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## Gunning for fun



Mike McAuley shoots a .45-caliber pistol at a target 50 feet away at the Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club Wednesday. Photo by ADRIAN SMITH/The Times-News

## Some residents blow off steam at shooting range

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A lock of hair kept escaping from behind an ear decorated with a sparkling gemstone. Ignoring the tress, Cayla Schenck, 15, pulled a leather strap tightly on her arm to help steady her rifle and pressed the butt of the gun onto her shoulder.

"Everybody have protection on?" asked George Kinslow, range officer at the Twin Falls Rifle and Pistol Club. "OK. The range is hot."

Fifty feet away, a backing plate felt the heat of Cayla's .22-caliber bullets finding their marks.

At the nonprofit range in the Scarrow County Courthouse, in December, the Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission voted 5-0 to approve dairy owner Jim Scarrow's request to expand his confined animal feeding operation, or CAFO, by 3,197 animal units.



Jack Kruse places a target on the wall at the shooting range.

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The Schenck kids have been coming to the range for a couple of months, with Cayla entering competitions, and Christopher working toward that goal.

"My dad said, 'No guns, no motorcycles.' The minute my brother and I left home we went out and got guns and motorcycles."

— Jack Kruse, gun enthusiast

"Looks good," said Cyndi Schenck, studying her son's target.

"Kinda," Christopher said. "That one's kinda bad."

"You're cocked on your hip a little bit," Kinslow offered. "The flatter you get, the steadier you're going to be."

Cyndi Schenck is happy

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## County commission hears CAFO appeal

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

GOODING — Gooding County has enough dairy cattle. Such is one argument against the proposed expansion of the Scarrow Dairy in Wendell.

The subject will be the focus of tonight's Gooding County commissioners meeting that begins at 5:30 p.m. in the Gooding County Courthouse. In December, the Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission voted 5-0 to approve dairy owner Jim Scarrow's request to expand his confined animal feeding operation, or CAFO, by 3,197 animal units.

Melody Finley lies within a mile of the Scarrow Dairy and hired Richard Carlson to represent her in opposing the planning and zoning commission's decision to county commissioners.

"I think there's just too many cows in the area," Finley said in an interview with *The Times-News* on Friday.

Finley worries that Scarrow's expansion will negatively impact water and air quality. The

**Tracker**

- **Last we knew:** Gooding County Planning and Zoning Commission voted 5-0 to approve a CAFO enlargement permit for the Scarrow Dairy last December.
- **The latest:** The CAFO permit was appealed to the Gooding County commissioners for an alleged violation of the county's ordinance.
- **What's next:** Gooding County commissioners will meet at 5:30 p.m. tonight in the large courtroom at the Gooding County Courthouse.

**Scarrow Dairy Permit**

- The dairy is located at 2133 E. 3200 S. in Wendell.
- For the expansion, Scarrow has added 313 acres to the operation, bringing the total to 668 acres.
- Scarrow seeks a permit to add 3,197 animal units to his CAFO operation. The expanded permit would raise Scarrow's total animal units to 6,676.
- The state CAFO siting team assessed Scarrow's request as posing a low risk.
- Ninety-three percent of the manure generated at the expanded CAFO would be exported.

ing that she has already redrafted her domestic well.

Scarrow already owns the water rights required to operate the expanded dairy. Not wishing to lose those water rights due to lack of use, Scarrow decided to apply his water rights toward the CAFO's expansion. He told planning and zoning commission members last December.

Darwin Vander Stel helped develop Scarrow's nutrient management plan and was surprised to hear the permit had been appealed. Scarrow "bends over backwards" to remedy any problems caused by his dairy, he said.

"Jim is an excellent operator," Vander Stel said. "It's had very little trouble with neighbors."

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## Ray Charles sweeps Grammys

### Late singer, pianist wins eight awards

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Ray Charles, whose musical legacy erased boundaries between genres and generations, received a fitting musical eulogy Sunday night as his final album, "Genius Loves Company," won a leading eight Grammys.

Charles' album of duets recorded in the final months of his life, was the clear sentimental favorite. It won album of the year and best pop album; the

song "Here We Go Again," with Norah Jones, won record of the year and best pop collaboration with vocals.

"I'm going to cry, actually," Jones said as she accepted the trophy for record of the year. "I think it just shows how wonderful music can be. It's at a hundred percent with Ray Charles."

Other winners included Alicia Keys and Usher, each nominated for eight Grammys. Keys won four while Usher had three. They shared one award, for best R&B performance by a duo or group with vocals for their No. 1 duet, "My Boo."

U2 won three awards, including best rock performance by a

duo or group, Green Day, the most nominated rock act with six for their politically charged punk opera "American Idiot," won best rock album.

Keys had a chance to win more than any other woman in one evening. In 2002 Keys won five Grammys for her debut album, "Songs in A Minor," becoming only the second woman to win that many in one night. (Lauryn Hill won five in 1999; Jones matched Hill and Keys' feat in 2003.)



Producer John Burk accepts the award for Gladys Knight and the Late Ray Charles who won for best gospel performance for "Heaven Help Us All" at the 47th Annual Grammy Awards on Sunday in Los Angeles.

## Shiite coalition wins big in Iraq

Knight Ridder News Service

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's long-downtrodden Shiites won the largest share of the vote in Iraq's landmark election, according to a final count released Sunday, though they failed to score the outright majority they had been expecting.

With a 48 percent share, the United Iraq Alliance, a clergy-backed coalition of mostly religious Shiite parties, nonetheless will be in a virtually unassailable position to head the next government and take the lead in writing Iraq's new constitution.

The country's equally oppressed Kurds came in second, with 25.6 percent, leaving them well-placed to act as power brokers in the new National Assembly and cementing a dramatic reversal of fortune for two communities that have been persecuted throughout history by Iraq's Sunni minority.

Shiite and Kurdish leaders said they would reach out to include Sunnis, the election's biggest losers. The leading Sunni party, headed by interim President Ghazi al-Yawer, won just 1.8 percent, enough to secure four to five seats in the 275-seat assembly.

In Washington, President Bush hailed the result, which came two weeks after Iraqis braved the threat of bombs and bullets to go to the polls.

"I congratulate the Iraqi people for defying terrorist threats and setting their country on the path of democracy and freedom," he said in a statement. "The world saw long lines of Iraqi men and women voting in a free and fair election for the first time in their lives. The United States and our coalition partners can all take pride in our role in making that statement possible."

Despite initial optimistic projections that the lines at polling stations on election day meant Sunnis had defied insurgent threats and calls for a boycott, the dismal low turnout figures from Sunni areas suggested otherwise.

In turbulent Anbar province, home to the city of Fallujah and to much of the insurgency, just 13,893 people voted, or 2 percent of those eligible.

In Nineveh province, where the troubled city of Mosul is located, turnout was 17 percent, and most of those who voted were Shiites and Kurds, judging by the result of the local election.

Turnout overall was 58 percent, or 4.5 million, ranging from Anbar's low of 2 percent to a high of 92 percent in the Kurdish province of Dohuk.

The outcome was a stinging blow for Ayad Allawi, the secular Shiite-US-backed interim prime minister, whose slate won only 13.7 percent of the vote despite the huge TV exposure afforded by his job and the biggest campaign spending by far of any candidate.

Allawi is disappointed and blames his poor showing on the endorsement of the Shiite coalition by Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, Iraq's top Shiite religious authority, said Ijaz Khuzai, an Allawi aide.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy and windy. Highs middle-40s. Tonight: Clear and chilly. Lows in the mid-20s. Tomorrow: Partly cloudy and breezy. Highs lower-40s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 3 columns: City, Hi, Lo. Lists weather for Boise, Idaho Falls, Lewiston, etc.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

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IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. A good chance for snow through early Monday night. Accumulations generally a few inches.

Today Highs: 18 to 23. Tonight's Lows: -11 to -1 BOISE. Increasing clouds and seasonably cool. Occasional drizzle or steady west winds.

ALMAGAC - TWIN FALLS

Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes icons for sun, clouds, rain, etc.

Sunrise and Sunset

Table with 2 columns: Sunrise, Sunset. Lists times for various days.

Pollen Count

Table with 2 columns: Pollen Count, Day/Weather. Lists counts for various allergens.

Moon Phases

Table with 2 columns: Moon Phase, Date. Shows phases like Full Moon, Last Quarter.

Moonrise and Moonset

Table with 2 columns: Moonrise, Moonset. Lists times for various days.

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REGIONAL FORECAST

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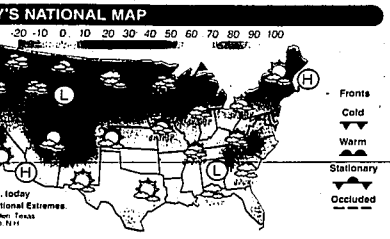
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Guns

Continued from A1 about her children's hobby. 'Their dad is a sergeant with Idaho State Police,' she said. 'We've always had guns in the house...'

Concealed weapons permits: What you need to know

By Rebecca Meany. 'TWIN FALLS - There are more than 40,000 active concealed weapons permits in the state of Idaho. A concealed weapon is defined as a dirk, dirk knife, bowie knife, dagger, pistol, revolver or any other deadly or dangerous weapon...'

Crime lab finds blood possibly linked to Hoffa

Knight Ridder News Service. DETROIT - The FBI crime lab has found traces of blood in the floorboards of a house in northwest Detroit where Teamsters boss Jimmy Hoffa may have been killed...'

Gunman opens fire at mall in New York, seriously wounds one

KINGSTON, N.Y. (AP) - A lone gunman opened fire with an assault rifle Sunday inside a crowded mall in upstate New York, seriously wounding one person before running out of ammunition and being subdued by employees, authorities said...'

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# CASH CACHE?

## U.S. delivered bags of money around Baghdad, ex-official says

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. officials in postwar Iraq paid a contractor by stuffing \$2 million worth of crisp bills into his gunnysack and routinely made cash payments around Baghdad from a pickup truck, a former official with the U.S. occupation government says.

Because the country lacked a functioning banking system, contractors and Iraqi ministry officials were paid with bills taken from a basement vault in one of Saddam Hussein's palaces that served as headquarters for the Coalition Provisional Authority, former CIA official Frank Willis said.

Officials from the CPA, which ruled Iraq from June 2003 to June 2004, would earn the money when it left the vault, but nobody kept track of the cash after that, Willis said.

"In sum, inexperienced officials, fear of decision-making, lack of communications, national security, no banks, and lots of money to spread around. This chaos I have referred to as a 'Wild West,'" Willis said in testimony he prepared to give Monday before a panel of Democratic senators who want to spotlight the waste of U.S. funds in Iraq.

A senior official in the 1980s at the State and Transportation departments under then-President Ronald Reagan, Willis provided The Associated Press with a copy of his testimony and answered questions in an interview.

James Mitchell, spokesman for the special inspector general for Iraq reconstruction, told the AP that cash payments in Iraq were a problem when the occupation authority ran the country and they continued during the massive U.S.-funded reconstruction.

"There are no capabilities to electronically transfer funds,"



Frank Willis, left, a senior Coalition Provisional Authority aviation and communications adviser from July through December 2003, and Darrell Trent stand in front of a pile of money at an undisclosed location in Baghdad in this 2003 photograph provided by Willis.

Mitchell said, "This complicates the financial management of reconstruction projects and complicates our ability to follow the money."

The Pentagon, which had oversight of the CPA, did not immediately comment in response to requests Friday and over the weekend. But the administrator of the former U.S. occupation agency, Lt. Paul Bremer III, in response to a recent federal audit criticizing the CPA, strongly defended the agency's financial practices.

Bremer said auditors mistakenly assumed that "Western-style budgeting and accounting procedures could

be immediately and fully implemented in the midst of a war."

When the auditor took over the country in 2003, Bremer said, there was no functioning Iraqi government and services were primitive or nonexistent.

He said the U.S. strategy was to transfer to the Iraqis as much responsibility as possible as quickly as possible, including responsibility for the Iraq budget.

Iraq's economy was "dead in the water" and the priority "was to get the economy going," Bremer said.

Also in response to that audit, Pentagon spokesman Bryan Whitman had said, "We simply

disagree with the audit's conclusion that the CPA provided less than adequate controls."

Willis served as a senior adviser on aviation and communications matters for the CPA during the last half of 2003 and said he was responsible for the operation of Baghdad's airport.

Describing the transfer of \$2 million to one contractor's gunnysack, Willis said: "It was time for payment. We told them to come in and bring a bag." He said the money went to Custer Battles of Middletown, Ill., for providing airport security in Baghdad for civilian passengers.

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# Manhattan madams allegedly made mint

## NYC police are cracking down

NEW YORK (AP) — The blue blood, Mayflower Madam, argued that the oldest profession was merely "naughty," not criminal.

More than two decades after her high-priced service was shut down, police are cracking down on a new generation of Manhattan madams who allegedly became wealthy by running prostitution rings for big spenders. And like Mayflower Madam Sydney Biddle Barrows, one of them wonders what all the fuss is about.

"It's the oldest game in town," Julie Moya said before surrendering to a vice squad late last month. "We don't hurt anyone. We just offer pleasure."

Also last month, Jason Itzler, 27, a New Jersey law school graduate, was arrested at a swank Manhattan hotel and charged with making a fortune by selling sex. In December, Jennifer Paulino, 44, was accused of raking in millions of dollars through pricey prostitutes.

Prostitution "has become the crime du jour," said Moya's attorney, Dan Ollen.

There's a tremendous amount of money involved," said Inspector James P. O'Neill, head of the New York Police Department's vice enforcement division.

Streetwalking has waned in the Big Apple, but Internet sex has flourished. In each of the three recent cases, the defendants used provocative Web sites to advertise their escorts arranged dates by phone, authorities said.

Itzler's NY Confidential Service offered customers "The Ultimate Girlfriends experience." A date with one of his 100 escorts didn't come cheap. Authorities say one agreed to have sex with an undercover officer for \$999 at a fancy hotel, billed to a credit card under "Gordon Banks."

Paulino allegedly made \$2.5 million over five years — enough to afford a condomini-



Jennifer Paulino, 44, arrives at New York Supreme Court in New York, Wednesday, Jan. 26. Paulino allegedly made \$2.5 million over five years in proceeds from operating a high priced prostitution ring.

um in a Donald Trump high-rise on the Upper East Side and a vacation home in Miami. She and other defendants kept records with names of rich customers willing to pay up to \$2,500 an hour for prostitutes who could pass for lingerie models, police said.

Although escort services can operate for years without attracting attention from law enforcement, some operations have been exposed after annoying neighbors, not paying taxes, dealing drugs and in Moya's case, allegedly employing underage girls.

Investigators say Moya, the madam of an escort service known as Julie's of New York City, provided a 15-year-old prostitute with fake identification and told her she "had to be a thoroughbred," which meant having unprotected sex and taking drugs, police said.

"I'm sure she wasn't referring to food," he said.

Moya faces up to 15 years in prison; Paulino could get 25 if convicted of both prostitution and money-laundering charges. Itzler also faces up to 25 years.

# Police: Man had been soliciting suicides for at least five years

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — A man who used an Internet chat room to try to set up a mass suicide on Valentine's Day had been trying to persuade women for at least five years to engage in sex acts with him and then kill themselves, a sheriff said Sunday.

Gerald Krein is charged with solicitation to commit murder, and prosecutors are expected to add an attempted manslaughter charge Monday, said Klamath County Sheriff Tim Evinger.

Combing through old chat room records, investigators discovered Krein had been trying to entice women across North America to commit suicide as far back as 2000, Evinger said.

Krein told investigators he had been in touch with 31 women, authorities said.

Krein, 26, was arrested Wednesday at his mother's home in the southern Oregon town of Klamath Falls. He moved to Oregon about a year ago from the Sacramento, Calif., area to take care of his ailing fa-

ther, Evinger said.

"The common theme is that these were women who were vulnerable, who were depressed. He invited them to engage in certain sexual acts with him — and then they went to hang themselves, or had a beam in his house," the sheriff said.

"He was indicating in these chat groups to these women that he had a beam and that it would hold multiple people."

Klamath County Prosecutor Ed Caley said no one knows for sure whether Krein intended to bring participants to his home or conduct the suicide over the Internet. Because Krein was living in a mobile home while organizing the suicide, the idea of hanging bodies from beams may indicate the plot was a fantasy.

"Because he lived in a mobile home, it's clear that he was either engaging in some kind of fantasy or else that he planned for it to happen somewhere else," Caley said on Sunday.

# Lawmakers divided over private accounts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Although the conservative, Republican-led Congress, Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist said Sunday he agrees with fellow Republicans that changes in the venerable "checkbook" program can be forced upon an unwilling American public.

"What we need to do is really demonstrate the reality of the problem," said Frist, R-Tenn.

Whether the solvency of Social Security in the decades ahead presents an imminent danger today — and whether President Bush's call for private accounts is key to the solution — divided lawmakers appearing on Sunday talk shows.

"The president's plan is not recommended for review," said Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill. "Seniors as well as politicians on Capitol Hill in both parties have a lot of skepticism."

According to agency estimates, Social Security is expected to begin paying out more in benefits than it collects in taxes. In 2042, its trust funds would be empty, and by 2054, the benefit cuts would begin to make up the difference from what taxes bring in.

"We have a catastrophe that can happen unless we act," Frist

On November 2nd, President Bush won the coin-toss. He receives. He's going to get the ball and get a chance to move down the field.

But first he has to show us his plays: What's he want to see in this Social Security change?

The devil is in the details.

— Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill.

told "Fox News Sunday." "Politicians can kick it off to the future, which I think is morally wrong, or we can address it now. We need to first make sure the American people understand there's a problem."

On NBC's "Meet the Press," Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said Bush is trying to define the problem. "He's going to force the people of this country to contribute on it," Grassley said.

The Bush administration has referred to Social Security funding as a crisis. However, Rep. Charles Hangel, D-N.Y., and other Democrats contended

that no crisis exists with a program that can function unchanged for nearly 40 years.

Rangel, senior Democrat on the House Ways and Means Committee, said Republicans are trying to scare young people into believing their benefits are not going to be there when they retire. He also said a bipartisan solution is necessary for such a complicated problem.

"There is no Democrat in the House of Representatives, on my committee, that this president has reached out for," Hangel said. "I'm telling you now, Social Security reform by

# Gene therapy restores hearing in deaf animals

Los Angeles Times

Michigan researchers have restored hearing in deaf mammals for the first time, and the study represents a major step toward the treatment of the 27 million Americans with acquired hearing loss.

By inserting a corrective gene with a virus, the team induced the formation of new cochlear hair cells — the key intermediaries in converting sound waves into electrical impulses — in the ears of artificially deafened adult guinea pigs.

They later demonstrated that the animals responded to sounds by the eardrum, as they published Monday in the journal Nature Medicine.

"A lot of the techniques would fairly easily translate into a clinical setting" for use in humans, said neuroscientist Matthew W. Kelley of the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, who was not involved in the research.

Humans have about 16,000

hair cells in the cochlea of each ear, where they convert sound waves into nerve impulses. The cells are easily damaged by loud noises, aging, infections and certain medications.

Once damaged, they cannot regenerate on their own.

The key to the generation of new hair cells is a gene called Atoh1, first discovered in fruit flies in 1998 by geneticist Huda Y. Zoghbi of the Baylor College of Medicine. Variants of the gene have since been discovered in almost all species of animals.

During fetal development, the gene converts some cells in the ear into hair cells. In other ear cells, called supporting cells, its activity is suppressed.

Researchers showed that, working in laboratory dishes, the

gene could convert supporting cells into hair cells.

Two years ago, Yehosh Raphael and Kehli Kawamoto of the University of Michigan Medical School reported that inserting the gene into supporting cells in live guinea pigs produced thousands of new hair cells.

"Everybody in the field was amazed that this worked," Kelley said. "We thought it was going to be really hard, and that it would require a whole lot of genes."

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WORLD

ON THE WING



Birds in search of fish take flight over an unfrozen part of southeastern Macedonia's Dojran Lake, on the border with Greece, on Sunday. Dojran Lake is partly frozen due to low temperatures in the past ten days in the Balkans.

Skyscraper fire abates; 'situation is still critical'

MADRID, Spain - Firefighters struggled for nearly 24 hours before finally controlling Madrid's worst blaze in recent memory, which reduced one of the city's tallest office buildings to a blackened hulk of twisted wreckage.

Thick smoke and temperatures that soared as high as 1,472 degrees Fahrenheit prevented firefighters from entering the 32-story Windsor building until late Sunday. The fire, which left seven people slightly injured, broke out Saturday just before midnight.

The office tower was heavily damaged but did not collapse, as had been feared. However, officials said it was unstable and closed the area around the building.

"What worries us now is its structural state because of the high temperatures it was subjected to," said Merarid Tudelo, director of the Madrid Municipal Firefighters.

Mayor Alberto Ruiz-Gallardon said "the situation is still critical."

Emergency officials planned to keep the area in the Spanish capital's banking and business district cordoned off at least through today.

World in brief

"It is in the hands of the investigating commission," Azimi said.

He gave no further details.

The Boeing 737 crashed into the mountain top east of the capital, Kabul, on Feb. 3 after approaching from the western city of Herat. Authorities have declared all 96 passengers and eight crew dead, including more than 20 foreigners, in the country's worst air disaster.

Death toll in Pakistan flooding rises to 360

PASNI, Pakistan - Troops in helicopters hauled badly needed relief supplies to flood-swamped villages in southwestern Pakistan on Sunday, as the nationwide death toll from a week of heavy rain and snow topped 360.

Hungry survivors, their homes and livestock swept away when a dam burst its banks three days ago, huddled on high ground in the worst-hit province of Baluchistan, where at least 1,000 people were still missing.

Officials said a second, smaller dam collapsed elsewhere in the province Sunday, killing seven people, while scores more casualties from avalanches and landslides were reported in the northwest and the Himalayan region of Kashmir.

About 4,000 troops supported by helicopters, coast guard boats and C-130 transport planes hauled food, medicine and tents to Pasni, close to where the 490-foot-long Shadikor Dam burst Thursday, sweeping people into the Arabian Sea. The Red Crescent, the branch of the Red Cross that operates in Muslim countries, sent tents, blankets, tarpaulins and 40 tons of food.

Israel OKs freedom for 500 Palestinians

JERUSALEM - Israel's Cab-

net on Sunday approved a list of 500 Palestinian prisoners to be freed in keeping with Israeli commitments - including at - last week's summit in Egypt.

The group represents more than half the 900 prisoners Israel has thus far agreed to release. They are to be freed in a week or so. The remaining 400 are to be freed in the spring.

None of the 500 was involved in attacks on Israelis, which has been a key condition for possible releases. Most are in the last third of their sentences.

Prime Minister Ariel Sharon suggested in a newspaper interview last week that future releases could include those with "blood on their hands" as long as the Palestinians make good on their commitment to crack down on armed groups and Israel's planned withdrawal from the Gaza Strip goes smoothly.

The next round of releases is to be coordinated with Palestinian officials under agreements reached at the summit.

Pope returns to Vatican, blesses crowds in square

VATICAN CITY - After nine days in the hospital, Pope John Paul II is back at the Vatican, and church officials insist he is resting comfortably and eager to return to work. But his sudden illness, including throat spasms induced by flu, has reopened debate over whether the 84-year-old pontiff can or should retire.

On Sunday, the pope appeared at his window and blessed the crowds below in St. Peter's square for the first time since he took ill. But he could speak only a few words, and an unclear message of thanks and encouragement.

John Paul's papacy is already the third longest on record, and during his latest hospitalization reservations about his capacity to serve were expressed, unusually, by several cardinals and in a surge of European and Catholic press editorials.

Iran rejects demand to give up nuke reactor

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) - Iran rejected a European demand to stop building a heavy-water nuclear reactor that provides a simpler way of extracting weapons-grade fuel, and it warned the United States on Sunday "not to play with fire" by repeatedly threatening Tehran.

Iran has indicated previously it will keep its heavy-water reactor, but Sunday's announcement that it will not replace it with a light-water reactor was the clearest statement yet of its nuclear plans and represented a hardening of its position.

Both plants in question can be used to enrich uranium, a critical part in nuclear programs, but the extraction of weapons-grade material from a light-water reactor is more difficult. Uranium enriched to low grades is used for fuel in nuclear reactors, but further enrichment makes it suitable

for atomic bombs.

The statement underscored the unresolved differences between Iranian and European negotiators, who are continuing their talks over Iran's nuclear program even as the United States escalates its criticism of Iran.

Earlier this month, President Bush accused Iran in his State of the Union speech of being "the world's primary state sponsor of terror" and pursuing nuclear weapons. Although Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice has said a military strike against Iran was "simple not on the agenda at this point," Bush has said his administration would not rule out any option.

On Sunday, Foreign Ministry spokesman Hamid Reza Asfeli reiterated previous statements by top officials that Iran would not tolerate any acts of aggression, particularly from the United States.

"Rice and other U.S. officials

are aware of Iran's capabilities," Asfeli told reporters at a news briefing. "During the talks with the Europeans, we told them in clear terms to tell their American allies not to play with fire, and the Europeans clearly got our message."

Iranian President Mohammad Khatami last week warned that Iran would turn into a "scorching hell" for any possible attackers.

Iran, according to experts, is believed to be at least four years away from finishing construction of the heavy-water reactor near Arak, in central Iran. Those reactors use natural uranium rather than the enriched form, which is costlier and more complicated to produce.

Asfeli rejected a proposal by European negotiators to stop building the 40-megawatt Arak reactor in return for a light-water reactor - from which the extraction of weapons-grade material is difficult.

Brazil races to probe murder of missionary

BELEM, Brazil - Police searched Sunday for four people suspected in the slaying of a 74-year-old American nun - the most prominent activist since the 1988 murder of Chico Mendes.

Dorothy Stang, who spent decades fighting efforts by loggers and large landowners to appropriate lands and clear large areas of the Amazon rainforest, was shot dead early Saturday near Anapu, a rural town about 1,300 miles north of Sao Paulo.

She was killed less than a week after meeting with Human Rights Secretary Nilmaro Miranda to report that four local farmers had received death threats from loggers and landowners.

Land ownership in the Amazon rainforest is often disputed by loggers, landowners and local peasants. The government grants land titles, but deeds are rarely respected.

- compiled from wire reports

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Memorial flag will hang in courthouse

**RUPERT**—A flag honoring Pfc. Clifton Roney will soon be displayed in the lobby of the Mindoka County Courthouse.

Roney, a 2001 graduate of Burley High School who lived in Rupert, was one of five soldiers supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom who were killed March 31 in Habbaniyah, Iraq.

Rupert Mayor Audrey Newerth purchased the memorial flag from "Let Them Be Forgotten," a nonprofit corporation founded by a New York state father after his son was killed in Iraq.

The organization's mission is "to create, establish and help maintain hometown memorials in honor of our brave men and women who have lost their lives defending the United States of America in our War Against Terrorism."

Newerth said she would like the memorial honoring Roney, and any other county residents who may give their lives in the current conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan, to be displayed on county property.

Newerth said she will also purchase a plaque to hang with the flag.

### School board looks ahead to construction

**TWIN FALLS** — Upcoming projects and grants are on the agenda for the Twin Falls School Board meeting tonight.

The board will hear about a federal 21st Century Community Learning Centers grant, which Lincoln Elementary School might receive.

Beeth Olmstead said the grant would give the school about \$160,000 a year for five years to set up before- and after-school programs and full-day kindergarten for at-risk pupils.

"We're hoping, hoping, hoping we get it," Olmstead said.

The grant would also provide for after-school tutoring and mentoring. At other times the school could run mentoring classes while children do creative arts activities such as drama, dance—and—lifetime sports.

Operations Director John Miller will ask the board to request — proposals — from architecture firms to help plan for future facility needs. In the meantime, he'll ask the board to request bids for improvements to Robert Stuart Junior High School's roof.

The meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the board room of the school administration building, 201 Main Ave. W. The meeting is open to the public.

### Twin Falls hospital board meets tonight

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Hospital Board tonight will hear a presentation from the hospital's administration.

The meeting will begin at 6 tonight in the hospital's conference room located in the old Norco building just east of the hospital's main campus on Addison Avenue.

Tonight's agenda also includes reports from the board's administrative, quality, community relations and medical executive committees. The meeting is open to the public.

### District meets to discuss school year

**RUPERT** — The Mindoka County School District will meet tonight to review its proposed 2005-06 calendar from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday at the school district office, 633 Fremont Ave.

For more information, call 435-2727, ext. 109.

— compiled from staff reports

### Snowpack levels

Watershed	1 of Aug.	1 of Feb. 13
Salmon	59%	41%
Big Wood	58%	40%
Little Wood	79%	54%
Big Lost	75%	50%
Little Lost	75%	48%
Henry Fork/Teton	77%	54%
Upper Snake Basin	75%	49%
Oakley	75%	55%
Salmon Falls	60%	57%

As of Feb. 13

\*A comparison of basin snowpack on this day with a 30-year average.  
\*\*An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire spring snowmelt period.

# HOUSE FOR SALE



Ray Sheen, right, walks with his wife Karlene and daughter Raychel through the living room during an open house at Twin Falls' first Energy Star-approved home Saturday. The home has numerous energy-efficient features and appliances including the water heater, insulation and lighting.

## T.F. couple lists Energy Star home

By Chris Steinbach  
Times-News writer

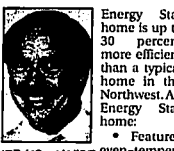
**TWIN FALLS** — If only the three little pigs had known about the new home at 516 Boxwood Drive.

Bob and Patsy Campbell, PolySteel of Southern Idaho owners, built the three-bedroom, two-bathroom home out of poured concrete and other energy-efficient materials instead of straw, sticks or bricks.

The Campbells, who have listed the house for sale at \$242,500, say it has been certified as the first Energy Star home in Twin Falls by the state Department of Water Resources and Idaho Power in conjunction with the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance.

"You don't have to affect your quality of life to save energy," Bob Campbell said during a weekend open house. "You don't have to give up anything."

According to the alliance, an



Energy Star home is up to 30 percent more efficient than a typical home in the Northwest. An Energy Star home:

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- Has been inspected to verify proper installation of high-efficiency heating and cooling systems.
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- Has a dishwasher that can save 1,000 gallons of water annually.
- Features lighting in at least 50 percent of the home that uses up to 75 percent less energy than traditional lights.

• Has increased insulation.

The house has many of the features found in traditionally built new homes: A central vacuum system, granite countertops in the kitchen, a three-car garage and a media suite has been included with a security camera at the front door. The audio system has been wired into the great room, kitchen, patio, master bedroom suite and garage. The house also has motion-detector lighting controls in selected areas.

"You can heat the whole house with the fireplace," said Brian Baecht, who did all of the installation in the home. The furnace is 92 percent energy efficient and the gas fireplace is 85 percent energy efficient.

Said Campbell: "It (the fireplace) is not just for looks."

The house is the first he has built as a contractor. Campbell and his wife have built other

homes in which they have lived.

"I've been in construction all my life as an electrical contractor," he said. The couple also own Campbell Electric.

Campbell said they decided to start the new company to show that energy-efficient homes could be built in about the same time frame as traditional homes and for a comparable price. The house on Boxwood Drive features a brick facade on the front. On the back of the house, sliding covers the poured-concrete walls to show anything that can be done with a more traditional home as well as done with an Energy Star home.

It's a different concept in home building — what we're doing," Campbell said.

Chris Steinbach can be reached at 735-3255 or by e-mail at [chris.steinbach@magicvalley.com](mailto:chris.steinbach@magicvalley.com)

## Reassessing Canada lynx numbers in Idaho

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

**KETCHUM** — Here, kitty, kitty, kitty.

For one threatened species, the call will unlikely yield much benefit.

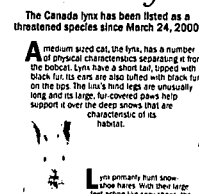
The Canada lynx manages to bewilder most wildlife biologists who go in search of it. The cat's nature makes the job of U.S. Fish and Wildlife biologist Lori Nordstrom challenging.

Although the species has been listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act since 2000, determining population levels in the lower 48 states still proves difficult, Nordstrom said.

"It's hard to say," she said. "They're fairly elusive."

"Biologists do know, however, the No. 1 factor leading to the listing of the Canada lynx is the diminishing habitat for the

### Canada lynx



The Canada lynx has been listed as a threatened species since March 24, 2000.

medium-sized cat. The lynx has a number of physical characteristics separating it from the bobcat. Lynx have a short tail, spotted with black fur; its ears are also tufted with black fur on the tips. The black tufted ears are unusually long and its large, fur-covered paws help support it over the deep snow masses that are characteristic of its habitat.

Lynx primarily hunt snowshoe hares. Snowshoe hares thrive in dense spruce fir forests, Nordstrom said. Therefore, lynx depend upon the same forests for survival, making dens among fallen trees.

"They need deep snow," Nordstrom said. "That's where lynx live, where there's deep snow."



The lynx is a reclusive, solitary animal. It usually hunts alone and moves around mostly at night. During the day, it can grow up to 34 inches in length and weigh about 22 pounds. Another 15 to 20 percent of the lynx population is female. The lynx population in Idaho is about 100 to 150 animals.

The lynx's large paws act as snowshoes, keeping the lynx aloft in wintry conditions and climates that prevent other cats, like the bobcat, from competing for prey.

Thinning projects in these types of forests have led to fewer snowshoe hares, thus fewer lynx, Nordstrom said.

"The majority of lynx habitat is on public lands," she said.

Please see LYNX, Page A7

## Twin Falls council to review consultants' contract

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — A public affairs consulting group that helped Twin Falls get thousands of dollars in grant money is scheduled to make a presentation to the City Council tonight.

Council members will review a contract with The Gallatin Group, which the city retained last year to represent Twin Falls' interests in Washington, D.C.

"Through their efforts and with the help of our Congressional delegation, we obtained

### Meeting tonight

The Twin Falls City Council will meet at 5 p.m. today at the City Council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

A \$600,000 grant for Auger Falls, said City Manager Tom Courtney.

The city of Twin Falls bought the Auger Falls property in 2002 for \$1.3 million. Council members have been working to secure funding to create a public

park, wildlife refuge and natural wastewater treatment system in the area.

Contract funding for the Auger Falls project and the reconstruction and widening of Washington Street from Falls Avenue to Pole Line Road are two priorities for the city, Courtney said.

The city is hoping to complete the widening of Washington Street before the closure of Pole Line Road, which will be expanded to carry rerouted traffic from U.S. Highway 93.

Council members will also discuss tonight a proposed ordinance requiring parks and storm water retention/detention development.

"This has been on the drawing board for a few months," Courtney said. "What do we do with the facilities when they're not retaining water? They are not an asset to the neighborhood."

If the council likes the ordinance, it would be referred back to the city's planning and zoning department for a public hearing.



**Kerry Kawamoto**  
Survivors: Wife, Ruthe, of Twin Falls; his mother, Mary of Twin Falls; his daughter, Kara (Steve) Martin, of Vancouver, Wash.; his son, Cade of Huntington Beach, Calif.; his granddaughter, Kinsey Martin; his sister, Becky (Ron) Fox; his half sister, Kaleen; his sister-in-law, Barbara Lawrence; his brother-in-law, Rich Jones; his aunt, Mary (Kenji) Nishida; and his uncle, George Kawamoto.

Memorials: Kawamoto Culinary Arts Scholarship Fund at the College of Southern Idaho, P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, ID 83301.

## Knack for Chinese cuisine

Friends, family remember former restaurant owner

By Jami Whited  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — While working in restaurants when he was young, Kerry Kawamoto developed a passion for cooking.

Later on in life, he took that passion and opened up a restaurant in Twin Falls that quickly became a local favorite.

Kawamoto, the former owner of George K's, died on Feb. 5. He was 57.

His mother and father met when their families were detained at the Hunt relocation camp during World War II. The couple liked Southern Idaho so much they decided to stay after their release and raise a family.

Kawamoto's parents were among the first families to introduce Chinese cuisine to Southern Idaho, said Ruthe Kawamoto, who married her high school sweetheart in 1958.

Kerry Kawamoto's parents started the Rice Bowl in 1952 in Twin Falls and Kay's Supper Club in the 1960s.

### Remembered

Beginning in elementary school, Kerry waited and bussed tables for customers in the family's restaurants for more than four decades.

"The business just called to him," Ruthe said.

"Ever a family gatherings and company barbecues, Kerry always took control of the food. Whether spicing something up or trying something different, he was always at the forefront of the meal."

Kerry and his Uncle George built a restaurant on Kimberly Road in 1975 that quickly became a popular Chinese eatery.

George K's remained a family-owned favorite until 1998 when Kerry retired from the business.

Russ Hutchison worked with Kerry for about five years starting in the 1990s and has owned George K's East in Burley for about four years. He remembers Kerry as "always being driven to get things done right."

"He always tried to make things better and make things go right," Hutchison said. "He believed that everything was handled to reflect the customer."

After George K's closed, Kerry worked for U.S. Food Service as a sales representative.

"He still loved cooking as a hobby and for his friends," Ruthe said.

Kerry remained an active cook, often teaching his culinary skills to customers of a local cooking store and volunteering to cook for local benefits

Please see KAWAMOTO, Page A7

MAGIC VALLEY/IDAHO

Water rights pact runs afoul of citizens

GRANGEVILLE (AP) — The former chief council to Gov. Dick Kempthorne planned to meet...

worked on the Nez Perce Tribe water rights agreement...

Martin Thompson of Nez Perce County represents Kempthorne on the water agreement...

SERVICES

Dylan G. Overson, formerly of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Hansen Mortuary...

Olle L. Brinkman Gurnea of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Immanuel Lutheran Church...

John Lindsey Ramsey of Carey, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Carey LDS Chapel...

Grace G. Kuhn Ambrose, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church...

Domna Marie Stout, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Provo Sunset Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints...

William G. Arenz, 35; one count driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, 90 days in jail...

Elva Arreaga, 41; driving without privileges attempted to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, 30 days in jail...

Erin Reyes Cruz, 20; driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, 30 days in jail...

Neil Walter Sanda, 55; driving under the influence, pleaded innocent, 300 fine, 112.60 court costs...

Luis Antonio Aguilar, 30; one count possession of controlled substance, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 court costs...

Yesinia Juarez, 15; one count failure to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine...

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Rose M. Sperl Cook of Abington, Mass., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Sunset Memorial Park...

Cecil Leighton "Van" Vansant of Murtry, services at 2 p.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel...

Alisa Ann Moon of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home...

Lloyd Lee Askins, Jr. of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls, services are pending and will be announced...

DEATH NOTICE

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Alisa Ann Moon



Alisa Ann Moon, 38, of Jerome, passed away Thursday, Feb. 10, 2005...

Alisa loved her family very much. She spent many hours working with her son and his disabilities, learning about the many resources available to her and her family...

until her health no longer allowed. Alisa was a very complex woman who loved everyone in her life very much and wanted to be loved...

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

she would be able to reach out to more families by entering into the private sector and becoming a service coordinator where she volunteered for many years...

Memorial services for Alisa will be held Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2005 at 2 p.m. at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home...

BURLY — Melba I. Anderson, an 84-year-old resident of Burley, passed away at her home on Saturday, Feb. 12, 2005...

Memorial services for Melba will be held at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005, at Rasmussen Funeral Home...

Shockey; fifteen grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one sister, Doris-Yost.

Melba was born on June 29, 1920, in Melba, Idaho, one of nine children born to George and Josephine Hyde...

as well as five grandchildren. After retiring from J.R. Simpson Company, Melba spent her time baking her famous pies for everyone close to her...

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005, at Rasmussen Funeral Home...

JEROME — Kevin David Kehrer, 43, of Jerome, passed away Feb. 12, 2005 at his home. Kevin was born Aug. 31, 1961 in Jerome, Idaho...



Kevin David Kehrer, 43, of Jerome, passed away Feb. 12, 2005...

Kevin was raised in Rupert and graduated from Minier High School in 1979. He attended the College of Southern Idaho and earned a degree in mechanics and welding...

Surviving Melba is her loving husband, Clyde; children, Lucille Wolf, Janine Gordon, Darlene Parker, Sharel Kerr, Carolyn Hondo, and Carla (Mark) Shockey...

at Norfolk, Va.; parents, David and Linda Kehrer, of Rupert, sister Robin of Rupert, and a brother, Cory, of Jerome...

He was later employed as a groundskeeper for the Jerome County Fairgrounds for 16 years. He is survived by his wife, Deann...

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2005, at Rasmussen Funeral Chapel, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome...

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MINIDOKA COUNTY COURTS

RUBERT — Recent activity in 5th District Magistrate Court in Minidoka County included:

Misdemeanor dismissals
Stella Ann Hale, 42; insufficient funds/check fraud, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Larry R. Duff.
Celen Pelton, 22; one count reckless driving, pleaded innocent, dismissed; que count failure to appear for mistrial/jury empanelment, pleaded innocent, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Dobbie Taylor, 36; requesting place where controlled substance was used, pleaded innocent, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.
Jacob E. Wilcox, age unknown; check fraud/insufficient funds, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Misdemeanor sentences
Elva Arreaga, 41; driving without privileges attempted to purchase valid driver's license, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 fine, \$63.50 court costs; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Erin Reyes Cruz, 20; driving without privileges, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, 30 days in jail; 12 months probation, 90 days in jail with 74 days suspended, five days credited time; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Neil Walter Sanda, 55; driving under the influence, pleaded innocent, 300 fine, 112.60 court costs, driver's license suspended six months, 12 months probation, 30 days in jail with 28 days suspended, two days credited time; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Luis Antonio Aguilar, 30; one count possession of controlled substance, pleaded guilty, \$68.50 court costs, restitution \$200, four years probation, determine time: two years, indeterminate time: five years, credit time one count possession of controlled substance, dismissed; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

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Walter D. Reyes, 42; one count aggravated assault attempted to assault, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine, \$63.50 court costs, 18 months probation, 90 days jail suspended; one count battery attempted to seduction of one of deadly weapons, pleaded guilty, \$300 fine, 180 jail suspended; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Withheld Judgments
Sacramento Medford, 20; tape amended to injury to child, pleaded guilty, disposition withheld; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

Deferred Prosecutions
George Abraham Gallegos Jr., 30; battery amended to possession of firearm, pleaded guilty, disposition withheld; District Judge R. Barry Wood.
Esther K. Hinkel, 23; disturbing the peace, deferred prosecution; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Driving under the influence sentences
William G. Arenz, 35; one count driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, \$200 fine, \$78.50 court costs, driver's license suspended 90 days, 12 months probation, 60 days in jail with 58 days suspended, one day credited time, treatment program; one count failure to purchase valid driver's license, dismissed; Magistrate Judge Rick L. Bollar.

Baltazar Gonzalez Salinas, 50; one count driving under the influence amended to driving under the influence, pleaded guilty, four years probation, 30 days jail, determine time: two years, indeterminate time: three years, two days credited time; penitentiary suspended; one count carry concealed weapon without a license, pleaded innocent, dismissed; District Judge R. Barry Wood.

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## Sources, post-Watergate

I have little doubt that one of my former Nixon White House colleagues is history's best-known anonymous source - Deep Throat. But I'll be damned if I can figure out exactly which one.

We'll all know one day very soon, however. Bob Woodward, a reporter on the team that covered the Watergate story, has advised his executive editor at the Washington Post that Throat is ill. And Ben Bradlee, former executive editor of the Post and one of the few people to whom Woodward confided his source's identity, has publicly acknowledged that he has written Throat's obituary.

JOHN W. DEAN

When that posthumous profile reveals the secret name, it will be flash powder on the long-simmering debate about reporters' use of anonymous sources - an issue much in the news lately because my former law school classmate, Thomas F. Hogan, now the chief judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, has been holding journalists in contempt of court for refusing to reveal their sources to a grand jury investigating the leak of the identity of CIA operative Valerie Plame.

I'm caught in the middle on this discussion. As a columnist, occasional freelancer and author of six nonfiction books, I've often conflicted sources myself. In fact, I just used one. The source who informed me that Woodward leaked the news of Throat's illness to the executive editor of the Post gave me that information either on "deep background" or "off the record" (I never could get the distinction of those rules straightened out). So I apologize to my source if this information was never meant to be public, but it is difficult too hot to keep sitting on.

I don't like using unidentified sources and never was one. During my years at the White House, not to mention those at the former editor's serenity on Capitol Hill, I never leaked information, although I was frequently approached. If I couldn't say it on the record, I didn't say it. And because I had



no authority to speak on the record, I chose not to speak. So what is to be made of those who clank jail keys to encourage reporters to reveal their sources?

Without confidential sources, much of what people need to know in a democracy would never be reported, so unless there is a higher reason, journalists must be able to protect such sources who are willing to impart such information. That said, no news person should agree to provide confidentially unless it is essential to obtain information that the public should be told and there is no other way to obtain the information. A scoop per se does not justify a pledge of confidentiality.

A source may be using the reporter, while the reporter is using the source. Motives range from the noble whistle-blower who is morally offended by misconduct to the staffer who is floating a trial balloon to the low-end leaker who is seeking to gain advantage by sabotaging a competitor or foe.

Reporters and their sources (and the public editor's serenity) that when journalists agree to keep a source confidential, they have entered into a contract. Indeed, reporters have

been successfully sued for damages when they have breached their agreement. But in most states, every contract has an implied warranty of good faith and fair dealing - meaning that neither a reporter nor a source can take unfair advantage of the other. This is important because insiders leak for an array of reasons, not always honorable, and may be using the reporter's confidentiality to protect themselves if, say, they are releasing information obtained improperly. If the source tried to enforce confidentiality, or collect damages from the reporter, the attempt would fail because of implied warranty.

Finally, if the confidential information relates to criminal activity, the U.S. Supreme Court said in 1972 in *Branzburg vs. Hayes* that should a grand jury investigating the crime need the information, the journalist must turn it over - despite the freedom of the press guaranteed under the First Amendment.

No reporter can enter into an agreement that violates that law. Rather, an agreement of confidentiality is subject to it. The so-called news persons' privilege, just like the attorney-

client privilege or a president's executive privilege, is a qualified privilege. When a judge holds a reporter in contempt for violating the law, that judge is merely upholding the law of the land.

As for Deep Throat, well, we will all soon learn if Woodward has been protecting a criminal for three decades, or merely a source who gave him some good information and some bad information - when history's greatest source was wrong - that Woodward has never corrected. (To pick just one of Throat's many errors, I randomly opened "All the President's Men," scanned until I came to the passage in which Woodward reports Throat as giving him this: "Dean talked with Sen. (Howard) Baker after (the) Watergate committee (was) formed and Baker is in the bag completely, reporting back directly to the White House." I never happened.) I suspect that Throat's identity may prove a cautionary tale for all news gatherers. Stay tuned.

John Dean, a former Nixon White House counsel, is the author of "Worse Than Watergate: The Secret Presidency of George W. Bush."

## Western views

A weekly roundup of editorial viewpoints from newspapers around the West.

### Bush's BPA proposal deserves a quick burial

There are a lot of things about President Bush's new budget proposal that don't make any sense. One of them is his bid to wreck the Northwest economy. That would be the upshot of a budget proposal that would dramatically increase Northwest power rates.

The administration proposes to save \$12 billion over 10 years by having four federal power suppliers - including the Bonneville Power Administration - charge market rates instead of wholesale rates.

Northwest members of Congress from both parties have vowed to fight the proposal, saying the resulting 20 percent rate hike would devastate individual and commercial taxpayers and would weaken the region's economic recovery.

Comments by Republican Sen. Pete Domenici (R-N.M.) offer comfort to the Northwest. The chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee called the administration's proposal "politically untenable" and "I won't support it."

A version of this proposal surfaced every few years, mainly at the request of Midwest and Northeast legislators, who resent the cheaper power rates enjoyed by Northwesters

### Improve benefits for veterans' survivors

The Pentagon and Congress are united behind a measure to increase the compensation to families of soldiers killed in the line of duty from a miserly \$12,420 to \$100,000. In addition, the insurance coverage may be increased from a limit of \$2,500,000 to \$400,000.

So far, so good, but there's more that needs to be done on behalf of survivors. Consider the experience of Tiffany Petty, an Inkom woman whose husband, Jerriek, died at age 25 in Mosul, north of Baghdad, three days before the capture of Saddam Hussein in December 2003.

It was Jerriek's fellow soldiers who provided comfort and assistance in her move from a military base in Kentucky back to the home of her parents.

What she didn't get was information she needed. She and children Azure Dawn, 4, and Jerriek McKen III, 2, found it difficult to learn the details about their death benefits for families.

Nine months after her husband's funeral, Petty found it

### President sets out the right principle of justice

The Justice Project has turned up a shocking number of wrongful convictions, and many accounts of indifference on competent defense attorneys.

That ought to bother all Americans, minorities in particular. They are disproportionately represented on death row.

The president set out a principle that death penalty supporters and opponents alike can endorse: "We need to make sure Americans of all races and backgrounds have confidence in the system that provides justice."

### Doonesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



### Mallard Fillmore



### By Bruce Tinsley



## Good news filled with some regrets

Moving to a new community means leaving behind old friends and making new ones. It also means getting to know a new doctor, dentist, minister and neighbors.

I haven't really established any of those friendships and finding a new dentist will be especially tough, because I really liked the one I had back in Minnesota. About the only people away from work who I've gotten to know very well so far in Twin Falls are real estate agents, mortgage loan officers, trainers at Gold's Gym, members of the Kiwanis Club and the choir at St. Edward's Catholic Church.

Add to that Thom and Larry at the Varsity Barbershop. Yes, even a mostly bald newspaper editor needs a haircut every once in a while. That's how I found myself in Thom's chair on a recent Saturday morning.

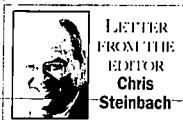
Our conversation was typical. At some point I told him I work at *The Times-News*.

"What do you do there?" he asked.

"I'm the editor," I told him. "We've often called *The Times-News* the Daily Regret."

"I'm so nervous without my glasses on that I couldn't see Larry from across the barbershop, but I think he chuckled at the joke about our corrections policy.

"That policy, however, makes



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR Chris Steinbach

*The Times-News* special. I would say unique, but I can still hear a former editor's serenity that nothing is ever unique.

At the end of every published correction, we say: "*The Times-News* regrets the error."

I know of no other newspaper that does this. It was done at any of the other newspapers where I have worked. I've never seen it in the newspapers I've read in airports and hotels as I've traveled around the country.

If you don't believe me, take a look at [www.regrettheerror.com](http://www.regrettheerror.com). The Web log - which was pointed out to me by Karin Kovalek, our education reporter - is published by a Canadian public relations firm. *Regret The Error* reports on corrections, omissions, clarifications and trends regarding our editorial honesty in the media, according to the Web site.

The site published about 20 corrections Friday that were collected from newspapers across the United States, including one from *The New York Times* on Feb. 6 that was 933 words long. In none of those

corrections, however, did I read the word "regret."

Still, publishing corrections distinguishes newspapers from most other news organizations. How often do you hear a correction during a radio or television news broadcast? And you can trust me on this one: Broadcast reporters make mistakes, too, even if those mistakes are not always corrected.

Newspaper reporters and editors learn early in their careers how to correct errors in as few words as possible. It is usually done by publishing a correction that:

- Acknowledges a mistake was made.
- Provides the correct information.
- Does not repeat the mistake.

For the 21 years he has worked in our newsroom, features editor Steve Crump tells me we have published corrections that go a step beyond what is typically by saying, "*The Times-News* regrets the error."

The wording of the last sentence in each of our corrections has changed slightly over the years, but its purpose has remained the same. Reporters and editors are human beings. As such, they sometimes make mistakes. Acknowledging our regret for those mistakes tells readers we are committed to accuracy - and we prize our credibility and are willing to go

beyond the norm to maintain it.

Telling this to our readers makes it easier for them to point out our mistakes out to us. That helps us avoid the problems with plagiarism and ethics that have troubled other news organizations in recent years. Every newspaper - whether it is *The New York Times* or *The Times-News* - should have that kind of relationship with its readers.

I'm pleased that we have that kind of relationship with many of you, even those of you who tell jokes about *The Daily Regret*. So even though I could buy clippers and probably cut my own hair, I'll go back to see Thom and Larry. Hearing what's being said in the barbershop is worth the price of a haircut.

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OPINION

LETTERS

**TPRI helps teachers more than they know**

I would like to direct this letter to Ms. Soran and the many wonderful supporters who have signed petitions to reinstate her in the classroom. We, as teachers, need all of the support we can get in today's society. However, you are all missing a very important issue in this situation.

The Texas Primary Reading Inventory is a very wonderful test, which is given one-on-one by the classroom teacher. It is not just about the end result. It is all about the teacher watching the child process the information, understanding what the child is doing and gaining insight into the subtle skills of each child's reader. If a substitute, an aide or someone else gives the test to the child, the teacher misses about 75 percent of the value of the test because all he or she sees are the numbers at the end.

To Ms. Soran: I am sure you are a wonderful teacher and a caring individual; however, you are totally missing the boat here. You have an opportunity to work one-on-one with each child for a few minutes (even if it is 30 minutes) and learn more information on the skills, thought processes and individual needs of each child than you could ever learn by teaching the whole group. If you truly want to be an effective teacher, you need to sit with them individually and watch them as they work through each portion of the TPRI.

Our society demands that we are accountable for what and how we are teaching the children. It seems that we are constantly testing and assessing that there is no time to teach. But in all reality, the teacher does very little of the high-stakes testing that is required now. The TPRI is giving the teacher a chance to individually assess the success or needs of each child in a safe environment with someone the child trusts and is familiar with.

As a classroom teacher myself, I would encourage you to give the test to your students and find out how valuable this assessment can be in teaching the children in your stewardship, meeting the needs they have, and then celebrating the successes as they become good, active readers. If you do not give the TPRI yourself, you are cheating yourself and your students out of a valuable experience that benefits everyone.

TERESA M. VARGAS  
Burley  
NORMA BAILEY  
Paul

**Start paying attention to coal-fired plant issues**

We had a meeting in Hagerman last night (Feb. 9) regarding the proposed coal-fired power plant near Bliss and Jerome. The attendance was gratifying, and the interest level was high. However, the prevailing concern was that there is so little information "out there" for people to

educate themselves about the nature of this type of proposal. I am sure that the Sempra people are fully aware that an uninformed population is one that works to its advantage. The facts, however, make clear that any coal-fired power plant in the area presents real and significant hazards to the health of all of our residents (particularly children), damage to the local environment and socio-economic dislocations that can threaten large players in the economy of the Magic Valley. I hope that people will not be lulled to sleep by an assumption that "modern" coal-fired power plants don't present pollution problems anymore. Nothing could be further from the truth.

I am hopeful that the readers of your newspaper will make the effort to learn more about the dangers of a power plant in the region and be motivated by their own self-interest to actively oppose its approval. It would be refreshing if people started worrying about a coal-fired power plant rather than such "momentous" concerns as preparing for gasoline or Sprint/Bo Squarepants' sexual orientation.

PETER REMMEN  
Hagerman

**Followers of Dobson need to wake up**

I read the Opinion section and am more disturbed than usual. I'm shocked to learn how people value the paranoid delusions of people like Hilder or "Dr." Dobson. I'd also like to send my sympathies to Mr. Spongebob Squarepants. Being outed in the papers is one of the worst things that could happen to a young, gay sponge.

Assuming Mr. Spongebob's gay, I thought that, like any child's cartoon character, he was completely without sexuality. I think that Spongebob's next educational video should promote tolerance and sympathy toward people who suffer from believing in the teachings of ignorance, hallucinating and self-righteous people such as Dobson or Hilder.

MOLLY SILVA  
Twin Falls

**Wolf lovers ignore the deadly threats to elk**

So, Julie Randell, you are a wildlife rehabilitator? Bringing back wolves by the hundreds does not rehabilitate the elk and deer population. Sports people have spent millions to improve and increase elk and deer herds. We have, with management, built up most areas with far more deer and elk than existed in the old Lewis and Clark days. But too many wolves impact the hunting we have built up. Elk counts are down in many areas. In Idaho, we sports people alone generate many millions of dollars through jobs, products, etc. Wolves have a negative economic effect because of the cost to maintain them and reimburse the ranchers for loss of cattle, horses, sheep and dogs.

You say sage grouse and predators are without legal protection. What? There are rules and regulations for every critter out there. This even includes magpies and crows that eat the eggs and young of game birds.

You also say we need to keep our resource areas in balance so we can have great trophy hunts. How is doubling or tripling the wolf population going to keep the balance in these great resource areas?

You wolf lovers want to see the world as it was with fewer deer, elk and people. It just is not going to happen! Maybe you better start with removing some of the houses in Sun Valley, Hailey and Bellevue which are located in the canyons and on the hillsides which once were elk and deer winter ranges. Just think - more elk and deer, more wolf food!

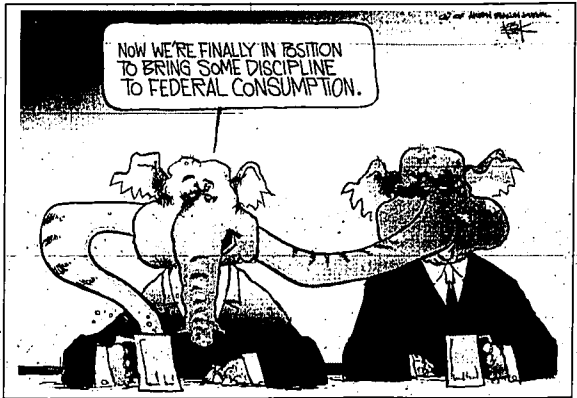
Wolves kill any cougar they can catch. These cats have all but disappeared in the wolf territories. What about them? Or don't they count?

Now that we have them, why don't you at least let them be controlled? You want to take the elk and deer harvest from those that hunt by decreasing the number of tags sold. Unlimited wolves are not a compromise! The present and increasing numbers of wolves are knocking the heck out of our game herds.

Your call on the wild may be a wolf, but mine and many others is the bugle of a bull elk - and not the gut pile from the last dead elk killed by a wolf!

In some areas of Alaska, wolves had to be shot as the caribou herds were being decimated by too many wolves. It seems you and others fail to see the damage and cost to bring the wolves back.

LARRY NORTON  
Hansen



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Door Prizes

# Cupid



**Bulldozer,**  
Our love is as coals,  
deep-burning and  
everlasting. How  
blessed I am to have  
your warmth to live in.  
*Love, Tangel*

Happy Valentines  
Day to our wonderful  
boys - Alek, Brady &  
Nolan. We love you  
with all our hearts.  
*Grandma & Grandma A*

Jay Bird,  
I knew I loved you before I met you.  
I must have dreamed you into life.  
I am complete now that I've found you.  
Always loving you.  
*D*

Larry,  
You are my lover,  
my best friend and the  
sunshine of my life.  
I love you more today  
than ever and will love  
you even more tomorrow!  
Happy Valentines Day  
*Lyn*

40 years of  
Valentines and do you  
think we'll make it 50?  
*Love, Ya!*

Caleb, Mallory,  
Braden,  
We love you so much.  
Happy Valentines Day.  
*Love, Mom & Dad*

Happy Birthday  
Gianna Honnorist  
*Love, Family*

Dear 77,  
I'll always be there for  
you, whether you want  
me or not! ☺  
*Love, Sniff*

Linda,  
Roses sind Rot,  
Violette sind Blau,  
Auf Englisch und Deutsch  
Liebe ich sie immer  
Danke für sein  
mein Freund ich lieben sie  
Absolut  
Dennis

Mr. Wigglely!  
What are you doing on  
the ceiling? Love you no  
matter where we are.  
*Toby*

Sweetheart,  
If you shave your legs  
this year, I'll paint  
the house.  
Chaffed  
Lozer

To Doug Wright,  
My love for you  
deepens everyday.  
You are my one true love  
and soul mate.

Michelle,  
You will always be in my  
heart. I love you.  
*Love, Jeffrey*

Chris,  
To my soulmate, my best  
friend and my husband.  
Happy 1 month anniversary.  
I love you baby. Happy  
Valentines Day.  
*Love Your Wife*

Mike,  
My husband, my life, my  
love. I love-you now-and  
will love you forever.  
*Love, Becki*

Joe, Willy &  
Grandchildren,  
Love you Lots!  
Grammy

Aseret, Red,  
I love you like you  
can never imagine. You  
are a dream come true.  
Unconditionally,  
completely and forever!  
*Love, Scott*

Dear Monkey,  
You are my favorite!  
Only 117 more  
days... Carrots  
Nutmeg

Wilma,  
I never thought I could be  
blessed with so much love  
and happiness. Thanks  
honey for all the smiles.  
*Love you, Tech*

Sweet Pea,  
I love you with  
all my heart. Thanks for  
everything. My life is  
complete with you.  
Happy Valentines Day.  
*Love, Mom, Maundy,  
Tambor & Ryan*

Djann,  
30 years ago today you  
said yes. It's still the best  
answer I've ever received.  
We'll get through this  
together. I love you.  
*Mike*

Mont.,  
I'll love you Forever.  
Forever I'll be.  
I told you 20 years  
ago on Feb. 14th.  
You'll find no other  
love as true as  
Me.

Penny,  
Sweetheart, you light  
up my life. Happy  
Valentines-Birthday!  
*Only Me*

Kent,  
You are Purr-fect!  
We love you!  
*Machin & Miller*

To my Best Friend  
with the Best Laugh!  
Love You,  
Barb



Kayleigh, Kelsey, Keaton,  
Happy Valentines Day to our  
precious little sweethearts.  
*Love, Mom & Dad*

Viv,  
Along time is a very  
long time, but the time  
seems so short because  
the time has been  
spent with you.  
I love you all the time!  
*Tech*

LOVE ME  
FAX ME

LOVE YOU  
MISS YOU

LOVE ME  
FAX ME

LOVE YOU  
MISS YOU

LOVE ME  
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LOVE YOU  
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LOVE ME  
FAX ME





SCORES AND STATS

Area ski report

Idaho
Biggs Basin - Sun 5:46, posted powder machine groomed 25, 42 base 47 of 57 track, 7 of 7 lifts, 100% open, Max. lift 7:30, Sun 7:30.
Bridgeway - Sun 5:46, posted 23 degrees 4 new powder machine groomed 15-18, 22 of 23 lifts, 100% open, Max. lift 7:30, Sun 7:30.
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Wyoming
Grand Teton - Sun 5:46, 7 new powder machine groomed 71, 71 base 84 of 113 track, 25 lifts, 100% open, Max. lift 7:30, Sun 7:30.
Jackson Hole - Sun 4:00, 4 new powder machine groomed 51, 51 base 64 of 113 track, 25 lifts, 100% open, Max. lift 7:30, Sun 7:30.

WHAT'S ON T.V.

- Basketball
Pittsburgh at Syracuse, ESPN, 5 p.m.
Jazz at Suns, FSIM, NBA TV, 7 p.m.
Kansas at Texas Tech, ESPN, 7 p.m.
Air Force at New Mexico, ESPN, 10 p.m.

Hockey

- American Hockey League All-Star Classic, ESPN2, 5 p.m.

BASKETBALL

Table with columns for Conference, Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Eastern Conference and Western Conference results.

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Table with columns for Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Includes Sacramento Kings, Golden State Warriors, etc.

Saturday's Games

Table listing Saturday's games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

NEW ORLEANS (1)

Table listing New Orleans games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

HEAT SPURS

Table listing Heat and Spurs games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

MEMPHIS (1)

Table listing Memphis games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

RAPTORS IN CLIPPERS

Table listing Raptors and Clippers games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

LA CLIPPERS (1)

Table listing LA Clippers games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

WARRIORS VS SUPERSONICS

Table listing Warriors and Supersonics games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

DALLAS (1)

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MEMPHIS VS HORNETS

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Jimmie Johnson shakes hands with a crew member after his qualifying run for the Daytona 500 at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., on Sunday. Johnson finished second behind pole sitter Dale Jarrett.

Jarrett takes Daytona pole

By Mike Harris Associated Press writer

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. - Dale Jarrett and Jimmie Johnson will share the front row for the start of next Sunday's Daytona 500, the NASCAR Nextel Cup season-opener.

Jeff Gordon, Johnson's Hendrick Motorsports teammate, was fastest in Saturday practice at Daytona International Speedway and was the lucky favorite in the garage area to take the pole. It looked like a good prediction when the two-time 500 winner took the top spot early in Sunday's qualifying with a lap of 148.155 mph.

Johnson, the 53rd of 57 drivers to make qualifying attempts, pushed his machine to third with a lap of 148.170. "This is really a good race car," said Jarrett, who drives the No. 14 Ford Taurus for Robert Yates Racing. "These guys have been working on this car since October. It's been in the wind here a lot and we had a good test here in January."

High School Basketball

Table listing high school basketball games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

FOOTBALL NFL Postseason Glance

Table listing NFL postseason games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

Transactions

Table listing basketball transactions with columns for Team, Player, and Details.

PRO BOWL

Table listing Pro Bowl games with columns for Game, Time, TV, and Location.

WASHINGTON (AP) - Shortstop Barry Larkin, a 12-time All-Star who spent his entire 19-year career with the Cincinnati Reds, has retired and joined the Washington Nationals in their front-office-as-special assignment. "I just felt it was time," Larkin said when he reached Sunday at his home in Orlando, Fla. "I had some opportunities with other teams to play, but I didn't feel that I could make the commitment as a player with another team."

The Reds, his hometown team, had rejected his overtures to return for a 20th season, deciding to turn the position over to younger players. "While his tasks and challenges will be different than he experienced as a player, Barry's presence coupled with an eagerness to be involved in all facets of our operations will undoubtedly yield positive results for both Barry and the Nationals," Washington general manager Jim Bowden said in a statement Sunday.

Larkin, 40, said he had been interested in joining a team from office and perhaps eventually managing a team and that his new position would allow him to gain necessary experience. He also said joining a new organization appealed to him. "I just thought that this was a way for me to get some exposure with a front office and do some things that I may possibly want to do in the future," he said.

Larkin's 19-year tenure with the Reds was the longest streak among active players who had been with just one team.

Over 2,100 games, he hit .295 with 441 doubles, 76 triples, 198 home runs, 980 RBI and 379 stolen bases. He helped the team win the World Series in 1990 and was National League MVP in 1995.

Larkin batted .289 in 111 games last season and was chosen for his 12th All-Star team. He wanted to stay with the Reds for another season, but they decided to turn the position over to younger players.

Bowden was managing a sports complex in Orlando, working in a development management group, spending time with his family and considering his options for playing one more season.

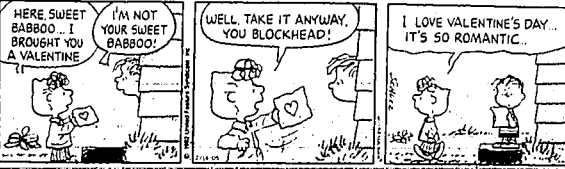
He long had dreamt of working in the Reds' front office, but that chance disappeared when he and the team's chief operating officer, John Anderson, clashed over the terms of his contract after late in the 2003 season. Larkin was prepared to leave then; the team reconsidered and negotiated a one-year deal for 2004.

"I have long admired Barry's on- and off-field knowledge and judgment of the game," Bowden said.

# COMICS

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By Charles M. Schulz



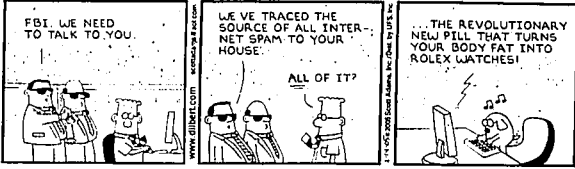
### For Better or For Worse

By Lynn Johnston



### Dilbert

By Scott Adams



### Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



### B.C.

By Johnny Hart



### Pickles

By Brian Crane



### Garfield

By Jim Davis



### Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham

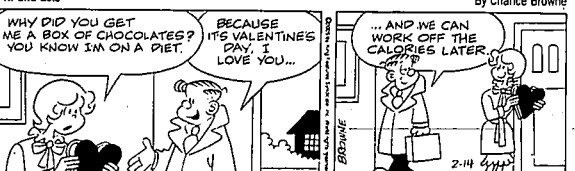
### Brevity

By Guy & Ood



### Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



### Rose is Rose

By Pat Brady



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By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



### Hagar the Horrible

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### Beetle Bailey

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By Bob Thaves



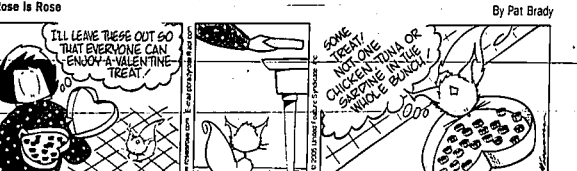
### The Bom Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



### Zits

By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott



### Luann

By Greg Evans



### Strange Brew

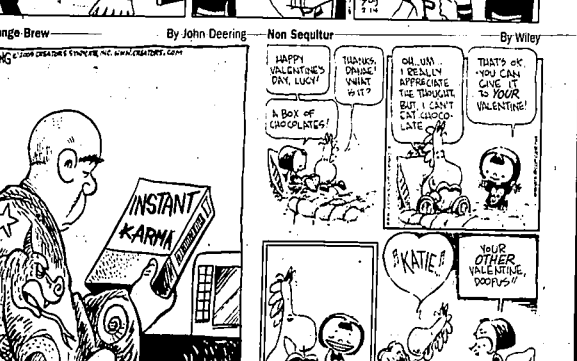
By John Deering

### Non Sequitur

By Wiley



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Loan No. 3211014316492 T.S. No. 1072442-09 Parcel No. RPT4210020104 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On May 13, 2005, at the hour of 10:00am, of said day...

Loan No. 0000298826 T.S. No. 1072844-09 Parcel No. RPT46810010068A NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE On May 13, 2005, at the hour of 10:00am, of said day...

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO AND IN FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS NOTICE OF HEARING IN RE: MARK ALLEN HEISER

LOST Border Collie black/white female green collar. Dietrich/Shoshone area. Call 886-7893. LOST Pit Bull/Lab 10 mos. to 1 yr. old. White paws, white belly...

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS 800-733-8300 & 721-0565. PREGNANCY ALTERNATIVES 107. PREGNANCY CRISIS CENTER FREE TESTS. BIRTHDAY PHOTOS Have you forgotten to pick up your birthday photos?

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING March 10, 2005 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Twin Falls County Planning Commission...

PUBLISH: February 7, 14, 21 and 28, 2005 IN THE DISTRICT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS

LEGAL NOTICE Buhl Storage, 801 Bernese, Buhl, ID. Will sell by auction service or dispose of as we deem necessary after 30 days...

FOUND (2) Great Pyrenees. East of Burley, Idaho. 208-825-5055. FOUND Lab/Cocker Spaniel cross, black in the Rupton area. Call 208-957-208-805-9796.

Christine's Home Away From Home Preschool & Daycare Across from Hansen Elementary School. \*Sale Licensed 7 yrs \*CPR/1st Aid \*Mon.-Fri. 7:30-5:30

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT a Public Hearing will be held on March 8, 2005 at the hour of 12:00 P.M. on the 10th day of March at the Marvin Hemphill Twin Falls County Office Building Meeting Room, 246 3rd Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho upon said reports.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a work session will be held on March 8, 2005 at the hour of 12:00 P.M. on the 10th day of March at the Marvin Hemphill Twin Falls County Office Building Meeting Room, 246 3rd Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho upon said reports.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Idaho Housing and Finance Association, ("IHFA"), on March 10, 2005, at 10:00 a.m. in the fourth floor conference room...

The Snow Center Online at magicvalley.com Snow Reports: downhill, snowboard and cross-country ski reports 5-day Snow Forecast Mountain Cams: daily pages or mounted camera images Resort Profile and Event Information Trail Maps and more... LOW BOOK AUTO SALES SCOTT COLLINS and HOWARD CRANE

DAIRY... Experienced herdman, large dairy... 208-339-3796

DENTAL... FT from office, A/R, proff... 813-43228

CLEVER... Non profit organization in Twin Falls has a full time clerical position available...

COUNSELOR... Full-time CADIC, with adolescent experience, Alcohol & Drug Court coordinator...

DAIRY... Call feeder wanted, must have clean driving record and speak English... 543-8959

DRIVER... Wanted for weekly dedicated refrigerated routes to California... 735-6656

DRIVERS... Ready mix Drivers... 208-230-2300

STAR WEST SAILING... Satellite Installers Needed! \$500 Signing bonus... 208-339-3796

"I GOT MY OWN SEAT!"... Mary's owners just found the perfect car for her...

DRIVERS... Home every weekend... 735-6656

GENERAL... Attention Owner Operators... 208-736-0344

DRIVERS... Experienced. Local truck with 12 years... 208-280-3514

DRIVERS... Owner/Operators lease your truck with us and pull our trailer... 735-6656

LANDSCAPE... Greenscape Lawn & Gardening... 208-280-2300

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INSURANCE... Pennsylvania Life has an opening in the Senior Market Sales Division... 886-465-5162

LABORERS... The City of Twin Falls is accepting applications for part-time SEASONAL LABORER... 735-6656

MARKET RESEARCH... DISCOVERY... Immediate openings for part-time work... 208-242-2346

GENERAL... Now hiring for Production Foreman... 735-6656

LABORER... Warehouse Laborer... Full-time season positions available in Twin Falls... 735-6656

LANDSCAPE... Greenscape Lawn & Gardening... 208-280-2300

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HVAC... V.A.C. Services has positions available for Service Technicians... 324-5333

MANAGER... Apartment Manager... 208-736-0344

MEDICAL... Hospice is now accepting applications for part-time CNA's... 208-734-0617

MEDICAL... Mid S Coordinator prefer experience but will train... 735-6656

MEDICAL... Part-time RN and Part-time Certified Surgery Technician... 208-734-0617

Rural Health Clinic Office Manager... Mindoka Memorial Hospital is now accepting applications for a FULL TIME RURAL HEALTH CLINIC OFFICE MANAGER... 436-0481

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CAREGIVER... Seeking in home care employment... 208-733-9725

I WILL DO HANDYWORK... For you in my home... 324-4577

Desana Place Suites Assisted Living... Our new 15 bed facility will be completed May 1st... 365-4444

SMIPLOT... Warehouse Worker... 208-736-0344

WELDER... Experienced welder and shop person... 436-0956

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214 EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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218 TIMES NEWS CURRENT MOTOR ROUTES AVAILABLE BELLEVUE/HALEY KETCHUM Both Car & Truck Insurance needed

EDUCATION Classifieds It pays to read the fine print. Call Twin Falls 733-0931

BRUNEAU 1.1 acre lot 70x120 foot lot building \$325,000 Call 208-645-2001

RICHFIELD For sale by owner 7 bdrms, 3 1/2 baths, approx. 3,800 sq. ft. on 275 acres. Large kitchen with granite kitchen

TWIN FALLS By owner 3 bdrms, 2 bath, nice location, \$138,900. Call 208-734-1113

HAGERMAN For sale or rent. Blue Spruce Park, 2 bdrms, carpet, fenced yard, storage

SOUTH HILLS nice, large stucco ranch, horse ok, AC, W/D hookups, utility, incld. 2nd floor, 2nd garage

TWIN FALLS Nice 3 bdrms, 2 bath, family room, gas/central AC, no pets, no smoking

JEROME 3 bdrms, 1 1/2 bath, all appliances. \$565 month + deposit. Call 208-734-6598

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601 FURNISHED HOUSES Why stay in a hotel for an extended period of time? Completely furnished, productive homes

TWIN FALLS 3 bdrms, 2 bath, North Pointe area, \$1,800 month + deposit. Call 208-735-1252

603 UNFURNISHED APPTS/DUPLEXES I have good results with my rental ads in The Times-News Classifieds

Laurel Park Apartments 176 Maurice Street, Twin Falls, Idaho 83402

ROUTES AVAILABLE TWIN FALLS RT-811 Saratoga/Windemere Apartments, Homebased, Homebased Retirement Center

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY All real estate advertising in this newspaper is subject to the Fair Housing Act

GOODING By owner, 845 Colorado St, 4 bdrms, 1 1/2 baths, tile, newly remodeled

TWIN FALLS New construction, 1790 sq. ft. 3 bdrms, 2 bath, 3 car garage

RUBERT Farm, for sale or rent. Sprinkler irrigation, 120 acres, 2008-932-4141

602 UNFURNISHED HOUSES BELLEVUE/Field 2 bdrms, 2 bath, tile, roof and deck on 1 acre

TWIN FALLS 3 bdrms, 2 bath, clean & nice No pets, no smoking, no smoking, no smoking

TWIN FALLS 2 bdrms, 2 bath, 2nd floor, 2nd garage, 2nd car garage, 2nd auto sprinker

TWIN FALLS The Falls Apt. 2-3 bdrms, 3/4-5/475 Phased Village, 2 bdrms, 2 bath, with apprs, W/D

WAITING LIST Want the home where you live? Make sure you are on our waiting list. Twin Falls, OR, BUR, areas, your street isn't listed

502 HOMES FOR SALE BUIHL 4 bdrms, 3 bath, stunning canyon views, 5+ acres

HOLLISTER INVESTORS 1 acre, cost of home now over \$95,000. Now only \$59,900

ALPINE REALTY 2 bdrms, 2 bath, 2 living rooms, 288 Sq. Ft. 11x13.5 \$134,900 288-1398

ROBERT JONES REALTY 2 bdrms, 2 bath, 2 living rooms, 288 Sq. Ft. 11x13.5 \$134,900 288-1398

BURLEY 1 yr. lease, 4 bdrms, fenced yard, garage, near schools and shopping

TWIN FALLS Newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath, gas heat/replace, 3 car garage, appl. incld. W/D hookups

604 UNFURNISHED APPTS/DUPLEXES Spacious Affordable Apartments 3 BDRMS/2 BATH \$554

TWIN FALLS 2 bdrms, 1 bath, W/D hookups, no pet, \$400 dep. Call 208-733-8676

301 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES Cooper Norman Business Brokers Keys to Success www.cnba.com

502 HOMES FOR SALE KIMBERLY Great remodeled 2 bdrms, central air, gas heat, \$63,900, 423-6103

TWIN FALLS 3 bdrms, 2 bath, 1,450 sq. ft. Sawtooth School District, New paint & carpet

514 INCOME PROPERTY TWIN FALLS Owner sells warehouse/shop bldg. 2 bdrms, 1 bath, W/D hookups

515 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY TWIN FALLS 3 acres, 14,500 sq. ft. shop/office, east end 208 by 600 ft. corner lot

516 MOBILE HOMES BUIHL & JEROME newer, manufactured homes for sale with financing

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604 UNRENTED APPTS DUPLEXES

TWIN FALLS 3 bed room, 2 bath, \$560... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

TWIN FALLS Showrooms/Office

2000-4000 sq ft... Halloway Property... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

609 CONDOS TIME SHARES

PUERTO VALLARTA VILLA Feb 18th-25th... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

610 STORAGE & WAREHOUSES

Storage Containers 20' & 40' available... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

616 ROOMMATES WANTED

TWIN FALLS new 1 1/2 bath... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

AGRICULTURE

Notice to Classified Advertisers... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

701 LIVESTOCK & POULTRY

CONNECT WITH CUSTOMERS WHO NEED YOUR SERVICE... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

605 ROOMS FOR RENT

TWIN FALLS HBO, microwave, refrigerator... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

606 MOBILE HOMES

BULL 2 mobile homes for rent... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

607 OFFICE & RETAIL RENTALS

JEROME Crossroads... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

608 COMMERCIAL RENTALS

LARGE WAREHOUSE... TWIN FALLS Clean 1 1/2 bath...

HORSE BOARDING

stalls or corals... HORSES 8 head of registered Paint...

704 PETS & PET SUPPLIES

All Breeds Pet Grooming... BOSTON TERRIERS, purebred, males...

FREE calico cat, 3 years old, gentle, female

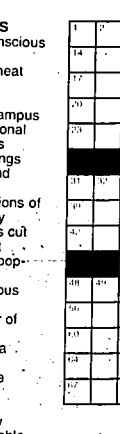
Call 308-4246... LAB purebred puppies (5) Black males...

705 FARM EQUIPMENT

4-BALE SPREADER... CASE IH 8940-7130... FEED BUNK

ACROSS

- 1 Fully conscious
6 Drench
9 Salted meat
14 Banker?
16 Maine campus
17 Hecatonaul
19 Sheelings
20 Wynn and Begley
21 Interruptions of continuity
22 Butcher's cut
23 A bit dull
27 Internet pop-ups
28 Anonymous
29 Neighbor of Egypt
31 Green tea
34 Example
36 Japanese wrestling
39 Bizarre
40 Pub brew
42 Alternative to a
43 sabbat
44 Med. scans
44 Costume
44 jewelry
45 Jacob's father
47 Confine
48 Scam
50 Semiconductor devices
56 Satellite's path
58 Red and deep
59 Floral ring
60 Family member
61 More
64 Al and Tipper
65 Swallow
66 Superior to
67 Uneasy feeling
68 Creakily
69 Heavy lawgiver



3 Hold it, sailor!
4 Code base
5 Get it wrong
6 Ermine in a light coat
7 Spirited vigor
8 Owms
9 Shot like a lock
10 United
11 Marxs Brothers movie, with
12 In an upright position
13 Sensory organs
18 Eye-lewdly
24 Idolizes
25 Sole
26 Regret bitterly
30 Sloping
31 Tiler's tool
32 Strong affirmative
33 Comic David
34 Dead animals
35 Clay, today
37 Wrestlers' pad
38 Mine find

Saturday's Puzzle Solved

Grid of solved crossword puzzle letters: AGES, LOME, ELSA, BERLE, PAIR, WINS, REIGN, HDTV, BOBTAIL, NAG, ASSISIRI, COLE, CHER, RANAWAY, AGREE, EGAN, COLA, NAIAD, PIN, BORER, DISC, MUNG, AUDEN, SNEEZED, EBBS, IRIS, OATERS, JAWBREAKER, INON, ISAAC, TOLD, COPA, MARIO, ERLE, ALER, TRUMP, STAR, LADE

41 Big galoots
42 Disfigure
43 Bear witness
44 City in the Arno
48 Line dance
49 Celestial hunter
51 Kalmadun's kingdom

52 Like sailor's stories
53 Potpourris
54 Superman portrayer
55 Fathers
57 Shills
62 Actor Neill
63 SHO rival

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

Word puzzle grid with letters: VALIE, VAROS, THIBLE, THINKG

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Herit Arnold and Mike Angilton



Now arrange the circled letters to form the purpose answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Saturday's Jumbles: ROUSE FRAUD PELVIS SALOON Answer: Why the sweet shop went out of business — SALES 'SOURED'

714 PASTURE WANTED

WANTED Pasture, 200 acres or more... 716 AG BUSINESS & SERVICE

717 TOP GUN

Idaho's Finest State Certified 'CDL' training facility... 718 ROCK REMOVAL

719 COOKIE JARS, 120

cookies, cats, owls, chickens collection... 720 WASHER-DRYER \$100

721 DINETTE SET 1950's

Chrome, Marble has 2 seats w/grey marble top... 722 PARLOR STOVE ORNATE

light functional Florence, patent date June 13, 1899... 723 PLOW with Single Trip

724 RANGE General Electric

43" 1950's style with push button... 725 REFRIGERATOR mid century

726 FIREWOOD

COAL Sticker & Lump... FIREWOOD \$115 per cord

727 WASHER

Crossley, white, \$300... 728 APPLIANCES

REFRIGERATOR Side by Side... 729 WASHER

810 FURNITURE & CARPETS

BED Mission style, queen size... 729 BEDROOM SET 7 PC

805 ELECTRONICS

THE TIMES-NEWS Classified Department... 806 HOT TUBS AND POOLS

807 COMPUTERS

COMPUTERS Excellent refurbished computers... 808 FIREWOOD

809 COMPUTERS

COMPUTERS Excellent refurbished computers... 810 FURNITURE & CARPETS

811 BED ROOM SET 7 PC

Includes bed, night stand, dresser with mirror... 812 COUCH & RECLINER

Couch, leather, \$900... 813 COUCH sectional, green, excellent cond.

814 DINING ROOM SET

beautiful oak, includes chairs, excellent condition... 815 KINGS PILLOWTOP

816 COUCH & RECLINER

green, excellent cond., \$350... 817 COUCH sectional, green, excellent cond.

\$350, Entertainment center, \$70... 818 COUCH & RECLINER

819 BED ROOM SET 7 PC

Includes bed, night stand, dresser with mirror... 820 COUCH & RECLINER

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823 COUCH sectional, green, excellent cond.

\$350, Entertainment center, \$70... 824 COUCH & RECLINER

825 COUCH & RECLINER

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830 COUCH & RECLINER

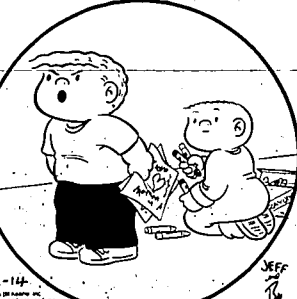
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832 COUCH & RECLINER

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**THE FAMILY CIRCUS** By Bill Keane



"Mommy! Make PJ stop bein' helpful!"

**810 FURNITURE & CARPETS**  
 MATTRESS SET, full Orthopedic, \$99. Brand new, can deliver 208-420-6350.  
**NASA MEMORY FOAM** mattress set, Con-Forms to body, new in plastic, List \$1499 Sale price \$499. Call 420-6350 can deliver.  
**OFFICE FURNITURE** 6' oak desk, 2' oak chair, 1' oak round table w/ 4 chairs, 2 chairs w/ table, TV \$990 733-9259.  
**QUEEN PILLLOWTOP** \$199, mattress and box set brand new. Factory warranty. Can deliver 208-420-6350.

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 PELLET STOVE Windfall Advantage Plus. Excellent condition, \$1,500. 208-925-6609.

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**RIDING LAWN MOWER** Ertl, 1750 cc, 4 speed 1 season, new \$1,500. Set \$1,300. 539-9345.  
**TREES** available. 900 good quality Blue Spruce and Austrian Pine trees. 5'-10". Call 316-0007.

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**DRYER** 50. (2) Range hood \$20 ea. Nordic oak trim \$150. Call 208-338-3978.  
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**817 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS**  
**PIANO** upright, Lastor, good condition, tuned, \$300. Call 737-9654.  
**STUDENT VIOLINS** (3) Brand new, full size, 95 yrs. 212-49815.

**818 TOOLS AND MACHINERY**  
**TOOLS:** Rotator snowblower, air compressor, & garden tools \$24-2496.  
**WACKER 14'** demo saw, w/2 new 14" diamond cut blades. \$1,000. Compressor, upright, 75 gallon, new mfg. Call 208-733-2243.  
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**SEAT** Rhino all cushioned, for wheel chair, pump included, 18x16. Call 208-678-1731.  
**CONTENDER 45** 410 barrel 20, long, second barrel that is 10 in. 22. Big and Finest. Revolver 45.410. Ruger 45 Revolver. \$300. Small automatic pistol. Rocky 41-6005.

**820 GUNS AND RIFLES**  
**CONTRADER 45** 410 barrel 20, long, second barrel that is 10 in. 22. Big and Finest. Revolver 45.410. Ruger 45 Revolver. \$300. Small automatic pistol. Rocky 41-6005.  
**GUN SHOW** Elko Nevada Convention Center, Feb. 19 and 20th. Starts at 10 am. Sun 9 am to 4 pm. For info 530-934-7230

**821 VARIETY FOODS & TOPPINGS**  
**WANTED** Old gas pumps or gas station items.  
 Top money paid. 208-868-0274.

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**WANTED** To buy 19-22 li. soil contained 421 or 4773 needed immediately.  
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**WANTED** BMX bikes from the early 1980's. Will pay cash for Hutch, VDC, etc. JCW Racing, Skyway, JWC and Revcor. Prefer 24" would consider 20". Call 208-725-0964.

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**825 MOTORCYCLES**  
**ARC TIC CAT '91** 500 Winch, snow plow, low miles, 3200. Call 733-3299.  
**BMW '95 R1100GS** Dual Sport, 41K, exc. cond., \$5,500/off. Call 208-733-2614.  
**HONDA '85'** 700 cc, Sabro motorcycle, 4000 miles. Call 535-5007.  
**HONDA '85'** 700 cc, Sabro motorcycle, 4000 miles. Call 535-5007.

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Paula Begoun is the author of 'Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me (6th edition)'...



Mesmerize yourself

Can holistic self-hypnosis help cure what ails you?

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — At 39, Monica Smith claims she's made for the better part of a week now.

"I'm a non-smoker, and I go to sleep saying 'I'm a non-smoker,'" said Smith, who is looking to hypnosis for help in kicking her 26-year cigarette habit.

"I've cut down (in the past), but I've never quit completely," said Smith, a local massage therapist and mother of three.

But smoking is something she no longer wants to deal with in her otherwise productive life...

According to Smith, a person

smokes to "get this little rush," with hypnosis therapy, she's found another route.

"Now it feels better to just breathe deep and exhale," Smith said, by breathing deeply, sometimes she was unable to "really" do a week ago.

"And that's right in line with the applied therapy used for solving life's problem issues."

Deep-breathing, Smith says, is part of the therapy she receives from local hypnotist Curtis Johnson.

As part of Johnson's relaxation technique to help Smith lose the de-

A short history of hypnotism

The term hypnotism was coined by James Braid in 1842 to describe a phenomenon previously known as animal magnetism or mesmerism.

asserts that several distinct states of consciousness can be present during hypnosis, such that certain actions may become dissociated from the conscious mind...

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Holistic medicine enters the mainstream health care system

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — Darcy Wolf's struggle with arthritis left her dissatisfied with the treatment she got from traditional doctors.

"One drug raised my blood pressure," said Wolf, 56. "So the doctor put me on blood pressure medicine."

"They threw chemicals after chemicals at you with all the horrible side effects and they don't listen when you suggest a different diet might work."

And if they were just the perfect length and color, and looked fabulous with...

cept Vioxx in painkillers.

Wolf said she feels better, but not as well as she'd like. She hasn't lost her faith in physicians, she said, only in those who fail to respect her values.

"Seeking answers that she wasn't getting elsewhere, Wolf recently attended a gathering of people interested in holistic practices."

In the audience, a woman told of visiting a holistic physician who discovered that the woman's arthritis was caused by sensitivity to Aspartame, an artificial sweetener.

"At the session, Wolf looked for someone who could 'recommend a doctor who would listen.'" She is one of millions of people who have sought holistic practitioners who offer alternatives to traditional medical care.

The numbers and demands by patients have caught the attention of the medical establishment.

The National Institutes of Health is leading the examination, and it trickles down to individual practitioners taking hard looks at holistic medicine, ranging from "folk" (ethnic-based) remedies to naturopathic and herbal approaches, yoga, diet and much more.

For example, there's Dr. Mark Mengel, a professor of community and family medicine at St. Louis University School of Medicine who has integrated holistic practices into his conventional private practice.

"Some of these practices are being embraced because they work," Mengel said.

What is holistic medicine? Explaining holistic medicine is like...

Alt-med trends

- 40 percent of Americans, and 66 percent of people world-wide, had used some form of holistic medical approach as of 2001.
• People had paid \$27 billion in out-of-pocket expenses for holistic practitioners and remedies as of 2001.
• There was a 30 percent increase in people visiting practitioners of alternative medicine between 1990 and 2001.
• Most patients use holistic medical care as an adjunct to conventional care.
• A minority of patients use holistic care as an alternative to conventional care.
• 60 percent of holistic practice is not reported by physicians.

Source: National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine

The Baltimore Sun

How much would you pay for a great pair of jeans? Would you shell out \$297?

And if they were just the perfect length and color, and looked fabulous with...

Attitude

Flops, and would you lost you for years? Maybe \$60?

Step out of the '80s, people. Slavy bucks these days might buy you one leg of a good pair of jeans.

Today, it's common for a pair of everyday jeans — not necessarily designer ones — to cost about \$150. In fact, it's almost expected.

Premium jeans represent only a sliver of the \$5.5 billion a year women's jeans market, but by focusing on custom fits and finishes, luxury jeans manufacturers are charging wine-and-theater-ticket prices for their picnic-and-football game products.

And women have become more and more willing to pay.

"We call it fashion math," says Kate Dimmock, fashion director for SIKKOPIC magazine. "When you find a jean that fits you perfectly, that you love and that you look great in, you're going to wear it three times per week."

Taylor Choi, a graduate student at Columbia University in New York, estimates that she has spent close to \$10,000 on high-end denim since she discovered two years ago that the more expensive the jeans, the more comfortable the fit.

When you want the best of the best, you want jeans that are high quality and have high standards," says Choi, 23. "A

pair of Seven jeans, they make me look good. I'll wear them with everything."

Choi says she has 76 pairs of jeans in her closet, in different washes and styles, and her collection lists all the high-end highlights: five Diesel, three Blue Cult, one True Religion, three Miss Sixty, two Rock and Republic, nine Seven for All Mankind, four Citizens of Humanity, one Jockey, five Adriano Goldschneid, four Paper Queen and Cloth, four Mavi, two Chip & Pepper.

None of those jeans cost less than \$120; some go as high as \$180. Two Hundred dollars is Choi's self-imposed spending limit — until she finds that perfect pair of \$250 jeans.

"Whenever I go shopping, I just see jeans, and I say, 'Oh wow! These are cool. These are trousers. These are different. These have holes in them,'" Choi says. "I can speak for all the young girls out there, jeans are a big deal. They can really make or break your outfit."

For today's young women, jeans have



Blue Cult jeans retail at up to \$150, become what a pair of black slacks and the little black dress were to the previous generation.

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IMAGE

# HEEDING CAUTION

## Conditions ripe in Southeast Asia for spread of bird flu

The Washington Post

BANGKOK, Thailand — Pratham Bugklee stepped nimbly along the aging planks running between the cages of his chicken farm, shoveling grain with his meaty hands from a bucket into the feed pans. His feet were bare and caked with dirt. The old plaid shirt, hanging on his stocky frame, was soiled. And the air was rank with the smell of feathers, droppings and feed.

This soft-spoken farmer is part of an agrifood revolution in Southeast Asia and China that has more than doubled poultry production in barely a decade, bringing pickup trucks, air conditioning and other trappings of prosperity to long-desolate peasants and more protein to the diets of hundreds of millions of ordinary Asians.

But with chickens now packed into farmyards alongside other livestock, international health experts warn that conditions are set for a bird flu pandemic that could kill millions worldwide if the virus developed into a form capable of spreading among humans.

In its current form, the disease kills about three-quarters of the people who catch it from birds. Since the beginning of last year, 45 people in the region have been infected. Twelve Vietnamese and one Cambodian have died this year.

A year ago, Thailand became the epicenter of an avian influenza outbreak. Local officials descended on Pratham's farm and put his chickens to death along with tens of millions in the rest of the country. The campaign was meant to stem the spread of a disease that has struck time Asian countries.

The mass culling, however, did not stop the virus. And now, many poultry farmers are back in business, again raising their threat in unsanitary conditions that health experts say pose a threat unprecedented in modern agriculture.

Pratham, 54, has restocked his farm in central Thailand, rebuilding his flock with great confidence. His brown eyes have grown heavy. Bags hang low on sunbaked cheeks, and a deep furrow cuts across his broad forehead.

"Even if we're afraid of the disease returning, what can we do? Nothing," he said. "We can't run away."

Agriculture officials say farmers can take simple steps to



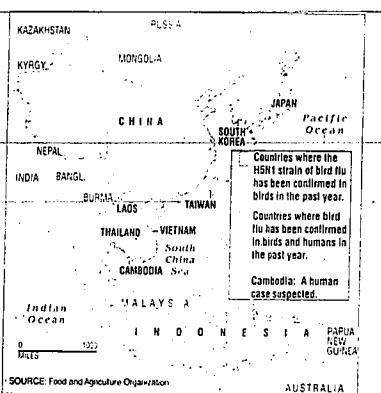
Pratham Bugklee feeds some of the chickens that have brought prosperity to him and many other Thai farmers.

prevent—the disease—from spreading. They can require that workers disinfect their shoes, change clothing and spray their vehicles before entering a poultry farm. They can ban outsiders from chicken sheds, keep other animals away and keep egg trays and crates clean.

But farmers resist such measures, health and agriculture experts say. And governments in the region lack the money, manpower and, at times, political will to enforce these requirements on an industry that has become a vital component of economic growth.

As a result, the prevalence of the infection in birds makes a new, more deadly human outbreak likely. Public health experts say it is only a matter of time before the flu strain renames itself, uncoupling a disease that is both highly lethal and as easy to catch as an ordinary flu bug.

If this occurs, World Health Organization officials predict that, in the most optimistic scenario, 2 million to 7 million people would die worldwide and that the toll could potentially reach 100 million. Health experts say the virus has already exhibited traits similar to those that caused the Spanish flu pan-



demie of 1918, which is estimated to have killed about 40 million people.

Tommy Thompson, former U.S. secretary of health and human services, told reporters

at his farewell news conference in December that avian flu was his greatest health fear. He called it a "really huge bomb" that concerned him even more than bioterrorism.

# Hospital offers 'Baby and Me' classes Tuesday

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer "Baby and Me" classes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W. In January, this week's topic will be "Got the Blues?"

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

The class is free. For more information, call 324-7282.

## To do for you

- and child CPR, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday.
  - Instructor training, 6 to 9 p.m., Feb. 21, 22 and 23.
  - Standard first aid and infant and child CPR review, 6 to 10 p.m., Feb. 24.
  - Family survival, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Feb. 26.
  - In Burley, the class will be held at the Civil Air Patrol building, 2100 Airport Road, and will include:
    - Standard first aid and infant and child CPR, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday.
  - In Ketchum, the class will be held at the American Legion Hall, 220 Cottonwood, and will include:
    - Family survival, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday.
- For more information on the cost or to register for a class, call the American Red Cross office at 733-4614, ext. 300 or (800) 853-2570, ext. 300.

## Parenting program

Parent, a parenting program, will be offered by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays in the Private Room at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls.

Parent's structure provides time in each session for a parent and child activity, a knowledge-building exercise and a parent support group. Topics will include safety, nurturing, infant development and coping with crying.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required. To register, 733-4343, ext. 175.

## Alzheimer's support

Sumbridge Care Center and Rehabilitation will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at SunBridge, 640 Filer Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The support group is open to Twin Falls area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's.

For more information, call Steve Jones or Dawn McKay at 734-8615.

## About C-sections

A cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Sage Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 598 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.

This is the third class of the parent childbirth program and will focus on cesarean deliveries, pain management, hospital procedures and non-conforming labors.

The class is free. Pre-registration is not required.

For the class date nearest your scheduled cesarean, call 737-2901.

## First aid, CPR classes

The South Central District of the American Red Cross will offer standard first aid and infant and child CPR classes in February in Twin Falls, Burley and Ketchum. Participants must register in advance.

In Twin Falls, the classes will be held at the Red Cross office, 1129 Falls Ave. E., Suite B, and will include:

- Standard first aid and infant

## About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 22 through March 22, in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 20 Shoshone St., E., Twin Falls.

The class will include classroom instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process, with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and the newborn, including breastfeeding and bottle-feeding. Participants will be given a tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required. Call 732-3148.

"To do for you is a calendar listing of local-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's issue except. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 544, Twin Falls, ID 83403, or deliver to our office at 132 E. 3rd St. W."

# Mesmerize

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sure to strike, he suggests that she do a deep breath "and let it wash over her."

"It's designed to remove old mind-programming to accomplish goals," Johnson said.

The predominant school of thought about hypnosis is that it's a way to access a person's subconscious mind directly, and in that state, an individual is more likely to embrace suggestions made by the hypnotist, he says.

Normally, a person is only aware of thought processes that are in the conscious mind. But the conscious mind is working directly with the subconscious mind.

"Psychiatrists theorize that the deep relaxation and focusing exercises of hypnosis work to calm and subdue the conscious mind so that it takes a less active role in the thinking process. In that state, a person is still aware of what's going on while the mind takes a back seat, according to Harris," says his sister, science hostess Jennifer York.

But hypnosis doesn't work for everyone.

While hypnotists agree that access of normal intelligence can benefit from hypnosis, the process will only work if it's consensual.

"No one can be hypnotized against his or her will, therefore, 'There's nothing to be afraid of — and I can't stress enough that (the client) is in control," said Johnson, who teaches a community education class on self-hypnosis in a mind, body and spirit approach at the College of Southern Idaho.

A local colleague agrees.

"According to hypnotist Renay Vickers, hypnosis is a naturally occurring state of mind — an everyday occurrence experienced by everyone.

"All of us are in a trance five or six times a day," she said. "A trance can happen when an imaginary world seems somewhat real, as in a movie or reading a book."

"In a form of daydreaming when driving," a person may miss a turn or not remember certain landmarks.

"Or when you see the food commercial, it's a natural state of mind to suddenly get hungry," Vickers said.

The explanation for that is "whatever happens in our bodies begins in the mind," she said.

Hypnosis can help a person feel pretty much anything. "But it won't work with people who don't want to get well," she added.

With hypnosis therapy, the hypnotist simply helps a client use his or her natural abilities to make the kinds of changes that he or she want to make, Vickers says.

Hypnosis therapy places an individual in a special state of mind in which he or she feels uninhibited and relaxed — much the same effect as watching a movie.

"The more engaged a person becomes in the plot, the more worries fade away," she says.

Johnson helps to shift his clients' perspectives, to a time that will allow them to "reprogram their desires."

With Smith, it helped her to remember when she actually tried to learn to smoke.

"I could picture myself and other kids in my neighborhood," and thought, "I'm letting that little child smoke."

"It helps to shift perspectives," Johnson said.

"It's very powerful stuff (when) I ask them to remember how special they were at that age."

Hypnosis allows the mind to enter into a calm, receptive state in which a person can focus on suggestions that help in making clear, healthy habits and even in working with

a physician to manage health issues such as pain.

There are tests one can take to work out how responsible he or she may be, Johnson says.

Ideally, when someone emerges from hypnosis, a therapist will talk about the experience and answer questions about further sessions.

By removing old programming that can block success, initial lessons help to overcome bad habits such as smoking, nail-biting, excessive snacking, procrastinating and oversleep, Johnson says.

With that, there are lessons designed to create new habits such as exercising regularly, self-motivation and being more patient with others.

Along with that, there are self-improvement skills, such as improving self-confidence, reducing stress, losing the fear of public speaking and overcoming other fears.

And Johnson takes his lessons to heart.

"With self-hypnosis, he's lost a total of 100 pounds over the past two years," he says.

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# Attitude

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generation.

Like many of her peers, Chai wears jeans for any occasion. Her dress-up jeans are clean and sleek, worn with heels and a sexy cami or blazer. Or they've got rhinestones or jewelry or fancy embroidery. "Dressy jeans are dirtier," or "biker jeans" or are cropped. They can be worn every day of the week.

Jeans have become a "fashion statement," says Sara Brown, assistant professor in New York's fashion Institute of Technology.

"It doesn't matter how old or how young you are, or what income bracket you are in," Brown says. "Everybody has them."

The premium jeans craze has even drawn in frugal shoppers. Women who clip coupons and Target-shop find a way to justify spending \$150 on jeans.

Kate Rider is a legal assistant in Seattle. She drives a Honda Civic, buys generic products at the grocery store and lives in a studio apartment with one of those fold-away beds for more live-in room.

Seven jeans at Nordstrom, Rider's penny-punching jeans were severely tested. She agonized for days, and couldn't get the look and feel of those comfortable, flattering jeans out of her head.

She broke down and bought those jeans-of-her-dreams for \$120. Then some weeks later, she bought another pair of Sevens in a darker denim for about \$140. Then she bought a pair of faded Citizens of Humanity jeans for \$130.

"There's nothing better than a pair of jeans that fit well that you can wear for pretty much everything," Rider says.

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# BLOODLESS PROCEDURES

## Medicine makes strides toward transfusion-free surgery

Los Angeles Times

Steve and Jane Hewitt searched far and wide for a surgeon who could straighten their teenage daughter's severely curved spine that had hunched her over at a 105-degree angle. The extremely long and difficult surgery involves exposing and separating the muscles from the entire spinal column and installing cadaver bones attached with screws and metal rods for support.

The Hewitts had an additional requirement that made their search even more difficult: The surgery had to be done without blood transfusions. As Jehovah's Witnesses, they adhere to a biblical admonition against receiving blood.

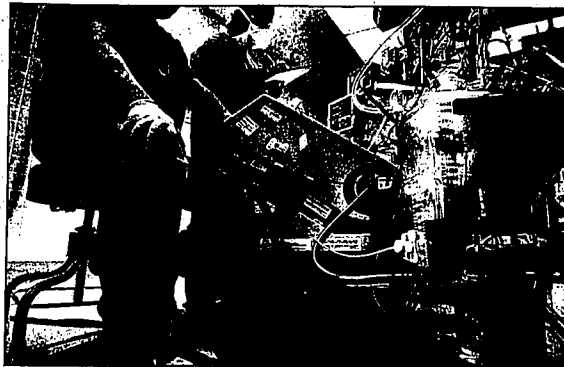
Surgeons in Kansas City, Kan., near their hometown, refused to take the case, warning that Sarah, 17, would die during the operation without blood. A Dallas surgeon offered. But without the procedure, they warned, the condition known as Scheuermann's kyphosis would likely paralyze and kill her within a decade.

"When we said 'transfusion,' our hearts were in our stomachs," recalled Steve Hewitt. "We cried every night."

Their clinical came to the rescue. The Jehovah's Witnesses hospital liaison committee directed the Hewitts to Dr. Ram Mudiyam at the 600-bed Fountain Valley Regional Hospital and Medical Center in Orange County, Calif., which is one of the nation's oldest "bloodless medicine" programs.

Wearing the hospital's special purple "no blood" tag around her wrist, Sarah emerged from surgery 11 1/2 hours later in good shape — with no transfusions — and was walking a few days later. Her spine is now close to normal.

What makes some religiously for the Jehovah's Witnesses, a growing number of physicians and researchers are finding, is in fact good medicine for the rest



John Improta, standing, monitors a blood reservoir at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital in Fountain Valley, Calif.; advanced equipment can help preserve much of a patient's own blood.

of the population, for health as well as economic reasons.

Building on knowledge gained from performing thousands of complex surgeries on patients who refuse transfusions for religious reasons, doctors now are using the technique on other patients, performing open-heart and lung surgeries, replacing knees and hips, removing prostate and testis cancer patients — often with little or no transfused blood. Their experience and studies documenting results are encouraging growing numbers of physicians — and now large academic centers — to implement their techniques.

About 100 hospitals across the country have created bloodless programs.

"The Witnesses' aggressive push, which began in the 1980s to encourage surgeons and hospitals to attempt bloodless procedures, dovetailed with the

concern over HIV and hepatitis C viruses tainting the blood supply, which highlighted the risks of using donated blood.

"Once we saw that we could do it, we started seeing it as an opportunity because there is a benefit to everybody," said Dr. Nicolas Jabbour, a University of Southern California Medical Center surgeon who performed his first bloodless liver transplant in 1999. In a small study published last summer in the *Annals of Surgery*, Jabbour and his USC liver-transplant team compared results for 36 patients — eight Jehovah's Witnesses who did not receive transfusions, and 30 other patients who did receive blood — in surgeries performed from 1998 to 2001. All eight Witnesses survived, contrasted with 27 survivors among the 30 other patients, who received about 4.5 pints of blood on average.

**The downside**  
Even donating one's own blood ahead of an elective surgery, which is generally seen as a safer alternative to taking donated blood, isn't without risk. On rare occasions, hospital errors have led to patients receiving someone else's donated blood. Collecting the blood seems to diminish the critical red blood cell's oxygen

potency. And just like milk, the older the blood is, the less effective — and possibly deleterious — it may be, studies have indicated. The FDA limits shelf life to 42 days, with trauma hospitals typically getting the oldest blood because they use it fastest, some reports have shown. *Source: Los Angeles Times*

# Mystery surrounds increase in rate of premature births

The Seattle Times

When Morgan Thomas arrived in this world — red, fragile and on the edge of survival — it was almost too much for her young parents to comprehend.

Born nearly four months early and weighing 1 pound-9 ounces, she was so premature that her mother, Rhonda Thomas, did not recognize her labor was beginning with a dull ache in her back. The first-time mother had not started child-birth classes.

Morgan, at 12 inches, was the tiniest, most fragile of beings. Her eyes were closed tight, her ears just tiny flaps, and her skin so translucent that her blood gave her a purplish hue.

"It was very scary and so unreal... We couldn't believe this was actually happening," says Thomas, 34, in the living room of her Arlington, Wash., home.

Morgan, still small as she approaches her third birthday, is mostly healthy but is monitored for a chronic lung problem. No one knows whether she will develop learning problems, common among children born prematurely.

For early birth and struggle to survive are part of a relentless, disturbing trend.

With their underdeveloped bodies and brains, such infants, especially the earliest, may face

a variety of lifelong consequences, including cerebral palsy, mental retardation, chronic lung disease, blindness or deafness. More than half of the babies born before six months, gestation die within weeks of birth; prematurity accounts for nearly a quarter of all deaths in the first month of life. "When they do survive, it is a horrible struggle... and it is horrendous stress for the family," says Dr. David Woodrum, a University of Washington professor of pediatrics who has treated the tiniest of babies for more than 30 years.

Human suffering is not the only cost. Based on federal research, the March of Dimes, which focuses on preventing birth defects, estimates the national bill for preemies' hospitalizations is \$13.6 billion a year. The average hospital stay costs \$75,000, compared with \$1,300 for an uncomplicated birth. Washington state officials estimate inpatient and outpatient hospital care is \$216 million a year.

No one fully knows why the number of preemies continues to rise. The March of Dimes has launched a \$75 million campaign to fund research and educate pregnant women about premature labor. Its goal is to cut the premature birth rate 15 percent by 2007.

# Individuals show healing power of exercise

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — Pamela Wucher has multiple sclerosis. A few months ago she completed in a half Ironman — swimming 1.2 miles, biking 56 miles and then running 13.1 — and she's getting ready for a 150-mile bike ride.

"Tim Ashwood has cerebral palsy. Next month the rock climber plans to tackle El Capitan, considered one of the premiere climbing walls in North America.

Betsy Herrington is a cancer survivor, but her goal right now is a black belt in karate.

For these people, it's all about control. Controlling their unpredictable muscles. Controlling the fatigue that plagues them. And taking back

# Popularity changes pilates' precise movements

Chicago Tribune

The Saturday morning Piloga class began in a way that would please most traditional yogis — with meditative breathing. But as the cross-legged students exhaled deeply, the experience morphed into pilates.

"Drop your abs towards your spine," instructed Benji Whisman, owner of Chicago's Frog Temple Pilates studio. "Pull your ribs cage away from your pelvis."

For the next hour, the Piloga students flowed between the distinct disciplines of pilates and yoga, two of the fastest-growing "soft" exercises in the fitness industry.

For Whisman, blending the two mind-body practices has become more than a treasured creative outlet. Yoga and pilates

control of their own bodies.

And no, you don't have to take it to these extreme levels to get the benefits of exercising, which has been shown to help with symptoms of diseases such as multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's, cancer, cerebral palsy, diabetes, osteoporosis and epilepsy, among others.

"You don't have to do all that," says Dr. Robert Naisnith, a neurologist at the John L. Trotter MS Center at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. "You have to start out really slowly and very, carefully. Anything will help."

A few years after graduating from college, where she had played club soccer, Wucher knew she wanted to get active again. She and a friend decided

they'd try bicycling. While she was in a shop getting her bike ready for riding, she saw a flyer for the MS 150, which helps benefit multiple sclerosis research.

"It was kind of a whim," she says, "but we decided we'd do it."

"That's 150 miles of bike riding. Not something most people do on a whim, but most people aren't Pam Wucher, 33, of St. Louis.

The irony came four years later, when she was diagnosed with MS, a degenerative neurological disease that can affect vision, strength, coordination and sensation.

"It was scary," she says, "because everything you find on the Internet is a worst-case scenario — wheelchairs and loss of control. And it's not always physical — it's cognitive, too."

She woke up one morning in 1997 and found her arm numb. She didn't think much of it right away, but by the end of the day the whole left side of her body went numb. After six weeks those symptoms went away and stayed away for about a year, until one day her whole body was numb.

"It was a horrible feeling," she says. "After she was diagnosed in 1999, Wucher started taking a shot once a day to help stave off the symptoms, but she wasn't going to stop there.

"She turned again to exercise. "I decided not to let the disease consume me."

Clara, in the early 20th Century. But the explosive growth of pilates in the last several years — participation has increased 176 percent between 2000 and 2002 — and its popularity in health clubs have raised major concerns among pilates purists.

Some fear that the updated, modern variations are watering down what Joseph Pilates, a native of Germany, crafted while interned in a London camp during World War I. Meanwhile, as demand has increased, so has the need for new teachers.

"Pilates programs" have sprung up everywhere. But while some groups call themselves "official" pilates training centers, there is no national certifying body and no easy way to find out whether the instructor

is qualified.

The unbridled expansion began in 2000, when the courts ruled that pilates was a generic term. Like yoga, meaning anyone can call what they teach "pilates." And they do.

What was once a lengthy apprenticeship — taught by Joseph Pilates or someone certified by him — is now accessible through weekend-long training courses and special \$89.99 home Internet certifications. In fact, fitness professionals who teach in health clubs.

The fitness industry didn't even track pilates before 2000, when 7 million Americans tried it at least once, according to the Sporting Goods Manufacturers Association. In 2002, the figure more than doubled, when 4.7 million people participated.

# Americans don't think they're getting good health care

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

People are having a difficult time believing that the U.S. health-care system is working for them, according to a poll.

A significant majority (64 percent) of those contacted by ResearchAmerica, a Virginia-based research organization that advocates for medical research, said that most Americans do not get the health care they need, and 41 percent said that they or someone they know has experienced a medical error.

The survey also reported that

41 percent of the respondents believed that they or a family member received incorrect or ineffective treatment.

The ResearchAmerica survey, released Feb. 1, closely follows another survey released Jan. 11 by the Kaiser Family Foundation and the Harvard School of Public Health. This survey suggests 12 health priorities that could be tackled by the president and Congress in the coming year.

In this survey, respondents said they were most concerned about rising health-care costs and steep health insurance premium increases. Issues listed

during the president's State of the Union address Wednesday, such as medical liability reform and stem-cell research, ranked 11 and 12 on the list of priorities, respectively.

In the Kaiser survey, 63 percent of the respondents said lowering the costs of health care and health insurance should be a top priority for the president and Congress, followed by making Medicare more fiscally sound — 58 percent — and increasing the number of Americans with health insurance, at 57 percent.

"And people have always

been concerned about the lack of health insurance," said Mollaynn Brodie, vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation.

"But when it comes to how you are going to do it and who will pay for it, it becomes a big mess. Because what you're really talking about is some level of redistribution."

Other subjects, specifically, concerns about medical errors, also resonate with the public, Brodie said.

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MORNING BREAK

Radio poll lists 'edgier' Top 10 hits

The Associated Press

He's not gonna take it. Dee Snider, Twisted Sister frontman and five-night-a-week deejay on Philadelphia radio station WMMR... "I was getting picked up all over the world as gospel," said Snider...

So he did WMMR conduct an online poll for several months, and came up with a list long on Metallica and AC/DC, with classic rock and 'grunge' mixed in. "It's a little harder, a little edgier," Snider said.

- 1. "Stairway To Heaven" Led Zeppelin
2. "Back In Black" AC/DC
3. "Smells Like Teen Spirit" Nirvana
4. "Freebird" Lynyrd Skynyrd
5. "Sweet Child Of Mine" Guns N' Roses
6. "Enter Sandman" Metallica
7. "Smile Like You Mean It" Nickelback
8. "Bohemian Rhapsody" Queen
9. "Gimme Shelter" The Rolling Stones
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3. "Bohemian Rhapsody" Queen
4. "Smoke On The Water" Deep Purple
5. "Paranoid" Black Sabbath
6. "Whole Lotta Love" Led Zeppelin
7. "Hotel California" The Eagles
8. "Rock And Roll" Led Zeppelin
9. "Highway To Hell" AC/DC
10. "All Along The Watchtower" Jimi Hendrix

Americans send love to troops

DEAR READERS: Because today is Valentine's Day, I thought you might enjoy reading some of the 5 million messages of love and support sent to our men and women in the military during the Christmas holidays... "I know they will yours as well, read on."



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

preciated by more than only your friends and family. You have a strong nation behind you that wishes you home soon, whether you be in the heat of the desert or the cold and snow. Be safe, and thank you.

FROM SHARON IN SANFORD, MICH.: "Thank you for your choice to quit country. I pray that everywhere you go, and in everything you confront, that you will be given a special wisdom... It is my heart's desire that the truth and freedom be strengthened in all hearts."

FROM ROBYN G. THE WOODLANDS, TEXAS: "Thank you for all of your sacrifices and hardships. I want everyone over there fighting the good fight to know that America is thankful, even if we don't write all the time or send packages. We are here for you and will be here for you when you come home. Love and prayers."

FROM LOUISE IN LEWISVILLE, OHIO: "You may find it hard to understand that someone you don't even know is thinking about you. I am a mother of three and was an Army wife. You all are near and dear to my heart... Finish your job, make the world a better place and come home soon."

FROM BECKY IN EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.: "Thank you for volunteering, and thank you for hanging in there during the tough times. There's no doubt we love the best sailors, soldiers, airmen, Marines and National Guard in the world, and you, make us very proud. I'll continue to pray for your safety and hope you soon have a happy voyage home."

FROM ASHLEY IN MERRITT ISLAND, FLA.: "Find strength in the small things, laugh every chance you get, and know that you're missed and we pray every day for your safe return... From MIKEY IN PAYSON, ARIZ.: "Thank you a million times for the job you are doing in that distant location. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I am a senior citizen and understand why you are there. And although some in this country disagree with why you are there, we all agree that you should come home soon. Nevertheless, while you are there, we recognize that you are fighting the good fight, and hope your service ends soon."

READERS: I know many of you have plans for tonight that include candlelight and flowers. This is a time when our members of the military deployed far from home acutely feel the absence of their loved ones. So, please, go to Operation Dear Abby.net and send a message telling them they are in our hearts. Happy Valentine's Day, everyone!

FROM RHONNIE IN TEXAS: "I know things must be hard for you, being far from home and missing the friends and family you depend on for comfort. I know that when you signed on, you knew you could end up in an unfamiliar place and would be gone for long periods of time. You knew this, yet you did it anyway. That selfless act says much of your character, your strength and your courage. You're probably homesick, as are your family and friends for you. You are loved and appreciated."

Taurus: Shine in career areas

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, in April you romantic dreams can come true if you are single and looking for a special someone to motivate your passions...

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Valentine's Day has all the astrological earmarks of the perfect day to make love a priority. Expect perfect harmony with a loved one—and if you are single, this is the time to put the moves on your heart's desire.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your identity is not necessarily tied to who you are with, but who you are, so strive to shine brightly in career areas and get the attention you so richly deserve.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Trust your intuition. That delightful fantasy of yours is likely to be shared tonight, so go all out to celebrate Valentine's Day with a loved one. For the best

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success express appreciation. CANCER (June 21-July 21): The laws of attraction are working in your favor tonight. You're looking for commitment with those who have been drawn closer...

LEO (July 23-Aug. 21): If you dream of white-picket fences and all the fringe benefits of a devoted partnership, you can get your wish. Make the most of this romantic holiday and send a sincere message of love.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Valentine's Day may give you the perfect excuse to hook up with that special someone and make romantic dreams come true. If you are looking for trust and commitment, go for the gold.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): The stars agree that Valentine's dreams and gifts of love should come on all day in Arlington, Va. Because their wedding anniversary falls on Feb. 29, a date not always found on the calendar, Passell and his wife, Ellen, have started going to the Baltimore-Craft Show in late February as a combination anniversary-Valentine outing.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Fairy tales might come true with these pleasant and romantic signs. Whether you are forging business partnerships or looking for a soul mate, this is the ideal time to make a trouble-free deal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Peace and tranquility are yours for the asking, so escape to the snug harbor of home and treat your favorite other to sensual delights. St. Valentine will bless you with the answer you are looking for.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Turn small wounds into blessings by asking for forgiveness and tying bonds of love a bit tighter. Firm up financial plans now while the stars are on your side and money can grow.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Cupid's arrows could strike where you least expect it. Be prepared for an evening of passions. True loves may be able to read each other's minds and press all the right buttons.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): More physical attraction is the least of the treasures you could find today when romantic stars are shining. Start a relationship now and it will be blessed by long-term peace and serenity.

Valentine's Day pressure? It's mostly a guy thing

By Sue Anne Pressley The Washington Post It's the one holiday where every man shops. I've seen the type who clearly does it out of obligation. And then there's the husband who knows his wife's sizes and whether she likes post or dangly earrings - I'm not sure I'd want mine to be that involved.

It can be ordered online or through toll-free numbers. "Most of our audience is male," said Chris Johnson, a senior product manager with Spiegel's 980, and in a jokingly playful way, we're saying, "Come on, guys, you know you haven't bought anything yet."

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engagement ring, but they don't want to say anything," she said. "Jonathon Tycko, on the other hand, said he likes to buy his wife, Joan, candy or books but no longer feels the pressure to produce an eye-popping gift."

Others, such as Jules Bernstein, leap at the opportunity to shop for the women in their lives - in this case, his two granddaughters and wife, Linda-Lipsett. "It's a joy. The 'Why don't you do me a favor and get the girls something?'" said Bernstein, 69 and a lawyer, as he scanned the card rack at Chocolate Moose. "And I said, 'That's not a favor, that's a job. Because I'm just so in love with my wife and my family.'"

box of candy and there was anything but dark chocolate inside. I'd go. Thanks, but no thanks... "It's the flood of advertisements for Valentine jewelry, candy, lingerie, romantic get-aways and other items, there's no escaping the fact that a major gift-giving occasion is on the horizon. Listeners of local sports radio station WTMM (980-FM) are being prodded with frequent advertisements for last-minute gifts, such as

22 Marcia Levi, owner of Chocolate Moose

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Message hearts used to be large enough for couples

The original message hearts were much bigger than they are today, allowing a couplet instead of just a word or two. For example, this from nearly a hundred years ago: "Oh my dear, do not separate me. I will be with me in the automobile."

This day in history: Valentine's Day began as Lupercalia, a four-day Roman festival of love, sex and fertility that took place in the middle of February.

Lupercalia festivities began with the sacrifice of a goat for fertility and a dog for purification. Unmarried women and men were linked through a lottery and became lovers for the year; married but childless women lined up for a race of naked young men carrying whips. If a woman was hit with a lash, the legend was that she would become pregnant that year.

The early Christian Church, using their tactic of Christianizing non-Christian holidays, replaced the fertility rituals with a chaste romanticism featuring hearts and flowers instead of whips and lotteries. Church leaders concocted a story that the holiday was really about a St. Valentine who promoted love in a time when marriages were forbidden... "Dig Me" and "Hang Ten" and the now-misunderstood "B-U-Gay!"

Something to remember when you give your heart on this Valentine's Day: Women's bodies reject heart transplants more often than men's do.

RANXO KINOSKI FACTNESS Jack Mingo Erin Barrett

percula, both holidays went into disuse. In the Middle Ages, some Europeans believed that Feb. 14 was the day that all birds started picking mates, which resulted in a revival of the long-dead Valentine's Day festival.

Most of the classic Valentine's message hearts are made from the same recipe as Necco's, those coin-sized, chunky disks that come in rolls. Although the New England Confectionary Company (NECCO) pumps them out 10 hours a day year-round at a rate of 12,640 hearts a minute, they're on sale for only about six weeks, from Jan. 1 to Valentine's Day.

Nowadays, candy message hearts come with 125 different inscriptions that change over the years. Newer ones include things like "Megabyte," "Go Girl," "You Rock" and "E-mail Me." Retired phrases include "I Like 'n' Hubbs," "Crummy," "Dig Me" and "Hang Ten" and the now-misunderstood "B-U-Gay!"

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Sweet potato surprise There's more to the yam than you think. Wednesday in Food & Home

Hulse Law Horum Straight Talk on Elder Law and Estate Planning INCAPACITY TOOLBOX

QUESTION: My aunt is in the middle stages of Alzheimer's, is resistant to help, and is in need of personal and financial protection. Is a power of attorney the solution? These circumstances are as complex as they are trying. Here goes: your aunt is probably not legally competent to execute a financial or health care power of attorney.





# SCHOOL DAYS

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## Following the beat



Above, the Twin Falls High School Drum Corps has its turn in the drumming competition. The Jerome High School drum line practices. Left, the Jerome students and their Twin Falls counterparts competed in a 'drum off.'

PHOTO COURTESY OF TWIN FALLS HIGH SCHOOL

## Jerome and T.F. schools compete in 'drum off' competition

By Chris Reece  
For The Times-News

**Jerome** — The cross canyon rivalry between Twin Falls and Jerome is no longer limited to sports. On Jan. 18, the two schools had the first ever "drum off." The event occurred during half-time of the boys varsity basketball game in Jerome. The two lines had practiced for the event since December, after Twin Falls High School drummer, Scott Thompson, approached the Jerome line with the idea.

During the "drum off," the two lines of drummers walked out on the opposite ends of the court and waited for their turn to show their stuff. Jerome's drum line consisted of two snare, two tenor and two bass drums, while the Twin Falls line consisted of three snare, three tenor, three basses and a symbol player. The two lines were limited to one musical piece each. "Each line had their own style, and you could tell from the reaction of the crowd that

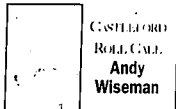
both groups were appreciated," said Twin Falls band director Ted Hadley. Hadley and Jerome band director Ripul Heinemann both said that they hope to do the competition again.

Chris Reece is a reporter with the Jerome High School Tiger Newspaper.

## Castleford hosts musical program for holiday

Music instructor Carolyn Kubatopp will celebrate Valentine's week with a school-wide music program entitled, "Put a Little Love in Your Life" at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday. A highlight of this music concert will be the presentation of "The Little Red Hen" program by the second-grade class. Immediately following the concert, we will hold our second student-led conference from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. The conferences are an opportunity for students to present examples of their work, current academic scores and their goals for this semester to their parents. We

also remind everyone that there will be a free meal for all students, parents and friends who attend the conferences. A final reminder: There will be no school on Friday and Feb. 21. Andy Wiseman is Castleford School principal.



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### M.V. High School releases fall honor roll

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Valley High School released its fall honor roll: 4.0 grade point average: Tasha Bliss, Giandipite Fregosa, George Galen and Kandis McNeill; 3.5 to 3.99 GPAs: Jennifer Anderson, Brittany Fleck, Brenda Gonzalez, Trevor Jones, Charlene Keele, Melissa Lee, Krystal McKean, Kayla Richardson, Jessien Rivera, Justin Vogt, Kaylee Watts and Ryan Wise. 3.00 to 3.49 GPAs: Sherry Britt, Jessica Clark, Alyce Creech, Kelsey Jones, Tiffany Kimbrough, Britnie Maris, Amber O'Brien, Sylvia Pappi, Cody Tilson, Brent Walls, Nichole Watts, Tyler Williams, Chelsea Wilson and Kodie Woodhead.

### Hansen schools release semester honor roll

**HANSEN** — Hansen schools released their first semester honor roll list:

Principal's list: Seventh grade: Tyson Clark, Kendyl Copenbarger, Riana Cummings, Crystal Guerrero, Shawnee Higgins, Guillermo Mabel, Cambria Parker, Jay Ratto and Marly Riley. Eighth: Mario Arevalo, Lydia Borna, Kelley Call, Kyle Call, Andrew Corie, Samantha Corie, Jennifer Johnson, Jacob Mathis, Rachell McCreary, Marten Marilla, Colleen Spencer and Claudia Vega. Ninth: Jason Parker. Tenth: Matthew Corie, Joshua Goulier, Monique Day, Joshua Hathaway, Betsy Kinch, Jennifer Lewis, Brett Lovelace, Ashley Runge, Hyrum Stanger and Amanda Urie. Eleventh: Kerie Butler, Bryan Carens, Voraphop Chantavarnagor, Ayaka Fujita, Karena Hall, Jamie Ratto, Ruben Salazar and Pungsadorn Thongchalerit. Twelfth: Ashley Butler, Melissa Myers, Blaine Salazar, Betha Stanger and Jessica Thorpe. Honor roll: Seventh grade: Ashleigh

Adamsen and Kelly McNurlin; eighth: Cody Brown, Megan Choate and Blake Harris; ninth: Joshua Clugston and Jed Stevart; 10th: Charlotte Brownstone; and 12th: Matt Freestone. Academic

Tenth grade: Jessica Beaver and Amanda Doherty; 11th: Chelsea Bahr; and 12th: Kimberly Clugston and John Johnson.

### UI Journalism Workshop accepts applications

**MOSCOW** — April 1 is the deadline to apply for the University of Idaho School of Journalism annual Scripps Howard Multicultural Journalism Workshop, June 12-18 on the UI Campus. Students will produce radio news reports, a newspaper, Web site and television news magazine and hear from professionals. The workshop is open to students in grades 10-11 in schools in Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Alaska. Graduating seniors who plan to attend UI in

the fall of 2005 also are eligible. Students from groups traditionally under-represented in news-gathering professions are especially encouraged to apply.

Tuition, room and board is covered and some travel stipends are available to students who live more than 100 miles from Moscow. Applications and information are available at [www.schsu.edu/bo.edu/jamwh/js\\_journalism\\_workshop.htm](http://www.schsu.edu/bo.edu/jamwh/js_journalism_workshop.htm).

### Dairy Days pageant accepts applications

**TWIN FALLS** — Magic Valley Dairy Days, an annual Wendell Chamber of Commerce event, raises scholarship funds for Magic Valley students who attend Idaho colleges, universities and vocational schools. Since 1989, more than 352 scholarships totaling more than \$105,000 have been awarded. This year, scholarships will be provided through the Magic Valley Dairy Days Scholarship

Princess Program. Applicants must be girls between the ages of 16 to 19. The first place winner will receive a \$3,000 scholarship and runner-up will receive a \$1,500 scholarship. Call program coordinator Mary Heida at 543-2582 for application information. The deadline is March 1.

### Kimberly Elementary helps tsunami victims

**KIMBERLY** — Kimberly Elementary School students collected change to aid tsunami victims with its Peonies with a Purpose campaign. During January, students brought enough change to fill a five-gallon container one and one-half times. Classes will estimate how much money was collected, and the one with the closest estimate will win a pizza party. For more information, call 423-1170.

## Filer High gears up for Valentine's Day events

A happy Valentine's Day from Filer High School. Today, we celebrate this special day with things we're about our school. And here is our weekly Wildcat Word.

We first honor the staff members who keep the school ticking and make it a lovely place. This includes janitors, Dan Schmoebelen, Pat Schweizer and Harold Fritz, as well as office staff, Connie Gartner, Susan Pospisil, Cori Zell, Jason Schweckert and Leon Madsen. They find room deep down in their hearts to let us use the phone that "one more time" without paying a quarter. We appreciate and love their dedication.

Next are the lunch "ladies." We especially love the burritos, tacos, chicken patties and beef bites — a favorite of upper and lower classmen alike. Finally, no school would be complete without a dedicated team of teachers.

The halls are constantly filled with decorative posters that keep school spirit high. And, the girls basketball team is also doing extremely well this year. We would love to see them play at state.

Filer High School, how do we love thee? Let us count the ways.



WILDCAT WORD  
Diana Hafflinger & Amy Huddleston

Diana Hafflinger and Amy Huddleston are Filer High School students.

## Twin Falls High students finalize graduation plans

As the year winds down, the Twin Falls High School senior class and student body are finalizing graduation plans.

The senior class is meeting with parents to discuss what will be happening on grad night this year. The parents are organizing the grad night and working to make it a special night for graduating seniors.

Student council has also been discussing elections this year for next year's officers. One idea: Students will be taught to register in advisory. They will register then on their own time before school, during lunch time or after school. After they register, they will be allowed to go to the student body debates and vote for the officers.

Keep in mind, those are only ideas. This week, the council also talked more about its community project for February.

### BRUN BUZZ

Cassie Gonzalez

Money collected this month will go to Camp Rainbow Gold for children who have cancer. The camp plans to raise money by selling suckers for 50 cents each. Andy Barron supplied the suckers.

The students will also participate in February's Acts of Kindness Week. The council will set up booths in the junction and by the gym so students can send a friend a "warm and fuzzy." What is a written compliment that is delivered to the friend.

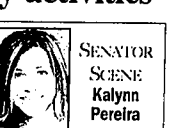
Have a great day.  
Cassie Gonzalez is Twin Falls High School senior class secretary.

## Gooding students plan Valentine's Day activities

"Love is in the air" at Gooding High School this Valentine's Day.

The horticulture class has prepared a flower arrangement that students have purchased to send to their "sweetheart."

Also today, students have the opportunity to view a professional play, "Shakespeare in the Park." The February advisory group meetings will be held on Wednesday. Each class and their adviser will discuss a different topic. The freshmen will talk about study skills and learn important habits needed to succeed in high school. The sophomores will learn about time management, which can be beneficial at this time of the year when a million things are going on. The juniors will work on goal setting. As they get closer to graduating, they will need to start thinking about what they would like to accomplish. The seniors will discuss a mock congress with their advisers. They have all come up with a



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Kalynn Pereira

bill that they would like to have made into a law and will learn the rules and steps in passing it through Congress.

On Friday, GHS will conduct its quarterly Student Leadership Luncheon. The president from each club is invited to come, have lunch and catch up on one another's activities. They will also discuss the "Support your troops" service project. They will each put together a basket of some sort, filled with supplies or goodies and then, send their baskets to selected troops overseas. Have a great week everyone.

Kalynn Pereira is Gooding High School student body secretary.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Kimberly Elementary announces achievement

**KIMBERLY** — Kimberly Elementary School second-graders earned honors. Accelerated Reader goal: Mandy Solomon, Brett Schwabedissen, Brittany Vollmann, Bail Charters, Dallin Brady, Bailey Courtney, Karissa Shook, Raymond Nichols, Janice Witherspoon, Morgan Jeske and Shelby Hamblen. Advance Reader Certification: Mandy Solomon, Dallin Brady, Riley Willard, Rachel Allen, Justin Carzen, Zoe Ferrin, Morgan Jeske, Shelby Hamblen, Kyra Meader and Cheyenne Ballles.

### Health services are offered at Dietrich

**DIETRICH** — Family Health Services will offer a variety of services from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. today at the parking lot of Dietrich School, 405 N. Park. For more information, call 544-2158.