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A Jerome police car blocks an exit at Wal-Mart Saturday evening after a bomb threat was made against the retail store.

## Threat leads to evacuation

### Man lures police to school, says he has explosives

**The Times-News**  
JEROME — Two bomb threats Saturday evening led to the evacuation of Wal-Mart in Jerome and a search of Central Elementary School's roof.  
A man made both threats shortly after 8 p.m., Jerome City Administrator Travis Rothweiler said late Saturday.  
Following the initial threats, the man called 911 several times, claiming he was on top

of the Central Elementary School roof with explosives. He did not identify himself and hung up each time he was asked for a number where he could be reached.  
The Jerome Fire Department extended a ladder to the school roof, and law enforcement officers were able to search the top of the school but found no one. The investigation was continuing late Saturday.  
"At this point we're still tak-

ing it very, very seriously," Rothweiler said. "We have every intention to make sure that all the structures are secure and that the individual making the threats is apprehended."  
Authorities were wrapping up their initial inspection of both the school and the retail store around 11 p.m.  
Rothweiler said law enforcement officers were about to begin canvassing the area.

## School in transition



Third-grader Brian Alarcon works on reading Braille.

Deseree Coffman signs with her boyfriend Jeremy Castilloja as they walk to the lunchroom at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind.

## With controversy quieted, administrators look ahead

**By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer**  
GOODING — It's a normal lunch period at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. Students gather around tables with their trays to eat burritos and other cafeteria food.  
Chatter, both spoken and signed, fills the room.  
But something can upset a table full of deaf high schoolers — a mention of Angel Ramos, the school's former superintendent.  
Students around one table answer a reporter's written questions calmly until a query about Ramos grabs the entire group's attention. Asked about the former superintendent at lunch, senior Janilee Fletcher signs to her friends at the table, and they all begin signing rapidly. To get each other's attention, many of them

**About ISDB**  
Quick facts on Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind:

- 80 students total
- 17 blind or visually impaired
- 29 deaf
- 26 hard of hearing
- Two deaf and blind
- Six multihandicapped
- About 50 live on campus during the week
- Eight fly home on weekends from Boise's airport
- 23 academic instructors

- Five sign language interpreters, plus one Spanish-English interpreter
- 300 student population capacity

**Off campus:**

- 653 students in outreach from birth to age 21. They receive services through the state or through local school districts.
- 355 deaf or hard of hearing
- 298 blind or visually impaired

Sources: Harv Lyter, interim superintendent, and Janet Stout, K-12 principal

## School still waits for permanent superintendent

**By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer**  
GOODING — Students at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind are unlikely to see a new superintendent this school year.  
Harv Lyter has been the school's acting superintendent since July 2003 and was named interim superintendent in July 2004.  
The State Board of Education is asking the Legislature to designate the school's superintendent as an at-will employee, but the matter was tabled last week until Friday.  
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## HAVING A BALL

### Burley hosts centennial event

**By Chip Thompson For The Times-News**  
BURLEY — It wouldn't be fair to describe Burley's Centennial Ball as anything but a class act all the way around.  
More than 150 revelers

group Soft Touch and jazz ensemble Skip-n-Skool.  
The evening began with dancing and a chance for old friends to catch up.  
Centennial Committee Chairman Doug Manning offered a brief welcome to those in attendance.  
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A crowd of more than 150 enjoys the music of jazz ensemble Skip-n-Skool during the Burley Centennial Ball at Snake River Plaza Saturday night.

**7 days, 7 reasons to read**

**Self hypnosis?**  
It may be the cure for what ails you.  
Monday

**Enjoying life**  
Red Hats come to Gooding.  
Tuesday  
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There's more to the yam than you think.  
Wednesday

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Ski-joring with a Western kick in Sun Valley.  
Thursday

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Friday

**Sharing churches**  
It's a way of life for some area congregations.  
Saturday

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Learn how to say it, and make it stick.  
Sunday

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Today: Mostly cloudy with a chance for a few rain and snow showers. Highs in the lower 40s
Tonight: Cloudy with a few snow showers. Lows in the mid to upper 20s
Tomorrow: Mostly to partly cloudy with a few rain and snow showers. Highs in the lower 40s

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Unsettled and cool with a good chance for scattered areas of snow showers today, tonight and scattered on Monday.

BOISE Cloudy with a few rain showers for scattered rain and snow showers today, tonight and Monday.

NORTHERN UTAH Snow showers will be a good possibility today and into Monday and again Tuesday.



Weather's S.E. forecast: 57 at Lewiston. Low: 41 at Ketchikan.

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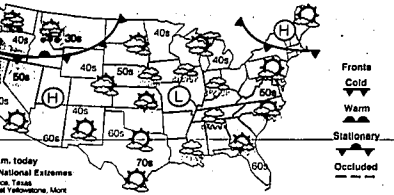
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Brian Dean Whitney, right, holds the door for Brian Alarcon after a recess break.

School foundation stays cautiously optimistic

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer. GOODING — Reid Lofgran is enthusiastic about the future of the foundation that supports the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind.

Ramos finds new home

By Karin Kowalski Times-News writer. MESA, Ariz. — A controversial former superintendent of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind, Angel Ramos, is still working on a deaf education computer program, but he is doing it from Arizona.



Angel Ramos

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NATION

# Rice: Out to change the world?

She is definitely a woman in a hurry

By Warren P. Strobel  
Knight Ridder News Service



Condoleezza Rice

LUXEMBOURG — In eight days, she visited nine countries and one territory, gave 18 TV and newspaper interviews, held 13 press conferences and said — unapologetically — that it's the United States' urgent mission to spread freedom worldwide.

Secretary of state for little more than two weeks, Condoleezza Rice is clearly a woman in a hurry to change the world.

Rice's predecessor, Colin Powell, and his deputy, Richard Armitage, tended to deal with the unruly world of geopolitics as it was, managing crises and moving ahead cautiously like the military men they are.

Rice, 50, by contrast, speaks of "transformational diplomacy" and seems to delight in trying to shatter the status quo.

"We have to deal with the world as it is. But we do not have to accept the world as it is," she told a French audience

bombs. Aides say Rice is deliberately offering up a vision that will ease European fears of another U.S. invasion — perhaps of Iran — but that also contains a clear foreign policy goal.

Whether Rice will succeed in selling it remains to be seen. The new secretary of state was greeted like a celebrity wherever she went. European leaders doted on "Con-di," German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder seemed wowed by what he termed her "woman power."

The visit, preceding one by President Bush later this month, appears to have resurrected U.S.-European ties badly strained by the Iraq war. The NATO alliance, which split over the war, agreed

Wednesday to increase its training for Iraqi security forces. Rice called her luncheon discussion in Brussels, Belgium, with fellow foreign ministers "the best discussion of Iraq that we have had as an alliance since the Saddam Hussein regime fell and, in fact, well before that."

But Marina Ottaway, a senior associate at the Washington-based Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said the improved atmosphere is mostly just that.

"There is goodwill not to have another open crisis. There is no change in the fundamental positions of the U.S. and Europe" on issues ranging from China to Iran, Ottaway said.

Tuesday, "Imagining where we would be today if the brave founders of French liberty or of American liberty had simply been content with the world as it was."

Rice's message, which she delivered relentlessly from Ankara, Turkey, to Rome, London to Berlin, is this:

The industrialized West, which defeated communism and brought freedom to Eastern Europe, is now called on to crush terrorism and bring democracy to the Middle East.

It's an aggressive program, sort of a neoconservative plan minus the U.S. troops and

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## Ball

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After announcing chesscake was available at the refreshment tables, Manning joked a new annual tradition of "throwing the chesscake" would be introduced later in the evening.

Soft Touch not only delighted the crowd with their harmonies, but also offered bits-of-history throughout the performance.

In 1905, when Burley was founded, Theodore Roosevelt was president and it cost just 2 cents to mail a first class letter.

The Snake River Plaza, which hosts the event, was decorated with historic photographs of Burley and a small store was set up to sell centennial merchandise, including calendars, T-shirts and hats.

The next major Burley Centennial event scheduled is a reenactment of the signing of the articles of incorporation for the city on April 9.



The day will include train rides to Rupert and back and an old west shootout performed by the Cassia County Sheriff's Department, Manning said.

Other upcoming events included a 100-mile bicycle ride and dedication of the new Centennial Park in front of City Hall.

For more information about centennial events or to purchase commemorative merchandise, visit the Burley Centennial store at 1256 Overland Ave. or call Community Development Director Brian Tibbets at 878-2224.

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The House bill would change the status of the Gooding school's superintendent, the president of Eastern Idaho Technical College and the president of Idaho State University so that they and other employees at those schools could be removed "in accordance with the policies and rules of the State Board of Education."

That means, without stating any reason.

Without the change, the state has to show cause to remove those employees. In the case of former Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind Superintendent Angel Ramos, the State Board of Education went through a long hearing process that resulted in a settlement. In June 2004, almost a year after he was put on paid administrative leave, Ramos agreed to

resign from the position in exchange for \$150,000 and ownership of a computer program he oversees.

Some see the bill as giving too much authority to the State Board of Education. Ray Lockery, the Area 2 representative and auditor for the Idaho Association of the Deaf, wrote to the House Education Committee, saying he believes the measure is a result of the State Board not liking being told it was wrong when a hearing officer twice recommended Ramos be reinstated. He also said the bill does not increase community input into how the school is run.

If the House bill passes, the State Board of Education might start searching for a new Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind superintendent in June to potentially install one for the 2005-06 school year.

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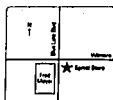
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NATION

# Dean pledges to rebuild his party

WASHINGTON (AP) — New national Democratic Chairman Howard Dean promised Saturday to rebuild the party in the most conservative regions of the country, help develop state and local organizations and let congressional Democrats set the tone on policy.

Electing Dean on a voice vote during their winter meeting, Democrats put the party's leadership in the hands of the skilled fundraiser and organizer whose sometimes caustic blunt comments can lead to controversy. The physician now must contend with a state-by-state political map in which Republican-led over-whelms Democratic blue.

"I'll pretty much be living in red states in the South and West for quite a while," Dean told reporters. "The way to get people more skeptical about you is to show up and say what you think."

The normally outspoken Dean appeared to be trying to shift his role from flamboyant presidential candidate to cautious party chairman.

"The proper place for the day-to-day battles is Congress," Dean said in response to a question about his opposition to the war in Iraq. "My views are well known, but most of the policy pronouncements will be coming from the leaders in Congress and not from me."

Dean has plenty of other chores to keep him busy.

President Bush just won his second term. Republicans are firmly in control of the House and the Senate. And the GOP is gaining strength in conservative states in the South and West.

The former Vermont governor pledged never to abandon his core principles but promised to learn how Democrats can communicate positions more effectively.

Dean says that no one is "pro-abortion," but "we are the party in favor of allowing women to make up their own minds about their health care."

And Democrats are not for

"gay marriage," but "we are the party that has always believed in equal rights under the law for all people," he says.

Democrats should never be on the defensive about their stance on national security, according to Dean, because they were the first to recognize the need for a Department of Homeland Security.

Dean is determined to seize the moral high ground from Republicans, arguing that Democratic values to help the poor and protect children are more in line with religious values than Republican tax cuts for the wealthy and budget cuts for social programs.



Newly elected Democratic National Committee chairman Howard Dean smiles during an address to the general session of the Democratic National Committee winter meetings on Saturday, in Washington, in Washington, Dean is taking over for outgoing chairman Terry McAuliffe.

# Bush sees bad choices if plan not approved

President warns of painful options if Congress does not overhaul Social Security

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush warned Saturday that if Congress does not act now to overhaul Social Security, the choices ahead will be harsh and painful. He repeated his call to end private accounts to the system.

As he has in visits to eight states, Bush emphasized in his weekly radio address that the system will soon run short of money with more going out to pay benefits than is collected in taxes.

"If we do not act now to avert that outcome, the only solutions would be dramatically higher taxes, massive new borrowing, or sudden and severe cuts in Social Security benefits or other government programs," he said.

He said the only thing he rules out is raising the payroll tax, which is currently applied to the first \$90,000 of wages. Administration officials have repeatedly refused to say whether Bush would also rule out raising that cap so more income is subject to the existing tax.

In the radio address, Bush repeated his call to add personal accounts to Social Security. Under his plan, workers under age 55 would be able to divert some of their Social Security taxes into private accounts that could be invested in stocks or bonds.

"It would replace the complex promises of the current system with real assets of wealth and risk," he said.

The president did not mention that it would cost \$750 billion in the first several years to transition to his new system and much more over time. He has not said how he would pay that tab.

Speaking for the Democrats, Schumer said the plan for private accounts would make Social Security's problems more difficult because of this price tag.

"The president's private accounts do nothing to solve Social Security's long-term financial problems. Even administration officials concede this point," he said. "If the president wants our support and the support of the country, he should stop advocating change based on ideology."

Bush's plan has support from many Republicans in Congress, though some are opposed and others worry it will not sell politically. Trying to shore up support, Vice President Dick Cheney and other administration officials have held a series of meetings with Republican lawmakers.

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— President George W. Bush

Responding for the Democrats in their radio address, Sen. Charles Schumer of New York said the program needs "fine-tuning," not replacement "with something completely different."

The program's trustees have said the program will begin to run a deficit in 2018 and by 2042, it will only be able to pay 73 percent of promised benefits.

"We cannot pretend that the problem does not exist," Bush said. "Social Security will go broke when some of our younger workers get ready to retire, and that is a fact."

He repeated a list of options for fixing the program into solvency, all of which involve cutting benefits in one way or another: reducing checks for wealthy retirees, increasing the retirement age, discouraging people from collecting benefits early and cutting benefits across the board by changing the formula so benefits are tied to prices instead of wages.

All these ideas are on the table," the president said.

# EPA fines owner of brothel

Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — When it came to stripping a famous Nevada brothel that it wrongly got slapped with a federal fine.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency announced Friday that it has fined the owner of the now-closed Mustang Ranch \$23,000 for improper removal of asbestos.

The owner, Lance Gilman, allegedly tried while moving the pink ranch building several miles east to a new site where he owned another brothel. Part of the old Mustang will be turned into a "kettle museum" in the daytime, said Doug Lindeman, a documentary filmmaker who works with Gilman on archive material on the Mustang Ranch. At night, the museum will be rented out "for other purposes," Lindeman said.

The Mustang Ranch was Nevada's first legal bordello and in its heyday it made more than the \$23,000 fine in a good hour, Lindeman said.

It's probably the first time that the federal environmental agency has fined a legal house of prostitution, EPA spokeswoman Laura Gentile said.

Gilman, who did not respond to phone or e-mail requests for

comments, bought the building in 2003 for \$145,000 from another federal agency, the Bureau of Land Management. The bureau had taken it over after the Internal Revenue Service seized the Mustang over back taxes in 1999.

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NATION

# Parents challenge Bible classes

Virginia's Shenandoah Valley schools offer voluntary Christianity classes, lessons

STAUNTON, Va. (AP) — When Heather and Logan Ward's son entered public kindergarten this fall, they were shocked to discover that pupils were taken from class to a nearby church for weekly Bible lessons.

The Wards moved to Virginia's Shenandoah Valley from New York four years ago, and were unaware of the tradition that has remained in Staunton and other rural schools for more than 60 years.

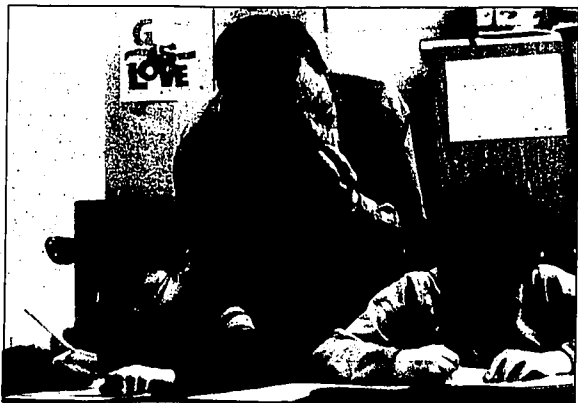
"My reaction is exactly like the reaction of those who come here from a different place — shock and disbelief that we have Bible classes in public schools," Heather Ward said.

Now the Wards and other parents are asking the school board to eliminate or modify the program, which shuttles first-, second- and third-graders to churches during class time for voluntary half-hour Christian lessons and activities.

But the would-be reformers have run into staunch resistance. More than 400 people showed up to weigh in on the issue at a contentious school board meeting in December, and more than 1,000 signed a petition urging the school board to keep the classes.

The six-member school board is scheduled to decide the issue Monday.

Jack Hinton, president of the local private group that offers religious activities, has the opposition to a small minority, many



Jack Hinton, president of the local Weekday Religious Education Association, helps third-graders Brian Smith, left, and Noah Balesley with an assignment during their religious education class at Memorial Baptist Church, in Staunton, Va., on Jan. 12. One day each week, first-, second- and third-graders in Staunton's four elementary schools are escorted during class time to nearby churches for voluntary half-hour Christian lessons and activities.

Virginia, known to some as the state's "Bible Belt." In the Staunton area, more than 80 percent of first-, second- and third-graders participate.

"The people in those communities still have strong Christian faith and want their children to learn this," said John Shirley, state director of Weekday Religious Education, the private group that offers the lessons.

Although no lawsuits have been filed, the local chapter of the group has hired a lawyer, Gil Davis, who

is a good person," Ridell said. "If Christians are good people, what are Jews? These are 6- and 7-year-old kids. This is an age where what's right and what's wrong are clear and unambiguous."

In nearby Waynesboro, 71 percent of pupils in the second through fourth grades participated in the classes last year, learning the Bible's take on the creation of the world and the parable of the Good Samaritan.

"From a complete-education aspect, it's important to have a basic-Biblical-knowledge-of what some of the stories are from literature you read when

you're older," said local WRE President Pam Stoneburner.

Hinton acknowledged that the struggle to keep the Bible classes might be partly based on a desire to cling to tradition in the face of a changing community.

"Tradition has the ability to make you a better person, make you a better citizen, make you involved with the positive aspects of a community," he said.

But parent Heather Ward thinks tradition must evolve. "Unless we build a wall around our city, we're going to have to deal with the changing demographics," she said. "That's just part of modern life."

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—JoAnne Shirley, state director of Weekday Religious Education

Although no lawsuits have been filed, the local chapter of the group has hired a lawyer, Gil Davis, who

represented Paul Jones in her sexual harassment lawsuit against President Clinton. The group also is working with the Rutherford Institute, a Charlottesville center that defends Christian rights.

Rutherford President John Whitehead said the classes "are wholly consistent with the First Amendment and this nation's religious heritage."

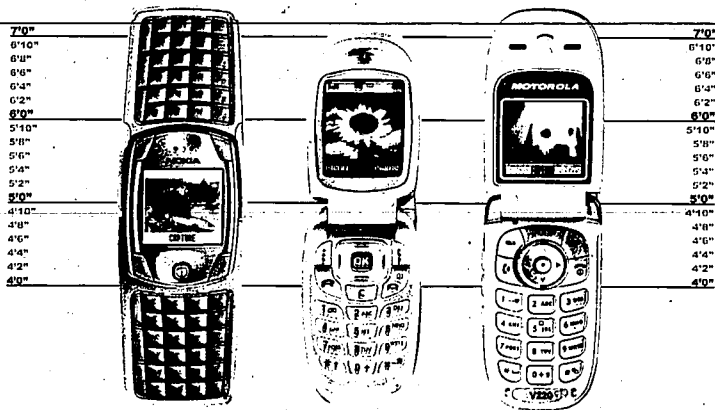
But opponents argue the classes are divisive, and the schools already have character-education classes, which teach children about right and wrong without religion.

"Christians don't have a monopoly on morality," says Itece Staten, a Staunton native whose husband is Jewish.

Ridell, who grew up going to the Staunton schools, teaches first- and second-grade Sunday school at church and opposes religious classes during school time.

"I asked them whether Jesus was a Christian and they said 'yes.' When I said, 'Jesus was a Jew,' one girl said, 'But Jesus was

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NATION

# Scientists' self-censorship raises issue of pressure

The Baltimore Sun

Microbiologist Eckard Wimmer never conducted the next big experiment he had planned: Not after the public drubbing he took in 2002 when he reported building a live polio virus from scratch.

A firestorm erupted over the ethics of making the pathogen, and Wimmer — although convinced that the experiment and its publication in the journal *Science* were ethical — decided he didn't want to go through anything like it again.

Today, another paper in the same prestigious journal raises questions about how common it is for researchers to do what Wimmer did: censor their own work to avoid controversy.

The answer has serious implications for scientific research and whether it is widely biased by the fear of backlash.

Critics and interest groups can influence the debate about a proposed ban on human cloning by contacting their legislators. But a worried researcher's decision to avoid an experiment or leave controversial data unpublished can affect the outcome of science without a word of public debate, the authors say.

"The problem is, we don't know what's being censored and why," said Jon E. Merz, an assistant medical ethics professor at the University of Pennsylvania and a co-author of the study.

Co-author Joanna Kempner, a sociologist and University of Michigan research fellow, added that "controversy may be shaping scientific agendas." The paper's findings are based on 10 pilot interviews and 41 in-depth interviews with researchers from prestigious U.S. academic departments in seven fields — neuroscience, sociology, molecular and cellular biology, genetics, industrial psychology, drug and alcohol abuse, and computer science.

Some 42 percent described how their work had been targeted for public censure in one form or another, the paper said. But the authors were surprised to find that scientists were most affected by so-called "informal constraints," such as the fear of breaching an unspoken rule against inquiry in a particular area.

The paper avoids specifics to protect the identities of those interviewed, and the limited sample means findings can't be generalized. But Merz and Kempner said in interviews that a number of the scientists they surveyed avoided topics considered politically incorrect, such as those — like the controversial book "The Bell Curve" — that explore race and intelligence.

Others said they have given up experiments on dogs — traditional objects of medical research — to avoid the wrath of animal rights activists. And a psychologist told the authors he quashed his own idea for a study of "subtle cues" that may be misinterpreted as sexual harassment, fearing it would be too controversial.

The paper's release comes amid criticism of Harvard University President Lawrence H. Summers, who riled scientists and women's rights groups in January with comments that can result when academics cross an "unspoken" line — as well as the beneficial debate that follows when their ideas are subjected to rigorous scientific scrutiny, Kempner said.

Kempner conducted audiotaped interviews in 2002 and 2003, a period marked by controversies over published or publicly funded research. During that period, for example, the National Institutes of Health reviewed more than 200 scientific projects reportedly targeted by the conservative Traditional Values Coalition. Meanwhile, editors of research journals were scrambling to develop policies on publication of findings that conceivably could be used by bioterrorists.

The editors were reacting to criticism of Wimmer's 2002 paper, which described how to construct poliovirus from DNA samples that can be ordered through the mail.

Wimmer, a professor at the State University of New York, Stony Brook, said his intent was to raise awareness. "The time had come where somebody would have to show that viruses have to be looked at as chemicals," he said, adding that any virus can be synthesized if its structure is known. Publicizing that issue, he said, forced society to be "aware of that and cope."

Still, he found the experience — which included a lambasting by genomics luminary J. Craig Venter — so unappealing that he scrapped the experiment he had planned to do next.

That one, already funded, would have attempted to turn a similar benign virus into polio by tweaking its genetic code. If it had worked, Wimmer said, it might have proved how easily the related virus could naturally morph into real polio. That would challenge the wisdom of ending polio vaccinations because the disease has been virtually eradicated here.

Uptour over controversial science is nothing new, and Merz and Kempner acknowledge it can sometimes be positive.

For example, they said, the rules of "informed consent" for human research subjects were strengthened after public backlash over controversial experiments. They included the infamous Tuskegee Syphilis Study in which researchers studied the untreated progression of the disease in blacks and watched them die — long after drugs to cure the disease had been discovered.

But sometimes, scientists argue, controversy can snuff an entire area of inquiry.



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NATION

# Sweethearts reunite after decades apart

The Associated Press

EVERETT, Wash. — He held his son only once, in a sterile office at Catholic Children's Services that November day in 1977.

Bar Stokes gazed into the eyes as blue as his own, and covered his boy's cheeks in kisses.

"You're coming home with me soon, son," he whispered. "Daddy loves you. We're going to all be together soon."

He was still a child himself, a junior in high school with shoulder-length hair and a lanky teenage frame, hardly the picture of a father.

But a father was all Bart dreamed of becoming. That, and a husband to his girl, Brenda.

He had all worked out in his head. He cherished Brenda Litzo, had even proposed before they ever learned she was pregnant. His mother would get a bigger apartment with a room for their baby. He would work at a school at a gas station, and could make enough for them to get by until he graduated and found a permanent job.

The most important thing was keeping his family together.

Yet even the best intentions can fall by the wayside when the older and wiser have other plans in mind. Brenda Litzo had already made adoption arrangements, and she was too scared to fight them.

A few weeks after seeing their son, Bart and Brenda looked at themselves in the same sterile office, adoption papers spread on a table.

They were told the family was Catholic and lived somewhere in metropolitan Seattle. They had one other child — a 13-year-old boy.

Brenda signed her name and the adoption — and once — Bart stared, speechless, then stormed out.

"We can have more kids," Brenda promised him. "We'll always be together." She begged him to just get it over with.

Knowing it was the biggest mistake of his life, he signed. "I just lost my son," Bart thought never imagining he could lose her, too.

He called her "my Brenda," and from the first moment she had been there. They'd met at Seattle at Edmonds High, north of Seattle.

Soon, they were flirting in biology class and going for rides on his motorcycle along the shore of the Puget Sound. They exchanged letters, always signing off "Love Forever & Longer."

Their song was Brenda's "Make It With You."

Bart adored Brenda's eyes and her smile, she his long reddish hair. He ran track, she was on the swim team. He played the tuba, she the flute. And in every way, they were each other's "first" love.

The next Valentine's Day, while out to eat, Bart placed a box in Brenda's hand with a simple gold ring and diamond and asked her to marry him. She accepted immediately, though they agreed to keep the engagement from their families. They were just 17 years old.

Then the stomach cramps started.

Thinking it was just gastrointestinal problems, Brenda went to the doctor with her mother. After the tests were done, the doctor walked over to Mrs. Litzo and pointed at a slip of paper with "positive" on it.

"Positive for what?" she asked. "Pregnancy," the doctor said. Abortion wasn't considered because her family was Catholic. It was the best thing to do is put this baby up for adoption."



Bart Stokes and Brenda Litzo play with their daughter, Madilyn, in their home in Everett, Wash., Jan. 30.

her mother said upon leaving the doctor's office.

Brenda's parents sent her off to a school for girls to finish out the pregnancy, and yet even as the adults moved forward with the adoption scenario, Bart and Brenda talked in secret about keeping their child and starting a life together.

But Brenda was torn. Wanting to do right by her parents, she finally came to believe she had no choice but to give the baby up.

At night, alone in her bed, she talked and sang to her unborn child. All the while she kept thinking, "I want to be pregnant forever," because giving birth meant saying goodbye.

Bart was hunting the morning she went into labor but arrived at the hospital within hours of his son's birth on Oct. 25, 1977. They named him Michael.

Bart never understood why Brenda went along with the adoption — but once — Brenda was gone, the couple argued endlessly. Bart dropped out of school and, by Christmas, Brenda had stopped returning his calls.

The snapshot of the tiny baby, one the hospital provided of Michael at three days old, never left Bart's wall.

It remained after he met another woman and got married in 1983, after they had a son together, Barclay Jr., and long after they divorced in 1988.

Several times through the years, Bart tried to locate his first-born by contacting various adoption rights groups, but he was told little could be done unless the child registered with them.

He wondered what Michael looked like, if he acted like him, whether he knew that he was adopted.

He also wondered about Brenda. They'd lost touch, but tucked away in a dresser drawer he kept a high school picture of his first love.

Through friends, he learned she had married, had other children — three boys — and moved to California. He didn't know, however, that he had also divorced.

Now and then, he'd search her married name on the Internet. He once found four Brenda Wilcozes in California and called each one, but none of the numbers was hers.

Then, in 2001, he registered his name on Classmates.com, a Web site that allows people to track down old contacts from schools. Brenda had registered, too. He e-mailed, but got no response.

In November 2003, following the advice of one of Brenda's old friends, Bart tried writing again. Still, nothing.

— of a student named Andy Fenkner. Michelle Abbott had called her mom, who contacted Abbott's aunt — Michael's adoptive mother. The families quickly put two and two together.

Andy had known he was adopted since he was 16, but hadn't searched for his biological parents. Now, word reached him of the strange meeting between his cousin and this woman, Andy, living in Scottsdale, Ariz., phoned Abbott, who in turn told Bart and Brenda their son was waiting to hear from them.

On Feb. 6, 2004 — less than a month after their own reunion — the couple arrived in Scottsdale. They arranged to meet outside a bookstore. As Bart and Brenda rounded the corner, they saw him: A handsome young man with a wide smile and beautiful blue eyes. Together, they took him in their arms.

For the first time in more than 26 years, Bart and Brenda held their child.

Their second night together, Brenda told Andy she had something to ask. On Oct. 1, 2005 — the anniversary of when the high school sweethearts started dating — Bart and Brenda plan to finally marry. Andy said yes, of course, he would walk his mom down the aisle.

When he got home that day, Bart found a phone message waiting. He called Brenda back, and they talked for hours. Within days, all the things they'd never said were pouring out.

"I've loved you all my life," Bart told her. "My dream of dreams is to have you — and to search for our son together."

In the waiting area of Sea-Beach airport, Bart paced. Finally, her flight arrived, and he saw her coming up the escalator. "Oh my God," he said. "It's my Brenda."

She ran into his arms and cried.

It was January 2004, and she had arranged to stay for 10 days, so they could get to know each other again. They would also finish the paperwork to petition a court to open Michael's adoption file.

When a chance conversation with a stranger accelerated the search for their son.

While Bart was at work one day, Brenda spent the afternoon with an old friend stopped by a car dealership in Tacoma, where the friend had a meeting, and Brenda struck up a conversation with a saleswoman.

Brenda told her story that she was in town to reunite with her high school sweetheart and they were hoping to find the son they had put up for adoption.

How old was the child? asked the woman, Michelle Abbott.

"Twenty-six," said Brenda: born Oct. 25, 1977.

What a coincidence, Abbott told her. She had a cousin born the very same day. And, he was adopted.

Brenda started asking questions.

Where was he raised? Kent, said Abbott, a city in metropolitan Seattle.

What religion is he? Catholic, she said.

Finally, Brenda asked: Does he have any brothers or sisters? Just one, Abbott said. A brother, 13 years older.

The young man in the picture had Bart's nose and chin, and those same blue eyes that Bart remembered, though they were shaped just like Brenda's.

Bart and Brenda were looking at a high school yearbook photo

him to choose. "My little baby sister, Madilyn."

Bart cut the umbilical cord and placed the newborn in the arms of her mother, who said, "She's so beautiful."

Brenda and Bart beamed at their daughter, at their son, at each other — their family, finally together.

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NATION/WORLD

# Car bombs kill 18 in Iraq

Fighting erupts around mosque in Mosul



An unidentified woman whose son was injured reacts after a car bomb exploded in front of a hospital in the mostly Shiite town of Musayyib, about 35 miles south of Baghdad Saturday, killing 17 and wounding 21, police and hospital officials said.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A car bomb killed 17 people Saturday and injured 21 others in a mostly Shiite Muslim town south of Baghdad, and U.S. troops backed by tanks battled rebels in the country's third-largest city as the insurgency showed no sign of abating after national elections.

Officials plan to announce the final results of the Jan. 30 vote on Sunday, election commission spokesman Farid Ayar said.

Another car bomb exploded in an eastern Baghdad neighborhood as a U.S. military convoy passed, killing an Iraqi woman and wounding three others but causing no American casualties, Iraqi police said. The bomb exploded about half a mile from a U.S. Army base.

The car bomb south of Baghdad exploded near the main hospital in Musayyib, a mostly Shiite town 35 miles south of Baghdad along the Euphrates River. The town is in a religiously mixed area that has been the scene of frequent attacks by Sunni Muslim insurgents.

It appeared the attack was part of a campaign by Sunni Arab extremists against the country's Shites — an estimated 60 percent of Iraq's 26 million people — who stand on the verge of a major election victory as officials finish the final vote tallies.

More than 100 people have been killed this week in sectarian — and — insurgency-related violence, much of it targeting Shiite Muslims.

Ayar said on Al-Arabiya television the election commission would meet Sunday morning to finalize some unspecified issues and then announce the final figures in the afternoon. The results will be considered official after a three-day period. "We will give three days to verify the results, hear any dis-

putes, and then they will be officially declared final," Ayar said. "All the numbers will be announced tomorrow."

Partial returns show a Shiite-dominated ticket endorsed by the Shiite clergy leading in the race for the 275 seats in the National Assembly. Shiite religious groups appear to have won control of provincial councils in wide areas of the country, including the two biggest cities, Baghdad and Basra.

Sunni Arab extremists, fearing a loss of their privileged position, have accused the Americans of manipulating the election to install Shites and Kurds in power. Sunni Arabs, an estimated 20 percent of the

population, form the heart of the insurgency, and many of them boycotted the election. Fears of sectarian violence prompted the Iraqi government to announce a five-day closing of the nation's borders starting Thursday to protect worshippers during a major Shiite religious holiday, the Feast of Ashoura, that peaks next week.

U.S. and Iraqi officials hoped the election eventually would produce a stable government

with the resources and public support to crush the insurgency. In the short run, however, U.S. military officials have warned that the war with the Sunni insurgents was far from over.

The performance of Iraqi security forces could determine when the United States would hand over more responsibility to local police and soldiers, hastening the day when American and other foreign troops can leave.

However, training among Iraqi forces, especially the police, remains a major problem. In Germany, NATO's top commander, U.S. Gen. James L. Jones, said the alliance's military academy for Iraqi officers outside Baghdad is unlikely to be up and running before September, signaling continued difficulties finding troops and funding for the training mission.

When NATO nations approved the plan to set up the academy in September, officials hoped it could be operational before the end of 2004, but the alliance has struggled to persuade nations to commit instructors and support troops.

Meanwhile, fierce clashes broke out Saturday in the northern city of Mosul after American troops, responding to a mortar attack on one of their bases, were attacked with small arms and rocket-propelled grenades by insurgents inside a mosque, U.S. officials said.

The insurgents disabled a U.S. Army tank and a Stryker armored vehicle during the battle, which raged for hours around the mosque. Lt. Col. Erik Kurilla said, U.S. troops killed nine insurgents, but suffered no fatalities, Kurilla said.

A woman died when a mortar round hit her house during the fighting, and another person was killed when a bomb exploded in another part of Mosul, hospital officials said.

Earlier Saturday, Mosul police discovered the bodies of 12 men — six dressed in Iraqi National Guard uniforms and six Kurdish security guards — dumped in two areas of the city.

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# Wal-Mart settles with feds in child labor cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, will pay \$135,540 to settle federal charges that it broke child labor laws, the Labor Department said Saturday.

The 24 violations, which occurred at stores in Arkansas, Connecticut and New Hampshire, had to do with teenage workers who used hazardous equipment such as a chain saw, paper ballers and fork lifts.

Wal-Mart denied the allegations but agreed to pay the penalty. A spokeswoman for the Bentonville, Ark., company said Wal-Mart was preparing a statement Saturday.

Child labor laws prohibit anyone under 18 from operating hazardous equipment.

The company also agreed to comply with any provisions they violated — in this case child labor laws, said Victoria Lipnic, assistant secretary for the Department's Employment Standard Administration.

In the settlement, Wal-Mart

also agreed to continue providing store managers with training on child labor law compliance.

"This is a fairly standard thing to have an agreement like this, Lipnic said.

The settlement was signed by both sides on Jan. 11. An announcement was not made before Saturday because the department was waiting for the settlement to be paid in full within the 30-day period agreed to, Lipnic said.

The allegations, which occurred between 1998 and 2002, involved one case in New Hampshire where a youth was using a chain saw to trim Christmas trees. A majority of the cases in Connecticut involved children loading paper ballers.

Rep. George Miller, D-Calif., was critical of the provision that gives Wal-Mart 15 days notice before the Labor Department investigates wage and hour accusations. He said it could give Wal-Mart the chance to sweep violations under the rug.

# Celebrities join Harlem residents to remember actor Ossie Davis

NEW YORK (AP) — The stars of Hollywood joined the people of Harlem to bid farewell Saturday to actor and activist Ossie Davis, filling a Manhattan church with laughter and tears as a parade of admirers recalled his integrity, courage and devotion to family.

Friends, fans and family members crowded into the Riverside Church for the funeral, gazing at a video screen bearing his picture that was hung above an altar.

His wife of 56 years, actress Ruby Dee, sat in the front row, near where Davis' coffin stood covered in flowers. Former president Bill Clinton led a contingent of well-known mourners, including Spike Lee, Cornell West, Rachel Robinson and outgoing NAACP president Kweisi Mfume.

"It is hard to fathom that we will no longer be able to call on his wisdom, his humor, his loyalty and his moral strength to guide us in the choices that are yet to be made and the battles

that are yet to be fought," said Davis' friend of six decades, Harry Belafonte.

"But how fortunate we were to have him as long as we did."

It was a fitting send-off for the acclaimed actor and civil rights activist, with rousing music provided by Wynton Marsalis, a poem from Pulitzer Prize winner Maya Angelou, and songs from the choir at his alma mater, Howard University. The funeral service lasted more than three hours.

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Community deals with fallout from teacher charged with having sex with student

McMINNVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — People around this central Tennessee town know Pamela Turner as an elementary school physical education teacher, a former college basketball player and a blonde with movie-star looks.

Now, they are trying to reconcile that wholesome image with charges that she sexually assaulted one of her students, a 13-year-old boy.

"She's absolutely gorgeous, a beautiful girl," Warren County Sheriff Jackie Matheny said. "I just hate it for everyone."

Turner was charged this week with 15 counts of sexual battery by an authority figure and 13 counts of statutory rape for allegedly having sex with the boy at his home and at school between November and January.

Neither Turner nor her lawyer have responded to calls seeking comment since she was released on \$50,000 bail.

But investigators say Turner lived with the boy and his family for a brief time after her marriage to a high school basketball coach ended.

Warren County schools director Jerry Hale said he met with Turner for 30 minutes Jan. 26 after learning of the accusations.

"She was adamant in her defense," Hale said. "She had a friendship, of course, with the student and the family, but she basically said she wasn't guilty and she was shocked she'd been accused."

Kansas State University education professor Bob Shopp, who has testified in 40 court cases involving sexual abuse in schools, said people are always surprised



Pamela Turner, 27, shown here in a June 2003 file photo in McMinnville, Tenn., was arrested and charged with 15 counts of sexual battery by an authority figure and 13 counts of statutory rape, authorities said in February 2005.

"The reality is a child is a child, regardless of the gender," Shoop said. "It's immoral, illegal and unethical for any educator to have sex with a student."

The case is reminiscent of the one involving Mary Kay Letourneau, an elementary school teacher who had sex with a 12-year-old student in suburban Seattle. Letourneau eventually gave birth to two of the boy's children. She served more than seven years in prison.

By most accounts, Turner had a respectable life. In 2003, she married Chris, Turner, who would be named the Warren County High School boys basketball coach.

She had played college basketball at Tennessee Tech and Cumberland University, and got a job teaching PE and coaching girls basketball at Centertown Elementary School near McMinnville, a town of 13,000.

There were some hints of a

wilder past. In 1997, while on spring break in Florida, Turner walked around a pro wrestling ring in a red bikini as "Ms. Monday Nitro" during a WCW broadcast.

Court records show Chris Turner filed for divorce Jan. 14 citing "irreconcilable differences" and "inappropriate marital conduct," but provide no details.

In an interview with the Southern Standard in McMinnville, Chris Turner said the divorce had nothing to do with his wife's alleged crimes. "We filed because we just didn't get along and we decided to go our separate ways."

Pamela Turner's arraignment is scheduled for Feb. 23.

Conviction on all counts could be punished by up to 100 years in prison. But District Attorney Dale Potter said it was more likely that a conviction would mean a minimum of a year to several years in prison.

when a woman is involved in such cases because they assume boys are sexually aggressive and cannot be victims.

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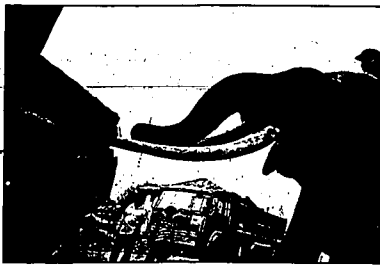
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# Indonesia faces elephant ant

## Animals assisting with tsunami cleanup suffer on-the-job injuries

**BANDA ACEH, Indonesia** (AP) — Rachmat has a nasty gash on his leg from walking over broken glass. Maruli has a forehead laceration from bumping up against things. Their fellow workers are also nursing cuts and scrapes.

Since the Asian elephants began helping clear debris in Indonesia's Aceh province after the Dec. 26 tsunami, they have picked up minor on-the-job injuries. Officials and trainers say none of the wounds are serious, but conservationists and animal welfare activists say the endangered elephants shouldn't be working in the ruined city of Banda Aceh and want the practice ended.



Truck drivers watch as an Indonesian elephant loads fallen palm tree trunks Saturday in Banda Aceh. Since the elephants began helping clean up the tsunami wreckage, a controversy has raged between government officials and trainers who say the elephants receive only minor injuries and are well cared for, and animal conservationists who say they should not be taken out of the jungle to work.

"You're not going to get rusty nails in forests," said Ian Redmond, a wildlife biologist and elephant conservatist with the British group Born Free Foundation. Though the animals' health deterioration from the care they receive, "the potential for injuries in a disaster zone is more serious," he said.

"The criticism angers Aceh officials and elephant trainers, who say the animals receive excellent care."

"These so-called animal lovers, they come to me and say the elephants look thin, but it then turns out they have never seen a healthy elephant," said Andi Barus, who heads Aceh's government-run conservation board overseeing the elephants.

The debate over elephants in the relief work force comes as

international attention focuses on a mobilization of money and aid from around the globe to help survivors of the Indian Ocean earthquake and tsunami. Most of the tsunami's 165,000 victims died in Aceh.

Putting elephants to work is a millennia-old tradition in Asia, where they have been used as pack animals and transportation, and are part of ceremonies and religious processes.

Though they once roamed from the Middle East to China, Asian elephant herds have been

decimated in recent decades by poachers, encroaching farmlands and dwindling forests. About 40,000 still live in the wild.

In Indonesia, elephants are usually captured young and trained in jungle camps to fell trees for logging. The government's forestry department uses "the animals" to patrol against illegal loggers — and occasionally lends them out for parades.

In the immediate aftermath of the quake and tsunami disaster, 18 elephants in Aceh did their

work of scarce trucks, bulldozers and other heavy machinery. Directed by their trainers, or mahouts, they hauled away cars and rubbish to allow crews to collect dead bodies. In "Think-land," they were used to reach hilly or muddy areas where vehicles couldn't go.

These days, six elephants in Banda Aceh, the capital of Aceh province, load tens of thousands of fallen coconut trees littering the city onto trucks, which cart them away to be cut up for temporary housing. Mahouts occasionally whip the animals on the head with hammers to get them moving.

Several elephants have been injured, but none seriously. "They are enjoying the work," said Anadi, a mahout who, like some Indonesians, goes by one name. "We can tell if they are suffering and believe me they are not."

The Singapore Zoo has sent 40 teams of mahouts to protect the elephants from infection, said zoo spokeswoman Betsy Tan. But animal rights advocates say the elephants are being dragged from their natural habitat and aren't getting proper care.

"They belong in the jungle, not the city," said Luki Wardhani, a veterinarian for the city's mahout group, ProFauk. "They are not getting enough water and food, and are picking up cuts every day from glass, nails and sharp metal."



Family members of soldiers killed in combat with Marxist rebels gather around the coffins of their loved ones at a cemetery in Carapa, Colombia, 220 miles northwest of Bogota, Friday. Nineteen soldiers were killed in the gun battle with rebels of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia.

# Attacks shake confidence in Colombian government

**BOGOTA, Colombia** (AP) — Rebel attacks that have killed almost 50 soldiers in less than two weeks have shaken confidence in government claims it finally has the upper hand against leftist insurgents after 46 years of warfare.

The government insists the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, are simply taking advantage of chinks in the military's shield of protection and of overconfidence of government forces in this Andean nation.

The rebels began the latest spate of attacks on Feb. 1 by firing rockets into a military post in the southwest, killing 16 marines and injuring 25.

A day later, in south-central Colombia, eight soldiers died when their vehicle was hit by rebel explosives. The bloodiest attack was in northwest Colombia on Tuesday and Wednesday when rebels killed 19 soldiers in a firefight.

Since President Alvaro Uribe launched an offensive called Plan Patriota a year ago against the FARC's southeastern jungle strongholds—the rebels have been in a tactical retreat, experts say. They have retreated into the jungle ahead of advancing government troops and been hesitant to engage them directly anywhere in the nation.

All that changed with the rebel attacks it is month, said Alfredo Rangel, an analyst and former adviser to the Defense Ministry.

"It is the beginning of the end of the FARC's retreat," Rangel said, adding that the rebels aim

to change the perception that the country is safe from their attacks, especially as Uribe—a hard-liner who has vowed to bring them to their knees—prepares to run for re-election in 2006.

Carlos Lozano, managing editor of Colombia's Communist Party newspaper, said the attacks show the FARC, which has been fighting the government for 46 years—is used to adapting to new circumstances (and) remains intact."

Sen. Rafael Pardo, a former defense minister, said the military's setbacks this month do not take away from the Uribe administration's successes in fighting the rebels. Kidnapings—a source of income for the guerrillas—fell to 1,441 last year, a 35 percent drop from the previous year. Terrorist attacks declined 44 percent to 709 and homicides fell 15 percent.

As a result, tourism is surging, the economy is growing, foreign investment is rising and the Colombian peso is at its strongest level against the dollar in years.

"You have to measure the security policy by what it has achieved, not the problems of the past few days," Pardo said.

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# U.N. pushes for more security in Banda Aceh

## Security threat seems low, but organization isn't taking chances

**BANDA ACEH, Indonesia** (AP) — In this tsunami-ravaged Indonesian city, the streets couldn't seem safer. Ride-toting Indonesian soldiers patrol while children head off to school. Shoppers cram makeshift markets, and untrained U.S. Army foreign partners deliver aid.

But the United Nations is pushing ahead with plans to fortify the headquarters of its relief effort in Banda Aceh for survivors of the Dec. 26 earthquake and tsunami.

While U.N. officials say they aren't worried about an attack, the tighter security underscores an uneasiness about the prospect of disorder in an area that has been a battleground for government and separatist rebel forces for nearly three decades.

As Splund, the top U.N. official in Indonesia, says the new security measures announced this week are only natural for a staff of roughly 100 that is setting up and focusing on long-term rebuilding.

But he quickly adds, "We usually, like most aid agencies, don't talk much about our security matters."

U.S. government officials and security analysts point to the Saudi Arabian-based International Islamic Relief

Organization as one potential worry.

Though its leaders deny any ties to terrorism, the group propagates the strict Wahabist interpretation of Islam that is considered the bedrock for Islamic extremism and a guiding force for the Saudi-born al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden.

Indonesian troops also draw their fair share of suspicion. The country's military is routinely accused of human rights abuses, and its gunbuses with Acehese separatist rebels have left tens of thousands of people dead since fighting broke out in 1976.

Indonesian forces even attacked the U.N. compound in East Timor in 1999, after the people of the former Indonesian province voted for independence.

The U.N. compound in Aceh would be particularly vulnerable if attacked.

The bloc of buildings has a college campus feel to it. On a recent afternoon, nobody checked identification by people streamed in and out. Only U.N.-authorized vehicles were allowed to enter the premises, but others parked directly outside the gates, in front of buildings housing officials.

Since an Aug. 13, 2003, bombing at the U.N. headquarters in Iraq killed 22 people, including top envoy Sergio Vieira de Mello, U.N. officials have sought to boost security for their staff worldwide.

That threat is very real in Indonesia, where al-Qaida-linked suicide car bombers have targeted Westerners three times in the past three years, most recently bombing the Australian Embassy in Jakarta in September 2004. Local and foreign governments have repeatedly warned that the militants are planning more attacks.

Joel Boutroux, U.N. deputy



An Indonesian military policeman patrols a hospital in Banda Aceh, Friday.

humanitarian coordinator in Aceh, cited the "structural weaknesses" of the U.N. compound in Banda Aceh and said more security checks would be implemented.

"We U.N. aid groups show little of the concern that grips U.N. officials."

"We're more worried about (earthquake) aftershocks," said Mike Kiernan, a spokesman for the charity Save the Children.

Some militant groups in Aceh don't hide their resentment of outsiders — or their desire to safeguard their faith.

The Islamic group Laksar Mujahidin's 60 volunteers have spent weeks performing the grim task of collecting bodies and giving tsunami victims a religious burial.

Abu Anshar, a wiry 30-year-old and part-time trader who acts as the group's spokesman, said reports of foreigners wearing crosses and complaints of missionary activity have aroused their suspicions that aid groups intend to convert Muslims. In other parts of Indonesia, the group has fought deadly battles with Christian militiamen.

"If they (foreign troops and aid workers) stay here for very long there is the possibility of something happening as in other Muslim countries — such as Iraq," said Anshar, at his group's base in a farmhouse near the city's airport.

"We are the troops. We await orders from central command," he said.

However, Sidney Jones, an expert on Indonesian terrorist groups with the International Crisis Group in Singapore, believes groups like the Laksar Mujahidin are more tactical than action. They enjoy little support among the Acehese Muslims, who practice a tolerant form of the faith and have welcomed foreign aid groups, she said.

"Even for them, attacking aid missions would be going too far," Jones said.

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# Head of oil-for-food program blocks audit

## At same time he's accused of soliciting oil deals

NEW YORK (AP) — The U.N. oil-for-food program chief under scrutiny for alleged corruption and mismanagement blocked a proposed audit of his office around the same time he's accused of soliciting lucrative oil deals from Iraq, according to investigators.

A U.N. auditing team, which was severely understaffed, said Monday the \$54 billion oil-for-food program was "a high risk activity" and a priority for review. But Renon Sevan denied the internal auditors' request to hire a consultant to examine his office in May 2001 — an act top investigators of the program are now calling into question.

"I think the auditors thought they were steered away from some areas," Paul Volcker, who

is leading the independent probe, told *The Associated Press*. "Our judgment is that the main office should have been audited. And that leaves the inference that perhaps the auditors were not interested to do the work. I think we draw the inference that it was at least suspicious."

Two months after Sevan refused the auditors' request, a Panamanian company, African Middle East Petroleum, purchased 1 million barrels of oil, which Iraq had allocated to Sevan — one of nine allocations made between 1989 and 2002 involving Sevan and believed to have netted the company \$1.5 million, said an interim report Volcker's committee released this month.

The head of AMEP Fabryr Abdelnour, a friend of Sevan, told investigators he paid \$160,000 as a kickback to an Iraqi-controlled account in Jordan in October 2001 under one of the oil-for-food schemes under examination.

Volcker did not say that Sevan received kickbacks but expressed concern at \$160,000 in cash that Sevan said he received from an aunt in his native Cyprus in 1999-2003. The investigative report questioned this "unexplained wealth," noting that the aunt, who recently died in 2003, was a retired government photographer living on a modest pension.

U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan last week suspended Sevan after Volcker accused him

of a "grave conflict of interest," saying his conduct in soliciting oil deals for AMEP was "ethically improper and seriously undermined the integrity of the United Nations."

On the day Volcker issued his report, Sevan's lawyer, Eric Lewis, accused the panel of trying to "make his client a scapegoat," saying, "Mr. Sevan never took a penny." He said Sevan was proud of his 40-year U.N. career and of the oil-for-food program, which saved tens of thousands of Iraqis from death by disease and starvation.

The oil-for-food program was the largest U.N. humanitarian aid operation running in 1998-2003. It was designed to let Saddam Hussein's government sell limited amounts of oil in exchange for humanitarian goods as an exemption from post-Gulf War sanctions imposed in 1991.

Faced with a \$64 billion program involving multiple U.N. agencies, the small team of auditors assigned to monitor it were overwhelmed and underfunded. For other programs, Volcker's investigators said, the United Nations mandated one auditor for every \$100 million in funding. At that rate, the oil-for-food program managers should have expected more than 160 auditors.

Instead, in 2001, they had only five, according to Volcker's report.

Volcker's report said structural problems within the U.N. audit system undermined auditors' authority. In many cases, auditors were forced to seek funding from the budgets of the programs they sought to monitor, giving the managers an implicit veto — which Sevan exercised.

# Cardinal hopes pope can continue holy duties

ROME (AP) — Pope John Paul II is doing well after leaving the hospital and should be able to continue with his work within a few days, a top Italian cardinal said in comments published Saturday.

Cardinal Camillo Ruini, the pontiff's vicar for Rome, told the newspaper *La Repubblica* that he was "very optimistic" about John Paul's ability to work following his 10-day hospitalization.

The 84-year-old pontiff was rushed to the hospital on Feb. 1 with flu and breathing difficulties. He returned to the Vatican Thursday.

"The pope is well, the flu has completely passed and I think that in a few days he will really begin work again," Ruini told *La Repubblica*. "I am very optimistic. I am in fact sure that ... he will continue to have the real capacity to work ... not only in his speeches but in the decisions that are taken."

Ruini also said the pope's speech, often weak and slurred, is clearly audible.

"The pope speaks — I was with him Wednesday — and he speaks well," Ruini said. "And I can assure you that my ears are not so sharp, but I was hearing him very well."

Ruini said that he thought John Paul would be able to travel to Cologne, Germany, in August for World Youth Day. Though the pope has cut back on foreign travel, aides have long insisted that he will make that trip.

The recent illness left many wondering how the pontiff — who, also, suffers from Parkinson's disease and crippling hip and knee ailments — would continue in his papacy in such weak health.

On Monday, Cardinal Angelo Sodano, the Vatican's No. 2 official, said the possibility of a papal resignation should be left "up to the pope's conscience."



Pope John Paul II

# Drug gang forms alliances

## Cartel gains control of nearly all of U.S.-Mexico border

MONTEIREY, Mexico (AP) — Mexico's Juarez cartel, once thought to be in decline after its former leader died during plastic surgery, has formed alliances to gain control of smuggling routes along nearly all of the U.S. border. Authorities believe it has even infiltrated President Vicente Fox's office.

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The Juarez cartel's battle to control the few spots out of its reach along the U.S.-Mexico border — mainly the city of Tijuana to the west and the stretch of border between Nuevo Laredo and Matamoros to the east — has left scores of people dead and even prompted U.S. officials to warn against travel to Mexico's northern border area.

Since taking office in 2000, Fox has repeatedly pledged to wage "the mother of all battles" and "continue the frontal attack" against drug traffickers.

Law enforcement officials have captured the top leaders of the Gulf and Tijuana cartels, but federal authorities have had little success breaking up the Juarez gang.

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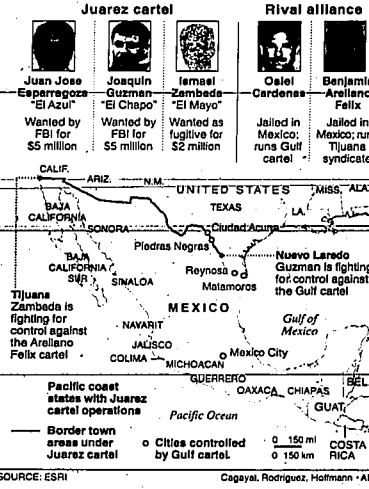
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Speaking to reporters in Spain on Thursday, Fox said some news media analysts had "exaggerated reports" that his administration had been infiltrated by drug traffickers.

But before leaving on his visit to Mexico, Fox himself acknowledged that the influence of drug traffickers "has arrived at the level of the presidency" and that officials had increased his personal security after the arrest last week of Nahum Acosta, director of the office co-

ordinating the president's travel.

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Analysts say the cartel remained powerful because it paid off hundreds of law enforcement officials, including the head of Mexico's anti-drug agency, Gen. Jesus Gutierrez Rebollo, now jailed. Its operatives also killed anyone who tried to enter its turf and infiltrated Mexican intelligence.

The Juarez cartel has always been the one that operated based on intelligence because other organizations function based on brute force," Mexico City analyst Jose Reveses said.

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# Rumsfeld defends NATO as vital Militant groups agree to honor truce

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld on Saturday came out against a German proposal that would create a trans-Atlantic rival to NATO to coordinate and develop policy among alliance nations.

Rumsfeld described the 26-country alliance, created in 1949 to counter the Soviet Union's military strength in the "Cold War," as still energetic and vital. He also said the U.S.-European alliance can withstand its

current differences, caused chiefly by opposition to the U.S.-led war in Iraq. In urging unified efforts to defeat terrorism and deter weapons proliferation, Rumsfeld took a conciliatory note toward America's allies in Europe and even made light of his "old Europe" characterization of nations such as France and Germany that opposed U.S. policy in Iraq.

"That was old Rumsfeld," he said, drawing laughs from officials at a security conference.

"Our collective security depends on our cooperation and mutual respect and understanding."

Germany's defense minister proposed more direct coordination between the European Union and the United States. NATO "is no longer the primary venue where trans-Atlantic partners discuss and coordinate strategies," said Peter Struck, leading a speech on behalf of German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, who was ill.

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — The Palestinian militant groups Hamas and Islamic Jihad said Saturday they will not attack Israeli targets, but they refrained from officially joining a Palestinian cease-fire with Israel agreed upon during last week's summit in Egypt.

Earlier, Israel agreed to repatriate all the Palestinians it deported to the Gaza Strip and Europe on terror accusations. The majority — 39 of about 55 — were exiled after a monthlong

siege of the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem in 2002.

In the fast-paced moves to cement the truce, Israel said it will transfer control of the West Bank town of Jericho to the Palestinians this coming week. As part of the cease-fire, Israel has pledged to return five West Bank towns — including Tulkarim, Qalqilya, Bethlehem and Ramallah — to Palestinian control within three weeks.

Leaders of Hamas and Islamic Jihad met Saturday

with Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas, who is trying to keep the fragile cease-fire intact and end four years of fighting.

A Hamas leader, Mahmoud Zahir, told The Associated Press the group will wait to see whether Israel stops its military activities and targeted killings of Palestinian militants before deciding whether to join the truce agreed upon by Abbas and Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon.

## Reservist with 11 kids heads to Iraq

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Johnnie Chennault has no regrets about joining the Navy Reserve, even though it means he's going to Iraq later this month.

But he does worry about not being around to help take care of his house full of 11 kids.

"Leaving my children, leaving my wife for so long — you're going to miss all the little things as the kids grow up," he said.

Chennault and his wife Ronda have a full range of children of all ages growing up at their home in Springfield, a small town about 30 miles north of Nashville: Teri, 7; Stephen, 6; Joshua, 12; Zakari, 8; Johnnie IV, 7; Mikal, 6; Syerra, 4; Gracie, 3; Jakob, 1; and Nikalus, 8 months.

"Yeah, I have more kids than most people, but I don't think my kids are any more important to me than somebody who has two kids. His kids are important to him, too. I just have more to miss."

The Chennaults knew deployment was possible when he joined the Navy's Construction Battalion, the famed Seabees, two years ago.

Chennault, 29, had inquired about enlisting in the Army, the Air Force, the Marines and the Navy, but they all told him it was against policy to take someone who has that many children to support on a newly enlisted man's pay. The Navy, however, said that wouldn't matter if he joined the reserves.

But with the war in Iraq, his unit was called up to go, and he leaves Sunday for training at Gulfport, Miss., and then on to Iraq.

"After 9-11 it just seemed like a high-stakes, like, 'what's the best thing else I could do,'" Chennault said. "My country has done so much for me and my family — why couldn't I take a little time out and do something for it?"

His employer, Sears, will make up the difference in pay while he's in Iraq, an assignment Chennault thinks will last seven or eight months.

He has worked for Sears for nine years, mostly as an auto mechanic. But he recently took a promotion to assistant manager in the auto department.

"It's big-hearted, and he'd do whatever it takes to help someone else out," said his boss, Chris Nokes. "I wish he wasn't going. I just hope he comes home safe."

After entering the reserves, Chennault remained committed to his military service. He recalls that when the Navy announced that his unit was getting called up, his name wasn't on the initial deployment list because of a clerical error.

"I raised my hand and the first question I asked was, 'Why am I not going?' ... I said, 'Look, I don't think it's fair for my brothers and sisters here to be going. They have children, and their children are just as important to them as mine are to me.'"

Chennault's wife is supportive.

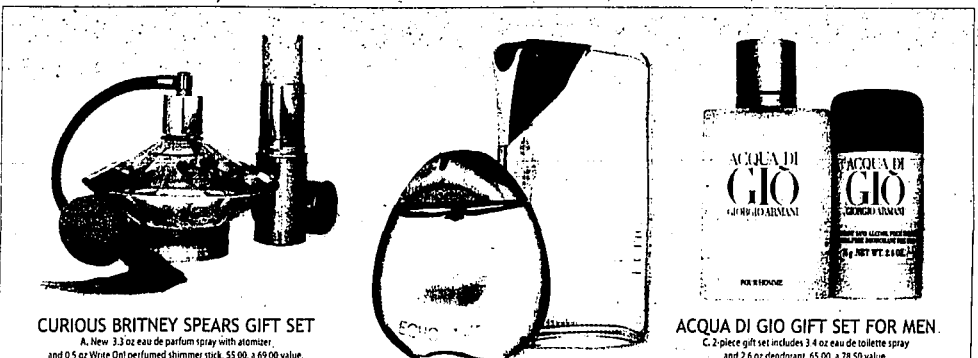
"We go to a really good church, and they talk in there a lot about the husband's and the wife's role, what the Bible says is the husband's and wife's role," she explains. "And my role is to support my husband. My mother told me when I got married, 'Your life is about him, and you need to be there for him.'"

They met while working on the General Jackson excursion boat and married when she was 25 and he was 19. Four of the children are hers from a previous marriage.

While her husband is away, Ronda Chennault will rely more on her parents and on their church, South Haven Baptist. The children will have to do more for themselves.

Still, she worries.

"I have trouble sleeping when he's not here. That's one of the hardest things," she said.



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## EDITORIAL

### Newly hired consultant serves more than just commissioners

When you hear the actual numbers, they almost burn your ears.

On the heels of a proposed merger between Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and St. Luke's Regional Medical Center, Twin Falls County commissioners hired an outside medical industry consultant for \$270,000, or \$45,000 a month.

The commissioners turned to Stroudwater Capital, an industry consultant from Scottsdale, Ariz., to not only counsel with them on key medical issues, but also to compile a wish list of the county's health care needs.

The list includes the expressed needs of physicians, county leaders, hospital officials, but most of all county residents.

It's obvious by now that this kind of service isn't cheap. Many question why it's necessary to bring in a consultant when the commissioners and the hospital have been examining the issue of governance and county health care needs for the past five years.

Those are valid concerns. And the commissioners' hiring practice is also worthy of question. Two of the commissioners met Stroudwater Capital President Joe Lupica at a conference in Arizona and were impressed enough to invite him to work with the county on its medical needs.

The price tag is also different in its contractual framework. Stroudwater Capital will also be a facilitator between the county, Magic Valley Regional and any potential partner. Even though the hospital has settled on St. Luke's, the county wants other options considered for hospital governance, including for-profit organizations.

To make sure the consultant gives the county what he calls "uncompromised professional advice consistent with (the) community objectives," Stroudwater is working for the flat fee of \$270,000 and earns no percentage fee on the transaction. Commissioners say that provision alone could save taxpayers in the long run.

It would have been wise for commissioners to spell out those factors before they hired a consultant. Taxpayers should know what they're paying for, not to mention why they need it.

As much as we'd like to press commissioners on those issues - it may not do much good at this point. The link is dry on the Stroudwater Capital deal. The only question now, is whether we get our money's worth.

To get that full return, residents of Twin Falls County must be prepared to learn, listen and participate in this expanded public discussion over hospital governance. The advisory services of Stroudwater Capital go beyond the realm of commission members, the hospital and the physicians. This process needs to include your collaboration as county residents. You are the crucial stakeholders in this decision.

Lupica says his services go directly to the people of this county, and his right. After all, you're paying for it. So your responsibility is simpler: be frank and forthright about what you want from a hospital. Get involved with the process that commissioners have created with this new consultant. Don't sit idly by on the margins of this hospital governance debate.

"No one will hijack this process," said Lupica. "The intent is not to have commissioners or any group run away with the process in secret."

The key, however, is wide participation by the public. Therefore, be prepared to ask yourself what you want from the future of health care.

Do you prefer a private, non-profit merger for Magic Valley? What about a for-profit structure? Or is county-owned management working fine? What do county residents understand about each of those alternatives? What about the competition? What health care services are most important to you?

If you don't know the answers, that's fine. The only bad question is the one you don't ask.

Twin Falls County residents should make the most of the coming months, and use the services of the county commissioners' paid consultant to determine what health care options they need. You should have a stake in the future of your hospital, and now is the time to claim it.

### Give your input

Stroudwater Capital wants your feedback and questions about hospital governance.

Consultant Joe Lupica welcomes phone calls at 480-657-7800, or arrange an appointment with him in Twin Falls County by calling 736-4068.

## Failure permeates Dean's resume

Howard Dean as party chairman? What can the Democrats be thinking?

With all three branches of government firmly in Republican hands, the Democrats ought to be reconsidering their assumptions, reviewing their tactics and rethinking their political agenda. In short, they ought to be figuring out how to win again.

It is hard to understand the theory that Dean can lead the way as the next chairman of the Democratic National Committee. After all, the former presidential hopeful has a well-earned reputation as:

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- A self-proclaimed straight-shooter who often misfires.
- A chaotic administrator.
- A campaign spendthrift.
- One, he's good at raising money. But he's even better at frittering it away, which is why his campaign last year ran into financial problems.
- Oh, and let's not forget one more thing: He's forgotten money.
- A loser - at least in the numerous primary battles in which he put himself before the public last year.
- Judging from his performance in the fact that his special talent seems to be snatching defeat from the jaws of victory.
- What's not to like? Dean will be a perfect Democratic Party chairman - if you're asking Republicans. They are beside themselves with glee over Dean's improbable comeback.
- "I think it's a scream," said Richard Bond, former head of the Republican National Committee.
- Actually, the infamous scream wasn't that bad. Someone else could have gotten away with it. But with Dean, it validated the image of an overly emotional figure with poor judgment.
- Early in the Democratic presidential race, Dean had plenty of money and more than his fair share of media attention. The nomination, by many ac-



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counts, was his to lose. He did. The basic problem can be readily diagnosed from polling data and actual votes: The more voters got to know Dean, the less they liked him.

And these were Democratic voters, the ones the Dean campaign targeted above all others, energizing in new and unprecedented ways involving droves of political neophytes and new voters.

For all his alleged novelty and innovation, however, Dean never won a single primary. And the Republicans on whom he focused his intense fiery wrath escaped virtually unscathed.

Yet Dean flattered and cajoled many of the party

activists on the Democratic National Committee into supporting him for the chairman's job.

Many other Democrats have qualms. Perhaps they like writer Jonathan Chait, realize that the former Vermont governor "reinforces all the party's weaknesses," writes in the Los Angeles Times. Chait summarized the problem:

"Democrats need to appeal to culturally traditional voters in the Midwest and border states who worry about the party's commitment to national security. Dean, with his intense secularism, arrogant style, throngs of high-profile counterculture supporters and association with the peace movement, is the precise opposite of the image the Democrats want to send out."

Making Dean party chairman is such a manifestly bad idea for the Democrats that supporters of Sen. Hillary Clinton are trying to take solace in the notion that his left-wing bombast could make her appear like more of a centrist in 2006.

Now there's a winning slogan for the Democrats: Our presidential candidate - less radical than our party chairman.

Other Democratic leaders claim to think Dean will not be all that visible as the top party bureaucrat.

Rep. Nancy Pelosi of California, the House Democratic leader, goes so far as to suggest that Dean will defer to her and other congressional leaders. "I think that Governor Dean would take his lead from us."

That sounds a bit optimistic. Dean is not known as a challenging authority, not submitting to it. If Dean were taking orders from Democratic leaders in Congress, in fact, he would not be seeking the party chairmanship in the first place. They didn't want him.

Pelosi's Republican counterpart, House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, sounds far happier about Dean's return to prominence. DeLay's special delight is scolding political adversaries, Chairman Dean, of course, will be a perfect target, someone who will quickly start spitting either from genuine anger or just because he's bored that day and wants to be in the spotlight.

So DeLay will have his fun. Dean will have his spotlight, and Republicans will be telling "scream" jokes until everyone wants to ... well ... you know.

If you're a Democrat, it hardly sounds like a clear path to political recovery.

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Q: About the GARVEE bonding? A: GARVEE, an acronym for Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle, is a federal program that allows states to issue bonds to build highway projects and pay off the bonds using its future federal highway payments. The in-hand cash from the bonds can then be used to pay for transportation projects that would have been too expensive to complete through the regular allocation of federal transportation dollars.



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In the case of Connecting Idaho, the state would issue \$1.6 billion in GARVEE bonds to build 258 miles of new or improved roadways and bridges in each region of the state.

GARVEE bonding has been used successfully in at least 15 other states and has the endorsement of a broad range of groups and individuals.

Q: Why would I have to move away from its "pay as you go" method of financing such projects?

A: That question really boils down to this: Should we pay the interest to build these projects now or wait and pay the inflation later?

No one questions whether we should build the projects or not. They will be built - we need them. But the longer we wait, the higher the price tag will be.

The fact is, we'll never be able to do these types of projects by squirreling away money for them year after year, only to watch inflation drive their cost higher and higher.

Q: What happens if the federal transportation payments are suspended for some reason?

A: The federal Highway Trust Fund is just that - a trust. That money, by law, cannot be used for anything other than transportation projects. It cannot be used to help pay down the federal deficit. It cannot be used to help pay for the war on terror.

The Highway Trust Fund is one of our most reliable funding streams. In fact, over the last 20 years, Idaho's payments have increased at the rate of 3 percent annually. Over the last 12 years, it has increased 6.1 percent annually.

Q: DAREN E. CRITCHFIELD, who is? A: DAREN E. CRITCHFIELD is based on a conservative 3.3 percent increase, but even if our federal transportation funding does not increase, my plan still works.

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teed by an insurance policy. Idaho taxpayers will not be left with the bill.

Q: How will Connecting Idaho benefit the state?

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By bonding for these projects, we benefit now, rather than having to wait for roads to become so congested and unsafe that we're forced to react - after inflation has driven construction costs sky high.

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## Price of freedom brings us to battlefield

Many in this nation and other nations have questioned the war in Iraq as well as the fact that all wars are fought for power and gain only. Perhaps they may not realize that many wars are fought for freedom.

According to the Bible, a war was fought in heaven before this earth had its beginnings between Michael and his angels and Satan and his angels. That war was fought to preserve the principle of freedom.

The struggle for liberty any where any time with any nation or people is a great cause and worthy of support from freedom-loving nations and people. The price paid for freedom is always high. The Revolutionary War exacted a high price, but we are a free nation. The loss of life, 618,000, was a high price, but we kept a nation whole and bring freedom to all

its citizens. In World Wars I and II, the Korean and Vietnam wars and now Iraq, the principle of freedom was and is an integral part of the struggle. There are always those who will take advantage of and sometimes promote war to get power and gain. Shame be to them. Thanks be to God that righteousness and freedom ultimately prevail. Thanks be to that nation or nations and people that participate in the glorious cause for freedom everywhere for everyone.

Freedom brings hope. "He that is without hope is most miserable." Someone once said, "Life and death are only temporary, but freedom goes on forever." Is the price for freedom high? Indeed it is.

Freedom has a price and always it is high; sometimes a man must give all he has sometimes a man must die and give away all his tomorrows to those of a future day who will never

## LETTERS

understand the sorrow nor the price that he has had to pay" (from *Threats of Glory*). Is the price worth it? Indeed it is.

DAREN E. CRITCHFIELD  
Oakley

**Senate rule strikes down public oversight**  
Last Thursday (Feb. 3) a measure was passed in the Idaho State Senate that will give the public less access to important legislative mid-decision.

A majority of senators voted to be able to close Senate committee meetings whenever they choose. They voted to be able to meet secretly, for any reason, or no reason at all, and at any time, as long as a two-thirds majority agrees.

This measure was approved by the Republican majority with only two Republicans joining the Democrats in voting against it. Our local senators

voted with the majority. The senators also decided that their own rules supersede the state Constitution and the open-meeting laws.

Our elect officials are in Boise to conduct the business of the people. The citizens of Idaho and the press need to be a part of that process. The Senate majority made that more difficult.

TERI ANDERSON  
Burley

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LETTERS

Beware of loose

**premises on coal plant**  
 In Utah, a new vehicle salesman on a test drive for a new truck was invited to lunch so the salesman could meet with his wife and get her approval on the new purchase. When the customer's wife had not yet arrived, the customer excused himself for a few moments and left the salesman with the bill for lunch and no new truck. This same customer then traveled to South Salt Lake for another demonstration drive with another salesman and truck. While in the vehicle, the customer told the salesman to get out at the point of a knife, then drove off with his second new truck for the day. I wonder if these salesmen will have to spend the next six years of their lives paying for the stolen vehicles.

Now what does the above story have to do with the following?  
 There has been interest in putting a coal-fired electrical power plant in the King Hill area of Idaho because the location is an established and railroad facilities. Utah Power and Light, which services some Idaho communities, has requested a 9 percent increase in electrical rates at an estimated average cost of \$5.40 per month. My brother and sister-in-law have worked at a coal-fired power plant in Delta, Utah, for the past 20 years. When planned, the plant had to buy water shares so they would have the needed water to run the turbines. The water rights sold made many farmers rich, but they had difficulties raising crops when water became scarce. The power company would sell farmers unneeded water when available, but these last few years there was none to sell back.

I guess this year we will have to turn off the faucet, turn down the lights and see if we can sell something we don't have before they like the truck customer, run off with it without paying. What did Ben Franklin say? "You don't know how important the water is until the well runs dry."

**GENE GOODWIN Heyburn**

**Veterinarian should offer suggestions, not criticism**

I feel inclined to write a letter in response to Patricia Saras' article regarding the animal shelter in Sunday's paper. I have worked as a certified veterinary technician for the past 15 years. Nine of those years I was in the employ of Dr. Saras, which may entitle me to a bit of insight on this matter. It seems to me that she developed a strong opinion against the shelter and its directors that started to emerge several years ago. I changed employment in 1999 and started working for another local veterinary clinic. When the shelter's contract came up for renewal shortly thereafter, Dr. Saras joined forces with other local citizens in what I can only describe as an attempted takeover of the shelter. Everything that People for Pets had been doing was called into question. The city wisely decided that after 20-plus years of experience, the shelter employees did know what they were doing and renewed their contract. The practice I work at sees shelter animals for spaying, neutering and other miscella-

neous medical conditions on an almost daily basis. One must realize that since the new shelter opened, it has been filled to near capacity. I personally think that people don't feel as guilty taking their animals to a nicer, newer facility, so the number of owner-surrendered animals has probably increased. Add to that the litters of puppies and kittens that are taken in and the animals running at large, and I think the situation becomes clear.

Many residents of Twin Falls and surrounding communities still don't spay or neuter their pets for many reasons, including financial restrictions and innumerable "old wives' tales" that still exist perpetuating the idea that spaying or neutering affects everything from the ability to hunt to preventing obesity. Public education is needed, and I know that the shelter employees do it on a daily basis as do area veterinarians and their technicians. I never seems to be enough. All we can do is try to be responsible as a community and help the local animal shelter as much as possible. These people work very long, stressful hours doing what they do out of compassion. Euthanasia is an unfortunate but inevitable part of the shelter's duties until people wise up and stop unwanted litters.

If Dr. Saras is indeed a concerned citizen, perhaps she could offer suggestions to help, not just criticism.  
**MARY WORDSMAN, CVT**  
 Twin Falls

**Sportsmen know wolves remain constant threat**

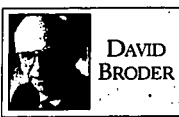
This is to all the people in Idaho, especially in the Magic Valley area. An article, "Judge stops bid to halt wolf plan," from Anchorage, Alaska, was printed in *The Times-News* that said a judge denied a request from animal rights advocates to halt Alaska's wolf control program until the issue goes to trial in May. Advocates are suing the state over a game management program they call a slaughter. The judge said the plaintiffs failed to show the elimination of as many as 610 wolves this year would cause irreversible damage to the species.

I hope this shows what the future holds for Idaho. When Fish and Game starts raising your hunting fees or permits or your recreation fees to manage its wolf population, don't start whining. As for all you people here who think God put wolves here for a reason, he also put dinosaurs here, too. What happened? Man didn't hunt them to extinction. As for the eco-system, God must have put all these diseases like smallpox, tuberculosis, bubonic plague, diphtheria, etc., to balance the human race; yet we fight to rid the world of this balance.

Point: Some things belong, some don't. I believe the sportsmen in Idaho agree that wolves don't belong here. Why does the federal government (Department of Fish and Wildlife) and all these animal groups from everywhere in the United States know what is best for all of Idaho and other states. Sure makes you wonder how Idaho survived all these years before wolf introduction.  
**RICHARD GATES**  
 Gooding

Selling Bush in land down under

**SYDNEY, Australia** — George Bush is not an easy export. That judgment, expressed over lunch at a beautiful horribleside restaurant by Allan Gyngell, executive director of the Lowy Institute, a director of foreign policy research center, describes the only blemish on America's relations with this traditional ally in the South Pacific.



DAVID BRODER

Gyngell, a longtime member of the Australian foreign service, is like almost everyone one meets here, instinctively pro-American. He points out that ever since the British base at Singapore was captured by the Japanese in 1942, Australia has looked to the United States for protection. Supporting the alliance with the United States has been the consistent policy of both major parties, the Labor government that was in power during World War II and the Liberal government of Prime Minister John Howard, who is in office now.

Australia has sent troops to support the Allies in the two world wars, the United Nations in Korea, the United States in Vietnam, and the Coalition forces in Afghanistan and both Gulf wars. Public opinion polls showed majority opposition to the invasion of Iraq, but Howard's decision to contribute 2,000 troops was broadly accepted. Now that force has been substantially reduced: Only one Australian has died in Iraq, and there is little public pressure for an early pullout. A Labor Party challenger to Howard in last year's election was criticized for promising a quick return of Aussie troops and now has been replaced as party leader

**Australia does not want to have to choose between its basic political-military alliance with the United States and its growing economic ties with China. A flare-up of tension between the United States and China, over the future of Taiwan or some other issue, would be bad news for Australia.**

by a man regarded as having strong credentials on national security issues. All of which makes the cautious reaction to Bush here something of a puzzle. Gyngell and his colleagues suggest that it has something to do with what they see as Bush's intense

belief in the uniqueness of America. "All Americans feel that," Gyngell said, "but with Bush, it is so strong that it hardly allows room for others."

Gerard Henderson, executive director of the Sydney Institute, a think tank dealing with a broad spectrum of political and economic issues, commented that both Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton were more popular in Australia than the current president appears to be. Henderson, who once served as Howard's chief of staff, said he recognizes the strength both Howard and Bush derive from their directness of expression and bluntness. But he said the style that works well for both men in solidifying their domestic constituencies is less amenable to winning friends overseas.

"It's not a question of changing policies," Gyngell said. "It's really a matter of style," and that means it hardly ranks high as a foreign policy challenge for Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice — an intriguing figure to Australians, who are working their way past an unhappy history of excluding immigrants of color and today are savoring the dynamics of an increasingly diverse population.

This is a happy country, with a booming economy, budget surpluses, quite generous social services and stable, consensus-minded government. "Because we are so isolated from the rest of the world," Henderson said, "we have no choice but to get along with each other. We are very pragmatic, not very ideological." Being pragmatists, Aus-

traliens are watching carefully the emergence of China as a potential superpower. Gyngell said there is no serious neo-conservative faction arguing, as in the United States, that China could become a strategic or military threat. "We see nothing but opportunity in China, a major market for goods and services and an economy that complements, rather than competes with ours. It is now our No. 2 trading partner, after the United States, and the fastest-growing."

Greater concern is the uncertainty about the future of U.S.-China relations. Australia does not want to have to choose between its basic political-military alliance with the United States and its growing economic ties with China. A flare-up of tension between the United States and China, over the future of Taiwan or some other issue, would be bad news for Australia. And an armed conflict between those two countries would test the U.S.-Australia ties like nothing else in modern history. But all this is conjectural. For now, soft summer breezes blow here and the magnificent harbor is filled with sailboats. The Queen Elizabeth 2 and other tourist ships are at the docks. And the only disturbing noises come from Canberra, where the Parliament has just resumed meeting and the Labor opposition is scrambling for issues to embarrass the government. The world should be so lucky!

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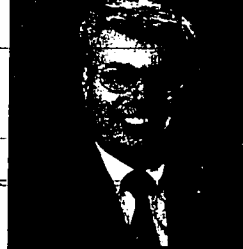


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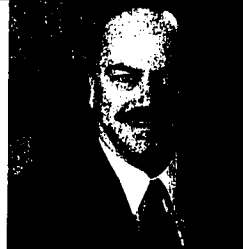
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Getting ready for life in the red zone

I recently got engaged to a red-head, so I asked a friend who has been married to a redhead for a number of years for some advice. "Memorize these three helpful phrases," he said.

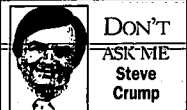
"I, OK
2. Whatever you want, I want.
3. I'm sorry."

"That should get you through the first year," he added.

My friend describes such a state of matrimony as "Red-headistan," because while exotic, it can be treacherous for the unwary traveler.

The victor is Maureen O'Hara, a red-headed Irishwoman who is smarter, quicker, more passionate and probably a better boxer than Wayne's washed-up pug.

And then she kisses him. Generations of men ever since have been dazed and confused by O'Hara's character, and it's more than passing interest to me since my fiancée is half Irish - and half Welsh.



Steve Crump

That's like learning that the IRS has just acquired H&R Block Odds are pretty good that you're not gonna win. Forgive-me-for-stereotyping-but in my experience the Welsh are volcanic, infuriating, sentimental and stubborn, and equipped with a memory and memories. Did I just describe the fish too? The poet G.K. Chesterton put it best, I think.

"For the Great Gaels of Ireland And the rice that God made mad. For all their wars are merry, And for all their songs are sad."

And who am I to overcome that? A phlegmatic Swede, that's who.

Look, my people are so laid-back that they missed the immigrant ship to America and ended up in Britain. A generation or so later, one of my forebears evidently took his pipe out of his mouth long enough to observe that Yorkshire sure didn't look much like Minnesota.

At some point, the Crumps converted to Mormonism and fished up in southern Idaho, where it's hard to find good lute-fish.

No matter: They subsisted on uncooked and potatoes and peace and quiet.

I have no memory of my grandparents, great-grandparents, aunts or uncles saying a hello to each other. By that stage, they probably didn't know any.

That doesn't really equip me to co-exist with a Celtic tornado, does it?

There's a story in my family about a distant relative - an unflappable Swede named Ole - who married a woman of strong character and humor in the back of a horse-drawn hearse. He overheard his wife and the mortician, who were both sitting at the front of the rig, talking about arrangements for the old Swede's funeral.

Finally, wishing to hear no more, Ole feigned losing his hearing.

Eventually, Ole's wife gave up talking to him altogether, and the couple lived - he content, she fuming - for many years together. One day Ole stepped into the bath and he often appeared to be dead - so convincingly that one day his wife actually summoned the undertaker. Ole awoke, to his surprise, at the top of his coffin. "I will," he proclaimed.

And those, according to legend, were the last words he ever got in edgewise.

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Lawmakers eye manure regs again

By Julie Pence Times-News writer



Rep. Doug Jones

"So we have come to the point of having to create regulation not because of the majority, but because of the minority," Jones told his committee.



One committee member, Rep. Ken Andrus, R-Lava Hot Springs, asked how farmers would be able to till manure under on pasture and alfalfa. Jones suggested a light harrowing might work for certain crops. Rules could be written to line out application of the law, he said.

As for requiring nutrient management plans, which are plans that show where manure is being applied, committee members had reservations.

Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, said the practice of leasing ground coupled with crop rotations, could make nutrient

management plans almost impossible to manage for farmers who take manure from dairies or feedlots.

Dairymen have had nutrient management plans since 2002, and beef producers started submitting plans to the Idaho Department of Agriculture in January. Such a plan gives the Idaho Department of Agriculture some leverage with dairymen and beef producers in regard to how they handle their manure - up to the point of shipping it off to another farmer. Once the manure is handed off to a third party, no one has any say about where it goes or when it's plowed under. And that explains how Jones' parents found themselves trying to cope with a manure-covered field for almost two months, Jones said.

He understands the symbiotic relationship between dairies and neighboring farmers and

how the law works, because he's part of the system.

"As farmers, we sell straw, silage, and hay to large dairies and we get their manure back. But we are not required to do nutrient management plans. We could let the manure lay there all summer."

The Idaho Dairymen's Association has always said all farmers should be required to have the plans.

But dairymen in some areas, such as Gooding County with its well-developed dairy industry, have so much manure to dispose of they have a hard time finding farmers who can take it. Farmers also tend to dislike government meddling, so they're likely to resist if doing so means that will make it even tougher for dairymen to get rid of the waste, said beef producer Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot.

If we proceed, farmers will Please see MANURE, Page B7

TERROR IN TWIN FALLS



Matt Johnson, left, of Burley, and Jim Kelly, of Gooding, carry a dummy victim while practicing a weapons of mass destruction drill Saturday. The drill was a routine practice to keep emergency teams throughout Magic Valley certified for such events.

Emergency crews train for WMD attack

By Chris Steinhack Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS - It looked like the kind of rundown trailer that is often used as a construction foreman's office.

For about 60 members of the Magic Valley Emergency Response Team, however, the trailer became a classroom Saturday where they could test themselves against the dangers posed by weapons of mass destruction. The volunteer firefighters and other emergency responders joined 22 members of the Idaho National Guard's 101st Civil Support Team from Boise to conduct two drills at the Idaho Transportation Department, 626 Eastland Ave. S. Firefighters from Twin Falls, Burley, Jerome, Burley, Buhl and Gooding participated in the drills.

"They're going to get into something that's a little more than what they normally get into," said Bill Alfred, Jerome assistant fire chief.

One of the drills involved containing simulated ricin, a poison

What is plague? Plague is a disease caused by Yersinia pestis (Y. pestis), a bacterium found in rodents and their fleas in many areas around the world. Why is the U.S. government concerned about pneumonic plague as a bioweapon? Yersinia pestis used in an aerosol attack could cause cases of the pneumonic form of plague. One to six days after becoming infected with the bacteria, people would develop pneumonic plague. Once people have the disease, the bacteria can spread to others who have close contact with them. Because of the delay between being exposed to the bacteria and becoming sick, people could travel over a large area before becoming contagious and possibly infecting others. Is pneumonic plague different from bubonic plague? Yes. Both are caused by Yersinia pestis, but they are transmitted differently and their symptoms differ. Pneumonic plague can be transmitted from person to person; bubonic plague cannot. What are the signs and symptoms of pneumonic plague? Patients usually have fever, weakness, and rapidly developing pneumonia with shortness of breath, chest pain, cough, and

being exposed to the bacteria sometimes bloody or watery sputum. As nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain may also occur. Without early treatment, pneumonic plague usually leads to respiratory failure, shock, and rapid death. Can a person exposed to pneumonic plague avoid becoming sick? Yes. People who have had close contact with an infected person can greatly reduce the chance of becoming sick if they begin treatment within seven days of their exposure. Treatment consists of taking antibiotics for at least seven days. Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

that can be made from the waste left over from processing castor beans, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The CDC says some reports have indicated that ricin may have been used in the Iran-Iraq war during the 1980s and that quantities of it were found in

Whole lotta spirit: Aspiring cheerleaders find their groove

By Lorraine Cavener Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS - A group of children filling in an entire gym pranced in a circle, twirled their arms and shouted to the lead of their instructor.

"Ride, ride, ride the pony!" Andrea Nelson said with the children following. "This is how we do it." This was the scene Saturday morning at the College of Southern Idaho, where dancers and cheerleaders were holding their annual fund-raising Mini Cheer and Dance clinic for boys and girls in kindergarten through grade six.

The children participated in a number of small workshops to learn dances and cheers that they would perform Saturday evening during halftime at the CSI Golden Eagles men's homecoming basketball game against North Idaho College.

"I think it's great," Nelson said. "It seems like they are having a lot of fun."

Nelson, who grew up in California, tried out to be a cheerleader for the first time in the third grade. She's been in some kind of cheerleading or dancing group ever since.

involved in cheering or dancing since she was young.

"I came to this camp almost every year," she said.

From the time she was small she danced at several different studios - a good way for her to use her energy, Fauson said.

"I gave me a lot of confidence," she said. "I was really, it got me over that." Now she is majoring in early childhood development and plans to be a teacher.

teacher - a PE teacher, that is.

"I never pictured myself doing it (cheerleading)," he said. "I'm a wrestler."

But CSI does not have a wrestling team and the cheerleading squad was short on male stuntmen.

Hathaway said he enjoys performing tosses, forming human pyramids and other stunts involved in cheerleading.

Snowpack levels

Table with 3 columns: Watershed, % of Avg., and % of 2002. Rows include Salmon, Big Wood, Little Lost, Big Lost, Little Lost, Harrys Fork/Teton, Upper Snake/Bein, Oakley, Salmon Falls.

"A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average. An indicator of basin snowpack for the next 10 days is a safe environment."

When he transfers to Boise State University he hopes to take up wrestling again, but for now the cheerleading squad is keeping him in shape.

For second-grader Jazzmine Shinn, keeping in shape isn't what's on her mind. She wants to learn to be a cheerleader.

"They're cool," she said.

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**Ollie L. Brinkman Gurnea**

**BUHL** — Ollie L. Brinkman Gurnea, 86, of Ollie, Idaho, passed away Thursday, Feb. 10, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, Idaho, with her loving family by her side.

Ollie was born June 1, 1918, in Arkansas, daughter and one of 11 children born to Jackson and Fannie Hill Ross. She was raised in Arkansas and then moved with her family to California. There she met Ras Brinkman and they were married in November of 1936. To this union were born three children, Robert, Charles and Doris. In 1964, Ollie and Ras moved their family to Idaho where they owned and operated Brinkman's Market. On June 5, 1971, Ras passed away and she sold the market shortly thereafter.

In November of 1980, Ollie married Loren Gurnea. They lived in Buhl and spent much of their time gardening and walking at the mall. Ollie loved her family. She



enjoyed visits from her grandchildren and she cherished the time spent with her great-grandchildren.

She was a wonderful daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Surviving Ollie is her loving daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, aunt and friend. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her.

Brinkman; her grandchildren, Rob (Angie) Brinkman, Jim (Kaifil) Lyon, Derrick (Amy) Brinkman, Julie Lyon, Kristen (Lincoln) Assendrup and Lori (Eddie) Sherman; her great-grandchildren, Amanda, Hannah, Emma, Madison, McKenna, Chevy, Kimberly and Ryan. Also surviving are two sisters, Neva Parker and Nettie Brinkman; her brother, Jackie Ross; and other family members, Janice Brinkman and Mike Henson.

Her parents; husband, Ras Brinkman; son, Charles; and granddaughter, Cindra Henson preceded her in death.

A funeral for Ollie will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 14, 2005, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls with Pastor Lawrence Vedder officiating. Interment will follow at the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 7 p.m. today, Sunday, Feb. 13, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2051 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, Idaho.

**Rose M. Sperl Cook**

**ABINGTON, Mass.** — Rose M. Sperl Cook, 91, of Abington, Mass., and formerly a long-time resident of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2005, at the Colony House Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Abington, Mass.

Rose was born in Stanton, Neb., the daughter of Jacob and Rose Luxa Sperl. She grew up and attended schools in Nebraska. Rose married Earle E. Cook, where they lived for many years in the Twin Falls area. She resided in the area for many years after the death of her husband in 1975. In 1994, Rose moved to Massachusetts to be near her sons. Rose loved all aspects of gardening and especially taking care of her family.

Rose is survived by her daughter, Sharon R. Cook of



Idaho; her sons, Gary E. Cook and Dwayne J. Cook both of Hanson, Mass.; a brother, Lambert Sperl, of Nebraska. Also surviving are her grandchildren, Cassey, Kristie and Andrew Cook all of Hanson,

Mass., and Matthew Cook of Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and a granddaughter, Elizabeth Rose Cook.

A graveside service for Rose will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at Sunset Memorial Park with Pastor Lawrence Vedder of Immanuel Lutheran Church officiating. Friends may call from 12:30 until 1:45 p.m. on Tuesday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls. The family is suggesting memorials be given in Rose's name to the Colony House Nursing Facility in Abington, Mass. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

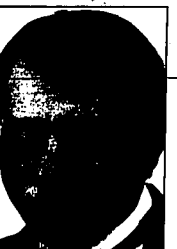
**Dan R. Pope**

**TWIN FALLS** — Dan R. Pope, 54, of Twin Falls, died early Thursday morning, Feb. 10, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls following a battle with cancer.

Dan was born on May 27, 1950, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the son of Gene and Maxine Hower Pope. He grew up and attended schools in Twin Falls, graduating from Twin Falls High School in 1968. He furthered his education by attending the College of Southern Idaho. Dan married Diana Higginbotham on June 18, 1970, in Twin Falls.

Dan started to work for Longview Fibre in August of 1970 and worked there until October of 1996. Following his 26 years with Longview Fibre he went to driving truck for Cargo Express; which he did until ill health forced him to retire.

Dan enjoyed painting, anything that involved the outdoors which included



camping, fishing and arrow-head hunting. He loved spending time with his family and friends.

**John Lindsey Ramsey**

**CAREY** — John Lindsey Ramsey, 94, of Carey, Idaho, died Thursday, Feb. 10, 2005, at the Blaine Manor in Halley, Idaho. John was born in a log cabin in Muldoon at the site of the post office.

He was the son of Walter Bryden Ramsey and Lillis Lindsey Ramsey. He had an older brother, Walter B. Pat Ramsey and a sister, Nan Ramsey Peterson.

John went to school in Muldoon until the family moved to Canada. They lived there for approximately 10 years before returning to Muldoon.

He worked herding sheep in his youth. During the Depression, John and his wife went to California hunting for work. They found work at Salton Sea mining salt and sacking it. After the Depression he was a carpenter by trade. He helped build the Sun Valley Lodge. When the World War II broke out, he and brother, Pat volunteered for the military, John joining the Army Air Force. He



served in the South Pacific, New Guinea and the Philippines.

John married Vadna Rails Coates in May 1950. She preceded him in death in 1982. John and Vadna traveled while he worked on construction. He built cement irrigation structures for the Mindokko Project. Then he worked for Duffy Reed

Jessica (Lorin) Robbins also of Twin Falls; and one son, Jason Pope of Seattle, Wash.; two brothers, Jack (Elaine) Pope and Ted Pope both of Boise, Idaho. Also surviving are two grandchildren, Sabre Stearns and Josh Kudart.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A celebration of Dan's life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel with Pastor Jerry Steele of the Crossroads United Methodist Church officiating. A private family instrument will take place at a later date. Services and cremation are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel.

The family suggests memorials be given in Dan's name to the American Cancer Society. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

**Billy A. Bohrn**

**KIMBERLY** — Billy A. Bohrn, age 65, of Kimberly, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2005, at Mountain View Care Center.

He was born Feb. 23, 1939, in Twin Falls, the son of Woodrow Bohrn Sr. and Ruby (Summers) Bohrn. Billy enjoyed work as a journeyman

carpenter. He loved the outdoors, hunting and fishing until a stroke slowed him down.

Billy is survived by one son, Gregory; four brothers, Woodrow Jr., Wayne (Donna), Gary (Tonette) and Anthony (Rosa); two grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

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John and Vadna returned to Carey and he worked in carpentering and building some of the first condominiums in Sun Valley.

John is survived by two nephews, James Peterson Sr. and his wife, Mary, and Alan "Buster" Peterson and his wife, Gail, all of Carey; and one niece, Nancy Carlson of Arco. He is also survived by many great nieces and nephews.

Besides his wife, he was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Nan Peterson; brother, Pat Ramsey; and nephew, John E Peterson.

A funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14, 2005, at the Carey LDS Chapel with Bishop Vernon Jolley conducting. Interment will follow in the Carey Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the care of Wood River Chapel of Halley.

He was preceded in death by his father and one son, Jeffrey.

A graveside funeral service will be conducted at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005, at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 1 to 3 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park."

OBITUARY



**John Edward Pohlman**

**TWIN FALLS** — John Edward Pohlman, 51, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, Feb. 11, 2005, at his home surrounded by his loving family and friends, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

John was born in Lynwood, Calif., Dec. 31, 1953, to Dick and Maxine Roberts. He was adopted soon after birth by William "Bill" and Phyllis Pohlman and moved to Kimberly where he attended school. John graduated high school from Twin Falls High School.

He worked for Idaho Frozen Foods, now Con Agra, for 32 years. For many years, after working at the plant, John would come home and farm 80 acres until after dark. When he found time to play, he spent his time racing cars, water skiing, riding motorcycles, camping, hunting, collecting records and restoring his "favorite cars."

John had many passions, but none more important to him than helping-out-the-community. In 18 years, he raised over \$200,000 water skiing on New Year's Day for various charities. He was chairman of the city parks and recreation commission and led several projects to help clean up Rock Creek Canyon. As vice president of the Magic Valley Skateboarders Association he raised over \$30,000 to bring a world-class facility to Harmon Park. John received his biggest accomplishment when he received the 2001 Chamber Person of the Year award.

John was a proud father of four sons and loved his children very much. He loved watching his kids play sports, riding motorcycles with them and teaching them all he knew about cars. Some of the best times were spent in their shop working on various projects. On Sept. 24, 2004, John married his best friend and soul mate, Kathleen Rhea Gallagher. Though their time together was short, each moment was magical and special. They made their home in Twin Falls.

Everyone John met quickly became his friend. John had a great sense of humor, a joke for any moment and an awesome smiling face to go with this. John would do anything for anyone and had a huge heart. John touched many lives. He was loved by many and will be missed by more.

John is survived by his wife, Kathleen Pohlman; his sons, Jeff (Jessica) Pohlman, Shaun Pohlman, Ryan Pohlman and Aaron Pohlman; stepchildren, Kristen, Skyler and Whitney Coates; his daughter, Jessica (Richard) Roberts of Ontario, Calif.; brother, Steve (Lori) Soss of Riverside, Calif.; and half-sister, Nancy Yacovita of Colorado; his aunt, Peggy Pohlman; cousins, Guyton Turner and Ilene Little Monte and Hannah Strickling all of California and Maurice Turner of Mississippi.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Phyllis Pohlman; and grandparents, Paul and Iris Jones.

A celebration of John's life will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005, at Twin Falls Reformed Church, with the Rev. Dale Metzger officiating.

Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Donations in John's honor can be made to Freeze on Skis, in care of Hank Heeling, 490 Sagebrush Drive, Twin Falls, ID 83301 or Relay for Life, in care of Deann Warren, 2067 Stadium Blvd., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary—"Chapel by the Park."

John, we miss you so much our hearts ache, but are comforted that you are at the big race track in the sky and free from pain. Your loving generous spirit will never be forgotten and we count the days when we are with you again. Stay strong JP we love you forever.

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OBITUARIES

Grace G. Kulm Ambrose

JEROME - Grace G. Kulm Ambrose left this life on Feb. 9, 2005, at St. Benedict's LTCU in Jerome and entered her heavenly home.

Grace entered this life on Oct. 11, 1920, in American Falls, Idaho, the 7th child of Mathew Kulm and Elizabeth Zinkel Kulm.

When she was three, the family had to move from their dry farm in American Falls due to an ongoing drought and re-settled in the Fall City area in Jerome County.

In 1939, Grace graduated from Jerome High School. Shortly thereafter, while attending a local dance she spotted the tall, handsome musician, Ceph Ambrose, playing with his brothers in the Antlers Brothers Band. Grace swooned over and gave him a wink. Ceph totally forgot what song he was singing or playing.

Six months later they were married in Boise, Idaho, on June 2, 1940. Together they raised their five children, Zora (Dan) Fanster of Hagerman, Kirt (Sandra) Ambrose of Council Bluffs, Gladys, aka Aysa, Armitage of Halley, Idaho, Patricia (Lyle) Adams of Jerome and Dorothea, aka Dot



Ambrose (deceased).

Grace worked several years at Del Motors in Jerome as a bookkeeper, also working many years at St. Benedict's Hospital. She and Ceph also ran the concession at the Kias Auction for several years, people came from miles around to enjoy one of their fresh grilled burgers topped with Graces home made dill pickles, relishes and home-grown tomatoes.

She loved to garden, planting a huge one every year. If you couldn't find her in the kitchen you could be her nursing friend out in her garden nurturing her plants.

Grace was a very gracious

lady, never a harsh word, never critical, always loving and giving to everyone she met. A strong Christian woman and a life-long member of the St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

She is survived by her four of her children; two sisters, Dorothy-Read and Irma (Aishe) Read both of Sparks, Nev., two brothers, Robert (Leahna) Kulm of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Queens City, Ariz.; Dale Kulm of Sparks, Nev.; 11 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Preceding her from this life are her parents; her husband, Ceph; one daughter, Dot; a brother, Herman Kulm; and her sister, Kay Richter.

A funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14, 2005, at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Jerome with the Rev. Baldwin Camin officiating.

Burial will follow the service at the Jerome Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. today, Sunday, Feb. 13, 2005, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Suggested memorial donations may be made to the Lutheran Care Center or to the charity of ones choice. Services are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.



Willard O. Bell

JEROME - Willard O. Bell, 89, of Jerome, died Friday, Feb. 11, 2005, at his home in Jerome.

He was born July 27, 1915, the son of Alexander Wesley and Maude Pauline Cleck Bell at Star, Idaho.

He married the love of his life, Gladys Kerrie Larsen, on Aug. 29, 1937, at Mackay, Idaho.

They have six children, Patricia B. Miller of Boise, Nancy McDonald of Arco, Billie Lou Davis of Boise, Kenneth O. Bell of Arco, Suzan K. Erickson of Wendover, Nev., and Judith Irene who preceded Willard in death.

Willard was a long-time resident of the Big Lost River Valley. After selling most of his large farm south of Arco, he and Gladys moved to Jerome. However, he continued his life-long love of farming by driving back and forth to Arco, farming the remaining portion, refusing to retire.

In addition to his wife and children, Willard is survived by two sisters, Carma Olson of Hazelton and Clara Hale of Arco, 10 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by a sister, Henrietta and four brothers, Floyd, Jake, Fred and John.

A celebration of life for Willard Bell will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at the Howe Robertson Funeral Chapel, on Third and Fillmore Streets, Jerome, with Bishop Andy Lott officiating.

No viewing is planned. Family suggests memorials be made to Hospice Visions, Inc., 209 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Cremation and services are under the direction of the Howe Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

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Breakfast Menu  
Milk served daily. Choice of fruit or juice every day.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Pancakes  
Wednesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Thursday: Waffles  
Friday: Hot oatmeal  
Lunch Menu  
Salad bar and milk served every day.  
Monday: Sweet and sour cery  
Tuesday: Taco burger  
Wednesday: Chicken drummies  
Thursday: Fish treasures  
Friday: Spaghetti

**BURLEY**

**JR. HIGH SCHOOL**

Breakfast Menu  
Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal.  
Monday: Breakfast hot pocket  
Tuesday: Churros  
Wednesday: French toast sticks  
Thursday: Yogurt  
Friday: Breakfast on a bun  
Lunch Menu  
Salad bar and milk served every day.  
Monday: Chicken sandwich, seaburger or spicy chicken sandwich  
Tuesday: Tacos  
Wednesday: Chili or barbecue  
Thursday: Hamburger, cheeseburger or bacon cheeseburger  
Friday: Hoagie or hot combo

**CASTLEFORD SCHOOL**

Breakfast menu  
Milk and juice served daily.  
Monday: Doughnuts  
Tuesday: Breakfast pizza  
Wednesday: Cinnamon rolls  
Thursday: Biscuits  
Friday: Breakfast memuffin  
Lunch Menu  
Salad bar and milk served daily.  
Monday: Deli sandwich  
Tuesday: Breakfast for lunch  
Wednesday: Pork chops  
Thursday: Soft shell taco  
Friday: Chili

**FILER SCHOOL**

Monday: Sloppy Joes  
Tuesday: Italian Day  
Wednesday: Burritos  
Thursday: Beef bites  
Friday: Hot dogs

**HANSEN**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Breakfast Menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Yogurt  
Thursday: French toast  
Friday: No school  
Lunch Menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Chicken burgers  
Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup  
Wednesday: Lasagna  
Thursday: Submarine sandwich  
Friday: No school

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Choice of milk every day.  
Monday: Hamburgers  
Tuesday: Hamburger gravy and mashed potatoes  
Wednesday: Build your own sandwich  
Thursday: Spaghetti  
Friday: Chicken strips

**KIMBERLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Corn dog

Tuesday: Hamburger  
Wednesday: Baked ham  
Thursday: Hamburger pocket  
Friday: Sloppy Joes

**KIMBERLY HIGH SCHOOL**

Milk served daily.  
Monday: No School  
Tuesday: Pizza pocket  
Wednesday: Hani and cheese sub  
Thursday: Peanut butter uncrustible  
Friday: Nachos

**LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Monday: Hot dogs  
Tuesday: Fish sticks  
Wednesday: Turkey submarine sandwich  
Thursday: Hot dogs  
Friday: Chicken nuggets

**MAGIC VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

Choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Chicken sandwich  
Tuesday: Italian spaghetti  
Wednesday: Chicken tenders  
Thursday: No school

Friday: No school.

**MINIDOKA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Choice of milk served daily.  
Breakfast menu  
Monday: Muffin  
Tuesday: Yogurt  
Wednesday: Waffle sticks  
Thursday: Baster tarts  
Friday: Cereal  
Lunch menu  
Monday: French bread pepperoni  
Tuesday: Sloppy Joes  
Wednesday: Turkey noodle soup  
Thursday: Whipped potatoes with hamburger gravy  
Friday: Italian dunkers

**MINIDOKA MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Breakfast menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Muffin  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Churros  
Thursday: Waffle sticks  
Friday: Breakfast biscuits  
Lunch menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Beef fajitas or chef salad

Tuesday: Chili and crackers or burrito  
Wednesday: French bread pepperoni pizza  
Thursday: Hard shell taco or taco salad  
Friday: Whipped potatoes with turkey gravy

**MURTAUGH SCHOOL**

Milk served daily.  
Monday: Burritos  
Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup  
Wednesday: Turkey gravy and potatoes  
Thursday: Lasagna  
Friday: Chicken burgers

**ROBERT STUART AND O'LEARY JUNIOR HIGH**

Breakfast menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school  
Lunch menu  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Deli sandwich  
Tuesday: Nachos supreme  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school

**ST. EDWARDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Monday: Chicken patty sandwich  
Tuesday: Bean and

cheese burritos  
Wednesday: Corn dogs  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school

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**TWIN FALLS ELEMENTARY**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school  
Lunch menu  
Monday: Chicken sandwich  
Tuesday: Finger steaks  
Wednesday: Turkey or tuna sandwich  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school

**TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL**  
Breakfast is served daily.  
Lunch: The high school has a choice of main line, hamburger bar, and salad bar each day, taco bar on Wednesdays and potato bar on Fridays. Main line menu varies every day.  
Monday: Malibu chicken sandwich  
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak  
Wednesday: Cheeseburger  
Thursday: No school  
Friday: No school

**VALLEY SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast is served daily.  
Monday: Corn dog  
Tuesday: Spaghetti  
Wednesday: Soft shell taco  
Thursday: Hamburger party  
Friday: Chili

**BLISS SCHOOL**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Biscuits sandwich  
Tuesday: Polish sausage  
Wednesday: Pork chops  
Thursday: Corn dogs  
Friday: Soup and sandwich

**CASSIA SCHOOLS**  
Milk served daily. A variety of fruits and vegetables are served with each meal.  
Breakfast menu  
Monday: Cinnamon toast  
Tuesday: Muffin  
Wednesday: Yogurt  
Thursday: Cereal  
Friday: Bacon, egg and cheese pockets  
Lunch menu  
Monday: Taco salad  
Tuesday: Chili  
Wednesday: Hamburger  
Thursday: Cheese square  
Friday: Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes

**DIETRICH SCHOOLS**  
Salad bar, fruit, and milk served daily.  
Monday: Fajitas  
Tuesday: Submarine sandwich  
Wednesday: Macaroni and cheese  
Thursday: Biscuits and gravy  
Friday: Chicken nuggets

**GLENN'S FERRY**  
Monday: Chef salad  
Tuesday: Burritos  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Thursday: Taco salad  
Friday: Potato soup

**GOODING SCHOOLS**  
Choice of milk served daily. The third choice is for junior high and high school students only.  
Monday: Crispy chicken salad  
Tuesday: Idaho nachos  
Wednesday: Chicken Alfredo  
Thursday: Corn dogs  
Friday: Pizza

**HAGERMAN SCHOOLS**  
Choice of milk offered daily.  
Breakfast menu  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Pancakes and sausage  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: French toast strips  
Friday: Cereal  
Lunch menu  
Monday: Chicken nuggets  
Tuesday: Spicy fries  
Wednesday: Pizza  
Thursday: Nachos  
Friday: Chicken party

**IDAHO SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND THE BLIND**  
Milk served daily.  
Breakfast menu  
Monday: Waffles  
Tuesday: Pancakes  
Wednesday: Cinnamon toast  
Thursday: Quiche  
Friday: Cereal  
Lunch menu  
Salad bar and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Baked potato bar  
Tuesday: Chicken fajita  
Wednesday: Chicken burger  
Thursday: Spaghetti  
Friday: Chili or clam chowder

**JEROME SCHOOLS**  
Milk served daily.  
Monday: Peanut butter uncrustable  
Tuesday: Pizza pocket  
Wednesday: Little smokies  
Thursday: Beef and noodles  
Friday: Lasagna

**RICHFIELD SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast  
Milk and juice served daily.  
Monday: Cereal  
Tuesday: Biscuits and gravy  
Wednesday: Cereal  
Thursday: Ham  
Friday: Cereal  
Lunch  
Monday: Clam chowder soup  
Tuesday: Hard shell taco  
Wednesday: Pig in a blanket  
Thursday: Corn chips with chili  
Friday: Chicken party

**SHOSHONE SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Nachos  
Tuesday: Chili  
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets  
Thursday: Hot dogs  
Friday: Pepperoni pizza

**WEDELL SCHOOLS**  
Breakfast and choice of milk served daily.  
Monday: Rib-b-cue sandwich  
Tuesday: Hot dogs  
Wednesday: Chili  
Thursday: Toasted cheese sandwich  
Friday: Turkey stir fry

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DEATH NOTICES

Melba Anderson

BURLEY - Melba Inne Anderson, an 84-year-old resident of Burley, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005, at her home.

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

Jorge SantaCruz

RUPERT - Jorge SantaCruz, 21, of Rupert, died Friday, Feb. 11, 2005, in Rupert.  
Arrangements will be made by Hansen Mortuary - Rupert Chapel.

Edith I. Cross

TUSTIN, Calif. - Edith I. Cross, of Tustin, Calif., died at her home in California on Feb. 11, 2005.  
Arrangements will be made by Farmer Funeral Chapel of Buhl.

Anna Lou

Schwarz-Kleinkopf  
TWIN FALLS - Anna Lou Schwarz-Kleinkopf, 98, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005, at Mountain View Care

Center in Kimberly, Idaho.

Arrangements will be made by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

Alisa Ann Moon

JEROME - Alisa Ann Moon, 38, of Jerome, died Thursday, Feb. 10, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home with High Priest Ray Griffin officiating.

Cremation and private inurnment are under due direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Cecil Leighton

'Van' Vansant  
MURTAUGH - Cecil Leighton "Van" Vansant, 97, a long-time resident of Murtaugh, died early Saturday morning, Feb. 12, 2005, at Parke View Care & Rehabilitation Center in Burley, Idaho.  
Arrangements will be made by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

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# Boise murder trial gets under way

BOISE (AP) — The trial of one of the most notorious and an execution-style slaying of a teenager in the desert south of Boise two years ago began with opening statements this week.

Jason McDermott, who along with Robroy Wall Jr., is charged with first-degree murder in the shooting death of Zachariah Street. Prosecutors allege McDermott, 24, and Wall, 25, each shot Street in the head and left

him in the desert in May 2003. Because the victim had provided sheriff's deputies information allegedly implicating them in a car burglary.

Street was stripped of his clothes and shot through both temples because "he did the right thing," Deputy Adair County Prosecutor Pat Owen told a jury Friday. McDermott said Street was a snitch; that he had to die.

According to Owen, Boise police arrested Street for breaking into a car in April 2003. Street complied with law officials and told them about others, including McDermott, who were involved in other break-ins.

McDermott found out, Owen argued, and in May invited Street to his apartment where, with two men including Wall, they left for the desert.

Public defender Larry Smith,

gave the jury a different account of McDermott, saying he is an immature thief, but was only trying to scare Street when he fired the 9 mm gun. He said the defense will present evidence that McDermott has had eyesight and since it was a dark desert night, there is possibility the shooting was accidental.

"(The shot) was only about an inch from missing—(Street) Smith argued.

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By morning, the National Weather Service had canceled a flash flood watch for Utah, Washington, Kane and extreme southwest San Juan Counties. Officials said the heaviest rainfall from the current storm had already moved on, and runoff had already peaked at most locations. The NWS expected a decrease in rivers and streams by Sunday.

The warnings struck a nerve in an area still reeling from last month, after the Santa Clara River overflowed its banks, swallowed dozens of homes and caused millions of dollars in damage.

# Pileup closes Interstate 15

BOUNTIFUL, Utah (AP) — Interstate 15 was closed in both directions for five and a half hours Saturday after a multicar pileup.

The accident in Davis County shut down traffic on I-15 from about 7 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. as crews worked to clean up the damage, said Sgt. Wade Breur of the Utah Highway Patrol.

Two people were listed in critical condition at University Hospital in Salt Lake City Saturday night and 14 others were taken to a Bountiful hospital with less serious injuries, Breur said.



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# EPA will fine St. Anthony over wastewater pollution

ST. ANTHONY (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency plans to fine this city for violating the Clean Water Act by consistently releasing chlorine and E. coli bacteria into the Henry's Fork of the Snake River.

The EPA has cited the city's wastewater treatment facilities, responsible for the pollution, 18 times in eight years, but has allowed the city time to fix the problem. St. Anthony has dumped polluted wastewater into the Henry's Fork of the Snake River more than 60 times over the past few years, according to the EPA. The pollution violates the city's wastewater permit.

The fine has yet to be determined, but will be based on a formula that takes into consideration the severity of the pollution, the city's ability to pay the fine, whether it was working on other environmental projects

and how much the city saved by not fixing the problem.

According to an EPA letter to the city's former mayor, the fine could be up to \$32,500 per day, per violation, but current Mayor Bill Beck said it wouldn't reach that level. The mayor and city leaders are set to meet with EPA representatives to work out a settlement before formal complaint is filed. The EPA is giving the city 90 days to negotiate the fine.

Beck recommends the city pay the fine — whatever the cost — with sewer reserve funds. The fund has a balance of just over \$500,000 according to City Clerk Ted Stoddard.

The EPA had warned the city to clean up its pollution in November 2003 and August 2004, so the city bought mixers for the plant and installed aeration and recirculated water before dumping it into the river.

# Roads case before court could set a precedent

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The 10th Circuit Court of Appeals is considering a case involving three Utah counties trying to claim rights-of-way that could determine whether Western states and counties can own roads and trails across millions of acres of federal land.

On Friday, Kane, Garfield and San Juan counties told the three-judge panel that the Bureau of Land Management has no jurisdiction over their right-of-way claims on federal land, and that state standards must be applied when assessing such claims.

The current legal battle over the rural roads began nine years ago when the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance and the Sierra Club sued out of the counties' graded roads in areas under review for wilderness protection.

The outcome probably will determine whether Western states and counties can claim ownership of trails and roads on federal land, including national parks, or if the federal government retains control and can continue to impose restrictions on use.

On Friday, the three-judge panel quickly keyed in to the widespread implications of the issue, with 10th Circuit Judge Michael McConnell asking a state attorney if the matter was a "test case" meant to gauge the potential success of future claims.

"If you win, is it your client's position that there may be many other tracks or roads that the county will move to improve?" McConnell said. "Are there other suits waiting in the wings?"

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al-Qaeda caves in Afghanistan.

"It's very easy to manufacture," said Clyde Dwight of the Bush Fire Department.

As to other drills involving the real world, which members of the 101st had turned into a simulated plague-manufacturing lab. People usually get plague — which is an infectious disease from being bitten by an infected rodent flea, according to the CDC.

During Saturday's drill, firefighters called a hazardous materials team to the scene. The team then called in members of the 101st — active-duty Army and Air Force personnel who have been certified for this type of duty since November 2001 — to investigate what they identified

as the plague-infected liver of a groundhog. The bacteria had been harvested and put in aerosol cans, according to organizers, who said some had escaped and infected the 160-pound dummy used to represent both the victim and terrorist responsible for the lab.

"This is a typical plague set up," said Army Sgt. 1st Class Joe Moynihan, a communications team chief who observed and helped control Saturday's drills.

Once this would be identified as weapons of mass destruction and not something near the common — such as — a methamphetamine lab, Moynihan said, it would become a federal investigation. If that happened, he said, the 101st — which can be called to serve in Idaho,

Oregon, Washington, northern Nevada and Montana — would gather and preserve evidence for the FBI and other investigating agencies.

The mostly volunteer firefighters from across the Magic Valley were deliberate in their part of the investigation. It took more than 15 minutes for Matt Johnson of Burley City and Kelly Gooding — dressed in protective gear from head to foot — to conduct an initial investigation, find the body and remove it from the trailer. By then, they were beginning to run out of time and other emergency personnel continued the job while Johnson and Kelly were decontaminating a series of nearby blue plastic wading pools.

"They pretty much have done everything right," Moynihan said, adding there's nothing worse than carrying a body while wearing about 70 pounds of protective gear.

"They're spent," he said of Johnson and Kelly.

They said the hardest part of their job was maneuvering their hands while wearing protective gloves. It was also hard to see because of the condensation that builds up inside the protective masks. And it was difficult to communicate with each other.

"That's why it looked like we were trying to kiss," Kelly said.

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# Fairfield

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who would offer wellness classes.

"Some people would even like to see an indoor public swimming pool," Thomsen said. "That might be a big challenge, but we can try."

Funding for the rec center would likely come from grants, personal donations, and possibly taxpayer money.

City Council members and the county commissioners, while interested in seeing the project succeed, warned that Games County taxpayers have

recently been hit with new levies that might make them balk at the idea of a rec center.

Thomsen said that in order to receive grant money, a matching land donation might be needed.

"The county would also have to have a recreational district in place," Thomsen said. "But we've already met some of the requirements for that. We have a Games Community in place and a 501(c)(3) in the chamber."

Mayor David Hanks said Saturday he thinks the City Council is open to the idea.

"There's no way the city tax dollars could support it," he said. "So it would have to be a county facility or a city/county facility, even just for a yearly maintenance standpoint."

The mayor said that the Council has been seeking solutions, including a possible skate park, for 8- to 14-year-olds for some time.

"I'm encouraged that someone with some energy is working on this," he added.

Local minister Bruce Whipple, who has a son in the seventh grade and a daughter

in 10th grade, said his congregation at the Light House Church has been praying for more safe activities for youth.

"As a pastor, I end up picking up pieces a lot," he said.

"I find that a lot of times, kids end up getting into trouble because they just have too much time on their hands. They're not bad kids. They just need some direction and supervision."

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# Manure

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Just say, "Keep your manure," Lake warned.

Jones admitted getting the legislation passed could be a challenge.

"I'm not sure we'll move these ahead this year, but the issue will be out there for discussion" Jones said.

To tell or not to tell

The main purpose of nutrient management plans is for the protection of groundwater. Manure contains nitrates, which can sink down into the public's drinking water. The plans allow the Department of Environmental Quality and the Ag Department to monitor nitrates from livestock operations moving downward toward aquifers.

But ever since they have been required, there has been controversy as to whether or not they are public information.

Beef producers moved quickly to ensure their plans are kept private, and they continue to push that issue. The House agriculture committee will soon hear a bill adding language that puts "fugitive air emissions," or dust from

feedlots, and odor under the jurisdiction of the Ag Department. That information is to be kept private, according to the bill.

But many dairymen's plans are still available to anyone who requests them. A 4th Judicial District judge is soon to rule on what kind of information in the dairy plans should be public.

Dairymen have taken a formal position that they don't care if the plans are public, says Bob Neebout, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association.

But to ensure the controversy stops, Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, introduced legislation last week stating that all dairymen's nutrient management plans "shall be available to the public in which the dairy farm or the land upon which the livestock waste is applied, is located."

Stennett also re-introduced a bill that lawmakers have struggled with for the past two years. He is asking to strike language from planning and zoning laws, stating that county commissioners are required to give residents within one mile of a

proposed large dairy the right to speak about it in a public hearing. County commissioners already have the right to increase the language, but Stennett maintains they won't be encouraged to be more open with the public as long as the language keeps the distance reined in to only one mile.

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# Officials blamed in deaths of firefighters

SALMON (AP) — Fire managers have once again been blamed for the deaths of two young firefighters battling an eastern Idaho blaze in 2003, according to a federal report.

The findings released last week by the Office of the Inspector General, which oversees the Forest Service, show that poor judgment and numerous safety standard violations by Alan Hackett and other officers were responsible for the deaths of Jeff Allen, 24, of Salmon, and Shane Heath, 22, of Melba, in the Cramer Fire in

the Salmon-Challis National Forest on July 22, 2003.

A previous report by the Forest Service and a separate investigative report released last year by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration included similar findings.

While the most recent report, released Friday, omits Hackett's name, it said, "Had existing Forest Service fire suppression policies, and tactics been followed in a prudent manner, particularly by the incident commander, the fatalities of

Heath and Allen may have been prevented."

The report shows fire officers in that ranger district were critical of Hackett's boss, North Fork District Ranger Party Bates. According to investigators, the aviation officer for the Salmon-Challis Forest said he told Bates to pull Hackett off the Cramer Fire hours before the two men were overtaken by fire while cutting a helicopter landing area in the Salmon-Challis National Forest.

The men were building the helicopter landing area on a

ridge they had rappelled to just above the fire, where their visibility of the slopes — and the fire advancing toward them — was obscured by the topography and vegetation.

Bates, who is mentioned in the report by title rather than name, has since taken a job with the Forest Service in Montana.

Kent Fuellenbach, spokesman for the Salmon-Challis Forest, said the report opens some old wounds, but also gives us an opportunity to make sure we're doing the best we can to ensure the safety of firefighters.

# Forest Service fights over ski tours in Wyoming

JACKSON, Wyo. (AP) — Some people are upset over a decision allowing Togwotee Mountain Lodge to use a snow cat tractor to haul guests to a Bridger-Teton National Forest mountain top for guided ski tours this winter.

Jackson District Ranger Nancy Hall approved the new commercial, cat-skiing operation on Angle Mountain without public notice or an analysis of potential environmental impacts or conflicts with other backcountry skiers and snowmobilers. Typically, forest rules require the agency to notify the public and student impacts when proposing new activities in the forest.

But Hall determined that no public notice or analysis was needed because the lodge's existing permit already allowed the company to guide skiing and snowmobiling, according to Acting District Ranger Lance Koch.

Longtime Jackson resident and ski guide Ron Matous said the cat-skiing tours have damaged the landscape.

"The mountain just had the appearance of an industrial site," said Matous, who teaches avalanche safety for backcountry skiers on Togwotee Pass.

Moreover, the cat track runs over the easiest and safest route previously used by skiers, snowboarders and snowmobilers, he said.

Matous, who has been skiing to the top of Angle Mountain for 20 some year, questioned how such a significant change could go forward without public involvement.

Likewise, Fred Smith of the Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance said the decision circumvented the public process.

"We already have thousands of miles of snowmobile trails all around this area, we've already got heli-skiing operations ... it just seems excessive to continue to push farther and farther into the backcountry and to continue to displace wildlife," Smith said.

Jeff Golightly, general manager of Togwotee Mountain Lodge, defended the new operation.


"We were in no way trying to conceal anything," Golightly said.

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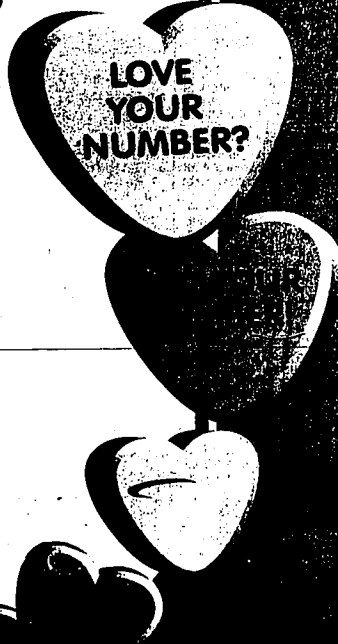
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SPORTSQUOTE

How complicated can football be if Terry Bradshaw is explaining it to you?

Jay Leno

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Which two Michigan State basketball coaches won NCAA basketball championships?

...answer below

IN BRIEF

Twin Falls hosts state rules clinics

TWIN FALLS — The state rules clinics for baseball and softball will be held at Twin Falls High School on Feb. 21. The softball clinic will be at 6 p.m. and the baseball clinic at 7 p.m. This is a mandatory clinic for any persons wishing to umpire baseball or softball in District IV this season. For any questions, contact Craig Mills, District Commissioner, at Burley High School, 878-6606 or at home, 678-7144.

Annual basketball tournament slated

BURLEY — North American Youth Sports will hold their annual spring youth basketball tournament at Burley High School on April 29-30. This tournament will feature ten brackets which will include boys in grades 5-6, girls in grades 5-6, boys in grade 7, girls in grade 7, boys in grade 8, girls in grade 8, boys in grades 9-10, girls in grades 9-10, boys in grades 11-12, girls in grades 11-12. Grade is based on the grade in which a student is currently enrolled. The entry fee is \$95 and guarantees each team a minimum of two games. Entry deadline is April 8. There will be awards presented in each bracket. For additional information or an entry form, call the toll-free NAYS spring tournament hotline at 1-800-787-3265 or tournament director Jerry Wilson at 208-312-0612.

Minico wrestling registration begins

RUPERT — The Minico U.S.A. Freestyle and Greco Roman Wrestling Club will begin registration on Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. in the Minico High School wrestling room. The age group for the club is 5-18 years. Parental supervision is required at each practice for all participants ages five through eight. Cost will be \$40, which includes a shirt. Participants must have a copy of their birth certificate and a guardian present to fill out all forms. Participants must live in Minidoka County. Practices will be held on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30-9 p.m. For more information, contact Brad Cooper at (208) 436-1359 or Steve Barnes at (208) 436-0509.

Spring mixed tennis league begins Feb. 25

TWIN FALLS — The USTA plans a 2005 Spring Mixed League Tennis season for combined NTIP of 5.5, 6.0, 7.0, 8.0 and 9.0 level players. The local league begins Feb. 25, with weekend play at the YMCA. For more information, call Lisa Nallan at (208) 734-8556.

T.F. Parks and Rec holds open gym

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls Parks and Recreation and Twin Falls School District will hold a free open gym at Robert Stuart Junior High School on Sundays through Feb. 27. The gym is open from 4:00-8:00 p.m. for adults and from 3-6 p.m. for children. Call (208) 736-2265 for more information.

TRIVIA ANSWER:

Jud Heathcote, in 1979; Tom Izzo, in 2000.

Defense carries CSI men in second half

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team has the best defense in the Scenic West Athletic Conference. It proved it Saturday night.

The Golden Eagles held North Idaho College to just 31 percent shooting from the field en route to an 88-70 win at CSI Gymnasium. Third-ranked CSI (23-1 overall, 11-1 SWAC) leads the league with a 36.9 field goal percentage defense, and although the Eagles allowed a no-hum 70 points, defense carried the way against the Cardinals.

Much of CSI's defensive success came from its 13 shot blocks, while altering many other shots. Sixty-eight recorded blocks with Abdeulaye Ndiaye leading the way with five.

"I thought our defensive presence, especially in the second half, was real strong," CSI coach Randy Rogers said. "And I love the blocks, obviously."

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NIC (11-15, 3-11) trailed just 42-38 one minute, 16 seconds into the second half. But the Eagles went on a quick 10-0 run, eight of those points coming in transition.

"We had a lot of what we call run-outs, where you don't really have to work for the basket," Rogers said. "You don't really have to go against the teeth of their defense."

Mohamed Kone led the Eagles with 18 points which also pulled down 11 rebounds. Ndiaye also nocluded a double-double with 11 rebounds and 10 points. Point guard Shaun Davis came close to netting a triple-double, finishing with nine points, nine assists and eight points.

Harry Dicy scored 17 points and grabbed 17 rebounds for the Cardinals.

CSI women 70, North Idaho 57

Nakeya Isabell scored 23 points in recent games but CSI (23-1, 11-1) turned on the fire in a midway through the second half on the way to a 70-57 win.

Isabell had been a reluctant scorer in recent games but erupted Saturday night's effort with Friday's game, when she scored 11 points.

"That's huge when she's off with two technical fouls in less than a 1-minute span."

Cutthroats survive Northside Day 3 Trojans win Southside thriller

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — An ugly win is still a victory, and the Community School Cutthroats will gladly take one.

Locked in a brutal brickfest against the Shoshone Indians, the Cutthroats finally found a way to break loose in the fourth quarter of Saturday's Magic Valley Northside Conference last-our game at Shoshone High School. Trailing 25-23 after three quarters, the Cutthroats outscored Shoshone 19-12 in the final stanza to earn a Monday date with the Camas County Mushers, who advanced by defeating Dierich 66-39.

"We were very cold early and we missed some shots that definitely hurt us," Cutthroat head coach Mike Wade said. "Shoshone did a great job in slowing the game down, and that was really frustrating for us, since we like to play a more up-tempo game."

Senior post Andrew Durtschli tied the game at 27 with a 18-foot jumper, then banked home a layup to give the Cutthroats a 29-27 lead with 6:31 left in the game. It was Community School's first lead since AJ Beesley made a three-pointer to open the game.

With the Cutthroats clinging to a Please see NORTHSIDE, Page C2



After a Cardinals turnover, College of Southern Idaho guard Jamaal Brown, left, dishes the ball to a teammate during the first half of the Golden Eagles win over North Idaho College Saturday night.

ensive-minded," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said. "That's what we've been wanting for so long. It makes things a lot easier on everyone else."

The game turned extremely physical in the second half, as more contact took place in the paint. The result was 23 fouls called after halftime with three players fouling out.

Even head coach Chris Carlson of North Idaho (17-9, 8-6) was not immune to the officials' whistles, as he was hit with two technical fouls in less

than a 1-minute span. "You know, I didn't like it that physical, because we weren't playing that physical," Rogers said. "Once he got in trouble with the officials, (NIC) got even more physical."

NIC used an 11-0 run early in the second half, cutting the Eagles' lead to 41-35 on Stephanie Jones' putback. But CSI responded, going on a 16-4 run of its own to take a commanding 57-39 edge with 8:47 remaining.

Jeni Boesel led NIC with 17 points.

CSI women 70, North Idaho 57



Community School sophomore guard Kevin Wade looks for a passing lane past Shoshone senior Brock Astle during Saturday's last-our play in the Magic Valley Northside Conference Tournament. Wade scored a critical 3-point play with 43 seconds left to propel the Cutthroats to a 42-37 win.

After Troone scored on a fast-break layup with 1:25 to play, Shelley's lead was just 26-24. But the Senators failed to score again and saw their season end.

Shelley 30, Gooding 26

Shelley 100, Gooding 82

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Shelley girls end Senators' season

By Jared Eborn Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — Gooding girls basketball coach Chris Comstock made a seemingly-easy observation following his team's 30-24 loss to Shelley. "You can't coach height," Comstock said.

He just as easily could have pointed out how difficult it is to coach against it.

The Senators, playing for a spot in the 3A state tournament, ran into Shelley center Sasha Spells — a 6-foot-2 girl — as well as a host of tall Russets. The result was a Gooding offense unable to establish its normal inside-outside game because the inside wasn't available.

Neither was the outside game, apparently, as the Senators struggled to find their shooting touch.

"Some of it was their size advantage," Comstock said. "But we didn't shoot the ball well. Their size limited us to outside shots and we didn't hit those at all. We did get the ball inside a little, but we couldn't get any good shots off."

The Senators, who finished the season with a 16-7 record, played a solid defensive game, limiting the Russets to just 10 points in the second half, including just two in the third quarter. But Gooding was never able to muster up an offensive breakthrough.

After an Army Trankhoff three-pointer with 6:40 to play tied the score at 24-24, Gooding was held to just one more basket over the remainder of the game.

Brittanie Toone paced the Senators with 12 points, but she also scored more than Trankhoff's five. Shelley got 11 points from Spell.

Gooding turned up the defensive pressure in the second half and forced the Russets into several turnovers. Unfortunately for the Senators, most of those turnovers did not become points on the other end of the court.

"Our defense set the tempo for us on offense," Comstock said. "We tried to get some girls some open shots but they weren't falling."

Still, Gooding had a chance to win.

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SPORTS

Kimberly falls at Marsh Valley

The Times-News

ARIMO — A hot-shooting Marsh Valley squad forced 20-plus Kimberly turnovers to avenge a triple-overtime loss to the Bulldogs earlier this season.

The Eagles won 75-49 Saturday night in Arimo.

"We didn't shoot the ball very well and we didn't take care of the ball very well," said Bulldogs coach Roger Keller. "They controlled this game from the first quarter on."

Darin Musser scored 17 to pace Kimberly. James Galloway scored 20 for Marsh Valley.

Kimberly is to play at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Bull in its Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament opener.

Marsh Valley 75, Kimberly 49

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Late Friday Wrestling

Gooding 37, Wood-River 30

HAILEY — The Gooding Senators edged out the host Wood River Wolverines 37-30 in a nonconference dual match Friday night in Hailey, Cesar.

Travis Garrison had 17 points and 11 rebounds, and the Terps added 15 for Maryland (15-7, 6-5 Atlantic Coast Conference), which completed its first regular-season sweep of the Blue Devils since 1995.

In ending their win in the finals of the ACC tournament last March, the Terps have won three straight against Duke for the first time since 1982.

Blue Devils (18-3, 8-3) staggered to the finish without five players, all of whom fouled out late in regulation or in overtime. Sheldon Williams had 23 points and 16 rebounds, and Steve Adams also scored 20, but both were gone long before the finish.

Boise State 82, Fresno State 68

BOISE — Jermaine Blackburn scored a career-high 26 points and Coby Karl added 25 to lead Boise State to an 82-68 victory over Fresno State Saturday.

Boise State (10-14, 4 WAC) outscored the Bulldogs 13-3 in the final 4:30 to break a five-game conference losing skid.

Fresno State (13-9, 7-6), which never led in the game, was paced by JaVance Coleman with 21 points, while Chris Berry added 14.

Boise State led 38-29 at halftime, but the Bulldogs narrowed their deficit to 30-25 with 4:43 left on a field goal by Mustafa Al-Sayyad and two free throws by Coleman.

But Karl answered with seven points in the final three minutes to break the Boise State victory. Karl also had a career-high eight assists.

Al-Sayyad, who entered the game as conference leader in field goals, scored a second field-goal percentage, spent much of it on the bench in early foul trouble. He finished with eight points and nine rebounds.

Sacramento St. 99, Idaho St. 97 OT

POCATELLO — Jason Harris' layup at the buzzer lifted Sacramento State to a 99-97 victory over Idaho State in overtime Saturday.

The Hornets (9-15, 5-6 Big Sky) won on the road for the first time this season.

Idaho State (9-15, 3-8) had nearly broken a 97-41 tie, but Logan Kinghorn's off-balance shot missed and Sacramento

Local sports

net, Colin Hand, and Dustin Seltner, picked up wins for the Wolverines.

Four forfeits ended up costing the Wolverines the match. Wood River most participants in the District IV tournament, Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Pocatello.

Results
Gooding 37, Wood River 30
Marsh Valley 75, Kimberly 49

Bowling

Georgio wins girls district singles

HEROME — Jill Georgio of Jerome rolled a 522 series to win the girls district singles Friday at the Jerome Bowl.

Hull of Declo finished second with a 497 and Bethany Banner of Minico followed with a 492.

The District Team competition will be at 4 p.m. Feb. 16 at the Bowldrome in Twin Falls. The Snake River Bowl in Burley will be the site of the State competition on Feb. 22.

Results
Jill Georgio, Jerome 522; Stephanie Hill, Declo 497; 3. Bethany Banner, Minico 492; 4. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 5. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 6. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 7. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 8. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 9. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488; 10. Stephanie Hill, Declo 488

Johnson wins competitive Shootout

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — It took a fast pit stop to get Jimmie Johnson into the lead. Once he got there, Johnson knew the Budweiser Shootout was his.

Johnson, the odds-on favorite to win the NASCAR Nextel Cup championship in 2005, did nothing to dispel that notion in Saturday night's exhibition race at Daytona International Speedway.

The driver who finished second to Kurt Busch by just eight points last year — the closest margin in stock car history — took the lead 16 laps from the end of the 70-lap Shootout and held off a pack of charging challengers to the end.

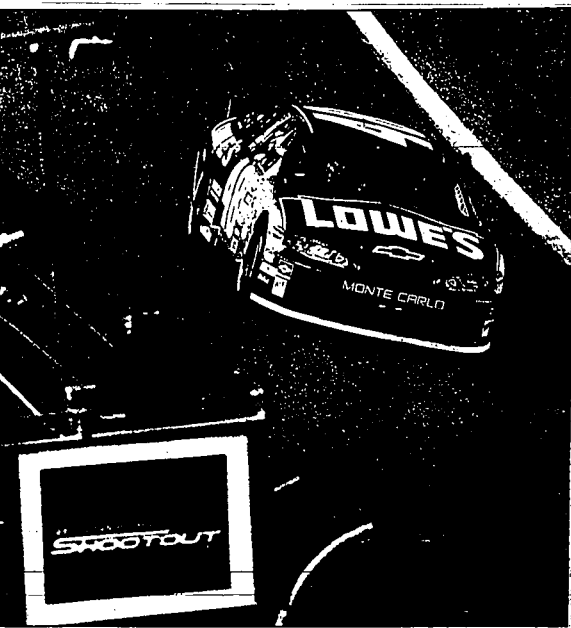
Ryan Newman grabbed a big lead when he took only two fresh tires on the required pit stop in the second segment of the made-for-TV race, but Johnson, with four new tires, was the next fastest driver out of the pits, getting out ahead of early leader Greg Biffle, who appeared to have the fastest car on the track most of the night.

But it was Johnson who tracked down Newman in the eight laps on the 2.5-mile oval. He charged past Newman's Dodge on lap 55, pulling Biffle, Busch and Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jeff Gordon along with him.

"Really, at the end, it mattered most who came out first on that pit stop, and my guys got it done on pit road and got us out ahead of Biffle," Johnson said. "He had a great car and when he was leading I really couldn't get a run on him. I knew that once I got into the lead he wasn't going to be able to get around me. It's just so hard to pass the leader."

While Johnson's No. 48 Chevrolet held the lead, the action behind him was furious in the closing laps, with Newman making a great move, diving low to beat Gordon in three laps from the end to pass Biffle and Gordon and grab second place.

Newman credited the two-tire call to crew chief Matt Borland and said that despite



Jimmie Johnson waves from his car after winning the Budweiser Shootout at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., Saturday.

the fact it didn't earn him a win it was the reason he wound up second.

"I think it was a good call. It put us in a situation in which we could have won and it turned out pretty good for us," the Penske Racing South driver said. "We're just happy to come home second and it was a great debut for the brand new Dodge Charger."

Gordon, who had taken second place away from Biffle on lap 66, was shuttled back to sixth on the next lap, but came back to finish third.

Rodick, who hadn't been playing his top tennis this week, led behind 3-2 in the first-set tiebreaker before getting the final five points to take the set. He also broke right back after Biffle's break of serve to start the second set. When Rodick held for 2-1 in the second, Rodick barely closed it down and flicked it down the line. Then Hans tried to volley it over the third-ranked

former Shootout champions.

Johnson took home the winner's share of \$212,945. Defending Shootout champ Dale Jarrett, who picked the pole position in a blind draw, led the first lap before Biffle, moved into the top spot, where he remained until the scheduled 10-minute break after the first 20 laps.

Maryland knocks off No. 7 Duke in OT

COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Another classic dual between Duke and Maryland ended with an increasingly familiar result.

Travis Garrison had 17 points and 11 rebounds, and the Terps added 15 for Maryland (15-7, 6-5 Atlantic Coast Conference), which completed its first regular-season sweep of the Blue Devils since 1995.

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College basketball

State got the ball. The Hornets pushed it up the court to Harris, who barely got his shot off before the buzzer. It rolled around on the rim before falling in to win it.

Dashaun Freeman tied it at 97 on a layup with 13 seconds remaining for Sacramento State, named Hugh Lee, Sacramento State, with 24 points. Stephens finished with 21 to lead the Bengals.

No. 10 Oklahoma St. 66, Texas A&M 59

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — John Lucas III scored 18 points, Joey Gramstad added 17 and No. 10 Oklahoma State recovered to beat Texas A&M 66-59 on Saturday night.

After the Aggies pulled to 62-59, Ivan McFarlin scored three points in the final minute to ensure the Cowboys' fifth straight win.

No. 12 Arizona 83, UCLA 73

LOS ANGELES — Salim Stoudamire and Ivan Radenovic each scored six points during a decisive 19-0 run early in the second half, and No. 12 Arizona beat UCLA 83-73 on Saturday.

Josh Shipp's basket with 17:33 remaining gave UCLA a five-point lead before Channing Frye's three-point play 19 seconds later triggered the upset that put the Wildcats ahead 61-47.

The Bruins weren't closer than the final margin after that, and made the game seem closer than it actually was by scoring the last 11 points.

No. 15 Utah 64, Colorado St. 50

SALT LAKE CITY — Andrew Bogut scored a career-high 33 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead No. 15 Utah to its 16th straight victory, 64-50 over Colorado State on Saturday night.

Bogut, who also blocked five shots, missed his first two free throws and then made 17 in a row for the Utes (21-3, 9-0 Mountain West), whose winning streak is the second-longest in the nation behind top-ranked Illinois (25-0).

Marc Jackson had nine points, and Justin Hawkins added eight for Utah.

Matt Williams scored 17 points for the Rams (9-13, 1-8), who lost their seventh straight game overall and 18th straight on the road.

Roddick and Saulnier advance to SAP final

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Andy Roddick had to play his best to beat the defending champion and top-seeded Roddick used everything in his impressive arsenal and hit 14 aces in a 7-6 (3), 6-3 victory over seventh-seeded Jürgen Melzer.

The graceful Hans, who used tape to protect his troublesome back, consistently returned Roddick's booming serve and exhibited a nice mix of finesse and power that forced Roddick

to do almost everything right to win.

Rodick, who hadn't been playing his top tennis this week, led behind 3-2 in the first-set tiebreaker before getting the final five points to take the set. He also broke right back after Biffle's break of serve to start the second set. When Rodick held for 2-1 in the second, Rodick barely closed it down and flicked it down the line. Then Hans tried to volley it over the third-ranked

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American and Roddick jumped, and put it away.

And these kind of points were the norm. Roddick responded with a 3-6, 7-6 (6), 7-5 quarterfinal win over Thomas Enqvist a night earlier.

Roddick is 2-0 in lifetime against Saulnier and both matches have gone three sets. They played twice in 2003, with four of the six sets being decided in five tiebreakers.

Northside

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precursors: 38-36 lead and the Indians locked in full-court press. Community School sophomore Kevin Wade broke loose for a layup and was fouled by Shoshone's Zach Shull on the attempt. The bucket gave the Cutthroats a 40-36 lead, with 43 seconds remaining. Wade sank the ensuing free throw, virtually ending the Indians' hopes of victory.

"I really liked the game," Wade said. "If he missed that, they could still tie the game, but with the basket and the free throw was huge."

Senior Brock Astle led the Indians with his hustle and scored 14 points before fouling out with 1:07 left in the game. Shull added seven while Jason Capps scored six.

"Our guys gave a real good effort and showed people they could put on a good show and hustle and give it their all," Indians head coach Larry Messick said. "We tried to take Connor (Capps) out of the game and the guys did a pretty good job, but

Northside Tournament

at Shoshone High School Saturday's games Camas County 66, Dietrich 39 Community School 42, Shoshone 37

Monday's games Loser-out Community School vs. Camas County, 6 p.m. Championship Carey vs. Richfield, 7:30 p.m.

we got fatigued and they got some baskets in the paint late." Hunter Smith led the Cutthroats with 13 points, while Dursch added 10. Buesley was held to five points due to early foul trouble.

The Cutthroats play Camas County in another loser-out game Monday at 6 p.m. The loss ends Shoshone's season with a 3-20 overall record.

Community School 42, Shoshone 37
Richfield 37, Carey 66
Shoshone 37, Camas County 66

Camas County 66, Dietrich 39

The Camas County Mustangs cruised to a 66-39 win in Saturday's other game, opening a 36-1 lead by halftime. Senior point guard Mark Wilson paced the Mustangs with 17 points while sophomore Chase Lee and senior point guard Michael Blodgett both scored 11.

"Dietrich was led by eight-point nights by Augustino Venegas and Dakota Norman, while Jackson Hill added seven. While the Mustangs advance, Boltz knows his team will have to play better Monday than they

did against Dietrich if they want to reach a Tuesday state play-in game.

"We have to take better care of the ball," Boltz said. "We threw a lot of sloppy passes tonight. We have to move faster and be a bit quicker, Monday."

In other action, the Carey Panthers junior varsity team took the tournament's championship, defeating the Community School's junior varsity squad 49-43.

Camas County 66, Dietrich 39
Dietrich 39, Carey 66
Carey 66, Community School 49

Trojans

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Kyle King added 15 points as Hansen poured out to a 36-22 halftime lead.

Cody Griffith scored 19 Saturday night to lead the Conquerors, who went 1-2 in the tournament after a 13-game winning streak, secured their top spot. Griffith finished with 59 points on the day.

Jon Fuller added 13 while Jeff Sweet pitched in nine in the loss. Both Fuller and Sweet hit seven 3-pointers on the day.

The Huskies face Hagerman at 7:30 p.m. Monday.
Hansen 65, Magic Valley Christian 61, 83-12-11-81
Hansen 65, Magic Valley Christian 61, 83-12-11-81

Southside Tournament

at Murtaugh High School Saturday's games M.V. Christian 78, Oakley 61 Hansen 64, Murtaugh 43 Hansen 65, M.V. Christian 61

Raft River 57, Hagerman 55, championship Hansen 64, Murtaugh 43 Hansen 65, M.V. Christian 61 Raft River 57, Hagerman 55, championship

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scored 22 from outside and Mark Pearson added 21 inside to lead Hansen past Murtaugh 64-43 in morning loser-out play Saturday.

Bridger Ward scored 20 while Trent Cummings added 12 in the loss.

Hansen 64, Murtaugh 43 Hansen 65, M.V. Christian 61 Raft River 57, Hagerman 55, championship

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poured in 40 points to lead Magic Valley Christian past Oakley 78-61 in morning loser-out play Saturday.

James Jarvis added 16 inside while Jon Fulcher added 14.

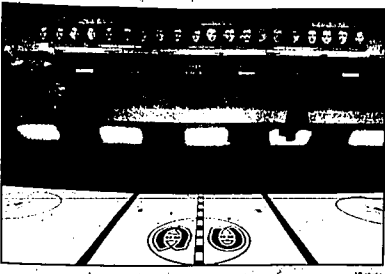
Griffith and Fulcher each stroked four 3-pointers. Evan McBride scored 22 inside while Bryce Adams added 15 for the Hornets.

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SPORTS



The Montreal Canadiens dressing room remains empty at the Ball Center in Montreal, Friday, as recent negotiations between the NHL Players Association and owners failed to come to an agreement.

# Shortened NHL season would be a big mistake

### Analysis

#### NHL Lockout

A look at the NHL lockout through Saturday, Feb. 12:

**TOTAL DAYS OF LOCKOUT:** 150.

**TOTAL DAYS OF SEASON MISSED:** 123.

**GAMES LOST SATURDAY:** 0.

**TOTAL GAMES W/OUT:** 224 of the 1,230 regular-season games, plus the 2005 All-Star game.

**NEGOTIATIONS:** The NHL and players' association broke off talks Thursday in Toronto after five days of meetings, leaving little hope a deal would be reached in time to save the season. Neither side said it was preparing to reach out to the other or make any new offers in the near future.

**SATURDAY'S BEST CANCELED GAME:** The NHL would've held its All-Star skills competition in Atlanta as part of its four-day, midseason break. All-Star weekend was canceled on Nov. 3.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The NHL would further alienate its diminishing fan base by trying to salvage a season that's ruined beyond repair, and is better off canceling the season as it tries to solve its labor mess, according to some well-known sports economists.

Negotiations between the league and its locked-out players union ended Thursday with no progress reported. In North Carolina, speculation NHL commissioner Gary Bettman will cancel the 2004-05 season as early as Monday. Bettman said a labor deal was needed by this weekend so each team could play a 28-game schedule — about one-third as long as normal — before the playoffs.

The league will find it difficult enough to win fans' hearts and minds without a season that's being dismantled at best during the five-month lockout, the economists said, so asking them to support a shortened season played mostly in the springtime would be a huge mistake.

Some NHL players already have committed to playing full seasons with European teams and thus won't play in North America even if there is a season.

"They (NHL franchises) are going to be hurting when they come back," they were hurting before the lockout, with a fan base that is thinning out," said Andrew Zimbalist, an economics professor at Smith College who studies economic trends in American sports. "They're creating a large part of the small fan base they already have."

Neither side has budged from the positions they've long held, with team owners insisting they have the "best certainty" — a cap on player salaries — and players strongly opposing it.

"They're playing with fire, which isn't a good idea for a sport that skates on ice," Zimbalist said.

Even if the NHL emerges from what would be the first full-season shutdown of a major North American pro sports league with a more player-friendly labor agreement, the analysts warn hockey will need years to repair the damage.

Franchise values, already the lowest of the four major pro team sports, will be appreciably diminished, they warn, and revenues likely will be lower because ticket prices may have to be lowered to win fans back. Last fall, Forbes magazine valued six franchises — the Anaheim Mighty Ducks, Atlanta Thrashers, Edmonton Oilers, Buffalo Sabres, Pittsburgh Penguins and Carolina Hurricanes — at barely one-tenth as much as the NFL's Washington Redskins, which are worth an estimated \$1.1 billion.

"When you have labor strife like this, certainly in the long run," said Jackie Dal Santo, a Chicago-based executive who evaluates franchises for Willamette Management Associates. "It's difficult to say it's a certain percentage, but it does have an overall impact on the whole league. A lot of NHL teams already filed for or were close to filing for bankruptcy."

The Pittsburgh Penguins, Boston Sabres and Ottawa Senators have declared bankruptcy since 1999, although all were later acquired by new owners who kept the clubs operating.

Roger Noll, an economics professor at Southern University who studies sports business issues, questions if some small-market and Sun Belt franchises will survive longterm. Within 10 years, he envisions a North American super league stripped of perhaps a dozen current franchises, which would fold or become minor-league clubs.

"The notion that the NHL can solve its problems with a salary

# Illinois remains undefeated

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Luther Head scored 26 points and Dee Brown hit two 3-pointers down the stretch to seal top-ranked and unbeaten Illinois' 70-59 victory over No. 20 Wisconsin on Saturday.

The Illini tied the school record with their 25th consecutive win. That streak was set

over three seasons from February 1914 to February 1916. It was Illinois' 19th straight win at home and was played before a record Assembly Hall crowd of 16,865.

Brown, who played in foul trouble most of the game and had 16 points, hit the first big 3 with 3:10 to go and only 2 seconds remaining on the shot clock to end a 62-run by the Badgers and give Illinois (25-0, 11-0 Big Ten) a 57-49 lead. He hit the second with 1:43 left to give the Illini a 62-51 lead.

Alonso Tucker scored 24 points for the Badgers (16-6, 7-4).

#### No. 3 Kansas 89, Colorado 60

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Wayne Simien had 25 points and 12 rebounds to lead Kansas in one of the more lopsided series in college basketball.

Simien was 11-for-11 from the three-point line — all in the first half. It was the 31st victory for the Jayhawks (20-1, 10-0 Big 12) in their last 32 games against Colorado and their 22nd straight over the Buffaloes at home. It was the 16th straight season Kansas reached 20 wins. Freshman Richard Roby had 14 points for Colorado (12-10, 4-7), which had won four of six after starting the conference season 0-4.

#### No. 5 Kentucky 60, Georgia 51

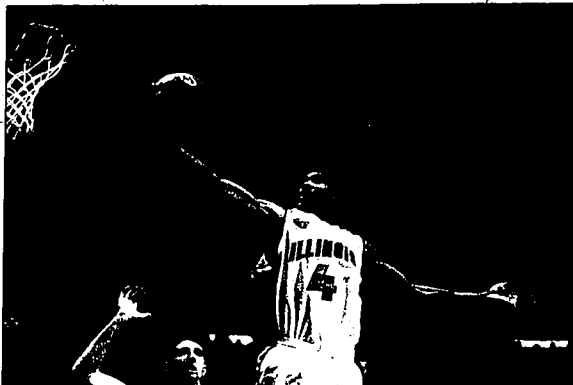
LINGTON, Ky. — Chuck Hayes and Patrick Sparks scored 14 points and Kentucky held off a late run by undermanned Georgia.

Kentucky (19-2, 10-0 Southeastern Conference) led by as many as 21 points in the second half, but Georgia (7-14, 1-10) rallied within 55-50 with 2 minutes left and came up empty on two other chances to further cut into the margin.

Rajon Rondo made a 5-foot jumper and Kelenna Azubuike went 3-of-4 from the free throw line in the final 26 seconds to seal Kentucky's ninth straight win since a loss to No. 3 Kansas. Sundiata Gaines had 13 points and 11 rebounds for Georgia, which started four freshmen and a sophomore and played without injured leading scorer Lev Stokes. The Bulldogs lost their sixth straight.

#### No. 6 Wake Forest 87, Florida St. 48

WINSTON-SALEM, N.C. — Justin Gray scored 20 points and Eric Williams had 15 points and a career-high 14 rebounds for the Demon Deacons.



Illinois' Luther Head (4) goes up for a basket as teammate Nick Smith (45) looks on during the first half of the game against Wisconsin at the Assembly Hall in Champaign, Ill., on Saturday. Head scored 26 points in unbeaten Illinois' 70-59 victory over No. 20 Wisconsin on Saturday.

#### No. 8 Syracuse 90, No. 16 Oklahoma 65-OT

Sixth-man Taron Downey finished with 14 points for Wake Forest (21-3, 9-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), which lost in overtime at Tallahassee three weeks ago. In that one, Downey missed a free throw with less than a second left in regulation that would have won it.

Von Wafer had 16 points for the Seminoles (11-13, 3-8).

#### Missouri 68, No. 22 Villanova 75

PHILADELPHIA — Hakim Warrick scored a career-high 32 points and graded 12 rebounds as Syracuse handed Villanova its worst loss of the season.

Gerry McNamara had 18 points for the Orange (22-3, 9-2 Big East), who had two of their last three games, both to Top 25 teams.

Randy Foye had 16 points for the Wildcats (14-6, 5-5), who hadn't lost by more than six points this season.

#### No. 9 Louisville 65, South Florida 57

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Ellis Myles scored 15 points and Tiquan Dean and Larry O'Bannon each added 13 for Louisville (21-4, 9-2 Conference USA).

Terrence Leather scored 18 points to lead South Florida (10-12, 3-8), which lost for the eighth time in 10 games. The Cardinals shot a season-long 33 percent in an 85-68 loss to Memphis on Wednesday and were 5-for-15 from 3-point range and 20-of-54 overall (37 percent) against the Bulls.

#### No. 13 Michigan St. 64, Michigan 49

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Alan Anderson scored 16 points and Shannon Brown had eight of his 14 in the opening minutes for Michigan State.

The Spartans (17-4, 8-2 Big

#### Ten) have won 14 of their last 16 games and have lost only one of the previous 13 matchups against the Wolverines.

Dion Harris scored 22 points for the reeling Wolverines (12-13, 3-6), who have lost eight straight, their longest losing streak since dropping 11 in a row during the 1981-82 season.

#### Greer scored 25 points and Drake Diener added 22 to lead the Blue Demons, who lost 83-54 in Cincinnati on Jan. 6.

DePaul (16-5, 8-2 Conference USA) went on a 16-4 run to take a 73-49 lead with 9:03 left. The Blue Demons have won four straight and eight of nine.

Eric Hicks had 22 points for Cincinnati (18-6, 6-4), which has lost three straight conference games.

#### No. 23 Texas 75, Kansas St. 72, OT

AUSTIN, Texas — Daniel Gibson scored 14 points in overtime and the Longhorns snapped a three-game losing streak.

Gibson, who finished with 23 points, scored Texas' first eight in the overtime and finished it by hitting six straight free throws in the final minute.

Brad Buckman had 17 points and 10 rebounds, his third double-double, in as many games, for Texas (16-7, 5-5 Big 12).

Fred Pette was 7-for-14 from 3-point range and scored 28 points for the Wildcats (13-8, 3-7).

#### Iowa St. 81, No. 25 Texas Tech 68

AMES, Iowa — Jared Horman broke out of a shooting slump with 23 points and freshman Tashaed Carr added 17 for Iowa State.

The Cyclones (13-8, 5-5 Big 12) rallied from an early 14-point deficit to go up by 12 midway through the second half, then held off the Red Raiders several times to win their fifth straight game.

The streak started after Iowa State had lost six in a row.

Ronald Ross had 17 points for Texas Tech (15-6, 7-3), which lost for just the third time in 13 games.

# 76ers' Iverson scores career-high 60 points

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Allen Iverson scored 60 points, a career high and the most in the NBA this season, to lead the Philadelphia 76ers to a 112-99 victory over the Orlando Magic on Saturday night.

Iverson, the NBA scoring leader with a 29.7 average, was 17-of-36 from the field and made 24 of 27 free throws. His previous career high was 58 points against Houston on Jan. 15, 2002.

It was the first was the first 60-point game in the NBA since Tracy McGrady scored 62 for Orlando against Washington on March 10, 2004. Iverson, who had 34 and 51-point performances in consecutive games in December, also had the fourth-highest total for 76ers' history, behind only Wilt Chamberlain.

Iverson scored 29 points in the first half, banging and crashing all over the court and leading the 76ers turn it into a rout.

After Orlando went on a mini-run in the third that cut a 25-point deficit to 11, Iverson hit 3 free throws to tie the game as time expired to reach 40.

Then Iverson earned a standing ovation for points 50 and 51.

He stole the ball and was fouled again on a layup attempt, slamming against the floor as he seemingly always does. The

crowd erupted and stood in appreciation for Iverson, who went to the line and made a couple of free throws.

It was the same for points 59 and 60 — two more free throws. He fans were on their feet each time Iverson had the ball in the fourth quarter, giving a routine game the feel of a Game 7.

The 76ers pulled within one game of Boston for the Atlantic Division lead and are one game under .500 (25-26). They haven't



Allen Iverson (3) celebrates with teammates after scoring 60 points in the fourth quarter of the game against Orlando on Saturday night.

been at .500 since they were 6-6 on Nov. 16 and haven't had a winning record since they were 4-2 on Nov. 14.

#### Pistons 107, Wizards 86

ALBURN HILLS, Mich. — The Detroit Pistons seem to be returning to championship form.

Chauncey Billups scored 21 points and Richard Hamilton finished with 20 points and eight assists Saturday night, leading the Pistons to a 107-86

victory over the Washington Wizards on Sunday.

"We've made some strides," Ben Wallace said. "We want to get back to where we were last year, and we're getting there."

All Detroit's six starters scored in double figures as the Pistons picked up their second lopsided victory in three games. Detroit beat the Los Angeles Lakers 103-81 on Thursday in a rematch of the NBA Finals.

"We were just great tonight, two days after playing so well against the Lakers," Pistons coach Larry Brown said.

Tayshaun Prince scored 16 points and matched a career-high with seven assists for the Pistons, who finished with a season-best 33 assists. The previous high was 30 against the Lakers.

#### Bucks 113, Hawks 83

MILWAUKEE — Desmond Mason and Mike James more than made up for the loss of Michael Redd in the Milwaukee Bucks' 113-83 rout of the Atlanta Hawks on Saturday night.

Mason scored 23 points and James added 18 to help Milwaukee win for the third straight time and hand the Hawks their 14th straight road loss.

Redd, Milwaukee's leading scorer, saw his 212-game playing streak end when he sat out because of a sprained left index finger, which he hurt while going for a rebound in the closing seconds Wednesday night in Toronto.

Raymond Felton had 11 points and 10 rebounds, his third double-double, in as many games, for the Hawks (13-8, 5-5 Big 12).

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Minnesota Vikings' quarterback Daunte Culpepper passes during an NFC practice workout for the Pro Bowl Saturday, at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu.

## Stars mix business with pleasure

HONOLULU (AP) — For the NFL's best players, a trip to the Pro Bowl is an honor, a working vacation and a most-expenses-paid reward for a year of hard knocks. For a week, they're VIPs in an island paradise, reveling in exceptional treatment and privileges for their whole families.



TV: ESPN, Sunday, 5:30 p.m.

And the all-stars who travel to Hawaii with unselected contract situations become stars among the stars, who sometimes use this quality time to encourage reunions back on the mainland. After all, it's certainly worth last season when Donovan McNabb sold Terrell Owens on his move to Philadelphia by schmoozing the San Francisco receiver all week.

Muhammad still says he wants to stay in Carolina, and he's focused on his second trip to the Pro Bowl, which will be played before an enthusiastic sellout crowd at Aloha Stadium for the 26th straight year.

These recruitment efforts go on quietly, because everything about Pro Bowl week is designed to avoid controversy or stress. The players hole up on Oahu's west side in a luxury resort entirely free from the NFL, and the week is filled with family-oriented parties and events for the players and coaches.

Even the halftime show is all-most guaranteed to go off without a wardrobe malfunction when 74-year-old Hawaiian singing legend Don Ho performs.

"It's definitely a time to see your old friends and make new ones," said Muhammad, who could be released if he can't rework his contract with the Panthers before he's due to receive a \$10 million roster bonus next season.

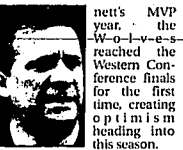
The all-stars will be hard-pressed to match last season's game, a 55-52 victory for the NFC and the highest-scoring Pro Bowl in NFL history. The

teams combined for 1,022 yards and also scored 42 points in the fourth quarter, both records, while Peyton Manning and MVP Marc Bulger set passing records as the NFC rallied from an 18-point deficit in the final 13 minutes.

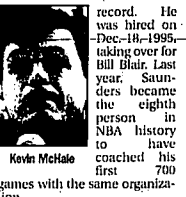
"If we can top that, they might throw out this game altogether and just play golf football next year," said Manning, who will start for the AFC. "I expect a lot of offense again... but hopefully our team will play some defense, too."

The NFC will take the field with three black quarterbacks for the first time in NFL history, a distinction that means a great deal to McNabb, Atlanta's Michael Vick and Minnesota's Daunte Culpepper.

"It says a lot about how the game has come and how the position has evolved," Vick said. "It shows that we're here to stay."



Flip Saunders



Kevin McHale

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota Timberwolves coach Flip Saunders was fired Saturday and replaced by vice president of basketball operations Kevin McHale.

Saunders, who had the second-longest tenure among NBA coaches, will be remembered within the organization, the team said.

McHale, who will coach the Timberwolves for the rest of the season, said he called Saunders on Saturday morning to break the news.

"We talked this morning, and it was very, very hard," McHale said. "We've known each other for a long time, but our last 32 games were 12-20, and just not playing at a level that's acceptable, energy-wise."

"Maybe a new voice will help," McHale said. "I'm going to do my best to get these guys competing at a higher level." Minnesota is 25-26 this season, a disappointment after last season's franchise-best 58-24 mark. Spurred on by Kevin Gar-

nett's MVP performance, the 40-14-5 team reached the Western Conference Finals for the first time, creating optimism heading into this season.

It hasn't been as easy. Saunders has used 12 different starting lineups this season and bewildered his players at times with his substitution patterns, all in an effort to become successful again.

The Timberwolves have dropped seven of their last eight, and McHale was frustrated with their listless play during the first half of the season.

"Our effort level is just not there, and I said, 'Glen, it's on me,' and he said, 'Do something about it,'" McHale said, referring to owner Glen Taylor.

In more than nine seasons, Saunders posted a 411-326

# Lefty in a runaway at Pebble

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Phil Mickelson must have an idea how Tiger Woods felt when he won the U.S. Open at Pebble Beach five years ago.

In another dominant display with every club in his bag, Mickelson blew away the field Saturday with a 5-under 67 that gave him a seven-shot lead and another tournament record at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

"Fabulous. It feels terrific," Mickelson said of the largest 54-hole lead of his career.

Mickelson finished the three-course rotation at 20 under 196, breaking by two the 54-hole record set in 1997 by David Duval.

He only needs to break par Sunday to beat the 72-hole record set by Mark O'Meara that same year.

Only an eagle by Greg Owen kept Mickelson's lead from being even larger. Owen, a 32-year-old from England who made it through all the stages of a school last year, hit a 4-iron into 12 feet on the par-5 18th at Poppy Hills for a 67. He had no idea the size of Mickelson's lead until informed by reporters, and it didn't take long for him to realize the size of his task.

"You've just got to make birdie on every hole," Owen said.

Mickelson's seven-shot lead was the largest on the PGA Tour since David Toms led by the same margin last year in Memphis. And it had the same feel as Woods' record-setting performance at Pebble in the U.S. Open, when he took a 10-shot lead into the final round and won by 15.

As Mickelson walked toward the 18th green on a spectacular day at Pebble Beach, the large white scoreboard on the edge of the cliffs showed him with an eight-shot lead, a sight as inspiring as the panoramic views. Then, Lefty spun a wedge back to 5 feet for another birdie.

"My thought process was I really want to birdie the last hole and get that one extra shot," Mickelson said. "I want to keep pushing it and get as many birdies as possible. Now, it's more like I don't want to do anything stupid; but I don't want to



Phil Mickelson hits his approach shot from the fairway on the 9th hole of the Pebble Beach Golf Links during the third round of the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am in Pebble Beach, Calif., Saturday. In the background is Carmel Beach.

play defensive, either."

Two-time Masters champion Jose Maria Olazabal had a 68 at Poppy Hills and was in a large group at 11-under 205 that included Kevin Sutherland, Paul Groydos and Tim Clark of South Africa.

Mike Weir of Canada had a 73 at Spyglass Hill and dropped back to 206. 10 shots out of the lead.

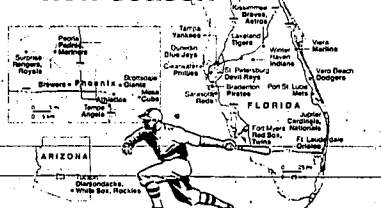
Vijay Singh will have to watch the final round from home. The world's No. 1 player became the fourth — straight — defending champion to miss the cut at the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

Singh had another 73 to finish at 3-over 219, ending his streak at 28 consecutive cuts.

## Now that Red Sox finally have trophy, everyone else will try to knock them off

By Ronald Blum  
Associated Press Writer

## Gearing up for a new season



The trophy has toured New England, the prized possession of the Boston Red Sox, who finally ended the Curse.

As spring training camps open next week from Vero Beach, Fla., to Peoria, Ariz., there are 29 teams ready to knock off the remarkable Red Sox.

"We have a slogan around here. Any group of schematics can win once," Red Sox president Larry Lucchino said. "We've got to win more than once."

A lot has happened since Kottus flipped the families ball to Doug Mientkiewicz for the final out at Busch Stadium last Oct. 27, giving the Red Sox their first World Series title since 1918. The fallout is ongoing — the Red Sox and Mets traded this month to the New York Mets, still haven't figured out who owns that special sphere.

When Boston last defended the title, baseball sunk to a low. The White Sox won the AL pennant as the Red Sox dropped to sixth place, and Chicago then lost to Cincinnati 5-3 in the best-of-nine World Series. Afterward, eight White Sox players — the notorious Black Sox — were banned for life for throwing the Series at the behest of gamblers.

Baseball has different problems these days. But for the Jason Giambi and Gary Sheffield start spring training under unusual scrutiny, with the federal investigation of illegal steroid distribution still hanging over them. Players and owners have agreed to more frequent testing for steroids and hushier penalties, but the deal still hasn't been put in writing.

"As a sport, we have done everything that we could at this point," commissioner Bud Selig said. "There are immediate penalties, random testing, a player gets publicly named if a steroid test is positive, and a ban is in place if he does test positive."

That deal isn't the only new thing this spring, there's even a new team. After years of trying to move the Montreal Expos finally did. After 36 years in Quebec as Les Expos, the team was reborn in December and christened the Washington Nationals, the first major league baseball team in the nation's capital since the expansion Senators became the Texas Rangers after the 1971 season.

"It'll be fun to go down to spring training and see all of the new faces and put on the new uniforms and stuff," closer Chad Cordero said.

Bought by the other 29 teams before the 2002 season, the franchise is under the control of the commissioner's office, and a sale to new owners is unlikely before opening day. That meant general manager Jim Bowden, who took over in 1993, didn't have much to spend.

Team	City	Spring Training Location	Start Date
Angels	Los Angeles	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Cardinals	St. Louis	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Cubs	Chicago	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Devils	New York	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Mariners	Seattle	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Mets	New York	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Pirates	Pittsburgh	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Rays	Tampa Bay	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Red Sox	Boston	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	Feb. 21
Rodriguez	San Diego	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Tigers	Detroit	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Yankees	New York	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
American League			
Braves	Atlanta	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	Feb. 21
Brewers	Milwaukee	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Blue Jays	Toronto	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Giants	San Francisco	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Indians	Cleveland	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Marlins	Miami	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Padres	San Diego	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Rangers	Dallas	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Reds	Cincinnati	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Royals	Kansas City	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Specter	Philadelphia	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
White Sox	Chicago	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
National League			
Astros	Houston	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Bears	Chicago	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Dodgers	Los Angeles	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Expos	Montreal	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
Falcons	Atlanta	Peoria, Ariz.	Feb. 21
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Other teams lavished fortunes on free agents during the offseason, with Minaya making the biggest splash. Adding a Latin flair to New York's No. 2 team, he lured three-time Cy Young Award winner Pedro Martinez from Boston for \$53 million over four years, then signed Carlos Beltran to the biggest contract of the offseason, a \$119 million, seven-year deal that covered the All-Star center fielder to leave the Houston Astros.

Across town, the Yankees were still stunned from last October, when they not only lost to Boston in the AL championship series but became the first team in major league history to take a 3-0 lead in a best-of-seven series and lose.

Revamping their slinky starting staff, New York signed free agents Carl Pavano and Jaret Wright, then acquired five-time Cy Young Award winner Randy Johnson from Arizona for Javier Bazuza, minor leaguers and \$10 million.

In his first day in town, the Big Unit got into a confrontation with a television cameraman following him in the street. "I know that the demands will be a little higher," Johnson said. "If I go to a bad movie and the actor gets paid \$20 million, I'm thinking, 'Wow, what was that all about?'"

Boston, trying to win back-to-back titles for the first time since 1915-16, added David Wells and Matt Clement to replace Martinez and Derek Lowe, who signed with Los Angeles, and stole shortstop Edgar Renteria from St. Louis. The Dodgers brought in outfielder JD Drew and shipped Shawn Green to Arizona, trying to rebound from a 111-loss season. Under new ownership, the Diamondbacks spent \$45 million on three batters: Troy Glaus and \$23 million on pitcher Shane Bieber. Seattle, which lost 99 games, took first baseman Ichiro Suzuki from the Diamondbacks for \$50 million and second baseman Adrian Beltre from the Dodgers with a \$61 million deal.

Anaheim brought in shortstop Orlando Cabrera and outfielder Steve Finley. Florida, coming off the 2003 World Series title, missed the playoffs last year and went into the market to sign first baseman Carlos Delgado and pitcher Al Leiter.

Braun's Sosa was another big name to move, accepting a trade to the Baltimore Orioles from the Chicago Cubs, where he had worn out his welcome after boiling early on the last day of last season. Even with Sosa, it's hard to envision the Orioles overtaking New York and Boston in the big-money AL East.

Bigger Clements' last, coming off a record seventh Cy Young Award, made news by staying put. After saying for the second straight offseason that he intended to retire, he signed an \$18 million contract with Houston, the highest salary for a pitcher in baseball history.

Bonds, who won his seventh NL MVP Award last year and missed his home-run total to 300 will be missing from the field for much of spring training, following knee surgery last month. The San Francisco Giants expect him to be ready for opening day, when he resumes his quest to break Babe Ruth (714) and Hank Aaron (755).

**Coming Monday**  
The 3A and 2A boys basketball  
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# Worse than the disease?

Concern spreads over anti-malaria drug with severe mental side effects

SAN DIEGO (AP) — As a volunteer firefighter, Georg-Andreas Pogany had seen disfigured bodies pulled from wrecked cars. But something very different happened when the Army interrogator saw the mangled remains of an Iraqi soldier.

He became panicked, disoriented and that night reached for both his loaded pistol and rifle as he thought he saw the enemy bursting into his room. Pogany asked his superiors for help; the Army packed him home to face charges of cowardice — the first such case since Vietnam.

None of it made sense to Pogany until he learned more about the white pills the Army gave him each week to prevent malaria.

The drug's manufacturer warned of rare but severe side effects including paranoia and hallucinations. It became his defense: The pills made him snip. The Army dropped all charges, a spokesman later saying that Pogany "may have a medical problem that requires care and treatment."

Pogany is among the current or former troops sent to Iraq who claim that Lariam, the commercial name for the anti-malaria drug mefloquine, provoked disturbing and dangerous behavior. The families of some troops blame the drug for the suicides of their loved ones. Though the evidence is largely anecdotal, their stories have raised alarm in Congress, and the Pentagon has stopped giving out pills to tens of thousands of troops in Iraq in the first place.

"What are we doing giving drugs that cause hallucinations, confusion, psychotic behavior to people that carry weapons and hold secret clearances?" asked Pogany, 33, who is now seeking a medical discharge. "It doesn't pass the common-sense test."

The U.S. military, which developed the drug after the Vietnam War, maintains that Lariam is safe and effective, though officials have expressed some concern and the military tells its pilots not to take Lariam.

In a letter sent out on the drug last year, the military urged commanders to send for a medical evaluation anyone who showed behavioral changes after taking the drug, "especially ... if they carry a weapon" — a description of nearly all U.S. troops in Iraq.

"Delay could put the service member or your unit at risk," the guide said.

Lariam is among the drugs recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for treatment and prevention of malaria, which kills about a million people worldwide each year. The drug, New Jersey-based manufacturer Roche Pharmaceuticals, points out that more than 30 million people worldwide have used Lariam over 20 years.

"There is no reliable scientific evidence that Lariam is associated with violent acts or criminal conduct," Roche spokesman Terence Hurley wrote in an e-mailed response to questions. Hurley, however, in the issue, the side effects associated with Lariam closely mirror symptoms of stress disorders related to combat, making diagnosis difficult.



U.S. Army veteran Donald Dills, foreground, shown outside his Pueblo, Colo., home on Feb. 4, was administered Lariam, an anti-malaria drug, during seven months service in Iraq. Dills says he now suffers from depression as a result of the medication. His wife, Elicia, and son Robert, 3, sit behind him.

ing to be understood. A review by the Department of Veterans Affairs found 34 articles in medical journals about patients who took Lariam and became paranoid, psychotic or behaved strangely.

With in the civilian medical community, faith in the drug is mixed among doctors who specialize in tropical diseases. Two said they routinely prescribe it to travelers and believe troop complaints are overblown. Another criticized the military's use of a drug with a known history of psychiatric complications.

Dr. Richard Olds, professor and chairman of medicine at the Medical College of Wisconsin, is among Lariam's critics.

"There's a strong recommendation not to use Lariam for those who depend on fine motor skills," he said. "Do you call firing an M-16 a fine motor skill?"

Doctors at the Naval Medical Center in San Diego have diagnosed a disorder in the region of the brain that controls balance in 18 service members who took Lariam, among them Pogany.

The Pentagon's records show the number of Lariam prescriptions issued to active-duty personnel nearly doubled from 16,794 in 2002 to 36,851 the next year, said Lt. Col. Stephen Phillips, a program director for deployment medicine. Since prescriptions issued at remote locations aren't counted, actual numbers may be higher.

Shortly after the March 2003 invasion, military doctors determined another malaria drug would do the job with fewer side effects. Around the same time, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced that doctors should give patients revised information, underscoring that some Lariam users experience severe anxiety, paranoia, hallucinations, depression and thoughts about killing themselves.

anne Feinstein, D-Calif., pressed Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld to release results of the Pentagon's investigation. Feinstein has said there is enough evidence in the warnings from Lariam's maker "to make the causal link between the drug and many of the serious adverse events experienced by service members."

Military officials now concede Lariam wasn't needed in Iraq — and not just because, according to the Pentagon, no malaria infections have been reported among U.S. forces there.

Troops sent to Kuwait in 1991 for Operation Desert Storm were given another anti-malarial, chloroquine. Before the Iraq invasion, the Armed Forces Medical Intelligence Center in Fort Detrick, Md., which is charged with evaluating medical risks, was concerned that a deadly malaria strain in the region might have become resistant to chloroquine. They relied on reports from the World Health Organization and U.S. Special Operations units sent to northern Iraq.

In a series of reports before the invasion, the intelligence center extrapolated that — without bug spray, mosquito nets or other preventive measures — about 1 to 2,000 troops could pick up a deadly chloroquine-resistant malaria strain, according to a spokesman, Army Lt. Col. Michael Birmingham.

In March 2003, U.S. Central Command recommended the use of Lariam or another drug, doxycycline, in high-risk areas in Iraq. The idea was "to err on the side of caution," rather than assume chloroquine would work, said Phillips of the Pentagon's deployment medicine program.

Some commanders chose Lariam because it could be taken once a week rather than daily. Chloroquine would work, but side effects included sensitivity to sunlight.

By July 2003, the military had determined the chloroquine-resistant strain wasn't in Iraq. Chloroquine then became the drug of choice.

"That's the saddest part," said Laura Howell, a widow with two children after her husband killed in the Colorado Springs, Colo. "There was never a need."

Howell blames Lariam for what happened a few weeks after her husband, a veteran Green Beret, returned home. In a letter to his wife, "Officer William Howell went from 'normal to murderous' in a half-hour, his wife said, and ended his life in his front yard with a bullet to the head."

Graves of the drug in organizations such as Lariam Action USA and the National Gulf War Resources Center believe Lariam is connected to the surge in military suicides in 2003, when 23 people died their lives. The suicide rate dropped after Lariam's use was halted in Iraq.

Former Army Spc. Don Dills and his wife say he grew paranoid, paranoid and depressed after taking Lariam for seven months in Iraq. Dills, 22, says he "went crazy" on a family visit to Mississippi last year and wound up jailed for robbery. When Dills' wife called her husband's first sergeant about the arrest, he told her: Look into Lariam.

Dills, who like Pogany and Howell was based at Fort Carson, Colo., was kicked out of the military shortly after he was sent to a psychiatric ward for problems. He and his wife contend are linked to Lariam.

"The bottom line is they know what's going on," said Elicia Dills, 25, of Pueblo, Colo. "We don't know how to deal with the can of worms they opened."



Sarah Scantlin, left, looks up at her mother Betty Scantlin during a reception for Sarah at Golden Plains Health Care Center in Hutchinson, Kan., Saturday. Sarah, unable to talk since she was hit by a drunk driver 20 years ago, has begun to regain her memory and form words.

# Speech after two decades of silence

Brain-damaged woman begins talking

HUTCHINSON, Kan. (AP) — For 20 years, Sarah Scantlin has been mostly oblivious to the world around her — the victim of a drunk driver who struck her down as she walked to her car. Today, after a remarkable recovery, she can talk again.

Scantlin's father knows she will never fully recover, but her newfound ability to speak and her returning memories have given him his daughter back. For only blind her eyes — one blink for "no," two blinks for "yes" — to respond to questions that no one knew for sure she understood.

The driver who struck Scantlin served six months in jail for driving under the influence and leaving the scene of an accident.

Scantlin started talking in mid-January but asked staff members not to tell her parents until Valentine's Day to surprise them, Trammell said. But last week she could not wait any longer to talk to them.

"I didn't think I would ever happen. It had been so long," Betty Scantlin said.

Scantlin's doctor, Bradley Scheel, said physicians are not sure why she suddenly began talking but believe critical pathways in the brain may have regenerated.

"It is extremely unusual to see something like this happen," Scheel said.

The driver who struck Scantlin was the nursing home's activity director, Pat Rincon, was working with Scantlin and a small group of other patients, trying to get them to speak.

"Rincon had her back to Scantlin while she worked with another resident. She had just gotten this resident to reply, 'OK,' when she suddenly heard Sarah behind her also repeat the words: 'OK, OK.'"

"Yes," came the throaty reply.

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"How are you doing?" "Fine."

"Do you need anything?" her mother asked her later.

"More makeup." "Did she just say more makeup?" the mother asked the nurse.

Scantlin still suffers constantly from the effects of the accident. She habitually crosses her arms across her chest, her fists clenched under her chin. Her legs constantly spasm and thrash. Her right foot is so twisted it is almost reversed. Her neck muscles are so constricted she cannot swallow to eat.

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"Mr. Morrison has a Fifth Amendment right to refuse medication," he said. "He wants to get this done, but at the same time, he wants to preserve his right to take medication he believes is harmful."

"He was quite keen on modern technology, even if he was not always that good at using it."

# New British museum traces the life of Winston Churchill



This photo made available by the Imperial War Museum in London, Wednesday, shows a gold-painted ceramic figure of a seated bulldog with the head of Britain's World War II prime minister Winston Churchill. Made soon after he became Prime Minister, it's one of the items on display inside the new Churchill Museum in the Cabinet War Rooms in London.

LONDON (AP) — It's an iconic figure, renowned for his cigars, his speeches and his unshakable resolve. But Winston Churchill remains, as he once said of Russia, a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma.

A new museum strives to give a fuller picture. The \$11 million Churchill Museum is the first national exhibition to Britain's World War II leader and, its directors say, the first museum in Britain dedicated to a politician.

At the official opening ceremony, Queen Elizabeth II praised "the unique quality of his leadership that so inspired the British nation and free peoples throughout the world, as well as those suffering under Nazi occupation."

"That quality continues to inspire us today and should forever do so," she said Thursday.

Britons do not like to revere their political leaders. But Churchill, who led his country to victory against Nazi Germany in World War II, was no ordinary politician.

"He was a very remarkable man," said David Reynolds, a Cambridge consultant to the museum. "That means he was a difficult person. He had a lot of ideas, and some of them were pretty crazy."

The museum sits alongside the Cabinet War Rooms, the subterranean warren under Britain's Treasury from which Churchill directed the country's fight against Germany.

The exhibition begins in 1940, when Britain stood alone against the Nazis and Churchill offered "blood, toil, tears and sweat" in defense of his country.

It traces his galvanizing wartime role, his postwar rejection by voters, his 1950s comeback as prime minister, and his 1965. The museum also showcases Churchill's childhood as the son of an affluent, aristocratic politician; his early career as a soldier and journalist in India, Africa and Cuba; and the postwar rise and fall of his political career.

"We decided to begin with the war years, the V-for-victory signs, the rousing speeches," said Roger Mann, one of the museum's designers. "You start with what you know and then discover the real man beneath."

Museum director Phil Reed said the exhibits aim to show all facets of the man, from his inspiring leadership in the war to his myriad misjudgments. In his early career, he opposed votes for women and campaigned against self-rule for India.

"We don't pull our punches," said Reed. "We set out to present both geography and iconoclasm. We wanted to give a fully rounded view, and I think that's what we've achieved."

Some wonder why it has taken 40 years to create a museum to one of the 20th century's most important figures. Reed conceded there's a perception that Britons are less interested in Churchill than many in the United States. But he says the speed with which the museum's most important figure — \$11 million from private donors in little more than a year — "demon-

strates that the British are as interested in Churchill as anyone else."

He added that Churchill is a good period in which to judge whether somebody merits a museum, rather than saying "Let's put up a David, Bechman museum."

In addition to photos and film footage, the museum displays are rich in artifacts, many donated by the Churchill family. They range from the infant Winston's baby rattle and his less-than-glowing report cards ("I'm proved to be a bit of a boob," "his outburstness") to the pajamas he wore while working in bed during wartime.

The museum's centerpiece is a collection of 1,500 documents and hundreds of photos, arranged on a large light table that allows visitors to scroll through Churchill's life almost day by day.

Reed said Churchill would have approved.

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# But is it art? 'The Gates' opens in New York

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — "The Gates" are open — all 7,500 of 'em.

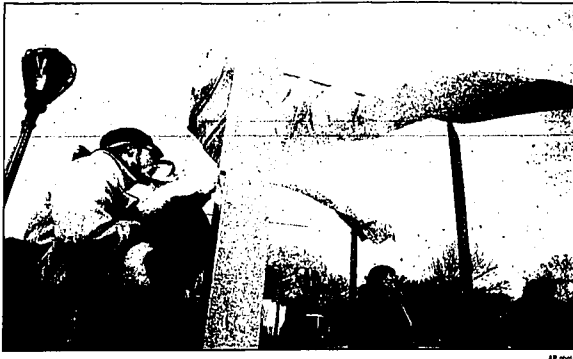
The biggest art project in New York City's history debuted Saturday in Central Park with the unrolling of saffron-colored fabric banners suspended in 16-foot-high frames, providing a splash of sunrise 26 years in the making.

"It came for this. It's poetry in motion. It's for the moment — a kind of Zen," said Barbara Knorr, who came from Switzerland just to see the exhibit created by Christo and Jeanne-Claude.

"The Gates" is the pair's first major project in New York City. It features 7,500 frames with their hanging orange-tinted fabric, creating what the artists billed as "a visual golden river" along 23 miles of footpaths in the park.

Knorr took in the sight from the roof of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, which offered a panoramic view of lines of the wind-blown banners snaking through the trees in the park below.

Everyone, it seemed, had an



Tomas Englert, left, and Toby Tyler, both of Cincinnati, Ohio, kiss beside a section of Christo and Jeanne-Claude's 'The Gates, Central Park, New York City, 1979-2005' in New York's Central Park Saturday.

N.L., as she sketched the scene in a notebook on the museum roof.

"It's art," pronounced 8-year-old Mikaela Simon, of Shiloh.

"created a temple in the park; it became like a holy place to walk."

The 16-day exhibit was expected to lure tens of thousands of art lovers and the merely curious to Manhattan.

It opened with cheers as Mayor Michael Bloomberg raised a hooked baton to pull a tall and release the first swath of fabric from a sleeve at the top of a gate. A class of fourth-graders counted down the seconds.

By noon, more than 1 million square feet of fabric had been freed to flap in the stiff breeze.

The work's official title — "The Gates, Central Park, New York, 1979-2005" — refers to the artists' conception of the project 26 years ago. They are paying for the project themselves and estimate the cost could total as much \$21 million.

"I can't promise, particularly since this is New York, that every one will love 'The Gates,' but I guarantee that they will all talk about it," Bloomberg said Friday.

And that's really what innovative, provocative art is supposed to do.

Christo and Jeanne-Claude were reticent to discuss their creation.

"It's very difficult," explained Christo. "You ask us to talk. This project is not involving talk. It's a real, physical space. It's not necessary to talk. You spend time, you experience the project."

Their previous projects included "Wrapped Reichstag," which wrapped the German Parliament building in Berlin in silvery fabric in 1995, and for "The Umbrellas" of 1991, with 3,100 large umbrellas opened in valleys of California and Japan.

Whether "The Gates" is deemed art or not, the work, accomplished, no small feat, nudged thousands of New Yorkers out of bed on a freezing Saturday morning.

All Naqui had to be dragged to the unveiling by his fiancée, but then was smiling by the time he joined the crowd. "It's a bit insane, but that's why everybody is here," he said.

One New York fourth-grader had her own art critique. "It's a waste of money, but it's fabulous," said Shikena Hyson. "It brings happiness when you look at it."

## SENIOR CALENDAR

**Twin Falls Senior Center**  
530 Shoshone St. W.  
Dinner served from noon to 12:40 p.m. Suggested donation is \$3.50 for seniors. The cost is \$5 for non to seniors under 60 and \$2.50 for children under 12. Pool room open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lounge room available for television, puzzles and reading. Bargain Center will be open Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Roast turkey, potato salad, bread, pie  
Tuesday: Cook's choice  
Wednesday: Beef and noodles, vegetables, mixed salad, bread, shortcake  
Thursday: Lasagna, French bread, Italian vegetables, green salad, carrot cake  
Friday: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, sliced carrots, broccoli salad, bread, cobbler

**Activities:**  
Monday: M.V. Bridge Club  
Monday: Quilting Exercise  
Valentine Royal Court  
Music Center  
Tuesday: Blood pressure  
Tax Aide  
Wednesday: Elks Card Club  
Quilting Exercise  
Board meeting  
Gem State Fiddlers  
Thursday: Center pinocle  
Tax Aide  
Costco Hearing Clinic  
Friday: Blood pressure  
Quilting  
Lunch bingo  
Exercise

**West End Senior Citizens Inc.**  
1010 Main St., Buhl  
**Menu:**  
Today: Fried chicken dinner  
Monday: Macaroni and cheese, hot dogs, pickled beets, salad, fruit, cookies  
Tuesday: Lemon pepper cod, au gratin potatoes, coleslaw, cornbread, cookies  
Wednesday: Soup and sandwich  
Thursday: Lasagna, green salad, fruit, Jell-O, French bread, dessert

**Activities:**  
Today: Buffet, 1 p.m. Seniors \$4, under age 60, \$4.50.  
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Cards, 6 to 9 p.m.  
Tuesday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Crafts, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 to 9 p.m.  
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Farmer's Market, 5 to 7 p.m.  
Jackpot trip, leave center at 4:30 p.m., leave jackpot at 10 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilting, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Birthday dinner, 1 to 3 p.m.  
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Saturday: Community breakfast, 8 to 10 a.m.

**Flier Senior Haven**  
222 Main St.  
Dinners served at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors. Home-to-delivered meals are available each mealtime.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Roast beef, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, jellied vegetable salad, roll, cookies  
Thursday: Pork chops, cream

gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrot sticks, roll, apple sauce

**Jerome Senior Center**  
212 First Ave. E.  
All dinners served at noon. Suggested donation is \$3.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Ham, au gratin potatoes, carrots and peas, pickled beets, fruit, Valentine cookies  
Tuesday: Sweet and sour chicken over rice, Oriental vegetables, Jell-O with fruit, carrot cake  
Wednesday: Oven baked chicken, potatoes and gravy, peas, juice, blueberry cobbler  
Thursday: Pepper steak over potatoes, green beans, fruit, medley, custard  
Friday: Lasagna, mixed vegetables, green salad, fruit cocktail cake, garlic bread

**Activities:**  
Monday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.  
Tuesday: Gem State Fiddlers, noon  
Snack bar, 6 p.m.  
Early bird, 6:45 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: Aerobics, 11 a.m.  
Pinocle, 10 p.m.  
Friday: Office on Aging talks about prescription drugs  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.

**Ageless Senior Citizens, Inc.**  
310 Main St. N., Kimberly  
Milk, coffee and tea served.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Weiners and sauerkraut, potatoes, peaches, cookie, carrot and pineapple salad  
Wednesday: Barbecue chicken wings, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, pudding  
Friday: Roast beef, potatoes and gravy, green beans, confetti cabbage, cake and ice cream

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.

**Gooding County Senior Citizens**  
308 Senior Ave.  
All dinners are at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for seniors.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Lemon pepper cod, au gratin potatoes, stewed tomatoes, and raisin salad, bread, fruit  
Tuesday: Burritos, Jell-O, dessert  
Wednesday: Ham and beans, salad, corn bread, apricots  
Thursday: Roast beef, peas, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, penny carrot salad, roll, pumpkin squares

**Activities:**  
Monday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pinocle, 12:30 p.m.  
Potluck at Glenns Ferry, 6 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Pool, 1 p.m.  
Bridge, 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
Messages, 10 a.m.  
Shuffleboard, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: Quilt social, 9 a.m.  
Pool, 9:30 a.m.  
SHIBA, 11 a.m.  
Blood pressure, 11 a.m.  
Fiddlers, 12:30 p.m.  
TOPS, 4 p.m.  
Pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: Bridge, 1 p.m.  
Hand and foot, 1 p.m.  
Bowling, 1:30 p.m.  
Bingo, 6 p.m.

**Saturday:** Potluck dinner with music

**Hagerman Senior Center**  
140 E. Lake  
Open 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Lunch is served at noon and Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Suggested donation is \$3, non to seniors \$4 and children under 12, \$2.

**Silver and Gold Senior Center**  
Eden  
Suggested donations for seniors is \$3. All meals include salad, dessert, fruit, milk and coffee. Tuesdays are cookie and bread bake days and Wednesdays are cinnamon roll and maple bar bake days.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Salmon loaf, boiled potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit, cookie  
Thursday: Pizza, spinach salad, pineapple, no bake cookie

**Golden Years Senior Citizen, Inc.**  
218 N. Rail St. W., Shoshone  
Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Vegetable beef stew, cheese slices, green salad, dinner rolls, cinnamon rolls  
Wednesday: Chicken noodle soup, egg salad sandwich, carrot sticks, plum cobbler  
Friday: Baked potato bar, dinner rolls, pineapple upside-down cake

**Activities:**  
Monday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Quilting, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Tuesday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Wednesday: Snack bar, 6 p.m.  
Early to bird bingo, 6:30 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Thursday: Exercise, 9 a.m.  
Coffee, 9:30 a.m.  
Friday: Pinocle, 1 p.m.

**Richfield Senior Center**  
Orange juice, milk and coffee served daily.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Sausage gravy, biscuits, peas and carrots, mashed potatoes, chocolate cake  
Thursday: Ham and cheese sandwich, split pea soup, banana cream pie

**Blaine County Senior Center**  
721 Third Ave. S., Halley

**Menu:**  
Monday: Meatloaf with gravy, mashed potatoes, mixed green vegetables, biscuits, ambrosia salad, coconut pudding parfait  
Wednesday: Pasta beef tomato, casserole, glazed carrots, Mandarin green salad, biscuits, applesauce cake  
Friday: Turkey with gravy or fish, mashed potatoes, green peas, rolls, cranberry/orange Jell-O salad, cheesy pie with ice cream

**Activities:**  
Monday: Dinner and a movie in Halley, 4:45 p.m.  
Tuesday: Exercise, 1:30 p.m.  
Wednesday: Taxes, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
Party group, 12:45 p.m.  
Thursday: Exercise in Sun Valley, 1:30 p.m.  
Friday: Birthday party  
Saturday: Herrett Center, 11 a.m.

**Three Island Senior Center**  
492 E. Cleveland Ave., Glenns Ferry

Meals served at noon Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, beverages with meals. Bides are available by phoning the center at 366 to 2051. Suggested donation is \$3 for seniors, \$5 for non to seniors under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Barbecue meatballs with rice, beets, tossed salad, bread  
Tuesday: Baked ham with pineapple sauce, sweet potatoes, broccoli, bread  
Thursday: Roast pork with rice, pluff, mushroom gravy, mixed vegetables, citrus salad, bread

**Activities:**  
Monday: Tax aide, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Friday: TOPS, 9 a.m.  
Coffee night, party, 6 p.m.  
Saturday: Tax aide, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Camas County Senior Center**  
127 E. Willow, Fairfield

Noon meals are served Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The center is open from 9 to 2 on meal days. The cost of the meal for non to seniors is \$3.50; children under 10 are \$2.00. The suggested donation for those 60 years of age and older is \$2.50.

**Menu:**  
Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup, sandwiches, salad, fruit dessert  
Wednesday: Hungarian Goulash, salad, fruit dessert  
Friday: Meatloaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, salad, fruit, dessert

**Activities:**  
Monday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Tuesday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles  
Bridge class  
Wednesday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles  
Thursday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Art class, 9 a.m.  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Friday: Exercise, 7:30 a.m.  
Pool  
Quilting, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
Jigsaw puzzles

**Mindoka County Senior Citizens Center**  
702 11th St., Rupert

Meals are served in noon and home delivered upon request. Juice and assorted beverages are served every day with meals. Gift shop hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Menu:**  
Monday: Salads, meatloaf, mashed potatoes, peas, gravy, biscuits, pudding  
Tuesday: Cottage cheese, sausage, biscuits, country gravy, vegetables, sherbet  
Wednesday: Tossed salad,

spaghetti, garlic bread, peas, ice cream  
Thursday: Cottage cheese, tossed salad, beans, Spanish rice, brownies  
Friday: Smorgasbord

**Activities:**  
Tuesday: Jackpot trip, \$11 per person. Bus leaves Rupert at 10 a.m.  
Monday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Wednesday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Thursday: SHIBA, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Call George, 436 or 9107.  
Friday: Exercise, 10 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 to 4 p.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.

**Golden Heritage Senior Center**  
2421 Overland Ave., Burley

**Menu:**  
Monday: Parmesan chicken, baked potatoes, vegetables, salad, strawberry cheesecake  
Tuesday: Baked pepperoni and cheese sandwich, potato salad, nice deep-frye salad, power bar treats  
Wednesday: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, salad, coconut cream pie  
Thursday: Meatballs and pasta, applesauce, Jell-O corn bread, roll, lazy days cake  
Friday: Fish basket, fries, vegetables, roll, berry cheese cake

**Activities:**  
Monday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Board meeting, 1 p.m.  
Tax help by appointment.  
Tuesday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Dominoes, 10 a.m.  
Computer class, 1 p.m.  
Woodcarving class, 8 a.m.  
Bingo, 7 p.m.  
Wednesday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Thursday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Organ lessons  
Night pinocle, 7 p.m.  
Friday: All play pool, 10 a.m.  
Exercise, 11:15 a.m.  
Pinocle, 1 p.m.  
Bingo, 1 p.m.

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**TWIN FALLS** — Applications are being taken for a grant through May 15 for the College of Southern Idaho's surgical technology program that starts next fall.

The 11-month program teaches students how to work with surgical anesthetologists and registered nurses in hospitals, physicians' offices and surgical centers. Technologists help prepare patients for surgery and assist the surgeon with using instruments and equipment during surgical procedures.

Program director Janet Milligan said successful students are finding an active local and national market with attractive pay scales. The program typically has a 100 percent placement rate with many CSI students recruited for employment while they're still in school.

The CSI program was recognized recently as the state's Outstanding Professional Technical Program by the Idaho Department of Professional Technical Education.

Students should have good communication and organization skills and be able to work under stress. Milligan said there is no waiting list of applicants, which is unusual when compared with previous years.

Applicants who have applied before must re-apply. Packets of information will be sent to prospective students to help them determine their suitability for the program.

Contact Milligan at 732-6706 or jmilligan@csi.edu.

**CSI will offer teamwork workshop**

**TWIN FALLS** — Different personalities, values and communication styles can provide tension and barriers to meeting a team's common goal, but an upcoming class aims to help.

The Center for New Directions at the College of Southern Idaho is offering "WorkSmart: Teamworking Skills" to help workers become more productive by developing team-related skills. Participants will develop skills to promote strengths from other team members, class organizers said.

The one-credit training program costs \$90, plus \$2.50 for materials. Financial assistance and scholarships are available through the Center for New Directions.

"WorkSmart: Teamworking Skills" is scheduled for 4-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays during Feb. 22 through March 3 at the center. Students must register by Friday.

For information, call 732-6680 or 1-800-690-0274, ext. 6680.

**Urban Renewal cancels meeting**

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency will not meet Monday as regularly scheduled. City Hall announced Friday.

The agency's next meeting is scheduled for noon March 14 in the City Hall conference room, 321 Second Ave. E. The meetings are open to the public.

**Women's Realtors hold meeting**

**TWIN FALLS** — The Women's Council of Realtors' monthly general membership meeting will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Azalun Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard North (formerly Elmers).

Tarrod Ball of Twin Falls Title Escrow will speak on "Knowing Your Boundaries."

**ONE Leads Group meets Feb. 22**

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls ONE Leads Group will meet from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Feb. 22 at the Longing Ding restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

To sign up to attend, call Terri Warren of 342-7777. For information contact the group, visit [www.oneleads.com](http://www.oneleads.com) online.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

## Dealership embarks on renovation

By Megan Hinds  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — One local car dealership's Blue Lakes Boulevard location will have a new appearance by mid-April.

Middlekauff Automotive Group has embarked on a remodeling project that will expand the company's Blue Lakes Ford dealership and move the group's downtown Florida and Lincoln-Mercury dealerships to the Blue Lakes location, owner Gregg Middlekauff said last week.

The project is worth about \$2.3 million and, when completed, will make the dealership one of the largest auto retailers between Salt Lake City and Boise at more than 30,000 square feet of retail space on 12 acres, Middlekauff said.

"It's the continuation of a dream that (my wife) Sallee and I started four years ago after moving to Twin Falls from Salt Lake," Middlekauff said. "We had always planned to bring all the nameplates to one huge location on Blue Lakes."

The project will be completed in two phases, Middlekauff said. First, the Blue Lakes Ford dealership at 1243 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. will undergo an extensive remodeling that will revamp the store's facade, expand and renovate the showroom and inside sales floor and add more landscaping around the sales lot. The dealership's service bay also will be enclosed to protect customers from the elements, Middlekauff said.



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Eric Hall, left, and Ray Haskins (only partially shown), of Daren Hall Construction, install footing forms while working on renovations at Middlekauff Automotive Group's Blue-Lakes Ford dealership in Twin Falls. The \$2.3 million project will expand the Ford dealership and consolidate Middlekauff's downtown Honda and Lincoln-Mercury dealerships at the Blue Lakes location.

## Computers & privacy

IN THE WORKPLACE

### Employers monitor computer usage

By Sandra Wisecaver  
Times-News correspondent

**TWIN FALLS** — The use of computers and networks in the workplace is second nature in most Magic Valley offices. But monitoring what goes on (and into) those computers is no easy task for employers.

Several Magic Valley businesses as well as schools have implemented ways of keeping an eye on how employees and students use computers.

Many businesses say implementing a company policy outlining the appropriate uses of computers and networks is one of the best tools against computer abuse. But those methods vary, and employers often have to weigh the privacy of their workers against the safety of company computers.

**TECHNOLOGY AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**About this story**

This article first appeared in the February edition of Southern Idaho Business, a business-to-business publication of The Times-News. We are reprinting it here to ensure all Times-News readers have a chance to benefit.

Southern Idaho Business is distributed monthly to business owners and managers throughout the Magic Valley.

"We have a clear company policy," said Larry Cape, president of Clear Springs Foods in Buhl. "Computers are to be used for business only."

"To a large degree, Clear Springs' policy trusts employees to use the honor system. The company does not aggressively police employee e-mails or Web histories searching for illegal or illicit downloads, including software downloads without proper licensing. But if disciplinary abuse can result in disciplinary action against the employee."

"I've never had one to believe you always need to be looking over someone's shoulder — if everyone understands the rules of the game and you have confidence in people," Cape said.

"With more than 400 employees, you do have some stray off course a bit and you have to deal with that at the time," Cape added. "But our people understand their responsibilities and there have been precious few times that anything had to be said."

Cape said company-wide Internet access is vital in order for Clear Springs to market its product to a global market.

"You have to work in that kind of market to be successful," Cape said. "I think it goes down to the basic culture of the business. The confidence the people put in the company and the confidence the company puts in the people. It's all about trust."

Sometimes a company implements a computer policy only after abuse occurs. Magic Valley Bank im-



Illustration by CHRISTIAN DRAPEL/The Times-News

## Is your boss watching you?

plemented a policy for computer usage two years ago as the result of a problem with an employee.

"The problem we had was an employee with some inappropriate contacts with other employees," said Maggie Valley Bank President Phil Bratton.

So now all employees must sign off on the computer policy when hired,

which includes random checks of employee e-mails for anything illicit or illegal.

Bratton said the bank's employees appreciate policy regulating computer usage and don't find it invasive.

"I think most people expect that anymore, and our employees have been nothing but complimentary," he said.

School districts and educational institutions must keep a close eye on how computers are used. While the Internet can offer a wealth of information, it also harbors content inappropriate for students as well as nasty computer viruses and worms that can infect computers system-wide.

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# BUSINESS

## Jon Tomlinson

KETCHUM — Idaho Independent Bank appointed Jon Tomlinson vice president and commercial loan officer at its Ketchum branch. His responsibilities include providing products and services to commercial businesses and tailored loan and real estate products and services to individuals.

Tomlinson has more than 10 years of financial experience. Before joining Idaho Independent Bank, he was an owner and consultant of a financial consulting company before that he was an assistant vice president and relationship manager of another local financial institution where he specialized in private and executive banking for seven years.

Tomlinson has a bachelor's degree from Oklahoma State University.

## Celeste Armstrong

HANSEN — Celeste Armstrong is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, a national organization with headquarters in St. Joseph, Mo. Junior members are eligible to register cattle in the association, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in association-sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

The American Angus Association is the largest beef registry association in the world, with more than 34,000 active adult and junior members.

## Gordon Edwards

METIDIAN — The Idaho Weed Control Association announced its 2004 Hall of Fame recipients, which include Gordon Edwards of Burley.

Edwards had been awarded an \$85,000 grant from the Bureau of Land Management "Community At Risk" program, which is part of the fire management program. Working from Aug. 11 to Oct. 31, 2003, Edwards organized a special crew consisting of 10 terrain crew units with spray rigs and pack outfits with spraying equipment. The task resulted in mopping and treating weeds on more than 104,000 acres.

The Idaho Weed Control Association represents private industry and governmental agencies involved in managing vegetation in Idaho.

## Terry Downs

TWIN FALLS — Modern Woodmen of America representative Terry R. Downs completed a five-day educational program at Modern Woodmen's home office in Rock Island, Ill. The program focused on helping families with Modern Woodmen life insurance plans, annuities and fraternal member benefits.

## Jaime Cox

TWIN FALLS — Professional Truck Driving School announced the graduation of Jaime Cox from its one-week refresher course.

Cox passed three written tests and a driving test for a Class A commercial driver's license. He works for Doug McCoy Construction.

## Lighting salesmen

TWIN FALLS — Ryan Moore and Troy Ward of Lighting Concepts Corp. and Integrated Systems attended the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

Moore and Ward attended the Tech Home Basic Training class sponsored by the Tech Home Division of the Con-



Troy Ward

sum. Electronics Association training in the field of instruction on structured wiring, integration of audio-visual data and lighting control systems — all components that automate the home.

Tech Home is the trade association for professional integrators.

Moore and Ward recently opened their lighting showroom, Lighting Concepts Corp. and Integrated Systems, at 356 Fourth Ave. W. They can be reached at 733-2021.

## Del Benkula

TWIN FALLS — The 2004 Frito-Lay All-District Performance Leader Award was presented to Del Benkula for achieving the highest district ranking and providing outstanding sales and service.

Benkula has been a member of the Frito-Lay team in Twin Falls for four years. His route covers Wendell, Gooding, Bliss, Hagerman and Shoshone. He and his wife and two sons live in Jerome.

## Nicki Leatham

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association members elected a 2004 board of directors at their annual meeting, held during the Idaho Horticulture Expo in January.

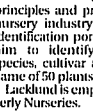
Officers installed include Nicki Leatham of Pipeco in Twin Falls, as a southeast Idaho director.

## John Lacklund

TWIN FALLS — John Lacklund of Buhl became a Certified Nursery Professional during the 2005 Idaho Horticulture Expo in Boise. The certification was awarded by the Idaho Nursery & Landscape Association.

Lacklund completed a two-part exam consisting of a written portion of 200 questions based on the principles and practices of the nursery industry and a plant identification portion requiring him to identify the genus, species, cultivar and common name of 50 plants.

Lacklund is employed at Kimberly Nurseries.



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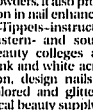
## Laura Tippetts

BUIH — Laura (Coats) Tippetts completed training in Kansas City, Mo., last summer and is now one of two Ez-Flow Nail Systems educators in Idaho.

Ez-Flow Nail Systems is a fingernail brander manufacturer with acrylic-colored glitter acrylic powder. It also provides education in nail enhancements.

Tippetts instructs at several eastern- and southern-Idaho beauty colleges and teaches pink and white acrylic applications, design and use of colored and glitter acrylic for local beauty supply distributors to nail tech professionals.

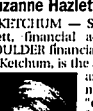
Tippetts worked at Native Skin Nails in Twin Falls, and recently moved to Hair Academy, 116 Broadway Ave. S. in Buhl. She has 12 years of experience in artificial nail enhancements and natural nail manicures. She specializes in pedicures and can be reached at 543-4349.



Laura Tippetts

## Suzanne Hazlett

KETCHUM — Suzanne Hazlett, financial adviser with BOULDER financial alliance in Ketchum, is the author of an article on financial "checkups" for aging parents in the February issue of The Rotarian, the publication for the 12 million members of Rotary International.



Suzanne Hazlett

The article, one of The Rotarian's "Money Matters" features, discusses how to approach parents to find out whether they have adequate retirement income. Hazlett recommends a three-part checkup, focusing on what your parents own, what they owe and their typical operating expenses.

"A financial checkup ... is a worthwhile exercise at any age," she wrote. "And if you're willing to share your experiences with your parents, they will be more likely to share theirs."

A financial adviser, Hazlett is an independent financial services firm, Hazlett, a former vice president at Merrill Lynch in Seattle, has a bachelor's degree from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, a master's degree in business administration from the Albers School of Business and Economics at Seattle University, and professional credentials in financial planning and asset management.

Hazlett can be reached at 726-0605, or visit [www.boulderalliance.com](http://www.boulderalliance.com) online.

On behalf of its fashion consultants, the company will donate up to 50 percent of a sales consultant's net profit during February to a private fund set up by the management of the Sri Lanka factory to build homes. The company also will donate money for every new sales consultant recruited by an existing consultant. John Miano, chief executive for big enough clothing, estimates that the company will donate roughly 10 percent of its gross sales for the month of February.

Abbott can be reached at [reynolds@homeinter.net](mailto:reynolds@homeinter.net). For information, visit [www.big-enough.com](http://www.big-enough.com).

## Denise Metcalf

TWIN FALLS — Denise Metcalf recently passed the Human Resource Certification Institute's Professional in Human Resources (PHR) exam. The credential also has experience requirements.

Metcalf has been with Premier Insurance since 1985, currently as vice president of human resource corporations.

PHR is affiliated with the Society for Human Resource Management, which calls itself the world's largest organization dedicated exclusively to the human resource profession.

## Willis Kinder

GOODING — Willis Kinder joined the staff at Trinity Transport Inc. as a team assistant. His areas of responsibility will include data entry, scheduling and courier relations.

Kinder attended the College of Southern Idaho after graduating from high school in Midvale. He lives in Gooding with his wife, Cindy, and two children. He works on the small farm and tends a herd of cattle.

Kinder can be reached at 934-9333, ext. 411.

## Dr. Larry Forthun

BURLEY — Farmer Minnie Cassin resident Dr. Larry Forthun, assistant professor in human development and family studies at Penn State University, received the award for the Commonwealth College Distinguished Faculty Service/Outreach.

The award recognizes Forthun for contributing to service or outreach, and for making teaching, research and service primary responsibilities.

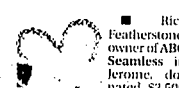
Forthun also assists the Elk County Family Resource Network. The committee will collect and analyze local data to determine the impact on adolescent problem behaviors and identify prevention strategies to address risk factors. The committee will examine current research-based prevention programming and methods used to evaluate program effectiveness. Members will also develop new surveys and compile data.

Forthun has experience in research that includes adolescent identity development, adolescent and young adult risk taking and the evaluation of prevention programs.

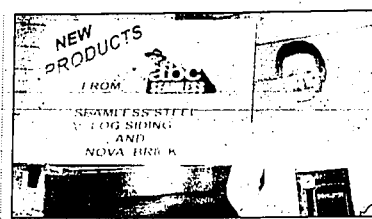
Forthun is the son of Lloyd and Beverly Forthun of Burley.



Dr. Larry Forthun



Materials and installation labor to side the newly constructed Bolly Barn, next to the 4-H food booth at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. The addition to the facility enables more economical operation of the food booth, the proceeds from which are used to purchase ribbons and awards for youth who participate in 4-H projects.



Rick Featherstone, owner of ABC Seamless in Jerome, was honored as a 2004 Friend of 4-H.

Operation Lifeline, a fund-raising project sponsored by big enough clothing for victims of the tsunami in southeast Asia, started this month across the country.

big enough clothing is a direct seller of children's clothing made in a factory near Galle, Sri Lanka, by workers who have lost family members, friends, possessions and homes in the tsunami.

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Salt Lake City-based Zions Bank's employees and others donated more than \$10,000 toward relief for victims of the Dec. 26 tsunami disaster in Asia. The American Red Cross Salt Lake Chapter accepted the donation.

The American Red Cross has been a key organization in assisting victims of world disasters.

Ten nonprofit organizations across Idaho received \$500 grants from the Allstate Foundation in 2004. The recipients included two in Magic Valley: Pappose Club in Ketchum and Renaissance Arts

Center Inc. in Rupert. The grants are part of the foundation's "Agency Hands in the Community" program, designed to recognize local volunteerism efforts made by Allstate agency owners and financial professionals while providing support for nonprofit organizations.

The "Agency Hands" grant program is part of a \$24,000 charitable giving budget for the Allstate Foundation in Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii. Nearly \$300,000 in Allstate Foundation funding was provided to nonprofit organizations in Idaho in 2004, including \$10,000 to Neighborhood Housing Services and \$12,000 to Junior Achievement of Idaho.

Karen Parrish, owner of Sun Valley Quilt and Fabric Co. of 49 East Bullion in Haley, is donating 40 percent of the store's Valentine's Day sales to Expedition Inspiration Fund for Breast Cancer Research.

All pink and red notions, fabrics and threads will be 40 percent off the retail price on Monday. Expedition Inspiration will receive the 40 percent.

Also helping with the fundraiser, Parrish's 10-year-old daughter, Kathleen, and her friend, Mercedes Alvarez, are making Breezy Crispy treats, muffins and cookies for the store to sell throughout the day. The children will be at the shop personally selling their goods from 3:30 to 5 p.m. on Valentine's Day.

Expedition Inspiration Fund for Breast Cancer Research is based in Ketchum and is beginning its 10th year in the fight against breast cancer. For information on the Sun Valley Quilt and Fabric Co. sale, call 748-1331. For information about Expedition Inspiration and volunteer opportunities, call 726-6156.



District Manager Doug Nelson, left, and agent Scott Sweet, right, of Farmers Insurance Group present two checks to Jerome-area baseball programs. The Jerome High School baseball program received \$4,000, and North Side Baseball received \$500. The money will be used for facility-improvement projects. Pictured at center is Tom Bowerski, Jerome High baseball coach.

## Center Inc. in Rupert

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Pictured — starting in the back row and going left to right — are Dean Hawkins; Rainey Holmes; Carolyn Green; Wayne Kincheho; Joe Trejo; Pearl Cole; Jeff Crumline, executive director of Magic Valley Rehabilitation Services Inc.; Mike Hamilton, president of Farmers National Bank; John Gibson, the bank's vice president and manager of a Twin Falls Shoshone Street location; and Mercedes Sheen.

Farmers National Bank has been a consistent donor to MVBS since 1994. MVBS is a private nonprofit organization that has provided training, employment, personal development and psychosocial rehabilitation programs since 1973 for people with disabilities in south-central Idaho.

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# BUSINESS

# MONEY

## Sugar prices continue to fall

### Beet growers' hope for change in sugar program management

TWIN FALLS, Idaho — A recent federal report that sugar in imported products grew 11.6 percent in the last year and displaced sales of sugar from U.S. growers is unlikely to spur the federal government to reconsider its allowable sugar sales for the year, sugar industry officials said.

"With the indications I get now, I don't think it's going to change much," said Perry Meuleman, president of the Idaho Sugar Beet Growers Association in Boise.

The government set the amount that domestic producers can sell this year at 8.1 million tons. That is 100,000 tons more than the 7.7 million tons that sugar producers requested, said Jack Roney, director of economics and policy analysis for the American Sugar Alliance in Arlington, Va.

Roney said the higher-than-requested sales figure has hurt prices. Wholesale refined sugar prices in 2004 averaged 11 percent lower than in 2003, and 20 percent less than in 1996, he said.

### Bean growers hold out for even better prices

MAGIC VALLEY, Idaho — Some producers of dry edible beans in the Magic Valley are holding onto their open-market price beans in hopes of doing a little better than the current local price of \$30 per hundredweight.

Doug Carlquist, who farm beans near Eden-Hazelton said



**Farmbeat**  
Highlights of this week's As Weekly, The Times-News' weekly report on agriculture.

It should only take a little hike in demand to boost good prices even further.

"It would seem logical that prices would move up toward spring, early summer and the supplies dry up, but logic doesn't always apply in farm crops," he said.

Prices are already much better this year, especially for pinto beans, because of reduced supplies caused by a mid-August frost in North Dakota, which is costly the nation's largest bean-growing state.

The price for Magic Valley growers is about \$30 cwt. for pinto beans, and \$23 cwt. for pinks and small red beans, said Keith Shark at Hagen Inc. bean dealership in Buhl.

### Spud group applies for losses from imports

BLACKFOOT, Idaho — Idaho potato growers could be eligible for a \$10,000 trade adjustment assistance payment through the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Potato Growers of Idaho and other industry representatives are working to get the assistance for growers, said Keith Frank, public information officer for PGI. The organization has applied to USDA for the assistance for Idaho, which is designed to help mitigate ill affects of farm commodities coming in from other countries.

"It would give \$10,000 to each

grower that qualifies," he said. For Idaho to qualify, the industry has shown that foreign imports have been a factor in affecting the price by at least 20 percent.

"We did some studies and concluded that french fry imports from Canada have affected the fresh market by at least 20 percent," Frank said.

### Overall wheat stocks down, white wheat up

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho — Higher than expected exports pushed the projected year-end wheat stocks down, but of all the wheat classes, soft white wheat stocks are expected to be up.

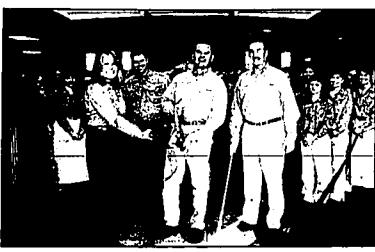
Less domestic use rather than reduced exports seems to account for the anticipated 31 percent increase in soft white wheat stocks from a year ago. Exports are expected to fill 1.1 bushels last year and are expected to be 195 million bu. this year. But domestic use has fallen from 122 million bu. a year ago to an anticipated 97 million bu. this year.

Better production could also explain the increase in stocks to 22 million bu., said Paul Patterson, a grain economist with the University of Idaho in Idaho Falls.

Otherwise, the expected 25 million-bushel drop in overall anticipated stocks from a month ago was a wrinkle of the market, corresponding to an increase in exports of 25 million bu. was credited for the decrease in stocks. The hard red wheats, which are used for making breads, showed the largest gain in the February world supply and demand report, issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Feb. 9.



The Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes new member Dr. Randal Wraastad with a ribbon cutting Jan. 25. Wraastad is a certified foot and ankle specialist and operates Twin Falls Orthopedics with his staff at 562 Shoup Ave. W. He can be reached at 734-3455. Pictured from left in back are Byron McCurdy, administrator; Marilyn Wilson, billing supervisor; Ann Lancaster, administrative assistant; Tam Charlton, office manager; Jackie Webb, records clerk; Violet Ruiz, administrative assistant; and Cindy Packard, financial coordinator. In the front are Terri Health, Wraastad and his wife, Stacey.



Premier Insurance and Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors hold a ribbon cutting Jan. 25 for Premier's grand opening at its new location, 157 River Vista Place. Pictured from left are Debbie Hetherington, Pete McDonald, Craig Casperson and Jeff Scott. Premier can be reached at 734-1711.



Cooper Norman, at 155 Second Ave. N., celebrates 50 years in business with a ribbon cutting sponsored by the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. Pictured from left are Amanda Capps, Sharon Scroggs, Bonnie Harpster, Lance Whitney, Matt Holzquist, Ron Bolliston, Jill Hudson, Robert Norman, Mark Brady and Jennifer Konvalin. Cooper Norman assists with person and business accounting needs. Cooper Norman can be reached at 733-6581.



Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce ambassadors hold a ribbon cutting to celebrate the opening of Prudential Idaho Home & Properties' new location at 1411 Falls Ave. E., Suite 215. Shown cutting the ribbon are Kent and Cindy Collins. They can be reached at 733-5335.

## Dealer

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The auto group's Lincoln-Mercury dealership, now at 701 Main Ave. E., will relocate to the Blue Lakes dealership as part of the first phase, Middlekauff said. The first phase is slated for completion in mid-April.

"The second phase will mean the construction of a new Honda dealership on Blue Lakes, which will take the place of the existing Mitsubishi dealership. There's no timeline set just yet for the second phase," Middlekauff said, as the company is still negotiating with Honda to determine the property's design.

Middlekauff's two acres of downtown property won't be abandoned by the moves, Middlekauff said. Rather, the Mitsubishi dealership at the Blue Lakes location will move downtown. The Honda dealership's existing service area will remain downtown as well and will be used to service Honda's "certified pre-owned" vehicles before sale.

"The downtown store has a heritage," Middlekauff said. "We have to leave that behind."

As the second phase progresses, the auto group will consider adding another dealership —

### About Middlekauff Automotive Group

- Based in Twin Falls.
- Sells new and used cars under the Ford, Lincoln, Mercury, Honda and Mitsubishi brands and a variety of other brands in used inventory.
- Has about 140 employees with a payroll of about \$4 million.
- Recorded sales of \$50 million in 2004.
- Has a current auto inventory of \$10.8 million.

perhaps a high-end or low-end manufacturer, Middlekauff said. "We have been approached by one and are pursuing others," he said.

The whole point of the re-modeling and consolidation, Middlekauff said, is to enter to customers by bringing in more of what they want — "hot product." Middlekauff is projecting the value of the auto group's total inventory will increase from its current \$10.8 million — about 460 vehicles — to about \$15 million, mainly in more Hondas, Ford trucks and certified pre-owned cars.

"All three are hard to get, and we are at the mercy of the manufacturers," Middlekauff said. "More inventory is not the goal; it is more of the hard-to-get and easy-to-sell inventory that we are after and are rewarded in by improving our facilities."

Since the Middlekauffs took over the dealerships from their former owners in 2000, the company has been working on building up its "soft assets," meaning its employees, Middlekauff said. The renovation should allow the auto group to add about 15 more employees.

"Our first goal in Idaho was to build our business first on people and relationships, and that has taken the first four years," Middlekauff said. "As we found

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## Computer

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Twin Falls School District students and employees must agree to the district's policy for computer access. Since the district owns all computer equipment and the school network, nothing on it is private, said district spokeswoman Linda Baird. Depending upon the offense, the district can revoke students' computer access, and employees can face disciplinary action, including termination.

"It's a part of doing business in an information age," Baird said. "Most employees understand that."

Students logging on to computers at the College of Southern Idaho must also adhere to the college's computer usage policy, said Ken Campbell, dean of information technology services.

"We are an open educational campus and try not to put on too many restrictions, but we certainly have the capability to do so," Campbell said.

The costs of keeping an eye on invasive computer viruses and other destructive elements on the Internet isn't exorbitant, but it does take some time and effort to safeguard the computers on CSI's network, Campbell said.

"It's more the labor of keeping up with it," he said. "There are new threats out there every day."

The college's goal is to find a balance between protection of resources while enabling and facilitating people doing their jobs and students doing their studies. CSI has about 1,400

computers throughout its system all tied to the same network, on the CSI campus and also at the college's outreach centers. The network is monitored at one central location and also at each desktop.

"If someone brings something on their own media and plugs it into the computer, we try to catch it at that workstation," Campbell said. "We certainly try to keep the threat from coming in or originating on the inside and spreading through the Internet."

In a "paperless" office like Obenchain Insurance in downtown Twin Falls, keeping up with network security and keeping workers productive while being connected to the Internet nearly every minute is a time-consuming job, said manager Sandi Standley.

Obenchain's field representatives are able to access documents or coverage information in a matter of minutes from remote locations via laptop computer. This makes a strong computer system essential, Standley said, and all employees are required to sign the usage policy when hired.

"Nothing can be downloaded on company computers without permission, and 'questionable' sites are not to be accessed. Anything accessed, written or received are the property of Obenchain. And the company reserves the right to randomly check computer activity and history files."

The company's policy states that after one warning for computer abuse, an employee can be terminated for a second of-

fense. But that hasn't been an issue yet, Standley said.

"But we have not had that problem," she said. "This is how we make money — how our employees get their pay."

"Computer viruses, pop-up advertisements and spyware — programs that can snoop users' information — are among the top five biggest problems for Obenchain, Standley said.

"It changes so rapidly," she said. "You have to keep up on it. If I have someone complaining they have a lot of pop-ups, then I know they have been a little adventurous."

Many employees just don't realize the problems that can be created by downloading software online, Standley recalled someone downloading "a cute little butterfly or kitten for a cursor" on their company computer. The program launched a slew of pop-up ads and slowed down the machine's hard drive. And a slow running computer may be an indication that unsolicited attachments are running on it, Standley said.

Once per week, Standley runs a spyware/adware detection program on each company workstation, and each computer checks for viruses 24/7. A program on the company's server also filters out junk e-mail automatically. It's all about keeping on top of the problems before they arise, she said.

"There is no way you will ever get totally away from (computer problems)," Standley said. "They will always build a better mouse to get away from the better mousetrap."

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Sealed proposals with ten (10) copies must be received by 5pm on March 14, 2005. Responses shall be mailed to Jerome Recreation District at PO Box 269, Jerome, ID 83338 or delivered to Jerome Recreation District which is located at 2052 9th Street, Jerome, ID.

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For additional information, contact Tom Kuntz at 208-324-3389.

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Case No. CV 2005-229 CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS

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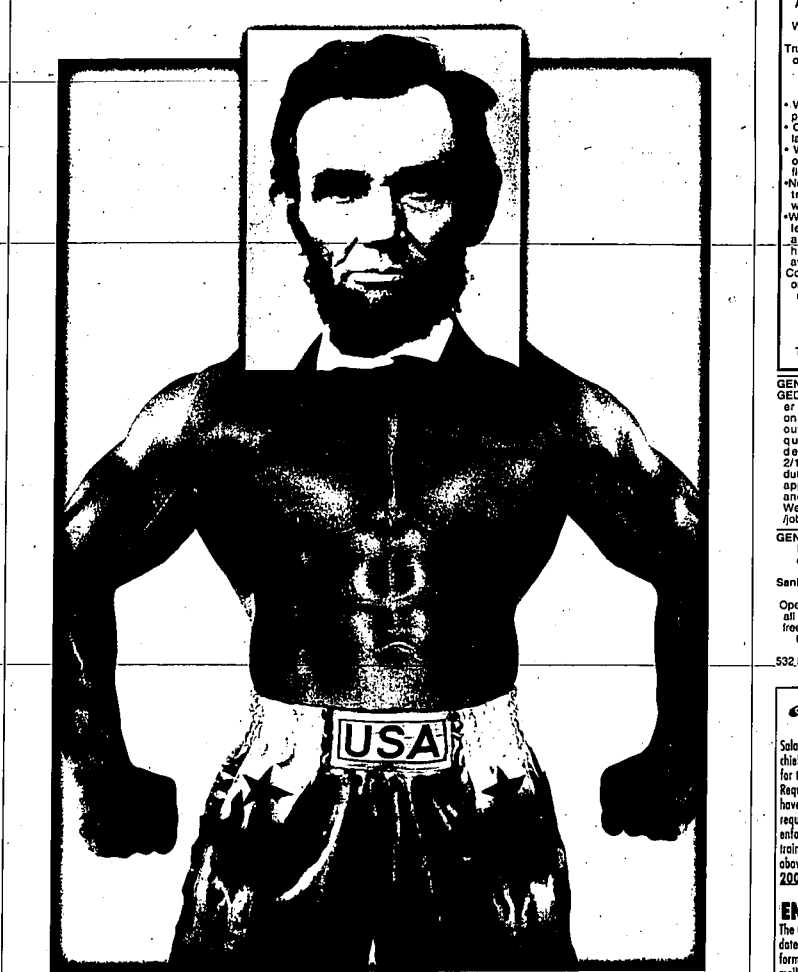
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**City of Rupert Job Announcement No. 2-2005**

**ENTRY OR LATERAL LEVEL POLICE OFFICER**

The City of Rupert is accepting applications from entry level and lateral entry candidates to establish an eligibility list for the position of police officer. This position performs low enforcement crime investigation and crime prevention work. Duties normally consist of patrol and traffic activities within the city limits on assigned shifts. Minimum qualifications include being 20 years of age, a high school graduate of GED, US citizen, and possession of a valid drivers license. Applicants must meet the physical requirements for a law enforcement officer as prescribed by the Idaho Peace Officers Standards and Training.

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2 bedrooms, 1 bath  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
One acre, great views, super home  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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2 bedrooms, 1 bath  
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Well established hompaq,  
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2.89 acres  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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3 bedrooms, 1 bath  
1/2 acre, garage/shop, garden  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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• \$142,000 • Jerome • MLS#112543  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths  
On 1.24 acres with water shares  
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• \$149,900 • Twin Falls • MLS#9182636  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Daring! Perfect condition, triple garage  
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**PC#127**  
• \$149,900 • Twin Falls • MLS#9182612  
5 bedrooms, 3 baths  
2 fireplaces, huge family room, Great yard  
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**PC#128**  
• \$150,000 • Kimberly • MLS#9187336  
3 bedrooms, 1 bath  
High commercial building  
multiple uses  
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**PC#129**  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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**PC#130**  
• \$153,900 • Kimberly • MLS#112728  
4 bedrooms, 2 baths  
The "Mahogany" by Wolverton Homes  
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3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Cin fireplace, tiled master bath, 3 car garage  
Rae Prentiss 737-9113 Kathy Partridge 737-3913



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• \$175,000 • Twin Falls • MLS#112348  
4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths  
Great Northeast location, large lot  
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**PC#133**  
• \$187,000 • Starbuck • MLS#113153  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Wonderful country home with acreage  
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**PC#134**  
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3 bedrooms, 1 bath  
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4 bedrooms, 3 baths  
Gorgeous intxive design, private yard  
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4 bedrooms, 2 baths  
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• \$425,000 • Jerome • MLS#1091937  
3 bedrooms, 2 baths  
Golf course, open, spacious, beautiful  
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• \$425,000 • Jerome • MLS#113161  
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths  
On 16th Parway of the Jerome Golf Course  
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Sunday, Feb. 13, 2005

# THE ACES ON BRIDGE

Hobby Wolf

Dear Mr. Wolff:

I am just starting to learn bridge. Can you recommend some textbooks that might be of help to me?

Novel Approach, Lewiston, Pa.

ANSWER: I have always been a fan of Shoemaker's "Five Weeks to Learning Bridge" and Audrey Grant has written one of the best stuff too. These days the American Contract Bridge League has a teaching program on its Web site at www.acbl.org.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Which would you recommend as an opening bid, one heart or one trump, holding ♠ 10-3-3 ♥ A-Q-6-5-2 ♦ J-6 ♣ A-K-J? What are the criteria for deciding on an answer here?

Flatler to Breiville, Idaleho, N.C.

ANSWER: Normally, with 15 or 16 points and a balanced hand with a five-card major, I open one no-trump. Here your skewed honor structure argues for a one-heart opening. Plan to rebid to treat the hand as 12-14 if necessary — not such a misleading action to my mind.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Do you play weak jump shifts facing an opening bid or an overcall? What does a typical weak jump look like?

Atlas Mountains, Lardon, Texas

ANSWER: I like to play my jumps as strong facing an opening bid in noncompetitive auctions. Also, facing an overcall, a simple change of suit is nonforcing; a jump is strong. Facing an opening bid in competition, a jump would be weak, but not a complete bid — say a range of 4-7 points with the values in the suit bid.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

What one heart on the left, passed down to me, I had ♠ A-10-8-3 ♥ Q-9-5 ♦ 9-7-6 ♣ A-3-4 and did not know whether to pass, bid, or double. What are the guidelines in the balancing seat here?

In a Quinary, Spokane, Wash.

ANSWER: With a balanced 11-15 points you would normally bid one no-trump. Indeed, with any hand with three hearts you may feel like trying this call, even without a proper stop. That allows the double to retain its proper shape or show real extras.

Dear Mr. Wolff:

Can you tell me what I should do, holding ♠ 10-7 ♥ K-Q-9-6-4-2 ♦ Q-7 ♣ K-10-4? My partner opened one diamond, and I responded one heart, of course. Now my partner bid one spade and I was not sure whether to support him, rebid no-trump, or repeat my hearts — and at what level.

Tom Uhl, Corpus Christi, Texas

ANSWER: First things first. Do not give preference to partner with only two cards if better options exist — as they do here. While bidding no-trump is superficially attractive, repeating the six-card suit looks better. I'd opt for bidding two hearts, not three hearts, with a slight understanding, of course, but I would like better heart intermediates for the jump.

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## JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

Unscramble the words in Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form six ordinary words.

First to find all the words, then write the answers in the squares below.

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**LUNYUR**

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**AREPPA**

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**BENTON**

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PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, suggested by the above cartoon.

### Find the answers on page D-13

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**813 JEWELRY** DIAMOND RING gold, elegant brand new. \$2,400. will sell for \$1,200/offer. Cash only. 208-678-7374.

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**TREES** approx. 500 good quality Blue Spruce and Austrian Pine trees. 5' to 10' tall. Call 316-0007.

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Manual rock picking with removal to your site. Call 208-731-7229 or 208-934-5144.

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Advertise your business in the Times-News. Call 208-733-0311 or 800-658-3833.

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**BIRTHDAY PHOTOS** Have you forgotten to take birthday photos? We have some photos we are sure you will want. They can be picked up at The Times-News Classified Dept.

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**ANTIQUE SILVER** sterling silver trays & bowls, place settings for 8, sugar, creamer, chafing dish, and other misc. items. Also assortment of Holland power. Call for appointment, 208-738-9339.

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120 dogs, cats, owls, chickens, cowbirds. Buckle up! Call 208-436-3670.

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1950's Chrome. Table has 2 seats with 4 chairs. Comes w/ 6 chairs, one has arms on it. They are finished in Aquadine. This set is all original & in excellent condition. \$600. Call 208-308-5800 or 208-308-8858.

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Ornate hot blast air fuel functioning excellent. Patent date June 13, 1899. min. Oiler. Quarters sawing and chiseling. 12 drawers, 1 roll top desk, panel back and matching chair. Call 208-735-0120 or 731-7313.

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# Send in the clowns?

Tell us what you think of these new comic strips

Two weeks ago, we asked Times-News readers to let us know what they thought about the daily comic strips that we now publish.

We hit the Mother Lode. More than 1,000 of you responded, giving us a good idea about what you like — and what you don't.

While we digest those results, we'd like your opinion about some other comic strips currently not published in the T-N — but which might be in the future.

There are a dozen of them on this and succeeding pages. Take a

look at them and give us your impressions on the ballot below. We'll run a second, and possibly a third, round of samples on the Family Life pages in the next few weeks.

Please understand there's no assurance that any of the accompanying strips will make it into the T-N on a regular basis — or replace comics that you love or hate. We're just looking for your reaction.

Take a few minutes to fill out the ballot on this page and return it by Feb. 25.

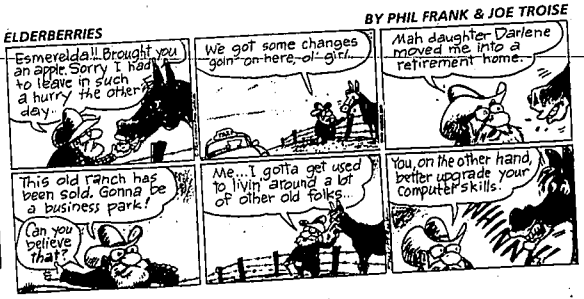
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Take a look at the sample comic strips on this page and inside pages and let us know what you think about them.

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More cartoons strips on page E2

# FAMILY LIFE

BY DARBY CONLEY

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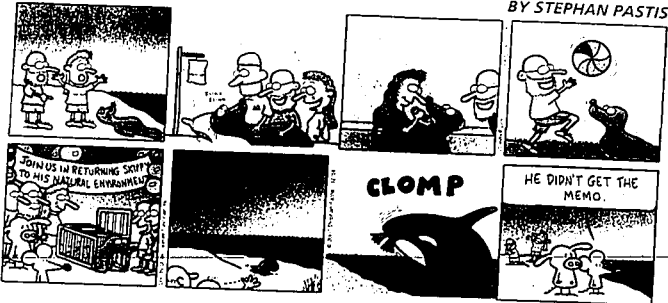
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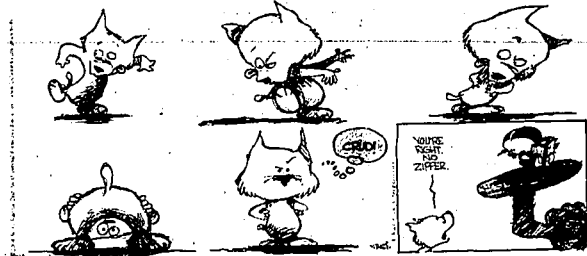
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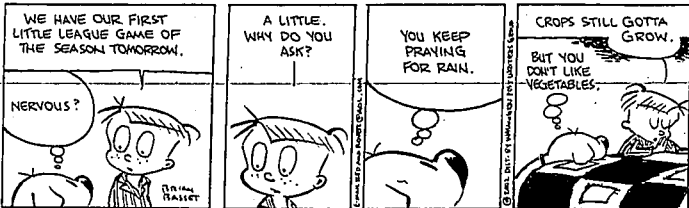


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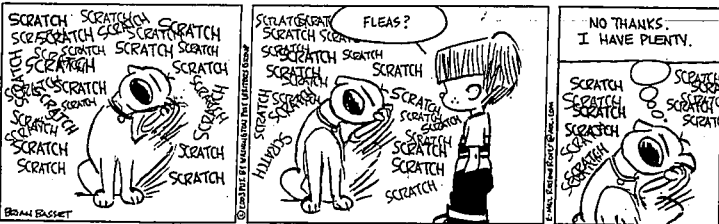
BY SCOTT STANTIS



## Baby Blues



## Red & Rover



# Why men don't phone: Author says it's not him; it's you

By Roxanne Roberts  
The Washington Post

It was a great date. He promised to call. He never called. The average single woman will stare at the phone, willing it to ring. A long list of possibilities noisily circle through her brain, like a hamster on an exercise wheel: He lost my number. He's really busy. He's intimidated. I talked too much. I drank too much. I slept with him. I didn't sleep with him... No, no, no. None of the above. The answer, according to author Greg Behrendt, is that he's not really interested. Doesn't matter why. No ego-softening platitudes. No pop psychology. No cute relationship tricks. It's just not that into you. The truth will set you free, but first it will make you miserable. The tough talk is tough love for women from Greg, who strips away all the excuses

for men (why he didn't call, isn't faithful, disappears, won't commit, etc.) in the new book, "He's Just Not That Into You: The No-Excuses Truth to Understanding Guys," so women will stop wasting their time on the wrong guy. The Los Angeles comedian was a bachelor for two decades before settling down. By his own admission, he was guilty of plenty of bad dating behavior — which made him a perfect consultant to the hit HBO series "Sex and the City." For the last three seasons, Behrendt advised the show's all-female writing staff, sitting in on scripting sessions and providing the "straight male" feedback. "The biggest lie of all is 'It's not you' — because you are the person I'm in the relationship with. The truth is, it is you, and I'm not into you," says Behrendt, 41, now a happily married father of a 2-year-old

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— Greg Behrendt, author

daughter. About 18 months ago, Behrendt listened to the female writers (all sharp, all attractive, couldn't have more going for themselves," he says) discuss a guy who had gone out with one of them, kissed her, then declined to come up to her apartment because he had an early meeting. No call the next day, but he sent an e-mail a

week later. The women all reassured her that she was fabulous and that he must be scared or really busy. Behrendt knew no morning meeting will keep an attracted man from a midnight number. "My first thought was, 'I don't care if I'm flying the space shuttle tomorrow, I'm coming up.'" He broke the news: The guy wasn't into her. The writers gasped. "We were horrified," remembers Liz Tucello. "It was like we were all punched in the stomach. Then we started laughing." The cruel reality descended on the room. Each woman grilled Behrendt about her own relationship, and each time he shot down all the sympathetic excuses. The bottom line: If these men were truly interested, they would call, be faithful, commit, and more. It was just common sense to him, but a revelation — like cracking an ancient, se-

cret code — to the women. "He's just not that into you" was written in a sixth season script of the show, the blunt answer to Miranda when she puzzled over the baffling behavior of her new beau. Tucello (41 and never married) was so taken with the idea that she decided to write a book with Behrendt detailing the many variations of "INTY" in relationships. "I had so many years and years of making excuses for men," she says.

Writing the book with Behrendt forced her to break decades of bad habits. To wit: While working on the manuscript, Tucello mentioned that a new guy promised to call over the weekend. "It was Sunday night, and he hadn't called. I was hummed out. On Monday night, he calls and I'm overjoyed. I tell Greg, 'That guy called. I'm so happy.' And Greg's reaction was, 'But he didn't call you when he said he was going to.'"

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THE BAGGETTS

**BUHL** — Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baggett of Buhl were honored at a party on New Year's Eve to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at the Jewish Community Center in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Baggett and Lorraine Bell were married Jan. 19, 1955, in the Salt Lake City Temple.

They bought a farm in the Northtwin area in Buhl and have farmed there all of their married life. She has worked as a secretary in the office of LuBell Waldron, CPA, for the last 16 years.

They have been active in their church. She is a member of the Magic Valley Decorative Painters and the Belle Letre Literary Club. The celebration was hosted by



Gene and Lorraine Baggett

their five children, Alan (Carolyn) Baggett of Sandy, Utah, Chris Darnall of Portland, Ore., Scott (Robin) Baggett of Vista Falls, Garrie (Karl) Frederickson of Murray, Utah, and Sandra (Lanny) Dolse of Meridian; and their 11 grandchildren.

BERG-WARR

**RUPERT** — Jerry A. and Diana Berg of Rupert announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori L. Berg, to Mike Warr, son of Hal and Tracy Warr of Rupert and the late Sara Warr.

Berg is a graduate of Calvary Christian School and has earned an associate's degree from the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed at the Mini-Cassia Juvenile Detention Center in Rupert.

Warr is a graduate of Burley High School. He is employed at Amalgamated Sugar in Paul. The wedding is planned for Friday, Feb. 18, at the Legacy



Lori Berg and Mike Warr

Event Center, 89 W. 700 S., on Oakley Highway in Burley. A reception to honor the couple will be held at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18, at the event center.

JONES-JOHNSON

**HAZLETON** — Dr. Brent C. and Kathryn Jones of Moses Lake, Wash., announce the engagement of their daughter, Natalie Kay Jones, to Casey Ardean Johnson, son of Weldon and Linda Johnson of Hazelton.

Jones graduated from Moses Lake High School in 2004. She is a freshman at Brigham Young University-Idaho, majoring in biology education.

Johnson graduated from Valley High School in 1999 and served in the Canada Edmonton Mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints from Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Hazelton LDS Chapel, 531 Middleton Ave., Hazelton.



Natalie Jones and Casey Johnson

plans on pursuing a master's degree in English from BYU-Idaho.

The couple will be working in Phoenix, Ariz., this summer. The wedding is planned Saturday, Feb. 19, in the Columbia River Washington LDS Temple in Kennewick, Wash. A reception will be held from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Hazelton LDS Chapel, 531 Middleton Ave., Hazelton.

WEDDING

STRICKLAND-BOWLER

**GOODING** — Amanda Jo Strickland and Barnabas Welcome Bowler were married Saturday, Dec. 4, at the Bliss Community Church.

The bride is the daughter of Rick and Sharon Strickland of Gooding.

The groom is the son of Phil and Betty Bowler of Gooding. Special guests included Dorothy Strickland of Gooding, grandmother of the bride, and Ned and Robin Bowler of Boise, grandparents of the groom.

A special music procedure for the ceremony was provided by Rick Strickland, father of the bride, accompanied by Zach Strickland and "TJ" Strickland, brothers of the bride. Special music and piano accompaniment for the ceremony was provided by Clinton Lenker, cousin of the groom. The Rev. Bill Devena, pastor of the Bliss Community Church, performed the wedding ceremony.

Hannah Jones, friend of the bride, served as maid of honor.



Amanda and Barnabas Bowler

Sarah Bowler, Beth Bowler, Hannah Bowler and Gracie Bowler, sisters of the groom, served as bridesmaids. Left Bowler, USCG, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen included Mike Lafferty, cousin of the groom; TJ Strickland and Zach Strickland, brothers of the bride; and Corbin Bowler, brother of the groom.

Kane Sell, nephew of the groom, served as ring bearer.

Glenna Watson and Sally Lenker, aunts of the groom, attended the cake table at the reception following the ceremony. The couple resides in Gooding, where the bride is employed by Strickland Real Estate and the groom is employed by Sara Meyers Construction.

BINGHAM-BEEBE

**HURLEY** — Mr. and Mrs. Ray W. Patterson of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Lisa Michelle Bingham, to Edwin Lee Beebe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Beebe of Pocatello.

Bingham is a graduate of Burley High School and is currently a student in the dental hygiene program at Idaho State University. She is employed at Sears in the Fine Ridge Mall in Chubbuck.

Beebe is also a student at ISU and is self-employed.

The wedding is planned for Friday, Feb. 18, in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerald D. Anderson, 21 Granada



Edwin Beebe and Lisa Bingham

Place, Del Rio Estates, east of Burley. A second reception will be held Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Chubbuck 3rd Ward building, 4775-1 Hawthorne Road, Chubbuck.

The couple will reside in Pocatello.

SCHWENDIMAN-SMITH

**WENDELL** — David Schwendiman of Burley and Alleen Schwendiman of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy D. Schwendiman, to Terril L. Smith, son of W. Kent Smith and Cheryl Mae Smith, both of Burley.

Schwendiman is a graduate of Buhl High School and Idaho State University. Smith is employed at the Wendell Middle School.

Smith is a graduate of Declo High School. He is employed at The Sprinkler Shop in Jerome. He serves a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Arkansas Little



Terril Smith and Wendy Schwendiman

Rock Mission. The wedding is planned for Friday, Feb. 18, in the Boise LDS Temple.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Wendell LDS Stake Center, 605 N. Idaho St., Wendell.

LYTLE-ROBERTS

**TWIN FALLS** — Doug and Terri Richter of Twin Falls and Mike and Karen Blankenship of Murtaugh announce the engagement of their daughter, Marcele Lyle, to Caleb Andrew Roberts, son of Gale and Kathree Roberts of Shoshone.

Lyle is a graduate of Murtaugh High School. She is employed at Zions Commercial Bank in Twin Falls.

Roberts is a graduate of Shoshone High School. He is employed at Roberts Electric in Halley.

The wedding is planned for



Caleb Roberts and Marcele Lyle

Saturday, Feb. 26, at Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls. A reception will be held immediately following the ceremony at the Snake River EKS Lodge in Jerodine.

SCARROW-BAKER

**JEROME** — Bob and Terri Anne Scarrow of Jerome announce the engagement of their daughter, Shyla Cecelia Aislann Scarrow, to Jonathon R. Baker, son of Dennis and Mary Baker of Elko, Nev.

Scarrow attended Liberty Christian Academy and graduated in 2002 from the College of Southern Idaho's High School Equivalency program. She is employed at Wal-Mart in Jerome.

Baker graduated in 2000 from Spring Creek High School in Spring Creek, Nev. He is employed at Jerome Cheese.

The wedding is planned for 11



Jonathon Baker and Shyla Scarrow

a.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Calvary Chapel North Valley in Jerome.

A reception will be held at noon Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church in Jerome.

MITTON-POTTS

**BURLEY** — Mark and Lisa Mitton of Burley announce the engagement of their daughter, Meghan Elise Mitton, to Jared Michael Potts, son of Robert and Linda Potts of Keller, Texas.

Mitton is a graduate of Burley High School and is attending Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

Potts is a graduate of Mardin High School and is also attending BYU.

They are both employed at PGM in Orem, Utah.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, Feb. 19, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.



Meghan Mitton and Jared Potts

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, at the LDS Institute building on Park Avenue in Burley.

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Animal attraction? Dogs as date bait

On Valentine's Day 2004, Melanie Taylor, a 38-year-old single attorney from Arlington, Va., heard about a singles party that takes place every month in nearby Washington, D.C. and immediately thought, "No way!" However, upon further investigation, she discovered that she could bring Mal Mai, her Mom's Shih Tzu, because the party was being hosted by Animal Attraction.com, a new online dating service for pet lovers.

"No way!" quickly turned into, "Um, maybe I can meet some guys who LOVE dogs instead of guys who ARE dogs."

Now it's approaching Valentine's 2005, and just like last year, Melanie is sure she knows what she'll be spending it with someone special.

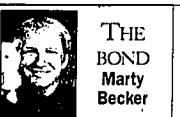
At the Animal Attraction.com party last year, Mal Mai ran into Cuki, a 7-year-old Rhodesian Ridgeback mix who was attached to 33-year-old single male, Ted Hooban.

Ted had posted a free personal profile on Animal Attraction and heard about the event through the site. "I had corresponded with some great people on the site and figured the party would be a great place to meet some cool people in person," said Hooban. While Mal Mai and Cuki yodeled and other out, so did Melanie and Ted.

"Ted's dog was so friendly and playful, with this big goofy grin, just like Ted! I could tell (Ted) was a nice guy by the way he handled his dog and how Mal Mai responded to him," said Melanie.

Ted replied, "I thought her dog was cute, but she was even cuter."

After dating for about 9 months, Melanie and Ted recently moved in together, couldn't be happier and are looking forward to spending a loving Valentine's Day together. Deborah Wood, author of "The Dog Lover's Guide to Dating: Using Cold Noses to Find Warm Hearts" (Howell Book House, 2003), says that the best attraction to Ted was predictable. "People can see your gender, warmer side when



THE BOND Marty Becker

you're with your dog which they don't necessarily see in other social situations," she says.

People also perceive you as a kinder, nicer person just because you're with a dog, Wood explains.

This type of success story is exactly what Dan Cohen, who has an MBA from Kellogg Graduate School at Northwestern University, envisioned when he founded Animal Attraction.com.

About a year and a half ago, Cohen stumbled across a restaurant with a patio where people, and dogs, were all mixing and mingling. Cohen recalls being struck by the warmth and friendliness of the environment and how people were really connecting through their shared love for pets. That same week, he was convinced by some friends to try an online dating service.

While initially very skeptical, Cohen gradually warmed up to the concept, but found it hard to find a real connection with the masses of single people on general dating sites. Both Cohen's MBA mind and single heart wandered back to that patio, with all those pet lovers bonding so easily and he thought, "Why not have a dating site for pet lovers?"

A sales and marketing professional from the professional sports industry (former vice-president of sales for the

Washington Redskins,) Cohen gathered some market research to confirm his gut on the potential for a pet lover's dating site.

What he learned astonished him: 62 percent of all U.S. households have pets and there are nearly 40 million single pet owners in the U.S. and in the first half of 2004, 16 percent of all unique visitors to websites visited Personals sites.

Personals/dating was the largest online paid content category, representing \$450 million in 2004. Furthermore, 32 percent of people surveyed in the last six months have met a friend or dated someone through an introduction on a personals site.

"Thousands of people all across the U.S., and many other countries as well, have joined Animal Attraction's free service to find love, dates, or even friendship with other pet lovers and the site is growing exponentially thanks to partnerships with large and well respected organizations such as HSUS, Peifinder.com and VPI.

Wood isn't surprised by the success of the Web site. She even has a chapter in her book about writing successful ads for on-line or newspaper classifieds.

Wood's very funny, but also practical, book gives plenty of useful hints.

One gem: Don't date anyone who names his dog after the nearest self-help book section if you find yourself attracted to a guy with Doberman named Smith and Wesson," says Wood. Or, it's cute for your dog to wear a bandana, but human-dog "mother-daughter" matching outfits are over

the top.

"The Dog Lover's Guide to Dating" also includes compatibility quizzes, places to meet single dog lovers, pick-up lines, and ways to use your dog to help end a bad date.

No doubt that we'll be hearing more success stories from Animal Attraction.com and from people who read books such as "The Dog Lover's Guide to Dating" as pets are surefire social lubricants, conversation catalysts and laughter generators sure to attract pet loving partners.

For attracting the ladies, dogs even trump "Donald Trump, The Cologne" this Valentine's Day.

Former Twin Falls veterinarian Marty Becker is the author of the book "Chicken Soup For The Horse Lover's Soul" and a popular veterinary contributor for ABC's "Good Morning America." Write to him in care of Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service, 790 National Press Building, Washington, D.C. 20045.

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## Relay for Life revs up

By Trena Tegan  
Times-News writer

HEYBURN — "Elmo" loves Relay for Life, and Elmo's "fan" was a familiar sight during the recent Relay For Life captains meeting.

The theme for this year's Relay is "Chronic Ate Cured," represented by Sesame Street's Elmo. Throughout the meeting, "Elmo" asked questions of the committee members so that he and the other team captains would know what they needed to do to head up their teams and get them excited about fund-raising and the upcoming event.

The first meeting covered the basics of what a team captain should know and team packets were distributed.

"Right now, we only have 32 teams signed up," said Gail Gal-

The next Relay For Life captains meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Heyburn Elementary School, 1431 17th St. All team captains and those interested in learning more about the Mini-Cassia's Relay For Life are invited.

For more information, call Gallegos at 678-8598, Michelle Campbell at 679-0257, or Mike Haskin at 436-4141.

legos, chairman of the event. "Our goal is to have 60 teams and raise at least \$160,000. Last year's Relay raised more than \$150,000 so our goal is not too much of a stretch."

This year's Relay will be held on June 10-11 on the Rupert Square. Relay For Life is an 8-hour event that raises money for patient services in the area and American Cancer Society

research. "Not all the money stays in the area because we want to help fund cancer research. Patient services are important, but wouldn't it be great if we didn't have to have any patients — if we could find a cure?" Gallegos said.

Cleavac is one of the new medications developed by research from the American Cancer Society. It is used to treat chronic myeloid leukemia, which is a rare but deadly type of leukemia. Funding for this type of research comes from fund-raising events like the Relay For Life, organizers say.

"Everyone has a reason to relay," said Michelle Campbell, co-chair for the event. "Mine is my kids. If ever in their lives they become afflicted by cancer I want to be able to say I have done what I can to help find a cure."



Mike Haskin and "Elmo" talk to the team captains at the last Relay For Life captains meeting.

## SPEAKING OF GIVING

Working with Children Services, the Jerome High School Advanced Speech Team provided a family of four with food, presents, caroling and Christmas cheer on the morning of Dec. 23. "What's special about this, is that the kids spend their own money in order to help out a family in need. It really helps put things in perspective and I believe the kids learn so much from doing this," said Coach Scott Burton. The team, who has won six consecutive state championships, competes in its first tournament April 1 in Burley.



Photo courtesy of Jerome High School

## STUART HONORS



Seventh-grade teachers at Robert Stuart Junior High honored their students who follow the agreements of 'Mutual Respect, Attentive Listening, Appreciations and Responsibility.' Students of the Week for November and December were, from left, back: Maria Garth, Bret Maughan, Melissa Berry, Cassie Miller, Ryan Bartlett and Humberto Magana; middle: Nazy Sadehghadeh, Alexandra Wolford, Rita Dunford, Lachelle Thompson and Deven Anderson; kneeling: Katie Butcher, Alyssa Long, Creed Felgt, and front: Matt Laws.



Seventh-graders at Robert Stuart Junior High are rewarded with a ticket when they are "Caught Being Good" by following the agreements of 'Mutual Respect, Attentive Listening, Appreciations and Responsibility.' Drawings were held weekly. Winners for November and December are, from left, back row: Bryce Beem, Zach Hill, Dakota Han and Gary Hopkins; third row: Maritza Osuna, Anthony Graziano; Matt Laws; Kaleb Coggins and Mitza Salazar; kneeling: Brenden Dennis, J.D. Winter and Rachel Jolovich; front: Joey Patterson, Andi Payne and Matt Kippen. Not pictured is Kevin Greco.

Photo courtesy of Robert Stuart Junior High

## STORK REPORT

### Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

Zackery Eugene Miller, son of Linda Joann and Jeff Eugene Rex Miller of Glenns Ferry, was born Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2005.

Jordyn Melyssa Kennison, daughter of Dannielle Dawn and Robbie Lynn Kennison of Twin Falls, was born Sunday, Jan. 30, 2005.

Patricia Garcia, daughter of Victoria-Rosario-Martinez and Jorge Armando Garcia-Perez of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Jan. 31, 2005.

Jose Manuel Chavez, son of Patricia Gonzalez Chavez of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005.

Enrique Humberto Rodriguez, son of Kristina Jean and Rene Rodriguez of Shoshone, was born Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2005.

Brooklyn James Monique Anton, daughter of Shylaine Monique Anton of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

Ronald Tyke Traugher, son of Bonnie Lynn Bishop and John Vernal Traugher of Wendell, was born Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

Noian Patrick Fatig, son of Carrie Jo and Gerald Wayne Fatig of Wendell, was born Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

Lindsay Alaina Newey, daughter of Tasha Deneck and

To announce a birth send a copy of the birth certificate to:

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More information? Call Jami at 735-3278

Robert Allen Newey of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

Arcely Electra Andrade, daughter of Candice Gyllinn Smith and Jessu Andrade of Jerome, was born Saturday, Feb. 5, 2005.

Amarny Grace Barnes, daughter of Lacie Marie and Dennis Leroy Barnes II of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Feb. 7, 2005.

Kaylah Lynn Brown, daughter of Tasha Lynn and Christopher Leo Brown of Twin Falls, was born Monday, Feb. 7, 2005.

Cayden Edward Gardner, son of Hollie Lynn Garner of Filer, was born Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2005.

### Cassia Regional Medical Center

Kassidy Ann Thomas, daughter of Brad and Jurnnie Thomas of Oakley, was born Saturday, Jan. 22, 2005.

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center

Tyler Jayce Verlo Hughes, son of Patrick and Shanda Hughes of Twin Falls, was born Friday, Jan. 28, 2005.

Ryan Stephen Schmidt, son of Marla and Lisa Schulte of Jerome, was born Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005.

Japheth Drake Box, son of Eric and Sheena Box of Shoshone, was born Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2005.

Alexander Thiemann, son of Nicholas and Aubrey Thiemann of Gooding, was born Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2005.

Alma Faye Dale, daughter of Ed and Kim Dale of Jerome, was born Thursday, Feb. 3, 2005.

Samuel William Castro, son of Ron and Pam Castro of Jerome, was born Thursday, Feb. 3, 2005.

Theodan Michael Gregory, son of Kevin and Karolee Gregory of Jerome, was born Friday, Feb. 4, 2005.

## Burley HS announces semester honor roll

- BURLEY** — Burley High School announced its first semester honor roll.
- High Honor Roll 4.0 grade point average**
- Grade 12  
Aubrey Ward  
Michael Waymet  
Heather Westergard
- Grade 11  
Ashley Eshelston  
Ryan Holloway  
Stephanie Johnson  
Breanna Piper  
Jill Seale  
Lyndee Seale  
Grade 10  
Jessica Bree  
Norma Esquivel  
Nicole Graham  
Christopher Hogan  
Jennifer Jerguson  
Kelly Johnson  
Trenta Jean  
Alyce Jordan  
Jannie Seaton  
Brittany Summers  
Jaryn Smith  
Casey Wiseman  
Hannah Whitehead  
Teresa Whitfield  
Grade 11  
Isamnia Alvarez  
Stephy Anderson
- Grade 9  
Blairn Baggett  
Claud Baker  
Caryn Bann  
Sarah Pickett  
Cecelia Beaman  
Steven Eshelston  
Jordan Ferlin  
Caitlin Fisher  
Hilma Frank  
Eric Frey  
Amanda Gacy  
Alexandra Espinosa  
Kassie Felt  
Alex Ferguson  
Najal Friebehl  
Melissa Fuedling  
Parker Galbraith  
Jessica Garg  
Daniel Gebhart  
Lynsae Gerratt  
Natalie Gillette  
Nathan Gilley  
Keli Goodfellow  
Alex Helms  
Thomas Huggan  
David Hurstman  
Heather Hunter  
Bryan Chase Hunt  
Aubrey Jones  
Jennifer Jones  
Olivia Kibelech  
Eric Larson  
Casey Leeson  
Goaly Lindsay  
Bethany Lindsay  
Layne Linn  
Ernest Matthews  
Karina Mills
- Grade 8  
Kylie Moon  
Sara Mottis  
Bethany Nordin  
Sarah Pickett  
Cecelia Beaman  
Michael Hove  
Lisa Rogers  
Megan Sorenk  
Sophie S. Janusz  
Tyler Seaton  
Clayson Seale  
Lupita Silva  
Katie Smith  
Emily Spackman  
Bridget Stoney  
Katie Stoney  
Katie Thompson  
Janita Thomas  
Katie VanBeek  
Bianca Van Tassel  
Heather Vanders  
Tisha Warren  
Shahy Whitehead  
Lanika Whitman  
Amy Price  
Keri Wood  
Grade 7  
Gabriela Azarmouli  
Ashley Asher  
Micki Baker  
Jordana Baker  
Jasmine Bell  
Jan Blaine Brown  
Kerian Cole  
Michael Boehmer  
Katie Carpenter  
Edward Christensen  
Danielle Combs
- Grade 6  
Elizabeth Hades  
Cecelia Hades  
Monica Del Toro  
Brooklyn DePrater  
Loree Edwards  
Paul Carr  
Betsy Gieratt  
Katie Green  
Justin Green  
Luisa Kelly  
Katie King  
Victoria Kramer  
Isabel Lake  
Eric Lavender  
Kari Kervill  
Aimee Milton  
Katie Mottis  
Lanika Pearsi  
Cecelia Parkin  
Alyssa Piper  
Jasmin Pittazzoni  
John Preston  
Amy Price  
Shayna Price  
Indiana Rose  
Courtney Samblott  
Troy Seale  
Katie Seaton  
Heather Sell  
Lynne Strahan  
Katie Swartz  
Kerian Cole  
Alicia Weller  
Eric Whithead  
Kerian Washington

## FOCUS ON PEOPLE

### Idaho State University announces fall semester dean's list honorees

Several local students were named to the Idaho State University 2004 fall semester dean's list for the College of Business in Pocatello. Burley: Geoffrey A. Johnson, Kristal L. Searle, Michael D. Blauer and Robert Hemstley. Heyburn: Jason L. Schenk.

Matt: John J. Schorzaman.

### Jamestown College names Jerome student to 2004 fall dean's list

Tundra Fairbanks of Jerome, was named to the Jamestown College dean's list for the 2004 fall semester. Jamestown College is located in Jamestown, N.D.

### Buhl Arts holds hoop, labyrinth events

BUHL — The Buhl Arts Council is sponsoring two courses at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth.

"Hoola Hoop!" will meet at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 16 through March 16. Participants will learn various hoola hoop techniques for free. The hoola hoops can be purchased for \$10.

"Finger Labyrinth Workshop and Labyrinth Walk" will be held from 10 a.m. to noon followed by the walk from 1 to 3 p.m. Feb. 19. Materials will be provided. The cost is \$10.

For more information, call

### West End company holds auditions for play

BUHL — Auditions for the West End Theatre Co. spring production of "Amar Eggs: The 1 Do's and Don'ts of an American Wedding," a comedy about weddings and matrimony, will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday and Friday in the Buhl Middle School Auditorium.

A cast consists of five to eight men and seven to nine women. For more information, call AJ Hoffman at 543-5709 or David Blaszkiewicz at 490-1992.

### Kimberly Public Library adds several new books

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison W., has added several new books:

- Adult fiction: "Savannah" by John Jakes, "Honeymoon" by James Patterson and Howard Broughan, "The Broker" by John Grisham, "King Con and the Plan" and "The Devil's Workshop" by Stephen J. Cannell, "Unexpected Blessings" by Barbara Taylor Bradford, "Shem Creek" by Dorothea Benton Frank, "Entombed" by Linda A. Fairstein, "Demon Rumme" by Sandra Brown and "Bloodlines" by Jan Burke.

For more information, call

### Jerome man celebrates 90th birthday

JEROME — Donald "Don" Henry Ilensson will celebrate his 90th birthday with an open house from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the El Sombrero banquet room, 143 W. Main.

Ilensson was born Jan. 20, 1915, in Springfield, Mo., and has lived in Jerome since age 3. He served in the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1934 and married Myrtle Clark on April 27, 1935, in Shoshone. She is deceased.

He has worked for Charlie



Don Henry

Marshall, farmed for M a r y M a r s h a l l, worked at Greenwell's Furniture, as a custodian for Jerome High School and retired from Moore's Business.

He enjoys fishing, rock hunting, making rock jewelry and gardening.

He has five children, the late LeRoy, Darrell (Mar Jean) of Buhl, Averil (Eugene) Sidwell of London, Utah, Pat (James) Greg-

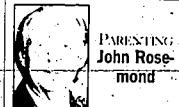
### Wishing Star Foundation seeks volunteers

TWIN FALLS — The Wishing Star Foundation is in need of volunteers to help make wishes happen for critically ill children in Idaho.

An informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at 1615 Fifth Ave. S., No. 201.

For more information, call (208) 888-3792.

# Spoiling, not chemistry, are root of teen tantrums



**PARENTING**  
**John Rosemond**

**Q:** During a recent talk show appearance, a psychologist said that runaway hormone levels often cause the rational part of the teenage brain to shut down, resulting in an uncharacteristically emotional display. What do you think of this theory?

**A:** Not much. The historical record clearly indicates that the emotionally supersized "teen" is a relatively recent phenomenon. Alexis de Tocqueville, in the 19th century, Frenchman who wrote "Democracy in America," was impressed with the maturity of American teens — their willingness to shoulder responsibility, their poise, and so on.

As we today refer to the teenager, it was childhood, which effectively ended at 13, as the teen was adulthood. Granted, the teen years were a period of apprenticeship, but teens were expected to behave responsibly, and did. What we call adolescence is actually the product of child labor and compulsory education laws.

"Time passes" — unarguably good — but every "good" thing has a downside — extended the dependency of children by a good six years. In days not so long ago, the teenager may have still been living at home, but in many, not most cases, he/she was no longer a dependent. For example, as teenagers during the Great Depression, both my father and father-in-law were helping support their families, as were many of their friends. Their

sisters were accepting equivalent at-home responsibilities. There was no place for petulance and wallowing in narcissistic soap operas in that context.

Prolonging childhood is equivalent to prolonging immaturity, and indeed, much of the behavior today regarded as "typical" of teens is looked upon by people my parent's age and older as more than simply immature. It's bizarre. I'm referring here to the tantrums, unpredictable mood swings, exaggerated emotional reactions to disappointment or frustration, and the generally dramatic "take" teens have concerning their own lives. In days not so long ago, only pampered children of the rich acted in such self-centered ways.

And there we have yet another clue. Whereas once only children of the upper classes were pampered (and not all of them, mind you), even today's lower middle-class child is pampered, at least by the standards that governed my father's youth. Extend a child's dependency indefinitely and pamper, indulge, and otherwise "spoil" the child throughout his/her extended dependency, and you're likely to wind up with a toddler in a teenager's body.

I see no evidence to support the notion that biochemical upsurges periodically shut down the rational portion of the teenager's brain. If these upsurges occur, then it's obvious that the teen years, the typical child of 60-plus years ago had developed self-control sufficient to override them.

So, in fact, have plenty of teens in our own time. For example, a teacher from South Africa recently told me that in her country, teenagers rarely need to be "disciplined" — by which she meant punished in an inappropriate manner. By the early teen years, the South African youngster is self-disciplined — well mannered, respectful, and responsible. And we believe that teens in South Africa, which, like the USA, is an ethnic melting pot — have a different biochemistry than teens in North America.

No, the crucial difference between teens then and now, here and there, is not physiology, but parents who give a lot and expect little. A media that encourages the young to live as a never-ending soap opera, and a pop culture that encourages teen irresponsibility. In the latter are included "experts" who tell us that we really have no right to expect mature behavior from teenagers.

Our children deserve more than this. Don't they?

*John Rosemond is a family psychologist. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at: AF-1000, c/o Times-Herald, 1020 East 96th Street, Suite 205, Inland Empire, Ind. 46204.*

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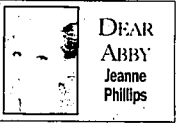
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# Girlfriend gets farewell salute

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend, "Lance," attends the Naval Academy in Annapolis. We have been dating seriously for a long time and have made plans to start our life together when he graduates and heads off to flight school. I intended to leave my job, my family and friends to be with him. I became one of the clear blue sky. Lance told me he has second thoughts about our plans. He said his doubts stem from his concern for my best interests. He feels it would be too difficult for me to "continually move over the years, and he would feel guilty asking me to sacrifice so much for him. I was caught completely off guard. I told Lance that, be-



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**Jeanne Phillips**

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belongs to the Navy, and no one but he should make sacrifices. Should I try to mend this relationship or let him go? —**STILL IN LOVE** IN MARYLAND  
**DEAR STILL:** It's apparent that Lance gave the matter considerable thought before he discussed his change of heart with you. "Mending fences" won't work because his mind is already made up. Speaking metaphorically, the ship has sailed, and you have been left behind. As I see it, you have no choice but to let him go. Make the break a clean one and move on.  
*Dear Abby is written by Jeanne Phillips.*

# It's time to get comfortable, Pisces

**IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY**, you may have had your burning midnight oil, and your efforts have won recognition from those in authority. Remain conscientious and follow the rules to climb the ladder of success in 2005 — especially in June, when your mettle may be tested. The universe will reward your hard work and ethical behavior in August and October when important gains will most easily come your way. Make important plans at that time to ensure a rosy future.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Having fun could require a lot of work or effort. Discipline is the keyword for success, so follow the rules if a game or hobby is on the agenda. Painstaking effort will pay off in the long run.  
**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** Get organized. Go over the bills with a fine-toothed comb and tighten those loose screws around the house. If you put the small things in order the big things will take care of themselves.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Relaxed entertainments may fall as facts hold your attention better than whimsy. A tendency to blame others and probe their inner workings can throw a temporary chill over relationships.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** A romantic love never solidified by minor misunderstandings in the middle of the

your deepest secrets and tell all. Intense questioning could make you uncomfortable, but shrewd, out-pointed inquiries without rancor. The mood will improve quickly.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Routine matters need your attention. A few "Mending fences" can flow without a hitch. Careful analysis of financial needs will leave you poised for an important decision tomorrow.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** With Venus in your sign making relationship a priority, it is easy to evade responsibilities or slip into bad habits. You will be made very uncomfortable, but most tasks are completed.  
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Serenity is important to you, so create an atmosphere in which you can relax and feel comfortable. Clear your mind of your surroundings and set the stage for romantic pleasures tonight.  
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# Discovery of Pluto goes down as a milestone in astronomy

This Friday marks a milestone anniversary in astronomy. Starting in early 1929, Kansas farm-boy-turned-astronomer Clyde Tombaugh began photographing the sky with a 13-inch telescope at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz. On Feb. 18, 1930, he was meticulously examining a pair of images with a blink comparator, a machine that swapped the view rapidly between two photos taken of the same region of sky a few days apart. Anything moving among the thousands of stars (like an orbiting planet) would appear to jump back and forth, which is exactly what Pluto did, and what Tombaugh saw.



**SKY WATCH**

**Sky calendar**  
• Planets:  
One hour before sunrise:  
Mars; SE, very low  
Jupiter; SW  
One hour after sunset:  
Saturn; ESE, high  
• Moon:  
First quarter Tuesday, 5:16 p.m.  
Close to Saturn early next Sunday morning.

objects — some nearly as large as Pluto — have been found beyond the orbit of Neptune. These so-called Kuiper Belt Objects, or KBOs, are icy bodies in elongated, tilted orbits, more like Pluto than the rest of the planets.

This begs the question: Is Pluto a KBO or a planet? Traditionalists argue that to demote Pluto from planet to merely the largest known resident of a frozen, distant version of the asteroid belt would devalue Tombaugh's efforts. Far from it: 62 years passed between the discovery of Pluto and its first KBO cousin. Whether we call Pluto a planet or a KBO, Tombaugh's achievement stands decades ahead of its time.

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today's largest telescopes strain to see Pluto as anything more than a speck, which is why its discovery required photographic techniques.

Since 1930 Pluto has completed less than a third of an orbit, thousands of asteroids have been discovered, but no new planets have been found. More recently, hundreds of

Next week: How much of the moon can we see?

# Study: Students see video games as harmless

**The Washington Post**  
WASHINGTON — The assignment seemed almost too simple for a bunch of University of Maryland students. Researchers showed them images from a pair of over-the-top video games, one an "extreme" golf outing with strippers as caddies, the other a blood-and-gore carnage.

Then they were asked if what they had seen could be harmful.

The answer, by and large, was no.

A study by Maryland Prof. Melaine Killen suggests that many young adults are oblivious to the impact of raunch and gore rendered in ever-crisper

detail by the current crop of video games, and the more hours they play, the less sensitive they are to the potential consequences.

In the busy field of research on the harmful effects of video

games, Killen's work breaks new ground by peering inside the heads of the players, asking students what they think about the games, rather than simply observing their behavior after playing.

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## Magic Valley scrapbooks



Ed Prentiss, second from left, is pictured in 1908 with his sons — from left, Lou, Charlie, Frank, Walt and Fred. Ed bought out the Trueblood dairy across from the former Singing Bridge in 1907 or 1908, says current Jerome resident Walt Prentiss, son of Frank and grandson of Ed.

Photo courtesy of WALTER PRENTISS of Jerome

**T**oday is for the dairy cows — and the people who fed them, milked them and cleaned up after them.

The readers who brought us these historical selections from their scrapbooks still relish the memory of homemade ice cream, or take pride in a family's century-old dairy barn.

More than half of these photos chronicle one young entrepreneur's brave venture as it grew — with the help of a cooperative neighbor and a rented cow — into a flourishing milk-delivery business.

It was successful alfalfa production that gave Twin Falls' early boosters reason to predict enormous growth in the area's dairy cow population. So on Thursday, we'll devote this page to hay — a crop that author David A. Asson, a Rupert native, calls "agriculture's most romantic."

—Virginia S. Hutchins



Photo courtesy of JEAN SOMMER of Twin Falls

John Sommer and his son William Sommer toss feed into troughs for their cattle, on the family farm south of Twin Falls in 1938. John farmed all his life, and he had cows providing cream and milk to sell. His children recall the frequent treat of homemade ice cream — in chocolate, vanilla or apricot flavors — produced in the family's basement.



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Gottfried Sommer and sons John Sommer and Emil Sommer oversee dairy cows in Filer in about 1906. The 80-acre homestead with its barn and house, built in 1905, was known as the Sommer Southside Dairy. The huge dairy barn, built by Gottfried and John, was constructed with cement halfway up — all mixed by hand with a wheelbarrow. The roof never bowed, and the construction is still in excellent shape almost 100 years later, family members say.

Young's Dairy Products Co. trucks deliver milk in 1940 on Twin Falls' Fourth Avenue West.

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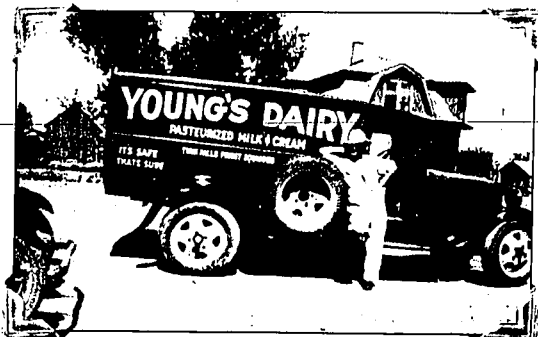
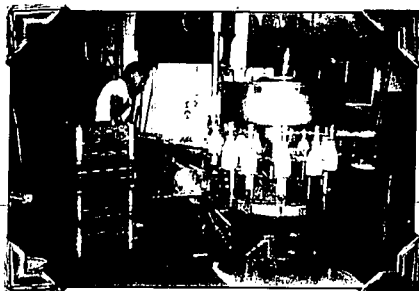


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A Young's Dairy delivery truck is shown in the late 1920s, near the Twin Falls business.



Milk is bottled inside Young's Dairy in the 1930s. This is credited with being the first milk-bottling machine in Twin Falls, the business owner's descendants say.

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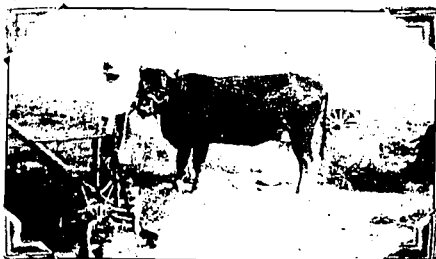


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Alton Young prepares to milk a neighbor's cow in 1915 in Twin Falls. The boy sold milk from the rented cow, which led to the beginning of a business in 1917, says granddaughter Lori Day of Las Vegas. Young was just 14 years old when he talked a farmer into trusting him with a quantity of milk which he took into town — before school hours, by bicycle — and delivered to individual homes. As business increased, the neighbor sold Young the cow, which he fed on ditch banks along Washington Street.

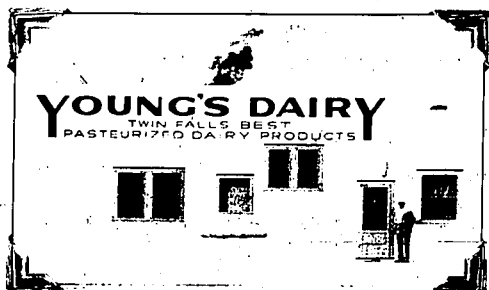


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Young's Dairy Products Co. owner Alton J. Young poses in front of the Twin Falls company's new plant in the early '40s. In 1936, W.I. Tanner joined Young's venture, and in 1941 the plant was built. The milk-delivery business employed five people in 1936 and 55 people by the mid-1960s. Triangle Dairies of Boise purchased Young's Dairy in 1966.