met as always on Dec. 25, 1789, the first Christmas under America's new Constitu-tion, It wasn't declared a federal holiday until Jan. 26, 1870.

Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at www.bath-





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Couple brings the Word to Mexico | Hispanic college graduate

Times-News correspondent.

RUPERF — The Rev. Dago and Mrs. Guadalupe Martinez are again planning a trip to Mexico and hope to take with them a trailer full of Bibles and blanker. them a o blankets.

ankets. The pastors of La Roca Firme,

The pastors of LA Roca Firme, a Pentecostal church in Rupert, as Pentecostal Church in Rupert, will leave Ian. 5 for Hermosillo, Mexico.
"We have a pickup that we will load, and rent a U-Hant radier," the Rev Martinez and "We hope it will be filled to the top with Bibles and blankets."
They have already purchased three cases of Bibles but hope to buy more.

three cases or man-to buy more. Since a part of their ministry is to the prisoners in Hermosil-tos jail, the Bibles are entitled, "Libre Entre Rejas" or "Free Be-

los jail, the Bibles are critiled. "Libre Entre Rejas" or "Free Behind Bars."
A harber hy trade, he will also
cut hair while there.
Martinez, choše Hermosillo
to visit because he has known a
pastor there for several years.
Ite also knows of the poverty.
Connecting with the Hermosillo pastor in Pheenix, Ariz,
and accompanied by another
crupic, he and his wife hope a
three-vehicle caravan will travel
tive hours south to the Call of.
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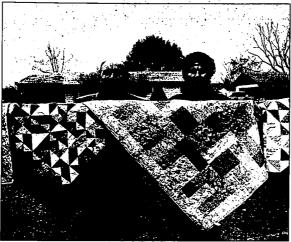
"Many of the people in his church (in Hermosillo) are Tarazco Indians who do not sepack Spanish, so I have an interpreter for when I preach to them. "Martinez said.

The large church in Mexico is built from two by fourts and corrugated metal and cardboard. The Idaho couple has promised to raise money for trusses so a roof can be constructed.

The people are extremely poor in the city, he said. Some families live in rusted out car bodies;

In a community where a full

In a community where a full day's wages translate to less than \$4 in U.S. currency, the liv-



quilted. Most are haby blanket

"My heart's for the kids," said Walter, who has probably given away 350 to 400 qullts over the

years.

A few other people have also donated quilts, but there is room for many more in the pickup, Marthuz said.

The Reverend said he will also preach wherever the opportunity arises in Meetco, just as he does in the United States. He may drive over to Tijuana, as well.

The Rev. Dago and Mrs. Guadalupe Martinez show some of the blankets they will take to Mexico next

Want to help?

If you can donate a new or nearly-new blanket or quilt, or money to help buy Bibles, call the Rev. Dago Martinez at 312-

During business hours, bring contributions to his barber shop, Dago's Barber Shop, on the square in Rupert.

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ing standard is bare subsis-tence, he said. Hems taken by the couple will be distributed at the church there, but the majority goes to Colonia Saharo, a community of cardboard shacks in the sub-urbs of Hermosillo.

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gran pasado. Y en nuestra cuenta de

cheques realmente gratis.

These people also receive food baskets and glasses.
Among the quilts taken to Mexico will be those made by Alice Walter, 63, and her daughter, Deb Hopkins, both of Burley.

They enjoy making quilts to-gether, especially children's quilts.

quilts.
Two years ago, Walter's pas-for, John Ramey of Calvary Baptist Church, asked if she would be willing to donate some quilts to Martinez's proj-ect. This is her third year to donate.

donate.

Martinez says she's donated some 48 quilts.

Leach one is pieced in bright fabric, bound and machine

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says 'Don't settle for less'

MOSCOW — If Isaac, Imenez had one message to send back home to his peers, it would be that "college is an opportunity for you to choose."

'Often, young I lispanies can turn to gangs or hard labor in the fields as their pathways; but I'd encotrage them not to, give in to the pressures. Instead, strive for what you really waint to be," said Jimenez, son of a migrant farm family from Caldwell who will pick up his Bachelor of Science in physical education at the University of Idaho commencement.

paysical education at the Oni-versity of Idaho commencement. He came to the university five years ago on the College Assistant Migrant Program. He was cut from the track team in his freshman year, and through his own determina-

tion, became one of the only athletes to make it back on the team — and subsequently, even earn an athletic scholarship, the University of Idaho reported.

"I guess I was motivated by the fact that I wanted to prove myself to those who doubted nee." Ilmenez said. "The team friendships I made and being in the fact that I wanted to prove myself to those who doubted nee." Ilmenez said. "The team friendships I made and being slib to be on the team with my brother. Jordan Zamora, made all the work worthwhile."

Jimenez continues his motto to "never give up." by continuing on to graduate school to earn a master's degree in blomechanics to study human movement and become a personal trainer and educator.

PRAYER EXCHANGE _



Gina Vaccaro, 19, from Los Angeles, Calif., sings during a binational Christmas posada in honor of undocumented migrants at the international border fence on Dec. 18, in Tiluana, Mexico. People on both sides of the border exchanged songs, prayer and food at a section of the wall which is still made of cyclone fence material.

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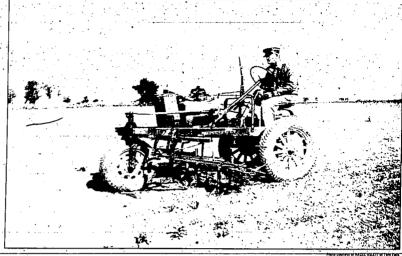




Magic Valley scrapbooks



In 1940, Lila Conklin (Stauffer) and coustin Curtis Eliason sit In a homemade car on hägerman's Main Street. 'My father (mechanic Howard Conklin) built this car with an industrial washing machine motor, says Lila, now a Twin Falls resiwashing interline motor, says Lin low at Yuri rains reji-dent. 'It had gears, ran on gas. For about 20 years It was in .all the parades. In Hagerman, representing Cady Auto Co. ... After pondering for months, the motor vehicle department in Bolse licensed It as a motorcycle.'



Herschel Malone — Tather of Twin Falls resident Hazel Aslett — cultivates a crop on a Maroa district farm in the 1920s. Herschel and his brother-in-law Arthur Childers built this tractor from parts of other equipment and made it work, Aslett says.

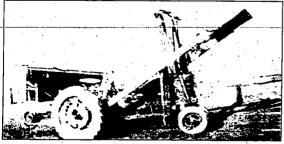
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- Virginia S. Hutchin:



Siblings Roy and Joan Willis get onto a school bus in Murtaugh in 1939 or 1940. After the family moved to an Edon farm a few years later, Joan recalls, trucks used to deliver feed for the family's farm animals. For three or four years, Roy and Joan, along with their mother and sister, used to pick out enough matching feed sacks for their dresses, blouses and shirts — Just like going to a fabric store, says Joan, whose last name now is Barkley. It sounds kind of embarrassing no



Chuck Steinmetr of Eden says this homemade manure loader was built by his dad when manure fork were the only way to load manure out of a corral. It was made out of the frame of an old car and rear end pulleys used on hay derricks. Steinmetr says. The only thing bad about it was it held too big a load and broke down a lot of the old wooden horse spreaders, busting out their wooden bottoms. This photo was taken in the early 1940s on the family farm in Eden. It was quite a few years later before manufactured manure loaders were mass marketed, Steinmetr says.

In 1938, William R. and Cloe Bell stand In 1938, William R. and Cloe Bell stand In front of one of the chicken houses on their farm at 723 Sparks St. In Twin Falls. The couple raised about 3,000 laying hens and sold eggs to local stores and bakerles. says granddaughter Patticla Cogswell of Twin Falls. Cogswell's father — Lawrence Bell, youngest son of William and Cloe — built his family a human of the contract the design of the same o house out of one of the chicken houses it still stands at 723 Sparks. There was a lot of scrounged material and volun teer labor from Mother's brothers and brother-in-laws,' Cogswell says.



Two inventors save Christmas

Anna Hansen Hayes, wife of the man who led the survey work on the Twin Falls townstein in 1904, wrote an article on the new city's first Christians for the 1962 publication 'A Folk History of Twin Falls County.'

The '62 book — a local observance of the Idaho Territory's 100th anniversary in 1963 — wis a project of the Twin Falls County Territorial Centennial (committee, which Anna Hayes' led as

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Here, we reproduce most of her account of "How a sagebrush became a Christmas tree":

"Children began to come to Twin Falls in late: summer (1904).—Their—fathers—hadcome as teamsters, carpenters, laborers, or land seekers and, deciding to stay, had gone-back-for-the-family-or-sent for its members to come to the nearest railroad station. Shoshone, about thirty-five miles away...

"By mid-December, there were skey-eight children of school age, which, with the little ones, added up to about one hundred. Where there are children at Christmas time, there must be Christmas observance. A few herolemothers had been holding Sunday School in, a tent in Rock Creek Canyon, adjoining the townsite. With these women as leaders, the lownsite people assembled to discuss the control of a Christmas receipt assembled to discuss the control of a Christmas receipt assembled to discuss the control of a Christmas receipt assembled to discuss the control of a Christmas receipt assembled to discuss the control of a Christmas receipt assembled to the control of a Christmas the christmas of a Christmas the christmas the christmas that the christmas tree, they agreed, but where can it be found?

"For miles around there was nothing but sagebrush—symbol of desolation and dust! On the foothills some twenty-five miles distant could be seen dark spots of juniper—but—not—a—pine—or-spruce tree within fifty or skyt miles.

"The Christmas committee set to work, drilling the children for their share of the program. Others agreed to make festoons of popcorn, and cranberries, and even or-naments of colored paper. There were no tree toys to be worsen to the wings and adozen glass ornaments with the other few things she hadbeen able to bring-to-the new-home. At least, there would be candles.

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"Day after day, the children looked hopefully at the blue,

unclouded sky. Surely it would snow soon. But the white flurries stirred by the cutting winter wind wereflur-ries of dust, There seemed to be no snow in Idaho's sky that

year.

"Twenty-five miles to the junipers scenned a long journey when men were so busy and teams at such a premium, but there must be a proper Christmas tee, so the women will be a long journey when men were so the women will be a long to the comment of the flock Creek footbills to secure one. Two young men, Sam I Inmilion off and drive to the flock Creek footbills to secure one. Two young men, Sam I Inmilion and Fred Eichoff, younteered to go and were instructed to get the largest, the tallest, the most beautiful juniper on the hillside.

"Two days before Christmas, the young men sen out of the footbills equipped to stay overnight, if necessary, in order to get-the-best-christmas, tree those eager children had ever seen. As their team made its way over the dim. narrow road through the sagebrush toward the footbills, Sam began to speculate about the best Christmas tree.

"Anything would be all right Sam, if the snow would come, but this trying to dig Christmas out of the dust with the sun blazing on your back, gets me. Fred took out, his handkerchief, pretending to mop his brow. Really he was thinking about Christmas spirit this year.

"That's just it," teturned Sam, contemplatively, that's just white flow the sun that in the seen is jumper would lose the Christmas spirit this year.

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"The Twin Falls Community Christmas Tree for this first celebration of the blessed feast in our magic city." Fired looked around, after he bad unflastened the check rein to permit the horses to drink. Sam was already beside the tree, a giant sagebrush fully clipit feet tail, with a spread somewhat greater than its height. Sheltered from the wind, watered by the stream; it stood straight, its branches as symmetrical as the branches of a juniper.

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"You wouldn't dare bring that thing in for a Christmas, tree! 'laughed Fred, 'We would never be able to get out of town fast enough.'

"Sam chuckled, half to 'himself, thinking of the irate-women who would greet his discovery — his Innovation-for a Christmas tree. Then he walked back to the buggy and-took our the saw and the ax.
"After dark that night, they set the giant sage in one corner of the newly completed school house and went quietly away.

"Fred was right about what the women would say. 'Who over heard of anything so

"Fred was right about what the women would say. Who ever heard of anything so ridiculous! "Spoiling Christ-mas is going a bit too far for practical jokers, even!" they said indignantly. And the sputtering and scolding went on. But they were pioneer women in the truest sense. They recognized the need for-meeting a situation. Tomor-row was Christmas. No one could face the disappoint-ment of a failure now so they set to work.

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"Nothing could represent better the spirit of the people who had come to make their home in this new land."

— Anna H. Hayes

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Section D

Don't shoot the baby ducks, Dad

The hunting scene has a lot of hairy-chested, macho types that I can't help thinking would benefit from having a daughter like my Katle May.



COUNTRY LARKS Sam

Katies natural inclinations do not in any way favor an interest in hunding, yet, countless times when I have arrived home tired and footsore after a long day spent chassing game. Katie has met me at the door, bursting yorth joy at my safe return. As if that were not enough to give me a big head, she will take one jook at my string of birds and reward me within publiant shout of congratulations as she whilts and bounds in to report the wonderful-news-to-mom.—Monmy! Monmy! Daddy catched-up some ducks!

I know it's silly, but it always makes me feel a little like the mighty hunter who's just saved his tribe from starvation.

That's how she greeted me on one occasion a few years ago. She was about 6 years old then. After giving me my customary hero's welcome, she watched with intense interest as I laid the ducks out for cleaning. She expressed wonder at the beauty of the birds, but as she studied their lifeless forms, still resplendent with color, her mood grew a bit more contemplative.

"Daddy, do these ducks like to get shotted?" she asked.

"Well, I don't think that's something ducks think about. I replied.

"Well, I don't think that's something ducks think about." I replied.
Her eyes fell on the small crumpled form of a green-wing teal and Katle reacted with instant shock.
"Daddy! You shotted a baby one" she exclaimed, fully expecting me to be just as horrified as she. "It's not a haby"—I releted reassure her. "that's just all the bigger it gets." I could see the don't in her eyes. "But it's so little, won't his monmy miss him!"

I made a mental note to scratch teal from my personal list of game birds.
"He hasn't been with his monmy for a long time, honey. He's all grown up." Reluctantly she accepted my explanation, but her jubliant mood was gone. I felt a little less herole.
Katie got over it quickly, and

forced me to once again consider, the paradox of being a hunter.

The greatest lovers of nature and the most thoughful, compassionate people that I've ever known have been avid hunters. We do kill things and we admittedly bring a measure of pain to the natural world, so how can this be?

Our hunter's ed instructors, told us that following the game laws is what elevates the true and decent sportsman from the simple killer. I'm sure that's true in part, and yet, I find men who somehow keep their actions within the perimeter of what is tegal and still manage to dishonor completely the virtues of bunting many of us hold dear.

So what is the difference? What makes a decent hunter? I'm not sure there's a concrete answer to this question, but there is one thing I do know. The only giny I can be considered that the difference one who rask them selves that question from time to time.

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selves that question from time to time.

I'm sorry II I sound a bit mustly, but, it is Christmas time and perhaps it doesn't hurt to pause for a little introspection. I'll leave that up to you, but I would like to wish all my kindred spiries out there the very best this holiday season.

May you shoot straight instead of often and, if you don't mind-too much: let a few ofthose teal by on by for Katle's sake. Merry Christmass.



T.J. Newton, left, Axel, BB, and Andy Pierce show off a fruitful day in the hills.



hukin FOR hristmas

Hunters can find birds if they're willing to hike

Chukar hunting is for the hardy with good ankles. The primary defensive ter-rains are cliffs, boulder-strewn slopes, and steep slide-rock faces which the huntermust traverse.

Chukar season

Area 1, including the western half of Owhee County north through Hells Canyon to Sandpoint from September 18 through January 15 Canyon to Sandpoint from September 18 through January 15
Area 2, including Custer and Lemhi counties from September 18 through January 15
Area 3, including Twin Felis County and eastern Idaho from September 18
Library December 21

through December 31.

Daily bag limit in all areas is 8, 16 in possession.

Licenses expire December 31.

Southern Idaho, particularly the Owyhee canyon lands and Bruneau River breaks, provides a perfect habitat. In spring and fall the canyon terraces are faden with palatable grass shoots, a preferred food of the chukar. In summer they primarily eat seeds from such grass as the cheat grass. They also will scratch for tuberous roots.

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Unlike the Hungarian partridge, Chukar partridge (sometimes referred to as the red-legged partridge) ranged to as the red-legged partridge) rangely eat insects. In good chukar country there are plenty of errant ants, but they're generally passed by.

To make a chukar hunt a little easier, its advisable or the hunter to take time to check the first birds crop. The crop is where food is stored before its ground up in the gizzard, and what this bird is eating, the others are also.

Pick the niche where the food source is.

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Luckly for road hunters, folks who prefer not to walk, other in late fall chukars are up on the flats above the canyor rime cating grass shoots from grasses that have a fall growth. As these hunters zigaga back and forth over the flats, they can jump coveys and get a few shots before the birds dive along the canyon walls for protection.

Early season hunters often have it rough. The birds are working the canyon slopes where the grasses are ripe and where the creek is near. In the later, summer, and early fall, hunting water sources is often productive. "The first introduction lof the chukarj, made into North America was in 1893," according to Gienn C. Christensen, author of The Chukar Partridge, and I was introduced in Nevada by 1935 and Cali-



After a 10-mile hike, hunters TJ Newton, A fornia by 1937.

The chukar ranges primarily in the Intermountain corridor from castern Washington down into Newada. Populations have developed in northern Utah and central Wyoming as well.

To establish Newadas population more than 13,000 chukars were released between 1955 and 1966, per Christsensens comm.

The chukar is an exade bird (non-native), and to maintain a good population for hunting, supplements are often required. Although in Idaho there are areas that sustain "adapted" flocks primarily because, as Christensen writes, the terrain "adapted" flocks primarily because, as Christensen writes, the terrain "adapted" flocks primarily because, as Christensen writes, the terrain "adapted" flocks primarily because as Schristensen writes, the terrain similar to that of the birds native environment in India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan.

Besides stalking water and food sources, hunters can locate chukars by calling, Chukars are sociable birds, and when separated they call one another to regroup.

After a predatory causes them to flush and get separated, and they start the most common call, the "chuck, chuck" chatter that brings them back together.

They also have hawk warning and general danger calls.

Chukars are particularly venerable to—lawks, falcon, and other raptors. Several times a barve falcon took a bird from a flock I flushed. The first time it hap-

xel, and Andy Plerce head for the truck.

penced. I was milfied. The falcon was unable to fly with the chukar in its alons and had to swoop into a draw just belowsup. I went after it.

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The falcon may be fast, but I have additional help which nearly always makes my hunts successful My friends and I follow behind our "hind" dogs.

Bird dogs are skilled hunters, and heir ability to track and seen tor only allow identification of game birds, but when running against a good breeze, they can pick up the seent of coveys hundreds of yards away.

But the miracle to me is that a dog will run down slots in cliffs, over boulders, and nearly tumble across steep freze solopes to retrieve a bird. My dog saves me hours of exhausing work.

Perhaps a greater bonus comes from hunting with a dog a further closent leave downed birds. A dog's nose will find a bird



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If you are an upland game hunter and don't hunt, chulars, pick, up the challenge, Get fit and hit the camoons, If you do hunt them, don't lose them, Bring every bird home.

State releases bighorn sheep

HeROME - Thirty-live California bighorn sheep. 15 Irom Oregon and 20 from Nevada, are now calling Independence Peak home.

This is the second release of bighorn sheep to the area. Thirteen sheep were released in 2003; those sheep were released in 2003; those sheep were released in 2003; those sheep were respectively in the larbidge and Bruneau canyons.

This bas been alot of work to get to this point," said Randy Smith, Itaho Fish and Game Magle Valley Region Big Game Manager. Without the dedicated employees from the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, volunteers with the Fothladition for North American Wild Sheep, and willing landowners this project would have never taken place."

"We are pretty excited to see this come to fruition," he said. These bighorn sheep combined with the sheep we transplanted on lim Sage in 2000 and 2001, are giving us a good start on reestabilishing a huntable population in the arpa."

Currently, there are nearly 80 California bighorn sheep ranging across the Ilm Sage Mountains, Idaho Fish and Came biologists will keep a close eye on the population over the next levy years and are hoping to have enough legal runns in the unit to offer a hunting season for the animals in



bighorn sheep make their way to independence Peak after being released. During the past two weeks 35 bighorn sheep have been released in the area.

For more information on the California bighorn sheep in the Magic Valley Region, call 324-4359.

Aerial surveys begin for deer and elk

JEROME - Beginning this week the Idaho Department of Fish and Game will conduct acrial surveys for deer and olk in several management units in the Magic Valley Regions. The survey results will provide information from which

Idaho Fish and Game wildlife management decisions will be based for determining future

based for determining future hunting seasons.

The flights are scheduled to cover the same units at the same time every year to make the information gathered com-parable from year-to-year. The goal is to compare deer and elk population trends, age struc-ture, and sex ratios for each species.

A helicopter flying low and slow over some of the most re-mote areas of the state is the

big game herd information.

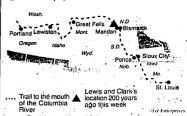
Aerial surveys are conducted mostly during winter months when the animals are gathered mostly during winter months when the animals are gathered on lower elevation winter ranges. The winter months also bring two requirements needed to conduct accurate surveys, clear weather for good visibility, and snow covering that aid in locating and identification the animals.

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Data gathered in the aerial surveys will be presented to sportsmen at the upcoming big game open houses in Twin Falls.

'a Great medician day'

In anticipation of Christmas, the captains had distributed to the three messes flour, dried apples, pepper and other items of holiday fare. And this day, the expedition also finished the last of fort M Manchan, which had been an ongoing construction project in the cold.



December 25, 1804 – I was awakened before Day by a discharge of 3 platoons from the Party and the french, the men merrily Disposed, I give them all a little Taffia and permited 3 Cannon fired, at raising Our flag. Some men went out to hunt & the Others to Danceing and Continued untill 9oClock P. M, when the frolick ended &c.

December 25, 1804 - we had the Best to cat that could be had, & continued firing dancing and frolicking dureing the whole day, the Savages did not Trouble us as we had re-quested them not to come as it was a Great medician day

– John Ordway

December 25, 1804 – we hosted the American flag in the garrison, and its first waving in fort Mandan was celebrated with another glass.

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Deer hunting creates many businesses

Question: "What's a deer worth?"

Answer As a continuation of last week's column I'll focus on various 'spin-off activities that have developed to turn deer hunting into legal and illegal "for profil" businesses.

The most well known business surrounding deer hunting is the outlitting and gaiding industry in general, entrepreneurs provide hunting equipment and expertise for a fee to hunters. The dasho Outlines and Guides Li-censing: Board (OGLB) is the administrating agency and they limit the number, size and location of outflitter areas. To maintain quality and safe services to clients the OGLB requires bonding, insurance and training for all outfliers and their guides. As indicated in last week's column a five-day deer hunt with a licensed outflitter and their guides. As indicated in last week's column a five-day deer hunt with a licensed outflitter sand their guides. As indicated in last week's column a five-day deer hunt with a licensed outflitter sand their guides. As indicated in last week's column a five-day deer hunt with a licensed outflitter sand their guides. As indicated in last week's column a five-day deer hunt with a licensed outflitter sand their guides. As indicated in last week's colimn of the same deer hunt with a licensed outflitter sand their guides.

Yellowstone cutthroats show progress

Idaho Fish and Game

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insurance, and training he could provide his services for about one-half the cost. There are many excellent itensed outflitters and guides but there is also a huge financial incentive to conduct unificansed outflitters and guides services. It is uniave for the conduction of the con

OGLB outlitter areas. As the value of trophy deer increases so has the ingenuity of individuals capitalizing on that value. On the edge of legality are people that do not quite fit the definition of outlitting or guiding but in essence really are outlitting and/or guiding. These folks watch, photograph and

dence that anglers are reversing the trend of an increasing ratio-box population." Non-native Rainbov trout went from being nearly nonexistent in the upper South Fork in the mid-80s over 1.300 per mile in 2003, when they outnumbered native Vellowstone cuultroat trout for the first time. In this year's survey—rainbow—trout—had decreased back down to around 830 per mile.

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Fredericks said the rainbow trout size structure indicates that the decreased population was the result of harvest. 'A large percuning of the rainbow population was yearling fish— hose in the seven to ten inch range, compared to last year when there was a greater per-centage of welve to twenty inch fish."

Native trout increases in number on South Fork of Snake River

videotape trophy bucks year-around. Their information, GPS locations, and video are in turn sold to the highest bidding hunter. In many states, hunters purchasing this information are also the wealthy buyers of gover-nor's tags or landowner permits. Members of the group Huntin-Biz utilize this concept as one of their incendives for recrui-ing new members. Other aspects of this network marketing plan include seiling photos, videos, and acting as a booking agent rather than an outflitter or guide. Several years ago an acquain-

and acting as a boooling agent mither than an outflitter or guide. Several years ago an acquain-ance had a friend that started a small computer company. As the industry grew so did the value of this company. An avid hunter, he joined Safari Club In-ternational and started ribbing shoulders with some very wealthy hunters. During a club tour of his trophy room one of the members remarked about a very large mule deer mount. After, the Lour, this, member, off-fered the friend an all expense paid big game hunt of a life-time any where in the world if he would tell him where he

percentage of yearlings, the cut-throat population was mostly older fish.

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Officials are optimistic that
2004 should provide a stronger
age-class of cutthroats, and
fewer rainbows. Rob Van Kirk,
an Assistant Professor at Idaho

an Assistant Professor at Idaho State University has worked with IDFG evaluating the effect -river-flows-have on-rainbow and: cutthroat trout reproduction. Van Kirk believes two things

found this large mule deer buck. Realizing the value of tro-phy mule deer the friend declined to give the member the information.

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American Indians are also drawn to harvest large bucks. Over 20 trophy mule deer bucks taken by American Indians in units 52 and 45 have been documented by conservation officers during 2004.

From my observation of this activity. Im convinced there is not a trophy mule deer buck in Idaho that is not being watched and video-taped with the intent of selling the information to the highest bidder.

We've come a long way from the days when deer hunting was for food. As I said in last weeks column, maybe we should resumine why we hunt.

Garv Hommland is a regional

Gary Hompland is a regional conservation offier at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Contact him at (208) 24 4330 or e-mail him at the Fish and Game Web site at http://fis-handgame.idaho.gov.

Of Snake River

2004 age-classes until next fall, when those fish are yearlings.
Fredericks targes anglers to keep harvesting risk godgers to keep harvesting risk godgers to keep harvesting risk godgers to help.

The state of the state of the state of the state of rainbows entirely, it's lust a matter of keeping them in check." Many anglers still have a hard time killing wild trout, Scott Yates, director of the Idaho-Water-Office-for-Trout-Unlimited sees the need for anglers to help.

"Decades of espousing and practicing, catch-and-release have made it hard for some people to start harvesting fish; notes Yates." "Nobody is guestioning the far reaching efficacy of catch-and-release fishing and the benefits it provides in terms of protecting quality wild and native trout fishing, but people are realizing there is a time and place for a catch-and-keep ethic, especially when a native trout lishery is at-risk. The South Fork is one of the

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or log on to www.pomerelle mtn.com.

Plan now to attend snowshoe workshops

snowshoe workshops

ARCO — Six winter ecology, snowshoe workshops will be held this winter at Craters of the Moon National Monument.

Sessions are set for 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdlays, Jan. 31, 5, 22 and 29, and Feb. 5 and 12. Each workshop starts with a 45- to 60-initude classroom session to provide, Introduction, to winter, ecology. Several hours in the park on snowshoes will follow. The snowshoe hike will vary from easy to moderately strenuous and will cover between three and five miles. Lunch will be eaten during the hike.

Space is limited to 15 people in each session. Participants must be at least 10 years old. Reservations are required.

For more information or to make a reservation, call (208) 527-3257, ext. 301.

Twin Falls Parks and Rec offers activities

Rec offers activities

TWIN FALLS — The city of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation has scheduled two activities for Wednesday, Dec. 29.

A special ski day is offered in conjunction with Pomerelle Ski Resort. The package includes a one-hour ski-snowboard session, lift ticket and lunch. Cost is \$25, and rental equipment is available from Pomerelle for \$10 to \$15 cstra. Transportation is not included but is available from Northside Bus Co. for \$8 per person. Children ages 7 to 11 must be accompanied by a parent; ages 12 and up may actend alone. Registration deadline is today.

A maintaball session will be

Outdoors in brief

Cost is \$6, which includes the first 100 paintballs, and gun rental Participants must have a waiver signed by their parents. Registration deadline is Monday. To register or for more infor-mation, call 736-2265 or stop by 136 Maxwell Ave.

Loasa chapter will meet over holidays

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TWIN FALLS — The Loasa
Chapter will meet Tuesday Dec.
28 at 7 p.m. in Room 276 of the
Taylor Bulding at College of
Southern Idaho, to discuss
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Meetings and programs are
always open to anyone interestett in plants and Idaho's
out-of-doors.

Cross-country Idaho day slated for January

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Cross-country Idaho, the annual statewide ski day sponsored by the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation, will be Saturday, Ian. 8 at Magic Mountain Ski Resort. The event is held in Create new cross-country skies and introduce seasoned skiers to new areas. Event sponsors will provide free cross-country skie equipment for use and skiing lessons. Magic Mountain Ski Resort is bocated approximately one hour from Tylin Falls. From Interstate of Lake Exit 112 (Traveler's Oasis exit) and head south on Rock Creek Road. For additional information call Maidal Gorge State Park at 837-4505.

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Knight Ridder News Service

ATLANTA, Mich. — Kendra Chambers' father has applied for an elk permit since Michigan's lotterly hunt began 20 years ago. Her husband, Jim, and her brother also have applied for years, hoping to strike gold in a drawing where the odds of winning are far lower than in the average gambling game. Which was why she found herself literally praying, as she walted in the snow for a big elk to come walking out of the eight-day season. She was one of

126 people to get permits out of more than 40,000 who applied.

"To tell you the truth, after seeing how fast those elk were, I wasn't sure I could pull this together." said Chambers, a former nurse from Swartz Creek and a mother of three — Lenae. 15; Savannah, 11, and Hunter, 8. Michigam holds the lottey elk hunt to keep the hord down to about 800 in the northeast Lower Perinsula. If the herd gets much above that number, more animals stray off public land where the elk spend most of their time, and they go to nearby farms, bringing crop damage complaints.

Kendra Chambers had shot several deer since she started lumning with her cardiologist inshand seven years ago, including six- and eight-point bucks last season.

"But they always kind of walked in slowly and stood there for a while so you could get a shot," she said, "The elk didn't give you any time. If they saw you, they'd run off so fast you couldn't even get your scope on thom."

"As we were riding out in the truck, a big part of my hunting was praying. Lord, let me do this, You've got to help me, be-

cause I can't do it alone," she said. "I was worried that I'd miss the elk because I forgot to take the safety off, or because I flinched. I began visualizing a successful hunt, how I took aim at it. controlled my breadling let the safety off and fired. I was doing everything I could think of because I was scared."

"We'd been waiting half an hour and we didn't know if it was coming our way or not."

"Chamber's said."—I had my-gunsitting on a tripod, and then we heard a stick break and the let we heard a stick break and the when would be the said with the week arme out. I got my scope on him. I didn't even know how

many points he had, but when 1 saw that big rack, I knew he was the one I wanted."

Chambers guessed the elk was 150 yards away, but her husband measured the shot on a laser range finder at 250.

The elk ran away, and for a few minutes she was afraid she had missed, but then Simmons found hair and blood in the snow. They tracked the elk to a nearby stand of trees, where Chambers administered the coup degrace.
"It was huge," she said of the bull that weighted 660 pounds field-dressed and had antiers 6-by-6.



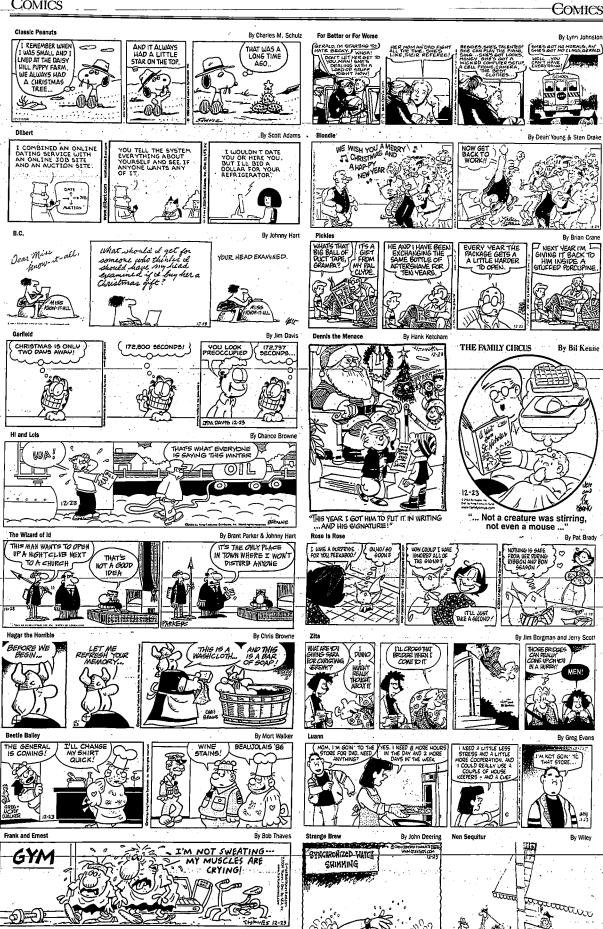
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Modern **SNOWSHOEING**

Technology changes this ancient winter activity

BOISE (AP) — Snowshoes have been around for thou-saids of years and even predate skis, but modern snowshoes are a for different than their prede-

a for different man use, a respiressors.

Today's snowshoes are typically lightweight, aluminum trames with fabric decks and strap bindings.

The size of a snowshoe is based on your weight, not your height or foot size. That includes the weight of your body and the gear you will be carrying.

Wor also should pick a snowshoe hased on the type of snow and terrain you are going to be in. The larger the snowshoe theses you will sink in deep snow but larger shoes are heavier and more cumbersome.

Equipment retailer Bill separates modern snowshoes into three categories: recreational more cumbersome.

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Recreational snowshoes are found to the snowshoes are followed and the south of the snowshoes are built with more, aggressive crampons (the cleats on the bottom of the snowshoes that give you traction) and stronger bindings.

Backcountry snowshoes are designed for rigorous use, like mountain climbing, backcountry snowboards, they are also durables some manufacturers give them alletime guarantee. Expect to pay about \$100 to \$300 for a pair.

Toles help you maintain balance and give your upper body a workout, especially when you're climbing, Some poles are designed specifically for snowshoeing, but a cross-country skip because you're likely to be in

Snowshoeing tips:

Take plenty of food and

Take plenty of food and water when you're snowshoe-ing, You can burn a lot of calories, and you can easily be-come dehydrated, even on the coldest days. Something hot to drink, like coffee, tea or soup.

the chills.

• Bring basic safety equipment in case of an emergency, including a map, compass, weatherproof literature and space blanket. A GPS and cell phone are other options, but cold weather can ouckly drain batteries. You can carry these things in a daypack or in your pockets if you don't want to be weighed down with a pack.

• Get an early start and cell someone where you're going.

someone where you're going. Daylight doesn't last long in winter. If you start late, you're more likely to wind up in the dark if something goes wrong. Let someone know where you're going and when you ex-pect to return.

Watch the weather. Blizzards
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eeper snow. A common rookie mistake for

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A common rookle mistake for snowshoers is to bulk up with heavy clothes before heading out. Then they get sweary and clammy from the exertion.

You will need less clothing than, you might think. Snowshoeing is strenuous enough to produce lots of body heat, and you're usually not moving fast enough for the breeze to cool you off, as when you're skiing. Layer your clothing with a lightweight synthetic labric next to your body, then midweight fleece or a wood sweater (no cotton); and a waterproof jacket or parka. Unless it's snowing, you may want to keep your jacket in a daypack or wear it around



date skis, but modern snowshoes are a lot different than their

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Waterproof pants or gatlers
are a must. You will be kicking
up a bunch of snow, so you
needs pants that will shed snow
and moisture.

Be sure to bring a warm hat
and glowes or mittens: One office
easiest ways to warm up or cool
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If you plan to be out all day,
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your pocket or dapark. Glowes
foren become damp, and a dry
pair will keep your hands
warmer.

warmer. Waterproof leather boots or other waterproof biking boots will work, but Sorels or other boots made for snow are usually a better option. Make sure they fit securely in the snow-sloe bindings.
"Its fun and easy, no bassle."

said Bob Boone, "You put them on and go. It's hard to believe how well these things work."

believe how well these things work.

Jan Lohff and Boone work at Gravity Sports in McCall, and they have seen snowshoeing boom in popularity.

They're not just for transportation anymore snowshoeing has become a sport of its own, 'Lohff said.

And it's casy to see why. Modern snowshoes are lightweight, comfortable and easy to walk in Alinost anyone can snowshoes and the gear gives people the mobility to get outdoors in white, enjoy the scenery, and get some exercise.

I to first anyone, it's free, and you don't have to wait in line.

Winter camping has many rewards

MEDFORD. Ore. (AP)—Pitch a tent in the snow and call it fun? Most people would say you're crazy, But for 77-year-old Ruby Edwards and others like her, camping in the snow is a bight point of this time of year.

"It's "so beautiful (and) the stars are so bright." Said Edwards, a Butte Falls resident and Grants Pass Nordie Club member who has spent the last 15 colds easons pulling out her tent and sleeping bag just as most people are putting theirs away.

Fans of winter camping are rare compared to the summer set, but they are passionate in its praises, speaking of the vast silence and unearthly beauty of the snow-draped backcountry, a wilderness unrecognizable from its summer look.

"You totally get away from people," said Ashland snow camper Dan Passadore. That's good medicing the snow-draped backcountry. These gifs have to be carned, snow campers say by constant rekking and strategizing against the relentiess elements of cold and the chilling moisture generated by your body. You move all day, single-file, on cross-country skis or snowshoes and you snuggle up tight at night in four-season sleeping bags and ents, making sure to keep your metabolism going with regular meds, snacks and tens.

It's critical that you wear the right clothes, said Medford resident, will we have a snow camper.

den't Mike Vteinert, 25, also a snow camper.

"Breatheability of tothing is the No. I must. Perspiration has to go somewhere or you wet out and start having condensation instead of evaporation. Then you're in trouble.

To keep skin warm and dry, snow campers layer clothing, starting with synthetic (mylon, polypropyleme or polyester) long johns, which wick sweat outward.

polypropylene or polyester) polypropylene or polyester) ong johns, which wick sweat outward.

"The body then can be like a furnace pushing the moisture away," said Reinert, who works at McKenzie Outfitters, a Medford outdoor store.

"Cotton clothing is a no-no: its "hydrophilie," meaning it loves to hold water. In short, said leinert, "cotton kills."

The outer Jayers — turtlenecks, ski pants, sweaters, vests, socks, gloves — should be synthetic fabries or a wool blend, winter campers say. A water-proof, wind-breaking shell is needed for weather.

Ilave a down jacket handy to-put on when you stop and your body isn't producing as much heat, and always carry a set of clothes. Io, change into, when you get wet.

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least zero degrees and maybe to 20 or even 40 below, said Passadore.

As the light fades each day, snow campers-begin to look for the right place to camp — the leeward side of a slope or forest, so they won't be lightling the cooling and impacting force of wind all night, said Charles Gehr, an Ashland snow camper. They make sure their protecting slope isn't loaded with snow that night become an avalanche. The closer the slope is to 35 degrees, the more likely it ist odding on them. The steepest slopes have already dumped their snow and shallow ones word.

Snow campers stomp out a platform and pitch their ten, using ski poles for line anchors, snow campers usually put several people in one tent for warmth, but factor in the reality that more people means more condeisation from breath moisture. Winter tents, costing around \$300, have venting at top and footton to carry out moisture and carry out moisture and usually do the job well, said Gehr.

Gilliam. A lot of water is also lost in exhalling. Snow campers take frequent breaks to make hot tea, which both warms and hydrates the body and keeps the metabolism ticking along.

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<u>Fire-building an important survival skill</u>

"Such fact impressed him as being cold and unconfortable, and that east all It did not lead him to meditate upon his faility as a examic of tomperature, and opportunity in general."

— Jack London, "To Build a Fire" (1908)

HADLEY, NY, IAY)— Almost a century after lack London described the deadly snowshound wilderness where fire failed, the danger and requisite outdoor skills remain essentially the same. Bare hands still get numb in the wet and cold trying to light affecting chough thirder and dry wood-takes work. And the clements can put it out again, especially if, like London's character, you fail to pay close attention to whereyou are. "In the winter, fire is life and death: It's not an option." Adirondack guide Wayne Failing said, "Usually someone who can get a fire together will live to the morning.

Maine has list-stories of lost

Adirondack guide Wayne Failing said. "Usually someone who can get a fire together will five to the morning."

Maine Ins. its stories of lost hunters who owe their lives to their ability to build a fire. In early November, a hunter who fell chest-deep in a brook in 10-degree weather just north of Moosehead Like was rescued after the fire he started was spotted by a warden pilot while searching for him with night vision goggles, said Sgr. Pat Dorian of the Maine Warden Service.

Unfortunately, Dorian-said, most people who become lost in the woods are unprepared to build a fire. I'm a liot of situations, people who become lost in the woods are unprepared to build a fire. I'm a liot of situations, people who become lost in the mountains of upstate New York, where the temperature can drop 30 degrees after the sun goss down, the heat from a fire can protect campers from hypothermia and smoke can draw arangers looking for lost likers.

In the High Peaks region of the 6-million acre Adirondack Park, state rangers went on 25 search and rescues in 2003 among 93,000 hikers and campers who registered at trailheads. DEC spokesman Dave - Winchell Said there were, five rescues last winter.

The 389 national parks had more than 4,500 search and rescues.

incidents across 277 millión acres in 2002. The data don't cite seasons, but.Al Naish. a spokesman for the National Park Service, said "most of our search and rescue effors reliect either dramatically changing weather conditions or people who were not adequately prepared." Failing, who opened his Lake Placid-based guide business in 1993, "said fire-building is straightforward but many people get it wrong, "it's a gay in leotards with a file lighter trying to light a tree." he said.

One common mistake is to make a fire on hard-packed snow, only to have the snow melt and extinguish it. In Iondon's story, the unforeseen culprit in the 50-below-zero-Yukon is snow dripping from a spruce hough above.

To ward off the need to thaw or dry out, state conservation officials suggest dressing properly in layers of wool of fleece, with hat, gloves, winter boots and outerwear that resists water and wind. Bring ice crampons, snowshoes or cross-country skis depending on trail conditions. Plenty of food and water help keep the body fueled. For overnights, consider sleeping bags rated for temperatures lower than the forecast. Foam pads or inflatable mattresses keep you off the frozen ground. In the hackcountry, without a fuel hackcountry, without a fuel hackcountry, without a fuel hackcountry strength of the place ever larger branches of dry twood — look for dead limbs on the ground — around the pile. A candle, or wax and sawdast, work as starters.

Dig through snow and ice to the hard ground for a pil at least 6 feet across, leaving enough room to sit, in rain or snow, a tarp will protect firewood.

Jan Wellford, a backcountry skier from Keene Valley, N.Y., considers, fine-building, "old, school," unnecessary, even dangerous if someone in your group gets hypothermic since it takes



so long to make one. It's better to put that person in a sleeping bag_then-climb-in-and-provide body heat, he sald. "You have to be pretty experi-

enced for getting a fire toget at all," Wellford said. "If yo



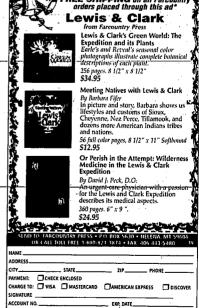
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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

The Times-News

Ameristar Casinos purchases casino

JACKPOT, Nev. — Cactus Petes Resort Casino and The Horseshu Hotel & Casino have a new sibling in Col-

Horseshu Hotel & Casino have a new silvling in Colorado.
Las Vegas-based Ameristar Casinos inc. patrent of the pair of lackpot casinos—antonuced Wednesday that it had completed the acquisition of Mountain High Casino in Black Hawk. Colo. adding the largest casino in Colorado to its portfolio and increasing the company's geographic diversification.
Ameristar bought Mountain High from Windsor Woodmont Black Hawk Resort Corp., which was operating as debtor-in-possession in a Chapter Hawk Resort Corp., which was operating as debtor-in-possession in a Chapter 1 bankruptey case, for abustance of \$5.943 shares of Ameristar's common stock valued at \$2.5 million.
Ameristar said it intends to invest about \$90 million in capital expenditures \$90 m

brand the property as Ameristar Black Hawk_once the first phase of enhance-ments is complete.

ments is complete. "The acquisition will not linpact our ability to continue our cash dividend policy or to pursue other development opportunities," said former Twin Falls resident Craig II. Neilsen, chairman and chief executive of Ameristar.

Microsoft fails to suspend EU ruling

BRUSSELS, Belgium — A Buropean Union court ruled Wednesday that Microsoft Corp. must immediately divulge some trade secrets to competitors and produce a version of its flagship Windows operating system stripped of the program that plays muste and video. The 91-page ruling effectively thwarts Microsoft attempt to delay while it appears the EU's landmark antitrust decision in Marchian demanded changes in the officer giants business. The immediations or Mi-

that demanded changes in the software giant's business practices.

The implications for Mi-crosoft are luge, though the company did not immediate-ly disclose whether it intended to offer a version of Windows without its Media Player In Europe alone or more broadly. Software that plays media files is increas-ingly in demand as more consumers get broadband connections to the Internet and use their PCs as enter-talment centers.

There is also the question of precisely what computer code Microsoft will share with competitors with sare with competitors so those compan-nies' programs work better on networks running Microsoft-server software.

Money tip: Seeking many happy returns

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The nation's annual Trek to
the Return Counter exercise
is nearly here.
ConsumerReports.org, tho
nolline site of the popular
consumer magazine, has a
few tips to increase your
chance of a happy resolution.
Rule No. 1: Arrive armed
with a sales receipt. This is the
swiftest method of slicing
through initial confusion and
mouthing the transaction.
Work toward yes: Don't assume a clerk's no is the final
word on the matter. Take the
issume to another employee,
who may understand the
store's return rules better (or
worse) than the initial clerk. If
all else fails, speak to the
manager.
Don't discard tags or other
product packaging until
you're positive you'il keep the
items, doing so can result in a
hefty restocking fee.
Above alls Be polite. Store
clerks see the worst of lumans' dealings with each
other, so a smile and heneficent attitude can go a long
way toward a satisfying experrience.

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TOY TROUBLE



Classic toymaker copes with problems

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP

CHESTERFHELD TOWNSHIR Mich. — After chugging along for more than a century, Lionel LLC, the venerable maker of model trains, is struggling to stay on track following a nearly 541 million judgment that pushed it into bankruptcy. The rulling against Lionel, once the world's biggest toy maker, has exacerbated the company's existing problems in an industry where there is intense competition for a small and demanding group of customers. Despite the confidence of the Lionel's new mange ment reviving the company is of the Lionel's new mange ment reviving the company is makers are struggling to appeal to new generations of hobbyists. And critics say Lionel has let its younger competitors get an edge by falling to aggressively pursue technological innovations.

pursue technological innova-tions.

But Lionel, based in Chester-field Township, still has one valuable asset smaller rivals can't claim – a name steeped in tradition. That goes a long way with the adult train enthusiasts who make up the bulk of the in-dustry's consumers.

Neil Besougloff, editor of Clas-sic Toy Trains magazine, estimates there are about 100,000 to 125,000 toy train hob-byists in the United States and Canada. The more than 60,000 readers of Classic Toy Trains spend an average of \$1,400 to \$-\$1,500 a year on the hobby, ac-cording to the magazine's

-Stylor a year or and conding to the magazine's surveys.

"The hobbyists today are mostly men in their 50s," Besougloff said. "When they grew up



Andrew Kekel, 3, plays with the switches on the train display at Li-onel in Chesterfield Township, Mich., on Dec. 15.

in the 1950s, they had Lionel trains and American Flyer trains, and that was their prized toy ... They are to some extent reliving the joys of their child-hood."

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In June, a jury in U.S. District Court in Detroit ruled that Li-onel-should pay \$38.6 million to MTH and Lionel supplier Korea Brass Co. should pay \$2.2 mil-

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Lioneldonies-the-accusations, and Calabrese says he is confident the court decision will be overturned or the award reduced on appeal. In the meantime, Chapter II bankruptcy, which Lionel entered last month, protects the company from having to post a bond while the appeal is pending.

Calabrese insists the court decision is the only reason for the bankruptcy, and that, overall, the company is in good financial headth.

health.
"Lionel is having a better year
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other train company to say," he
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have force it to occume oscillations. "Company, "Llonel is at least 50 percent of the business," he said. "It's very easy to become complacent when you're that big." Today, high-tech features such as ophisticated sound systems and digital remote controls are something customers have come to expect.

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Meanwhile, Lionel and other companies are struggling to expand their customer base. Their primary customers aren't getting any younger, and if the industry is to survive into the function of the customer in the function of the customers aren't getting any younger, and if the industry is to survive into the function of their primary in the customers are in the customers are in the same fascination with trains that eithidnen used to have. The pipularity of train-themed

State guards unclaimed property

JEROME — The state is safe-guarding unclaimed property for hundreds of people and businesses whose last known addresses are in Magie Valley. The Idaho State Tax Commission is looking for those folks, and hoping they'll call to claim the property. It's stuff for which I da h to businesses have been unable to find the rightful owners.

neen un-able to find the rightful owners, such as payroll checks, con-tents of safe deposit boxes, tax refunds, stock dividends, work-er's compensation benefits and the like

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The Idaho Legislature in 1997 changed state law governing unclaimed property. Now after property that's safeguarded by the tax commission remains unclaimed for 10 years, it will transfer to state ownership and be deposited in Idaho's general fund.

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The first time that will happen is 2007. Before the 1997 law, the tax commission field unclaimed property for its rightful owners in perpetuity. The Times-News on Thursdays prints names of a sampling of unclaimed-property owners whose last known addresses are in Magic Valley communities.

Today's list is from Jerome and Keichum. The tax commission said each person, or

and ketchum. The tax commis-sion said each person or business listed today — or the person's heir — owns un-claimed property worth more than \$100. Watch for other towns in coming weeks.

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What to do See your name on Idaho's un-claimed-property owners list? To claim your property, do one of these:

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Call 1-800-972-7660, ext.
7623 of ext. 7627.

Write to the Idaho State Tax
Commission, Unclaimed Property Section, PD. Box 36,
Boise, ID 83722-0410.

Send e-mail to lostand-found@tax.state.id.us.

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Log on to www.tax.idaho.gov
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Overtime rules at work

Lots of workers gladly take on overtime work. They may want the extra pay or feel obli-gated to help the company linish a project. But can a com-pany require an employee to work overtime?

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Question: My employer sometimes will post a job vacancy within our firm. The job description says a certain amount of overtime is required as a condition of getting the job, but does not say how much srequired.

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I did not think an employer could force an employer to work overtime. What is the legality of such a request? Answer: Diane Seltzer, a Washington attorney who has represented workers and employers, said there is nothing in the Fair Labor Standards Act, which sets wage regulations, that prohibits employers from requiring employees to work that prohibits employers to work overtime or even limits the number of working hours beyond the normal 40 a week.

"Mandatory overtime can be and often is a fob requirement," she said.

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Nonetheless, she added that at some workplaces, a union



might negotiate a limit on the number of overtime hours required in a seven-day period. Moreover, she said the companys overtime demands could interfere with (some employees) religious observances and the workers could ask for a religious accommodation" that would allow them to attend services even if they also are working overtime hours the same day.

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sne said that while compa-nies can require overtime work, they must pay time and a half on the employee's regular wage for any hours beyond 40 in a week, unless the employee is exempt from the overtime pay

rules.

<u>Exempt employees are exec</u>utives, professionals and administrators, who generally have managerial duties of one sori or another.

heavily on its package.

As a result, earnings for the second quarter did not include revenue from discontinued operations that had contributed 6 cents a share to last year's second quarter, the company said. For its first six months, Condgra reported net income of \$377.3 million, or 73 cents a share, on \$7.61 billion in sales. A vera race, the 'company

on inc. potato-processing plant in Twin Falls and various other business operations around Magic Valley. ConAgra has been shedding

provements. "Our team is focused on marketing, operating and information systems initiatives that will help expend profit margins over the long term." ConAgra chief executive Bruce Rohde said.

share, on \$7.61 billion in sales. A year ago, the 'company earned \$465 million, or 87 cents a share, on \$7.03 billion th sales in the same period last year.

**ConAgra said it expects year-over-year profit growth in the second half of its fiscal year, largely due to operational improvements.

ConAgra's quarterly profits slip 10 percent businesses that sell low margin products like fresh meat and fertilizers and concentrating heavily on its packaged food di-visions.



Drop in oil prices drives Dow on a record rally

NEW YORK [AP] — Wall Street extended its record-setting rally Wednesday as a sharp drop in oil prices and a surprise jump in the nation's goess domestic product encouraged more buying. The Dow Jones industrials and the Standard & Poor's 500 index both reached new 3.5-year highs.

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The market's buying momentum surged when crude off futures planumeted in response to the Energy Department's report of an increase of 2.1 million barrels in the nation's petroleum reserve last week. Demand for gasoline also fell.

Shortly after the report, a barrel of light crude was quoted a \$44.24, down \$1.52, on the New York Metcantile Exchaige.

Wall Street also welcomed the Commerce Department's final hird-quarter GDP, reading, which rose to 4 percent from previous estimates of 3.9 percent.

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reent. "Right now, the market is moving on any headline that, moves over the wires, and right now the news is pretty good," said Jack Caffrey, equities strategist at J.P. Morgan Private Bank.

"That's what happens in a slow week, like we're having. We'll probably drift higher this way until earnings season next mouth."

The Dow rose 56.46, or 0.52 percent, to 10.815.88, surpassing the 3 1/2-year high reached linesday. The Dow last closed above 10.800 on June 13, 2001.

Broader stock indicators were moderately higher. The S&P 500 was up 4.12, or 0.34 percent, at 12.905.75 bettering the 3.5-year high set last Wednesday. The Nasdag composite index gained 6.12, or 0.28 percent. The Cally for proper gave many investors hope that the fourth-quarter reading will be stronger than expected.

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investors hope that the nour-quarter reading will be stronger than expected.

Analysis had feared that low Job_growth high_energy_prices, would stifle economic growth.
Oil prices in particular, were seen as an extra drain on con-sumers' incomes, but the Commerce Department figure, along with the Energy Depart-ments', inventory report, asstaged some of those con-cerns.

Washington Mutual faces a murky future

Klight Ridder News Service

SEATTLE — Less than six months ago, speculation was ampant that Washington Munal might be bought.

Seattle's largest banking company, after a devadelong run of successful angiest banking company, after a devadelong run of successful anational growth, had sumabled badly in its mortgage business. And increasures, meant to protect WaMt against intersest-rate changes had generated such helpy losses that, as one New York analyst part in. They might as well have burned Sci new York and helpy losses that, as one New York analyst part in. They might as well have burned Sci new York and the sumable in the protect of the prot

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down while continuing WaMus expansion march with about 250 new bank branches a year. This week, Killinger announced-the hiring of Stephen Rotela from IP Morgan Classe as WaMus new president and chief operating, officer, a move the CEO sees, as "the matural next-step, in our growth and choletion."

A confident presentation Killinger and his team recently made to Wall Street underscored how people who follow WaMu disagree over its outlook.

Brace Harling, 'an analyst at Lehman Bras, said the talk last month, boosted his faith that WaMus too brass could execute their urnarround strategy. With the game plan they've put in place and made very clear at hyestor Day in New York, that very excling,' he said.

But Blehard Bove, an analyst at Purk Ziegel, said management seemed overconfident and in denial about, WaMus brobletus. "These gays were hepped up on loft colo or something,' he said." Too the feeling they butted heads a few times before they came out of the feld.

Bove thinks WaMu should be sold to more experienced.

hands. Harring says 2005 "will be a transition year up, and then the news just gets better from there."

Superior of the transition of the

more than 8,000 jobs to 55,488 companywide. In July WaMu said it would close 100 home-loan and all of its commercial-banking offices, which catered to midsize and large companies.

with the Griffs a percentage vortice.
Matthew Kekel, 36, got his first train set as a Christmas present from his father when he was 7 or 4. Today, he shares his hobby with his own son, 3-year-old Andrew, who eagerly pounded the

rky future

Earlier in the year, it sold Washington Mutual Finance, part of a larger Walkt business in the property of a larger walkt business. But on other fronts, Seattle's largest corporate occupant of downtown office space is grow-42-story headquarters tower at Second. Avenue. and Union-Street that will connect to the Seattle Art Museum.

The company also is building out its retail-bank network, which has performed well while the mortgage business founders, Walkt has opened 250 of its patented, customerfriendly branches in 2004 and capters to not fine that paceness union investors and an Arterist of the part of the par

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soughoff said. One of the marketing difficul-ties for Lionel and others is that their products are sold mostly in

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independent hobby shops and not where most people buy toys. Wal-Mart Stores Ind., Toys R Us Inc. and other mass retailers don't carry train, sets because they re too expensive.

But linking a train to a popular children's character or movie is one way to help revive interest in trains. Lionel won the license for The Polar Express," the Christmas movie sturring Itom Hanks currently in theaters.

The Polar Express sets, priced

at \$250, have been a hit, but few have made their way into the hands of kids because established hobbylsts snatched them up. The hope is that the movie— and by extension the train— will five on as a perennial fa-vorite. buttons on the intricate display at Lione's visitors center during, a recent visit. "It keeps the dad grown down and allows the kids to grow up." said kekel, of Chesterfield Town-shin.

said kekel. of Chesterfield Town-ship.
As for Lionel's present difficul-tes, Kekel said he's confident the company will survive.
"They've changed owners four times since I've been buy-ing their product." he said. "I'm just not that worried about it."

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Tam pleased with our performance in executing our goals this past quarter, said Chief Executive Officer Steve Appleson in a statement. 'Our portfolio of products and enhanced manufacturing efficiency position us well for the future.

The company cut-its research-costs as devices that it had been developing at its wafer fabrication plant in Manassas, Va., became ready for sale.

In the year-earlier period, the company paid about \$21 million in restructuring costs, in the quarter just ended, those expenses fell to just \$1.5 million.

Micron also said that prices for its main semiconductor memory products have stabilized at the levels of the fiscal fourth quarter of 2004, which ended in September.

Then, the company had reported that prices had risen to fellow the season of the previous year. ROISE (AP) — Micron Technology Inc., the world's second-biggest maker of computer memory chips, boosted 2005 fiscal first-quarter profits as prices stabilized, as it paid less for restructuring and as it cut research and decylopment expenses. cut research and devetopment expenses.

Motincome-rose to \$145 mil-bion, or 23 cents a share, from \$1.1 million, or zero cents, in the year-cartier period. Sales at the Boise-based company—dathos biggest private-sector employer—advanced 14 per-cent to \$1.26 million in the three months ending Dec. 2.

The average estimate of man-basis surveyed by Thomson First Call was for earnings of 22 cents a share:

Fannie Mae woes shouldn't affect U.S. mortgage market

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Analysts, predicted Farmic May would consider numerous options for assisting capital, ranging from selling off part of its mortgage portfolio to issuing more stock or cutting dividends. Wall Sireer reacted with relief Wednesday to the management shake-up pushing Farmic Mac's stock price up by as much as 53,46 from Tuesday's close. However, it gave back over half of those gains or profit taking, finishing the day at \$7,192, a gain of \$1.37 or 22 percent from incestay's close.

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Students send greetings to soldiers

PAUL - The holidays can be especially lonely-for-soldlers-overseas because they are away from family and friends.
Brandon Stone, an eighth-grader at West Minico Middle School, has a brother, limmy Stone, who is serving in Falling, limmy commented on how nice it is to hear news from home and receive letters.

Brandon mentioned Jimmy's comment to one of his teachers, Alice Hill, and they came up with a plan to start a letter-writing campaign with the other students. Students were asked to submit additional names and addresses of friends or relatives who were serving in the millitary in Iraq. Six names came back.

Hill said the students were receptive to the idea of writing to the military personnel, and let-



ne, Tenea Crystal, Caylee Pflefer, Shante Marin, Marissa Johnson and Laicey Wamego prepare letters to send to spidlers serv-

ters poured in. Some letters contained Christmas greetings; others were notes of apprecia-tion for the soldiers' service. Each soldier will receive a large manifa envelope with al-

most 30 letters in it from the students at West Minico. Hill also wrote letters to each soldier inviting them to visit the school when they came home on leave.

COMMUNITY EVENTS CSI offers class

on reflexology

on reflexology
TWIN FALES - The College of
Southern Idajao will offer-"Reflexology" froin 7 to 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 13 in the Taylor Building,
Room 276, on the CSI campus,
S15 Falls Ave. E. The cost is \$40.
Students will learn how areas
of the feet can be used to stimulate; glands, organs and body
systems; discover the benefits of
reflexology, such as relaxation,
stress and pain reduction, energy revitalization, healing
promotion, elimination of toyins, and increased circulation;
and perform basic and simple
techniques that can be used
alone or with a partner.
Instructor Cecilia Jordan is
graduate of the Seattle Reflexology Center.
For more information or to

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Kimberly Public Library adds new audio, books

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KIMBERIAY – The Kimberly
Public Library, 120 Madison W.
has added several new audio
and books to its collection.
Audio cassettes: "White
Shark" by Peter Benchley, "A
Morning For Flamingos" by
Burnes Lee Burke, "Chicken
Soup For The Mother's Soul"
and "Chicken Soup. For The
Woman's Soul" by Jack Camfield, "White-My Pretty One
Sleeps" by Mary Higgins Clark,
"The Investigators" by W. E. B.
Griffin, "The Perfect Sinner" by
Penny Jordan, "Granite Man'
by Elizabeth Lowell, "The Little
Buckets" by Lynda N. Nelson, "Promises" by Helva Plain,
-The Secret-Hour "by-LummeRice, "Conflict of Interest" by
Nancy Taylor Rosenberg.

"Night Prey" by John Sanford and 'A Thousand Acres" by Jane Smiley. Compact disks: 60 music -CD's have been added. For more information, call the library at 423-4556.

M.V. Singles Square Dance Club holds dance

Dance Club holds dance
IEROME - The Magic Valley,
Singles Square Dance Club will
have a workshop at 7 pm., followed by advanced dancers at
8:30 p.m. Tuesday at the American Legion Hall.
Dancers with last names beginning with P through Z
should bring finger foods.
For more information, call
734-4647.

Flier City Library adds books to shelves

Filer City Library and books to shelves
FILER-The Filer City Library, 219 Main. has added several new books to its shelves:

"My First Book of Colors" by Julie Aigner-Clark, "Come Thirsty" by Mar Lucado, "Beauty by Bill Wallace, "Filer Class of 1953 50th Class Reunion," The Voice on the Radio" by Caroline B. Cooney, "Pledged: The Secret Life of Sororites" By Alexandra Robbins, "It's Hard to Be Five" by Jamie Lee Curtis, "My First Halloween Book" Nicola Daschamps." My Treatury of Five Minute Stories" by Brian lacques, "Colorial Optical Illusions by Aki Nurosi, "Maje Liver 3D Hidden Treasures, "Seary Storles "Treasury" by Akin Schwanz, "In the Moon of Bed. "The Colorial Optical Bush of the Colorial Optical Places of the Colorial Colorial Optical December 100 of the Colorial Decem

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For more information, call the library at 326-4143.

TOPS group holds final

TOPS group holds final
meeting of the year
TWIN FALLS—The Taking Off
Pounds (TOPS) No. 1D3 will
hold its final-meeting for the
year at 12:30 p.m. Monday at
linda Haylurist's home, 2166:
Falls Ave. E. Weigh-in starts at
11:30 a.m.
Anylinerested person is invited to attend.
The group 'held its annual
Christmas luncheon and eff ex-

ed to attend.

The group held its annual Christmas lunchion and gift exchange Dec. 13 it Hayhurstis home. Deaon Morison. a long-time member and. Keep Off. Pounds Seisibly member, was honored and presented with a full basket on her retrement from the chapter. For more information, call layhurst at 736-7237.

LETTERS OF THANKS

Auction raises funds for teacher stipends

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On Saturday, Dec. 11, Xi
Chapter of Delta Kappa
Gamma, i feachers honorary
society, was most privileged to
have Adam loc laterhins voluniteer his time to conduct our
annual Christmas ornament
and decoration auction, loes
auctioner family owns Idaho
Auction Barn.
The goal of our auction was
to raise funds for teacher
stipends for our members. We

to raise funds for teacher stipends for our members. We are so thrilled at the results that loe's efforts brought. — Many thanks go to Joe and the Idaho Auction Barn. SUE REMALEY President, Xi Chapter Delta Kappa Gamma

Community comes together to help families

together to help tammes
The West End Ministerial Association wishes to thank all
who contributed to this year's
Christmas food box program in
Buhl and Castelord. With the
help of many businesses, service clubs and individuals, we
were able to give away food to
were able to give away food to ace grups and individuals, we were able to give away food to 160 families and help provide toys for 201 children in 70 fami-lies.

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We are grateful for all who contributed money, food, commodities, toys, transportation and people power. The complete list of donors is too long-tells-stine-timelutes-dozens-of individuals and groups. However, we do want to thank the following major donors: West find Men's Association.

The Letters of Thanks column will publish letters of up to 150 words from:

• Organizations thanking contact.

or supporters.

Individuals thanking public agencies and businesses for extraordinary services.

For more information, call 733-0931, Ext. 288
To express gratitude of a personal rather than public nature, call The Times-News Classified department at 733-0931, Ext. 270.

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MIKE GRAYBEAL
Chairman
West End Ministerial
Association
Castleford

Family appreciates kindness of caregivers

The Jim Miller family and Cindy Hansen's daughters wish to express our heartfelt thanks for the professional and kindeare by Hospice Visions and First Choice Caregivers.

Again, thank you all. JIM MILLER AND FAMILY

Fund-raiser makes homes for homeless animals

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On-Santa's knee



At age 93, Caroline Bench of Burley never had her picture taken with Santa Claus. But she got the opportunity when she visited the recent Festival of Trees in Burley. After listening to her great-grandchildren sing family members encouraged her to sit on Santa's lap.

Photo courtery of LISA ASHER

Minidoka Co. residents earn fair honors

RUPERT - The Minidoka County Fair announced open class winners.

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Junior Club of Magic Valley pre-sented a \$5,716 check to Safe Kids and Ike Kisler Safe House In Twin Falls for children. The money was raised during the club's annual Bite of Magic Val-ley. Pictured from left are Page Geske, director of Safe Kids, and Val Stotts, director of Safe Kids, and Val Stotts, director of like Kisler Safe House. Junior Club reported that it raised more \$8,000 for or-ganizations in the Magic Valley so far this year.

Magic Valley students graduate from UI

MOSCOW - The following stu-dents — graduated — from — the-University of Idaho on Dec. 11:

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ucation.
• Jerome
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ial Jennifer Wilson, Master of Educa-tion.—Adult—Education:—Lisa—Jo Ardlano, Bachelor of Science, Civil Engineering Joanna Maria McFar-land, Juris. Doctorate, Law, Craig Alan Morgan, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Studio Art; and John Lee Van Der Giessen, Bachelor of Science, Envi-ronmental Science-Social Science Option.

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Ketchum
Matthew Francis Johnson, Bachelor of Science, Electrical
Engineering and Megan McMillin
Grimes, Bachelor of Arts, Foreign
Languages-Business Option
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Laura Kathleen Wells, Bachelor of
Science, Family Consumer Science,
Clothing, Textiles and Design; and
Damon Michael Hunzeker, Master
of Arts, English

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• Shoshone
Kelly D. Chapman, Master of Education, Educational Administration, and Marylou Anna Jeffries, Bachelor of Science, Sociology

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Case No. CV-04-5800
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Court within 20 days of the last publication of this summens. I you fail to se respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this summons. If you was no seek the advice or summons, I you was no seek the advice or should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be flight in time and other legal rights protected.

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Twin Falls County, Idaho ELECTION CALENDAR - 2005

Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1405, notice is hereby given that the following taxing district will be and/or special elections in Twin Falls County during calendar year 2005:

Name and Address of Taxing District	Election Date	Declaration Candidacy Deadlin	Filing
Hensen Free Library District 120 West Maple, PO Box 150 Hansen, Idaho 83334	May 24, 2005	April 15, 2005	
Buhi Highway District 1500 West Main, PO Box 386 Buhi, Idaho 83316	August 2, 2005	June 24, 2005	5.00 pm
Filer Highway District 220 Midway Street, PO Box 29 Filer, Idaho 83328	August 2, 2005	June 24, 2005	5:00 pm
Murtaugh Highway Diatrict 108 Archer Street, PO Box 147 Murtaugh, Idaho 83344	August 2, 2005	June 24, 2005	5:00 pm
Twin Falls Highway District 1234 Highland Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	August 2, 2005	June 24, 2005	5.00 pm
Buhi Rurai Firs Protection District 122 9th Avenue North Buhi, Idaho 83316	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm
Castleford Rural Fire Protection District 300 Main Street, PO Box 608 Castleford, Idaho 83321	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5.00 pm
Filer Rural Fire Protection District 300 Main Street Filer, Idaho 83328	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm
Joint Hagerman Fire Protection District 150 E Salmon, PO Box 336 Hagerman, Idaho 83332	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm
Rock Creek Rural Fire Protection District 242 Highway 30, PO Box 365 Kimberly, Idaho 83341	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5.00 pm
Salmon Tract Rural Fire Protection District 2475 E 3200 N Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm
Twin Falls Rural Fire Protection District 345 Second Avenue East, PO Box 2230 Twin Falls, Idaho 83301	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm
West End Cometery Maintenance District 1574 E 4150 N Buhl, Idaho 83318	November 8, 2005	Sept. 30, 2005	5:00 pm

Declaration of Candidacy and Pelition of Candidacy (one combined form) "forms are available at the respective taxing district offices listed above or at the County Clerk's office. Counthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho.
Following districts have provisions which allow them not to conduct an election if only one candidate has filled for any position. Pursuant to Idaho. Code §34-1407, this determination can only be made after ho, ollowing districts have provisions which allow them not to conduct an election if only one candidate filled for any position. Pursuant to Idaho Code §34-1407, this determination can only be made after deadling furth packetation. Chitento. be a written. Aquiler. Recharge. Auditorium-District. Gener. F. Fire, Group Water Management, Highway, Hospital, Levee, Library, Port, Recreation, Regional on Board, Soil Conservation Supervisor, Water & Sower, Watershed Improvement, Illna Glascock, Twin Falls County Clerk.

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SUBJECT TO 250 foot wide county road each men along the Westerly and Southerly boundaries filtered.

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Magistrate
PUBLISH: December 29 and 30, 2004 and January 6, 2005
IN THE DISTRICT
COURT OF THE FIRTH
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS
MAGISTRATE
Case No.
CV-2004-006075
NOTICE TO
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In the Matter of the

Estate of: IDA B. RICKEY,

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PUBLISH: December 23, 30, 2004 and Janu-ary 6, 2005

TS No. 04-13700

Doe: ID MO0091375482005N
Tritle Order No. 4033101

Parcel No. 1679782100C0060 A

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

The following described propeny will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction to the highest bidder, payable in gwitter of the public auction of torselosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded of 10742000 as Instrument Number 2000-015489, and re-recorded 11721/2000 as Instrument Number 2000-015489, and re-recorded 11721/2000-015489, and re-recorded 11721/2000 as Instrument Number 2000-015489, and re-23, 30, 2004 and January 6, 2005

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Twin Falls, Idaho, to hear a request by:
HIGH DESERT
HOLDINGS, LCC
Requests annexation of approximately 16 acros
(*/-) of land proposed to be annexed, currently zoned R-4, located south of the 300-400 Blocks of Clinton Drive.

The City Council may vote to suspend the rules and act upon the rules and act upon the first or second meeting date. If that occurs, no further public hearings will be held on the

time.
A complete descrip-tion is on file with the Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Administra-tor at City Hall, 321

735-7267.
Persons needing special accommodations at a public meeting are asked to contact the City of Twin Falls at 735-7287 at least live (5) working days prior to the meeting.

's Mayor Glanda Thompson PUBLISH Thursday. December 23, 2004 NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE TO WATER RIGHTS

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Thursday,
the 24th day of February, 2005 at the hour of
10:30 a.m. of said day at the front (East) Steps of,
the Tiven Fals County Courthouse, 425 Shoehone
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Trevending South, Range 15, East of the Bojse
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They are usually surper like from an Used of Treat above described, occurring prior to the trust—
The principal balance owing as of September 27, 2004, on the obligation secured by said Dead of Trust is \$145,730.00. Interest at 8% per annum has accrued from January 2, 2004, in the amount of \$8,842.38 as of October 4, 2004, is also owed and continues to accrue at \$31.94 per day after October 4, 2004. Foreclosure costs including, but costs of sale, tuest, assessments, attorneys' fees and other Costs or expenses associated with the sale.

sale.

DATED the 14th day of October, 2004.

TWIN FALLS TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY
/s/Dexter T. Ball Jr.

PUBLISH: December 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2004

OBLICATION.
Dated November 23, 2004
Name and Address of the Current Trustee is
STEWART UTILE OF BOISE. INC.
9196 West Emerald. Suite 100
Bosse: D-8370-94
PHONE: (800) 281-8219 for information.
Stewart Title of Boise, Inc.

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TS No. 04-13700 Doc ID #00091376482005N Title Order No. 4033101 Parcel No. RPB782100C0060 A

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE
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November 14, 2000, as Instrument No. 2000017710, Mortgage Records of Twin Falls County Idaho.

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points to right 72-7193 on tribulary streams to the Salmon River to allow water to be pum-ped at times from Buck-skin Creek (8.0 cts), Pat Hughes Creek (11.0 cts) and Springs (0.2 cts) that are all tribulary

to Thompson Creek.
These additional points of diversion are closer to the mine and will allow better control of potential runoff and seepage from the mine site to improve water

TS No. 04-13996 Doc ID #000205457332005N Title Order No. 4033173 Parcel No. RPT51010020110A

Parcel No. RPTS10100201100

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quality and lessen impacts to the Salmon River. Additionally the application identifies the place where water is stored in detention and tailings dams that are utilized in the mining

process and are already part of the existing right. For specific details regarding the applica-tion, please contact IDWR Southern Re-gional Office at 208continued on next page

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Idaho Transportation Department, through the Division of Highways, District 4, is offering for sale on a "Sealed Bid Basis" the following Items:

ITEM NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
S405020 S405021	2 WAY PLOW
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\$405024	1 WAY PLOW
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S405026	1 WAY PLOW
S405027	1 WAY PLOW
S405028	1 WAY PLOW
S405029	2 WAY PLOW
\$405030	SANDER
S405033	WOODEN POSTS
S403023A	AUX FUEL TANK
S403023B	AUX FUEL TANK
S403023C .	AUX FUEL TANK
S403023D .	AUX FUEL TANK
S403027	LUCENT PHONE
	SYSTEM
S403028	LINCOLN IDEAL-
	ARC R3R-400 WELDER
	(3 PHASE POWER)
\$403040	3208 CAT ENGINE
	- REBUILT

Contact for the Items above will be Mike Praegitzer at 208-886-7880 or Shad Flores at 208-886-7890. These items can be seen at the Shoshone Yard

8405031 USED CATTLE

The cattle guards can be seen at the Sublett Yard. Contact Tony Rigby at 208-312-3298. Each liem will be sold on a successful bidder take at bosts. THERE ARE NO EXPRESS OR MAPLED WARRANITES OF MERCHANYABILITY AS CONTACT OF THE STATE OF THE

Removal of those items, in their entirely, from the privilege and stays following date of award: "Upon notification of award as \$15.00.0 deposit, in addition to the amount bid, must be submitted to the Idaho Transtant of award as \$15.00.0 deposit, in addition to the amount bid, must be submitted to the Idaho Transtant of Idaho Transportation of Idaho Transportation

nuary 25, 2005, and who so per a same day, AHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT (DEVIN O. RIGBY Division of Highways District Four Engineer

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TS No. 04-13881 Doc ID #000283599132005N Title Order No. 4033153 Parcel No. RP T13210000210 A

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Title Order No. 4033153
Parcel No. RP 173210000210 A

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Dated November 23, 2004
Name and Address of the Current Trustee is
STEWART TITLE OF BOISE, INC. erald, Suite 100

Bolso, ID 83704
PHONE: (800) 281-8219 for information
Stewart Title of Bolse, Inc. Successor Trustee
By: Bev Patersen, Sr. Trust Officer PUBLISH: December 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2004

736-3033 or visit
www.idwr.state.id.us
with detail provided undor "New Water Right
Applications". Protests
may be submitted
based on the criteria of
Sec 42-222, Idaho
Code. Protests against approval must be filed with IDWR, Southern Region, 1341 Fillmore St. -Suite 200; Twin Falls, ID 63301 with a protest fee of \$25.00 for protest fee of \$25.00 for each application on or before January 4, 2005. The protestant must also send a copy of tha protest to the applicant. Karl J. Dreher, Director

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Code, Section 67-2343,
you are hereby notified
that Twin Falls Highway
District will hold all 2005
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of each month all 1:00
office, 1234 Highland
Ave. East, Twin Falls.
/#Kraron Dalon
Secretary/Treasurer

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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1999, records of Twin Falls County, the house of Twin Falls County, with the above Grantors are named to comply with Section 45-1564(4)s, Idaho Code, No representation is made that they are, or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

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On Tuesday, the 26th day of April 2005, at the hour of 1000 of clock an, of said day at Allance Tilla & Escrow, 311 Second St. N., Twin Falls, in the County of Twin Falls, site of Idaho; Charles W. Fawcatt, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho; Charles W. Fawcatt, as Successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in the Lime of sale, the following described real property silured in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to-wit: Township 10 South, Hange 13 East. Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho Second Second 10 Se

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On Thurday, the 14th day of April, 2005. at the hour of 10:00 o'clock a.m. o' said day at Alliance
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TS No. 04-09054 Doc ID #000209706522005N Title Order No. 4031103 Parcel No. RPT5061004021AA

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The following described property will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, payable in lawful money of the United States, in the office of Your Falls Tille & Escrive, 905 Shoshone Street North. Twin Falls, 10 83301, on 03/21/2005 at 11:30 am, recognized local lime) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 11:30 am, recognized local lime) for the purpose of foreclosing that certain Deed of Trust recorded 10 and 12 and 1 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

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ID 33301 is sometimes associated with said reuproperty.
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 23rd day of March, 2005, at the hour of 10:00 AM. of said day, (recontized local time), in the Office of First American Title Company, 260 Trust American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, as successor trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for certified India. The Idaho Company of Idaho Code, the Idaho Inc., and Idaho Company of Idaho Code, the Idaho Inc., and Idaho Company of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described as follows, to will be Idaho Code, the Idaho Inc., and Idaho Code, Idaho Code, the Idaho Idaho Inc., and Idaho Code, Idaho Code, Idaho Idaho

By Monine Cole, Trust Officer 8607/Ilo-wm American Title Company of Idaho Dept: 1-208-375-0455

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Beginning.
The Trustee has no knowledge of a more particular description of the above referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 50'-113 Idaho Code, the Trustee has been informed that according to the County Assessors office, the address of 8°198 and 207 Gem Street, Twin Falls, Idaho, is sometimes associated with said rail property.

50-113 teams over the control of the County Assessment of the County As

Date: November 18, 2004 FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY OF IDAHO,

INC. By Monine Cole, Trust Officer FA-18728/wel First American Tille Company of Idaho Trust Dept. 1-208-375-0455

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO,
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

Case No. CV 2004-5567
CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS
IN the Metier of
DAVID MACIAS,
SOPHIA MACIAS,
d.o.b. 507/95
ALEJANCO MACIAS,
d.o.b. 10/27/96
ISSAC MACIAS, d:o.b. 09/28/97 ANGEL A. MACIAS,

ANGEL A. MACIAS, do.b. 02/22/07. Children under the age of eighteen. THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO: JESAS DE LA CRUZ MONTOYA JESAS DE LA CRUZ MONTOYA 3518 SAR Gâbriel Parkway Beldwin Park, CA BERNANDO GARCIA SANC

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to decrarer win the diamond lead in dummy and played a thump to the jack. West won with the queen and returned another diamond, taken in the South hand.

The queen and returned another diamond, taken in the South hand. After drawing frumps, declarer played dimmny's two top hearts and rutted a heart, hoping for a 33 break. With no luck there he returned to dummy for the last time with the diamond queen and took the club finesse, unsuccessfully, "Can you believe it?" he complained to his partner, "Everything was wrong."

Mari won the diamond lead in the South hand, retaining two diamond entries to the dummy. He then eashed the acc and king of trumps, crossed to the acc of hearts, and ruffed a heart, finding out the suit would split no worse than 42. He then surrendered a trick to West's trump queen and won the diamond return with dummy's acc. He cashed the king of hearts, throwing a club, ruffed another heart, and returned to dummy with the diamond queen to discard the last club loser from the South hand on one of North's good hearts.

Note that it would not have em-

good hearts. Note that it would not have em-Note that it would not have em-barrassed declarer if East had won the third round of trumps and played a club through the acc-queen. Knowing the hearts were splitting, declarer would not have needed the club finesse.

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South West North East Pass 2 ♥ Pass 4 ♦ Pass 5 ♥ All pass 1 A 4 NT 6 A

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South holds: Q 7 2 V J 5 + 10 8 6 5 K 9 7 6

West North East 1 ♥ Pass Pass 2 ♠ Pass INT

ANSWER: Bid three hearts. Two spades is forcing for one round, so-you-cannot-pass-You-are-minimum; but since you-have decent trump support (in context) and a key card in each major, you can hid three hearts without being ashamed of your hand.

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↑ 7 2

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↑ A K 10 9 5 3

♣ K Q J 2 EAST

** K Q 10 9

** K J 6 4

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** 10 7 4 3 WEST ♠ J 5 ♥ 10 8 7 3 ♠ Q J 8 4 ♣ A 8 6

SOUTH ---▲ A 8 6 4 ♥ A Q 9 2 ◆ 7 2 ♣ 9 5

Vulnerable: East-West Dealer: West

The bidding:

Opening lead: Heart three

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↑ 72 ♥ 5 ↑ A K 10 9 5 3 ♣ K Q J 2

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