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Groups will clean up CAFOs

By Julie Penco
Times-News writer

BOISE — Environmental activists and dairymen say they've agreed on some cow numbers that dictate when a dairyman will get a state construction permit under the Clean Air Act.

Those numbers range from between 1,638 cows and 4,481 cows as a threshold, depending on the type of waste system a dairyman is planning to use. In a newly forged relationship of cooperation, the Idaho Dairymen's Association and the Idaho Conservation League issued a press



release Thursday along with the numbers. The two groups say they plan to work together on research projects to improve the environment on and near large dairies.

But meanwhile, the House State Affairs Committee has voted to introduce a bill —

backed by the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry, the state's most powerful business lobby — to exempt CAFOs from needing a construction permit under the Clean Air Act.

The legislation proposes to align the permitting process in the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality for both major and minor sources of air pollution, supporters say. Anything that puts at least 250 tons of pollutants into the air in one year is considered a major source. There are about a dozen such sources of air pollution in the state right now, said Martin

Bauer, who heads the DEQ's air quality division.

But because of a judge's ruling last year, there is some confusion about the permitting process for minor polluters, or those who put at least 100 tons of pollutants into the atmosphere, said Dick Rush, of the Idaho Association of Commerce and Industry. That became apparent when U.S. District Court Judge Lynn Winmill ruled the DEQ wasn't following its own certain size to get permits.

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Raising taxes may help Social Security

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Increasing Social Security taxes for the wealthiest Americans could raise more than \$160 billion a year — enough to pay for the retirement system's finances for 75 years, pay for President Bush's plan for private accounts, or part of each.

It is, only the first \$90,000 of a worker's wages subject to the tax, but Bush says he's willing to consider changing that.

Raising taxes, even if on the rich, is a risky political proposition. Both Republicans and Democrats distanced themselves from the idea Thursday.

"I don't know too many Republicans who are interested in doing that," said a Rick Santorum, R-Pa. "I personally see this as one of the least attractive options."

Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid of Nevada said his party would be attacked for the proposal tax increases if it embraced the idea. "We're not going to fall for that," he said.

Bush said Thursday that members of Congress should feel free to make any such proposals "without political retribution."

"It used to be in the past people would step up and say, 'Well, here's an interesting idea.' Then they would take that idea and clobber the person politically," Bush said at a news conference. "What I'm saying to members of Congress is that we have a problem, come together and let's fix it, and bring your ideas forward."

On Capitol Hill, Senate Democrats described Bush's offer as a ploy to get them to put forward unpopular proposals.

They said they remained opposed to his plan, and they unveiled a Web site calculator designed to show workers they would be worse off than under current law.

RIDING TO ROSEWORTH



Danielle Bald, 13, plays with her brother Austin Davis, 8, during their bus ride home to the Roseworth tract from Castleford School on Monday.

Few families remain on remote tract

ROSEWORTH — Only 17 students board the first school bus that waits in line behind Castleford School each afternoon.

Just five youngsters remain when driver Lori Robinson's bus exits the south end of town.



On Lily Grade, the bus descends into Salmon Falls Creek Canyon after leaving the Roseworth tract.

WEST WIND
Virginia S. Hutchins

heading for Salmon Falls Creek Canyon and the winding Lily Grade that separate the remote Roseworth tract from everything on "the other side."

That's how Roseworth farmwife Paulette Jackson refers to Castleford and everything in the world beyond it's no wonder. The chasm that's traversed by Lily Grade horrified members of a 1921 caravan of would-be Roseworth farmers from New York, and it still can scare longtime Roseworth residents in years when real winter augments its treachery.

an intimate farm community has endured, despite, a capricious water supply. But that community is shrinking as bigger farms buy out smaller ones and families with children move off the tract.

"We're so short of kids out here on the Roseworth anymore," said Jackson, 57, who moved to the tract in the

late 1970s.

She counts five families at Roseworth now, plus a farm owner that lives elsewhere. A decade or so ago, she estimates, 11 families lived on the tract.

So Roseworth social life isn't what it used to be. In years past, Jackson said, Roseworth folks organized annual Christmas parties, hunted together and

transplanted themselves en masse to the county fair living in camp trailers for the week while their children tended 4-H steers.

"Times are changing, the economy's getting bad," said Jackson, who feeds calves and helps her husband with other chores on their small farm and

Raising the cap on Social Security tax

Currently, there is a cap on Social Security taxes so that workers do not pay into the system on earnings above \$90,000 a year. A proposal would raise that to \$110,000 for income workers and their employers would pay more.

ANNUAL INCOME	NUMBER OF AMERICANS
\$1-9,999	188 million
10,000-29,999	125.3
30,000-39,999	10.4
40,000-49,999	8.4
50,000-59,999	7.2
60,000-69,999	7.7
70,000-79,999	5.2
80,000-89,999	3.6
90,000-99,999	11.2

What it will cost
If a worker raising the cap would earn
PERSONAL EMPLOYER

\$150,000	\$3,700	\$3,700
\$120,000	\$1,600	\$1,600

SOURCES: Census Bureau, The Brookings Institution

Israel stops destroying attackers' homes

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM — Israel's defense minister ordered a halt Thursday to the controversial policy of demolishing the homes of Palestinian suicide bombers and gunmen after an internal army review concluded it has not deterred attackers but has inflamed hatred.

Since the 1967 Middle East War, Israel has razed more than 2,400 Palestinian homes as punishment or deterrence — leaving thousands of people homeless — including 675 houses destroyed in the past four years of fighting, according to the Israeli human rights group B'tselem.

Human rights groups have condemned the demolitions as collective punishment and a violation of international law, and long have demanded that they be halted.

The army review found the

practice has inflamed hatred. The Haaretz newspaper said there were no more than 20 cases in which the threat of demolition deterred attackers or pushed their families to turn them in. Militant groups compensate families of attackers and help them rebuild, weakening possible deterrence.

House demolitions, along with other army practices, such as targeted killings of Palestinian militants, were suspended after Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon and Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas declared a truce last week.

In announcing the halt to house demolitions, the military said in a statement that Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz decided to accept the recommendation of army Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Moshe Yaalon to "stop exercising the legal right to demolish terrorists' houses as a means of

deterrence."

A military official said that while the practice had a deterrent effect in some cases, the army "weighed if the deterrent was strong enough in order to continue the policy of the demolition of houses, and the chief of staff ... concluded especially when there's more quiet, it's not the time to use this policy."

B'tselem says the Israeli military has destroyed a total of more than 4,000 Palestinian homes during the current conflict, most in operations to clear away buildings used by militants as cover for attacks or to widen security roads. Those practices were not included in Thursday's decision.

In the Gaza Strip, 2,991 homes were destroyed or damaged beyond repair in the last four years, leaving some 28,483 people homeless, according to the U.N. Relief and Works Agency.

Former friends, guardians testify at Johnson's trial

By Patti Murphy
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — The lifelong friend of murder suspect Sarah Johnson took the witness stand Thursday to discuss their relationship and testify to the statements that Johnson made during the two days following the deaths of her parents.

Megan Sowersby, 17, whose family has been friends with Sarah's family "longer than since before we were born, painted a picture of a girl who seemed more concerned about

the welfare of her new boyfriend than that of her parents, Alan and Diane, who had just been found murdered in their Bellevue home.

Sarah Johnson, 18, is accused of using a .264 Magnum rifle to shoot her mother while she slept and her father as he showered in the early morning hours of Sept. 2, 2003. Johnson, who was 16 at the time of the crimes, is being charged as an adult.

Sowersby testified that on the day of the murders she saw Johnson hugging her grandmother and at the same time mouthing over her shoulder to Sowersby to make sure her boyfriend Bruno Santos was OK.

She also testified that Johnson made sure to tell her that



Sarah Johnson

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies and light winds. Highs in the middle 40s.
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IDAHO'S FORECAST

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Yesterday's State Extremes: 49 at Lewiston, Low: 20 at Slatyk.
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TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Pollen Count.

Moon Phases

Table showing moon phases for Feb 24, Mar 2, Mar 10, Mar 17.

REGIONAL FORECAST

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Yesterday's Weather

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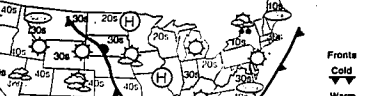
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Texas executes man who murdered four

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A man who murdered his mother and three other people in a bloody 1995 spree at a mobile home was executed Thursday.

from a window, but he thanked a spiritual adviser for being there. "I love you all," he told the handful of people he had invited to watch him die by injection.

libby Best, 24; Best's daughter, Reba, 4; and Tassy Boone, 14, the granddaughter of McBee's common-law husband.

Tract

Continued from A1 ranch. "The women are all going to work, have jobs on the other side. During the day, I'm the only woman home out here."

When Jackson's grandson stays overnight at her house, he makes just a fifth rider on the school bus to Roseworth.

"What's good for agriculture here is good for Castelford School," Wiseman said.

"I joined the five Roseworth bus riders one afternoon this week to hear their perspectives on remote Roseworth life."

But it was Zane Davis' reply that startled me. There's always something to do in Roseworth, the dimly lit 11-year-old school of the Jacksons.

Danielle Baird — sister to the Davis' — is the only girl among the Roseworth's bus riders. Two other schoolgirls live at Roseworth, but their parents drive them to Castelford, a 13-year-old Danielle has little female company in her neighborhood of sagebrush and coyotes.



Bus driver Lori Robinson waves to a vehicle as she passes it along a dirt road on the Roseworth tract.

"I don't think it's bad — it's actually better, because you don't have to deal with girly things," she said.

Danielle has the building of a hammock, a treeshouse and a tree-to-tree bridge to her credit.

"She's baling twine and duct tape girl," Zane said.

"I learned how to drive it last year," he said.

Canyon. Each knows something of the canyon's character. Through steams on the bus windows, Zane checks out a particular rock, poised as though it might fall any day.

"There's a rock up here that my uncle Kurt dimmed off the road with his pickup," Kendall told me, also pointing out the spot on Lily Grade where his brother's vehicle slid off.

Robinson keeps her eyes on the road. In the canyon, she sometimes rounds a corner to find a boulder on the pavement.

It's no wonder that Kendall enjoys time with his grandfather, Ray Jackson, who is more precious when there's nobody else around.

Johnson

Continued from A1 Santos "couldn't be involved in the murders because he had an alibi, and his DNA has already been ruled out."

Santos, 21, is an undocumented Mexican immigrant who Johnson had begun dating three months before the murders.

Prosecutors contended that Santos' parents objected to Johnson's relationship with Santos, which provided her the motive to murder her parents.

Prosecutor Jim Thomas asked Sowersby what Johnson had told her about her parents' shootings. Sowersby replied that Johnson told her she "woke up to gunshots and ran out of the house."

Thomas was attempting to show a conflict in Johnson's statements, because she apparently had told investigators that after hearing a gun shot she came out her mother's name and ran to her room.

Sowersby testified Johnson told her she didn't go to drive the room because "she was scared of what she would see."

Johnson, appearing in court wearing gray slacks and a plumed-collared button-up sweater, watched Sowersby intently, sometimes pursing her lips or shaking her head.

Cynthia Hall, a DNA expert with the Idaho State Police, testified that Sarah Johnson's DNA was found on items collected from the garbage outside of the Johnson home the morning of the shootings.

"The DNA profile obtained from the latex glove matched the profile obtained from the blood sample said to belong to Sarah Johnson," Hall testified.

tested and were found to match Diane Johnson's DNA, Hall testified.

William Chapin, a trace evidence examiner from West-mont, Ill., testified that the two gloves and pink robe also were found to have gun shot residue on them.

Santos' Johnson's uncle told the jury about spending the weekend with the Johnson family just days before Alan and Diane were murdered.

Jim Vavold, who is married to Diane Johnson's sister, Linda, arrived at the Johnson's Bellevue home with his wife on a Friday evening and Sarah never came home that night.

"When I got up the next morning, Alan was already up. He was upset and ready to go," said Vavold.

He said Alan was on his way to Bruno Santos' house, where he had discovered his daughter Sarah had spent the night.

When they got to Santos' residence, Alan Johnson went up to the apartment and soon thereafter Sarah came out. She headed straight toward her car and looked at me sort of surprised, embarrassed," Vavold testified.

Vavold said that later in the day Sarah went over to the Johnsons' guest house behind the main house to "do homework," but that he didn't see her take any books. He also said she spent time in the guest house the following day.

The guest house is where the .264-caliber Magnum rifle used to shoot Alan and Diane was stored. It belonged to renter Matt Spiggle, who was out of town the weekend before the murders. He returned to the guest house the morning of the shootings and has since been cleared by investigators of any involvement.

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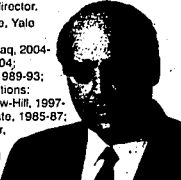
Bush names intelligence director

PROFILE Intelligence director nominated

President Bush named John D. Negroponte, 65, as the national intelligence director.

Education — Bachelor's degree, Yale University, 1960

Experience — Ambassador to Iraq, 2004-present; United Nations, 2001-04; Philippines 1993-95; Mexico, 1989-93; Honduras, 1981-85. Other positions: executive vice president, McGraw-Hill, 1997-2001; assistant secretary of state, 1985-87; deputy national security advisor, 1987-89; deputy assistant secretary of state, 1980-81 and 1977-79.



AP Photo/Chris Wedel

Negroponte is the director of the National Security Agency since March 1993, as Negroponte's deputy. He is the longest serving director of the secretive code-breaking agency and has pushed for changes, such as asking longtime agency veterans to retire and increasing reliance on technology contractors.

Discussing the authority that Negroponte will have, Bush said that "people who control the money people who have access to the president generally have a lot of influence. And that's why John Negroponte is going to have a lot of influence. He will set the budgets."

The amount the United States spends on intelligence is classified, but is thought to total nearly \$40 billion annually.

Negroponte, 65, was at the United Nations when he was tapped to take on the delicate job of transforming the U.S. presence in Iraq from that of an occupier to that of an adviser. Bush chose him for the job last April and he went to Baghdad hours after the handover of sovereignty to Iraq's interim government in June.

Michigan Sen. Carl Levin, ranking Democrat on the Armed Services Committee, questioned the decision to pull Negroponte out of Iraq. He said he is concerned "about the message we are sending to Iraq and

the rest of the world by removing our ambassador to Iraq so soon after he took office and at such a critical point in the transition to a democratically elected Iraqi government."

Negroponte has also been ambassador to the Philippines, Mexico and Honduras.

According to one well-informed administration official, former CIA director Robert Gates was Bush's first choice, but Gates and some other candidates declined the post. They worried that the legislation establishing the intelligence job was too vague in outlining its authority, said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

But White House Chief of Staff Andy Card denied reports that the White House had had a difficult time in finding someone to accept the new position. "I'm impressed with how much bad information people have — that people have been offered the job and turned it down," Card said. "It's just not true."

The Sept. 11, 2001 terror attacks on New York and Washington were the impetus for legislation passed by Congress and signed into law, creating the new position. The bill represented the most sweeping intelligence legislation in over 50 years.

Sen. Clinton pushes Election Day holiday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, a possible White House candidate in 2008, joined 2004 nominee John Kerry and other Democrats Thursday in urging that Election Day be made a federal holiday to encourage voting.



AP Photo/Chris Wedel

She also pushed for legislation that would allow all ex-felons to vote.

Standing with Massachusetts Sen. Kerry and other Democrats who had alleged voting irregularities in the 2004 contest, Clinton said, "Once again we had a federal election that demonstrates we have a long way to go."

"I think it's also necessary to make sure our elections meet the highest national standards," said the New York senator.

She and Kerry, both considered contenders for the 2008 nomination, were joined by Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones, D-Ohio, and Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who forced a highly unusual House and Senate debate Jan. 6 on the presidential election results.

Kerry, who lost the national contest by 3.3 million votes na-

tionwide, and 118,000 within Ohio, denied the bill was an attempt to discredit the 2004 results.

"This has nothing to do with me," said Kerry. "It is not partisan, or shouldn't be."

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Plan to send large suits to federal court moves ahead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress on Thursday passed legislation that would transfer most large, multistate class-action lawsuits to federal court, fulfilling one of President Bush's second-term goals.

The aim of the bill, supporters said, was to protect businesses and stop lawyers from reaping huge profits by filing suits in carefully selected state courts.

The legislation, given final congressional approval by the House on a 273-149 vote, would ban state courts from hearing large multistate class action lawsuits. Such courts have been known for issuing multimillion-dollar verdicts like they did against tobacco companies.

Bush said he looked forward to signing the legislation. He said it would "help protect people who are wrongfully harmed

while reducing the frivolous lawsuits that clog our courts, hurt the economy, cost jobs and burden American businesses."

After the bill becomes law, cases against corporations and businesses accused of wrongdoing against large groups of people will be heard by federal judges. Critics have said these jurists are not as amenable as are their state counterparts to these cases, which often involve millions of dollars.

The Senate passed the bill Feb. 10. Bush is expected to sign the bill into law on Friday.

Bush and other Republicans argue that greedy lawyers have taken advantage of the state class action lawsuit system by filing frivolous lawsuits in certain state courts where they know they can win big dollar verdicts.

Greenspan gives proposal a moderate endorsement

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush appealed to members of Congress to make suggestions of their own for changing Social Security on Thursday, and said they needn't fear political retribution.



AP Photo/Chris Wedel

"What I'm saying to members of Congress is that, 'We have a problem, come together and let's fix it, and bring your ideas forward, and I'm willing to discuss them with you,'" Bush said in remarks that were rejected by Democratic lawmakers, who say the president's plan would cut benefits. They want him to produce

a "complete proposal" before they do.

"He's not going to get us negotiating against ourselves," said Senate Democratic leader Harry Reid.

The president made his comments as Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan gave Bush's proposal for private accounts a modest endorsement.

"These accounts properly constructed and managed will create a sense of increased wealth" on the part of middle- and lower income workers, Greenspan said.

Greenspan, however, expressed fresh concerns about the costs of a transition and the impact on financial markets.

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Drug maker says heart problems may affect whole class of painkillers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vioxx could go back on sale if the government finds that heart and stroke problems linked to arthritis drug are not unique to the painkiller and that the medication's benefits outweigh the risks, a company executive suggested Thursday.

"When we withdrew the drug, it was based on the information available at the time," said Peter S. Kim, president of Merck Research Laboratories.

Vioxx was pulled from the market on Sept. 30. Since then, information has indicated that those medical problems may be associated with an entire class of painkillers known as Cox-2 inhibitors. Kim told a panel of the Drug Advisory panel that is assessing the safety of those drugs, which include Vioxx, Celebrex and Bextra.

If the committee and the agency conclude that the benefits of this class of drugs outweigh the risks for some patients, "then we would have to consider the implications of these new data" for Vioxx, Kim said.

Asked if that meant the company would consider returning the drug to the market, Kim said, "There are unique benefits to Vioxx. The science has progressed and we need to take that science into consideration."

He said that when Vioxx was withdrawn, Merck said it felt it could be possible to market the drug with labeling that included increased safety trial information.

Earlier Thursday, an Army physician argued that some



Dr. Peter Kim, Ph.D., president of Merck Research Laboratories, talks about his company's voluntary withdrawal of the arthritis drug Vioxx on Wednesday during a hearing in Washington.

popular pain relievers "are essential to the global war on terrorism" and should be kept on the market despite their potentially dangerous side effects.

Without them, he said, the military cannot keep as many soldiers functioning on the battlefield.

Dr. Christopher Grubb told the FDA advisory committee that the military carries Cox-2 drugs into battle. They are needed, he said, because of concerns about excess bleeding that can be caused by more traditional pain relievers such as aspirin.

Other witnesses cited the drugs' painkilling value. "Vioxx gave me my life back,"

Dimitra Poulos said. "I have 40 Vioxx left. I have 40 days left before my life will be altered."

Poulos, who did not give her home town, said she is ready to sign a risk waiver to get the drug. She asked for that opportunity.

Merck & Co. withdrew Vioxx after a long-term study showed an increase in heart problems and stroke in patients taking it more than 18 months. Since then, similar reports have raised questions about Pfizer Inc.'s Celebrex and Bextra, which remain on the market.

Also Thursday, an FDA whistleblower who had complained the agency was trying to muzzle him addressed the panel about the painkillers' dangers.

Dr. David Graham, a medical officer at the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, said Vioxx could cause hundreds — to — thousands — of additional heart attacks. He said he believes there is a heart hazard from using Celebrex at high doses, and the problem may cover the whole class of drugs.

Bill Cosby won't face sex assault charges

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Bill Cosby will not face charges stemming from a woman's allegation he fondled her, a prosecutor said Thursday.

Authorities found "insufficient credible and admissible evidence" to support the woman's claims, Montgomery County District Attorney Bruce Costar said in a statement.

A former Temple University employee, who now lives in her native Ontario, went to Canadian authorities Jan. 13, contending that Cosby gave her medication that made her feel dizzy, then fondled her at his suburban Philadelphia home after a dinner out with friends in January 2004. She said she later awoke to find her bra undone

and her clothes in disarray.

Costor has denied the allegations. Castor has said that the accuser's yearlong delay in coming forward, and her contact with Cosby in the past year, weighed in the comedian's favor.

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CAFOs

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just about CAFOs," Rush said. "This affects all of Idaho industry."

But Bauer said after you sort through the complicated rules associated with the air quality permitting process, the legislation is really about permits to construct CAFOs. Besides dairies or feedlots, there are no major or minor pollutants sources that aren't regulated in Idaho through the federal Clean Air Act, he said. Despite claims the proposed legislation would exempt certain industries from having to get permits from the DEQ because of dust problems, Bauer said federal regulations already exist for "fugitive dust."

Rush said the bill would simply make sure state regulations for "fugitive emissions," which are pollutants coming from a confined area rather than a smoke stack, are no more stringent than federal regulations. And currently there are no regulations at the federal level for the ammonia and hydrogen sulfide that CAFOs emit.

Lauren McLean, of the Idaho Conservation League, said the group will fight the bill.

Bob Naerebout, executive director of the Idaho Dairymen's Association, would not say if the dairymen are supporting the bill. Instead, he said the association is discussing the possibility of signing a memorandum of understanding with the Conservation League.

"The dairy industry wants to

know and understand their impact on air quality," Naerebout said. "The dairy industry wants to know what economical best management practices they can put in place to reduce their impacts on air quality. And we will go forward regardless of the legislation, whether it passes or not."

Naerebout also pointed out the EPA's Environmental Protection Agency is in the middle of working out a "safe harbor" agreement with owners of CAFOs across the nation to find out what kinds of pollutants they are emitting into the air. He said he suspects that within three to five years, all CAFOs will be submitting to federal regulations that are directed toward them specifically.

"We just want to be ahead of the curve," he said. Even though the Conservation League opposes the proposed legislation, McLean said the group will move forward with the dairymen.

"A deal's a deal, and we're sticking with it," she said.

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Shiite alliance wins slim majority as election results certified

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A Shiite alliance won a slim majority in Iraq's new National Assembly according to certified election returns announced Thursday, but it may take weeks to form a government. Meanwhile, interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi cautioned against excluding al-Saddam Hussein's supporters.

Because a two-thirds majority in the 275-member parliament, or 182 seats, is required for confirming the top positions in the new government, the United Iraqi Alliance will have to make deals with the other parties. The alliance won 140 seats, while Kurdish parties got 75, secular Shiites took 40 and nine smaller parties staved 20, the final returns of the Jan. 30 elections showed.

Shiite and Kurdish leaders have already agreed that they must reach out to prominent Sunnis to participate in the government if they want it to be considered legitimate among Sunnis and to have any hope of ending the country's largely Sunni-led insurgency. The Sunni-led Iraqis Party won only five seats in parliament, because many Sunni Arabs avoided the elections —

either out of fear of violence or to support a boycott called by radical clerics opposed to the U.S. military.

Allawi told The Associated Press that the alliance must change its platform of purging Sunnis who were members of Saddam's Baath Party from government positions if it wants national unity.

"The alliance talks about de-Baathification. I hope if they get control and they're chosen to be the ones running the country, I sincerely hope that they revisit these issues in their program and re-discuss it with a view of having reconciliation and national unity,"

Allawi said.

"We cannot afford in this country, for now, to go on a route different to that of national unity," said Allawi, who spoke English in the interview. Otherwise, "it will throw the country into problems, severe problems."

The key challenge for the new government will be ending the insurgency that kills dozens of people every week. Most Iraqis say only negotiations will end the attacks.

A U.S. soldier was killed and three others were wounded in a car bomb attack while on patrol in the northern city

of Mosul, the military said Thursday.

In Bagouba, 35 miles northeast of Baghdad, Iraqi police killed two men with suspected links to al-Qaida's affiliate in Iraq and arrested five others during raids, the city's police chief, Major Gen. Adel Molan, said Thursday.

"We found huge amounts of weapons, including mortars, assault rifles, and explosives. We also found computers and CDs which show the beheading of several hostages in addition to letters which they were about to send to Osama bin Laden," Molan said of Tuesday's raids.

Iraqi died while being suspended by wrists

SAN DIEGO (AP) — An Iraqi whose corpse was photographed with grinning U.S. soldiers at Abu Ghraib died under CIA interrogation while suspended by his wrists, which had been handcuffed behind his back, according to investigative reports reviewed by The Associated Press.

The death of the prisoner, Manadel al-Jamadi, became known last year when the Abu Ghraib scandal broke. The U.S. military said back then that it had been ruled a homicide. But the exact circumstances of the death were not disclosed at the time.

The prisoner died in a position known as "Palestinian hanging," the documents reviewed by The AP show. It is unclear whether that position — which human rights groups condemn as torture — was approved by the Bush administration for use in CIA interrogations.

The spy agency, which faces congressional scrutiny over its detention and interrogation of terror suspects at the Baghdad prison and elsewhere, declined to comment for this story, as did the Justice Department.

Al-Jamadi was one of the CIA's "ghost" detainees at Abu Ghraib — prisoners being held secretly by the agency.

His death in November 2003 became public with the release of photos of Abu Ghraib guards giving a thumbs-up over his bruised and puffy-faced corpse.

Police make arrests after bank heist

DUBLIN, Ireland (AP) — Irish police arrested seven people, including a member of the IRA-linked Sinn Fein party, and seized millions of dollars suspected of being stolen in the December robbery of \$50 million from a Belfast bank, the biggest cash theft in history, authorities said Thursday.

In the biggest of several coordinated raids targeting IRA money-laundering operations across the Republic of Ireland, police said they recovered at least \$4.4 million during a raid on one house in the village of Farran, 10 miles west of the southwest city of Cork.

Police also seized approximately \$150,000 at one property in the Douglas sector of Cork City. Police arrested three men and a woman in the Cork-area raids but did not specify where each occurred.

Prince Charles will wed at town hall

LONDON (AP) — Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles will not wed at Windsor Castle, but at the local town hall.

Windsor's town hall, the Guildhall, was built in 1690. It is a sturdy building of brick and Portland stone, partly designed by Christopher Wren.

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EDITORIAL

Hard answers from IDWR push irrigators back to talks

The two sides of the southern Idaho water standoff that have been pleading for storms from Mother Nature got a lightning bolt instead from the Idaho Department of Water Resources on Tuesday.

IDWR Director Karl Dreher released a 44-page response to the water call made by seven Magic Valley canal companies back in January. His comments were anything but a late Valentine.

For groundwater pumpers who hold junior water rights, Dreher reinforced the fact that curtailment of wells will be a reality unless huge storms lift Idaho snow-bank levels and pumps come up with a mitigation plan.

For surface water irrigators with senior rights, the news was no better.

Dreher said he wouldn't make a specific decision about which wells to curtail until after April 1. That's when water agencies make hard number water forecasts from the Upper Snake River Basin.

But an even bigger shock was Dreher's ruling that storage water is supplemental to the natural flow water. That means the canal companies can only demand Snake River water for actual crops, but not for water used to fill reservoirs.

Dreher recognized that "there will be some howling over what I have done," from both sides of the issue. Groundwater pumpers will see the threat of curtailment growing closer while surface water users "will see consistency with the law."

"Maybe the tension will cause these folks to get back together to negotiate," he said.

We can only hope so. Urgency seems to be missing on the negotiation front. A recent offer by groundwater pumpers to provide 65,000 acre-feet of water to senior surface water users went down with a thud last week.

In the meantime, weather conditions in Idaho add to the state's jitters. Snowpack is miserably low along the Upper Snake River Basin.

and Dreher has told legislators this is a drought of historic proportions (only once every 500 years). Not exactly good news for an aquifer that's continuing to shrink.

Surface water irrigators are still poring over Dreher's response to see what alternatives it gives them. But the April 1 timeline obviously throws a wrench into the equation for both sides. Planning and securing financing for the next growing season is difficult when you must wait for regulatory agencies to decide.

Meanwhile, House Speaker or Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, says if water users can't come to terms on an agreement, legislators will do it for them. That's obviously supposed to give the parties a kick in the pants back to the table.

But again, if the water users bank what exactly can legislators put into statute over the next few weeks? If Dreher couldn't give members of the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee answers about curtailment, how can legislators decide the matter before April?

If water users want to wait until mid-spring to decide their futures (and possibly longer if this issue goes to court), they can take that risk. But common wisdom says they have more to gain by burning the midnight oil and hashing out a deal in winter before the planting season comes.

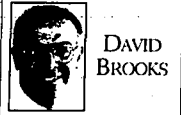
The parties can still craft a settlement that spells out reasonable gains for senior water right owners, and justified losses for junior right holders, while assuring the survival of both sides.

And yes, that will include a measure of curtailment for junior groundwater pumpers. But that's better than widespread shutdown of wells across southern Idaho and a nuclear winter for the state economy.

The options are few at this point. We hope major players in the water standoff recognize they still control their own fate.

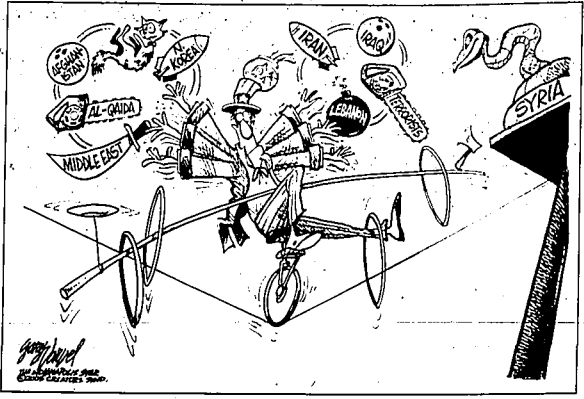
Grunts and pols return from battle

This was going to be a column exclusively about a trans-Atlantic security conference that took place in Munich last weekend. But on the way back, the U.S. delegation stopped for refueling at Shannon Airport in Ireland. A bunch of us were milling about the airport bar, holding little Irish coffees, when hundreds of Marines started flooding into the terminal. This was their first chance at a beer after eight months of mayhem in the Sunni Triangle. They streamed in looking thick-necked and strong, but they also had wide-eyed, tentative expressions on their faces, like people trying to reacclimate to the manners of normal life.



This unit had lost 22 men, including several in the last week. I tried to find one who had a craggy scar running across the side of his skull. He was proud of how Election Day went and said Iraqis were being harder to take care of than their own troops. I told a bunch of them some senators were on the other side of the bar if they wanted to shake hands. One of them was blue, but the rest were pleased to go over, especially when they saw John McCain and Joe Lieberman. These were not guys grown cynical about their political leaders.

I tried to think of the Munich conference from their perspective. If those Marines had had the stomach to sit through all those panel discussions, would they have thought that the political class was playing games at luxury hotels, or that the politicians were doing something useful to make the most of those 22 Marine deaths? The one thing I'd tell those Marines is that when this group



of politicians went abroad to represent the U.S., they didn't take their squabbles with them. There were Democrats and Republicans in this delegation, but you couldn't tell who was who by listening to their speeches.

Instead, what you heard were pretty specific, productive suggestions on winning the war against Islamist extremism. Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham lobbied for ways to use NATO troops to protect a larger U.N. presence in Iraq. Democratic Rep. Jane Harman was pushing the Europeans to classify Hezbollah as a terrorist group. Hillary Clinton suggested ways to strengthen the U.N., while also blasting its absurdities. Clinton affirmed that the U.S. professed to work within the U.N., but she toughened her speech with ad-libs, warning, "Sometimes we have to act with few or no allies."

The second thing I'd tell them is that the politicians were willing to talk blankly to the tyrants. McCain sat on a panel with officials from Russia, Egypt and Iran. He began his talk with suggestions on how to use NATO troops in the

Middle East. Then it was time for a little straight talk. He ripped the Egyptians for arresting opposition leaders. (The Egyptian foreign minister held his brow, as if in grief.) He continued the tirade for supporting terror. (The Iranian hunched over like someone in a hailstorm.) He criticized Russia for enhancing electoral fraud in Ukraine. In the land of the summaters, this was in-your-face behavior.

Then I'd tell the Marines about the European speeches. Let me say straight away that I cover a Europe for four and half years and I'm no Europhobe. I'm glad trans-Atlantic relations are improving.

But I'd tell the Marines that I didn't hear too many Europeans giving specific ideas on how to make Iraq a success. Instead, I heard too many speakers evading this current pivot-point in history by giving airy-fairy speeches about their grand visions of the future architecture of distant multilateral arrangements.

I heard the German foreign minister, Josepha Fischer in his snoring, staschika Fischer mode,

declaring that we need the "consent of a grand design, a strategic consensus across the Atlantic." We need a "social Magna Carta" to bind the globe. His chancellor, Gerhard Schröder, proposed a vague commission to "build or replace NATO." His president, Horst Köhler, insisted, "Unless we tackle global poverty, long-term security will remain elusive."

Fine. Let's tackle global poverty and have new arrangements. But maybe democrats should be contributing to Iraq now. That's called passing the credibility test.

It occurred to me as we left Shannon that it's always been true that American and European politicians have different historical experiences and come from divergent strands of the liberal intellectual tradition. But now there's something else different. American politicians meet combat veterans all the time. They notice the calls to bereaved families.

That concentrates the mind. David Brooks is a columnist for The New York Times.

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Residents must work together on pet adoptions

In 2003, the City Council formed the Animal Shelter Advisory Commission. The commission was tasked with identifying the link between the community and the animal shelter. The problem of homeless pets is a community problem, and the solution lies with the community. If we as individual pet owners take personal responsibility to spay and neuter our pets, the number of unwanted, homeless pets will decline. However, it is unrealistic to believe we will ever achieve utopia where every animal is wanted and loved. For those pets that find themselves at the animal shelter, adoption is their only hope, and we as a community must work together to ensure as many animals as possible find a home.

I would like to share some items the Animal Shelter Advisory Commission is working on:
* The city is working with People for Pets to develop an interactive Web site. The goal is to develop a site that will allow people to view pictures of available pets, apply for adoption or pay a license fee online.
* Currently, pictures of adoptable animals may be viewed at www.petfinder.com.

The animal shelter will be included along with other city services on the citizen survey which will be mailed out later this year. Through the survey, citizens can voice their concerns about their own city. Hours of operation will be one area addressed by the questionnaire.

* The commission is a proponent of an open, frank and factual discussion surrounding the animal shelter. Discussions of euthanasia and adoption rates are difficult and emotional yet necessary. The commission is committed to working with the community to find more homes for adoptable pets.

* The commission is working on a formal comment and complaint process. This process will provide an avenue to share concerns regarding the animal shelter with the Animal Shelter Advisory Commission and the city.

The city of Twin Falls took a huge step forward with the opening of the new shelter. It is important to continue to build on the spirit of cooperation the community developed during the construction of the facility and move forward in a positive and productive way.

ANITA HENNA
Twin Falls
Editor's note: Anita Henna is the chairman of the Animal Shelter Advisory Commission.

Scientific discovery observes a certain order

"Science is built up with facts as a house is with stones. But a collection of facts is no more a science than a heap of stones is a house." (Henri Poincaré of True Science is an act of exploring, discovering, and is a beauty which comes from the harmonious order of parts which a pure intelligence can grasp.)

Back in the '50s, I had the privilege of attending a workshop at MIT. The professor gave us a new perspective in

the teaching of science that changed my way of teaching (inquiring mind, slowing children, kindergarten and first grade, are given batteries (dry cells), wires (twin), flashlight bulbs, no more, no less, and are told to light the bulbs.)

This is not heavy science, but it is real science — exploring and discovering and beauty. They share the knowledge that they have gained with each other. A gift of knowledge — a stone in a house to be built.
The laboratory is an essential tool, not as a review of the text but as a vital part of exploring, discovering and beauty — stones in the house of knowledge.
The computer should not be used as a tool for discovery but for compiling of data as acquired by student teams. The students, after viewing the data collected, should make a measured conclusion — a hypothesis that is measured in probability. Woe to the scientist who says his conclusion is absolute. A measured probability is the tool of a scientist to frame his hypothesis.

There are many great teachers in this state, and my hat goes out to those dedicated teachers. They make the difference in our children's lives that will last for the generations to come. Not all things can be measured by testing, but the excitement of discovery is priceless.

BOB HUMPHRIES
Twin Falls

Allow 'first in time' law to work with water

I would like to make a plea to

Gov. Kempthorne, Bruce Newcomb and the rest of our Legislature to uphold the law of "first in time, first in right" on our water. This law has served our state as well as most laws of the West for more than 100 years. It is the only reason we have been able to retain our water rights throughout western agriculture. If not for these laws, we would have lost all of our water to environmental groups or large cities years ago.

I believe that if we uphold the law is to not circumvent the law by legislation just because we want to make all parties happy. I realize the economic implications of upholding the law, but if we don't, you will risk losing the very right of our state to keep any of its water.

Make no mistake, there will be many interests watching this decision. If the decision is made to legislate an outcome rather than follow the law, then you can thank yourselves for destroying our only guarantee right to retain our water. It will not only affect the state of Idaho but the entire West. This will lead to endless court battles and billions of dollars in lost revenue.

The Legislature's job is simple: Stay out of the way and let this law be followed. This is exactly why it is there, and that is exactly why it should be left alone. I have not heard of any legislators questioning this law before this crisis, and I think if it was good enough for the past 100 years, then it is good enough for this year. BOB BLACK
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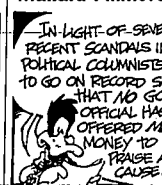
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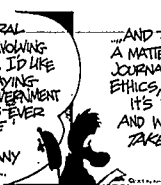
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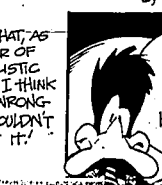
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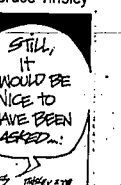
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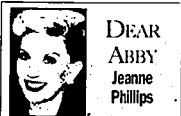
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MORNING BREAK

Screen babies for hearing loss

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column, writers expressed concerns about early hearing screening for newborns and young children. You readers should know that Early Hearing Detection and Intervention (known as the EHDI program) is a national program supported by several federal agencies, state governments, and most hospitals that offer obstetrics/delivery services.



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

We at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention are proud to be a part of this effort. We have long advocated screening to detect hearing loss. Early intervention gives children the best possible start in life.

Most states and territories have EHDI programs that support efforts to detect hearing loss in babies early. The foundation of the EHDI program is the 1-3-6 Plan, whose goals ensure that:

- Babies are screened for hearing loss before 1 month of age (ideally before the baby leaves the hospital).
- Babies are referred for diagnostic hearing and medical evaluation before 3 months of age (if they do not pass the first screening, or are re-screened).
- Babies are enrolled in intervention services before 6 months of age if a hearing loss is identified.

The importance of early intervention cannot be

that he had been in constant contact with the girl he had dated before me, and also another woman who is also married. Then I found out he had been out to dinner with both of them without my knowledge.

Jeremy swore to me that he would no longer have contact with either of them and said our marriage was more important than his "friendships." Because I no longer trusted him, I had his phone records pulled again; nothing changed. He says he remains in contact with them just to be nice.

DEAR DR. CORDERO: Your letter will be of interest to parents-to-be, so thank you for taking the time to write. Readers, for more information on EHDI or how to contact your state or territorial EHDI program, visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site: www.cdc.gov/netd-dd/rhd/.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to "Jeremy" for four years. I thought we had a wonderful marriage. A few months ago, I had his cell phone records pulled because I suspected Jeremy was being deceitful about the people who were paging him. I was shocked to discover

preceptions, but you may be called upon to roll up your sleeves and tackle messy work, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The sun enters your sign today and lights up personal matters in the weeks ahead. Destiny may have recently brought you face-to-face with a special love, but small fears cause temporary insecurity.

Cancer, devotion is your middle name

HOROSCOPE
Jeraldine Saunders

tranquility is the best but this Friday night.

VIGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Recent spending may halt as you put the brakes on spending and scrutinize the shopping bills. The spirit may yearn for excitement and fun but your practical side demands that you exercise thrift.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Yesterday you were willing to expose your vulnerabilities, but today you are more cautious and reserved. Social affairs could center on business matters and a certain constraint may be in the air.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): A shift from hot enthusiasm to cool appraisal could confuse loved ones or make you wonder if there is something wrong. Necessities could interfere with the pursuit of amorous pleasure.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't take loved ones for granted or breezily expect someone else to pick up the tab. It is a good day to go Dutch treat or split the bill with a calculator in hand. Look for bargains.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Being reliable and practical is the best way to show others your care. Don't worry about exposing your imperfections or hide away in isolation. One true blue love is better than 10 fair-weather friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Being a bit pickier about your appearance will earn you the recognition you crave. Sharp dressers make good first im-

IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Amuse yourself as much as you need to move onto the back burner until June when you become the apple of someone's eye and the king or queen of the hill in the career sector. Don't show your vulnerabilities before Jan. in your lap in July, as handling tough tasks will set you free for future success. You will be back basking in the spotlight with a bevy of admirers by November and December when both spiritual and material rewards will most easily come your way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Expect a slow down. Those you deal with today may be exacting and want to see good value for their dollar. Loved ones may tighten the purse strings and get a thrill from clipping coupons.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): It is a good night to seek the local dinner special and save a few dollars. Bad manners will not be forgiven as easily tonight as they were yesterday. Economy leads to success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Recent expenditures could have you counting your cash and coming up a wee bit short. You won't regret your generosity or fun-filled nights, but it may be the time to curtail spending.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): That magic between lovers is something to treasure, so staying home with a significant other may appeal to you tonight. Cut expenses and eat a home-cooked meal. Devotion is your middle name.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Fulfilling your duty may be the easiest way to demonstrate your concern and affection for someone else. Peaceful relaxation in front of the TV immersed in domestic

Don't eat the leaves of a cherry tree

Just because a part of a plant is edible doesn't mean that other parts aren't lethal. For example, don't eat the leaves of rhubarb plants or cherry trees.

This day in history: Although she didn't make it over the moon, the first cow flew on Feb. 18, 1930. A bovine named Ollie was coaxed aboard an airplane in Missouri and milked in the air above Midwestern pastures. No word yet about fiddling cats, laughing dogs or dishes running away with spoons.

Impress your friends! That thing that sticks up and makes a shadow on a sundial is called a gnomon.



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTINESS
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

Think of the sun as an orange on the home plate of a major league baseball stadium. Place ink balls from ballpoint pens one-eighth, one-fifth, one-third and one-half of the way to the pitcher's mound — these are Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars. Jupiter is a pear at second base and Saturn is a small ball bearing in the infield. A BB in the outfield and another in the outfield bleachers are Neptune and Uranus, and a grain of sand in the parking lot is Pluto. Finally, put a speck of dust an inch away from "Earth." That's the moon, the farthest point in space that humans have ever visited.

Every day in the United States, anywhere from 45 to 252 people die in road accidents.

A survey asked nurses if they'd willingly choose to be a patient in their own hospitals. Thirty-eight percent said, "Absolutely not."

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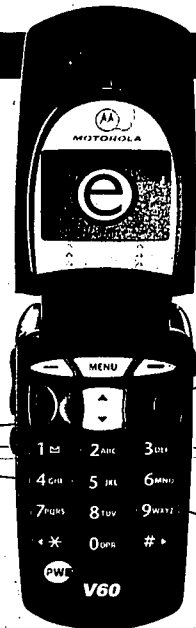
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AROUND THE VALLEY

Field burning bill gets voted down

BOISE — The House Agricultural Affairs Committee voted down a bill sponsored by the governor that would have put southern Idaho under the same regulations for field burning as is currently administered in northern Idaho.

Three Magic Valley legislators on the committee voted against it, including Rep. Bert Stevenson, R-Rupert, Rep. Frances Field, R-Grand View and Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding. Rep. Wendy Inouet, D-Ketchum, was the only legislator on the committee to vote in favor.

Currently, southern Idaho farmers are supposed to register for burning with the Idaho Department of Agriculture and check the agency's weather Web site to see if they can burn on certain days. But there is no enforcement, Stevenson admitted that some southern Idaho farmers do not always follow the law.

Because of numerous lawsuits over health issues, northern Idaho farmers have been under the regulations since 2002. Those farmers must follow the protocol under threat of fines.

Area students will serve as D.C. interns

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Two Magic Valley-area residents were added this week as interns at Sen. Larry Craig's office in Washington, D.C.

Deldra Parish, of Burley, and David Anderson, of Twin Falls, will be working with permanent staff members who specialize in their areas of education, interest and talent.

"I've realized internships are more than opportunity getting stones they're more like springboards," Parish said. "I'm excited to be here and for the chance I have to work in such a great environment with amazing people and to learn so much."

Parish is a junior at Utah State University in Logan, Utah, studying political science.

Anderson completed bachelor's degrees in psychology and communication studies and graduated in the fall of 2004 from the University of Idaho in Moscow.

"Capitol Hill is the most exciting place to work and working for a senator has been both an honor and a privilege," Anderson said. "I've enjoyed the opportunity to watch Senate confirmation hearings, such as Alberto Gonzales' and Condoleezza Rice's. I find the legislative process fascinating and inspiring and hope to be more directly involved later in my life."

Monday's holiday brings closures

- TWIN FALLS — Many offices and facilities will be closed Monday for Presidents Day. Here's a rundown of what's closed and open.
- City and county offices will be closed.
- State and federal offices will be closed.
- Social Security Administration office will be closed.
- U.S. Post Offices will be closed.
- Local banks will be closed.
- Twin Falls Public Library will be closed.
- College of Southern Idaho will be closed.
- Public schools will be closed.
- YMCA/Twin Falls City Pool will be open during regular hours.
- Magic Valley Mall will be open from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- Trash collection will follow the regular schedule.

— compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% of Norm.
Salmon	60%	43%
Big Wood	89%	51%
Big Lost	78%	52%
Little Lost	75%	51%
Henry/Fork/Teton	79%	58%
Upper Snake Basin	74%	52%
Caldwell	77%	56%
Salmon Falls	81%	60%

As of Feb. 17

A comparison of basin snowpack, on this date, with a 30-year average. An indicator of basin snowpack for the year.

Man OKs deal in 17-year-old case

Jesus Acosta agrees to plead guilty to one of five sex abuse charges

By Rebecca Meany
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A man facing five felonies in connection with the alleged sexual abuse of a minor 17 years ago has agreed to plead guilty to one count.

Jesus Acosta, 48, appeared in

the age of 16.

In 1994, police were notified about the alleged abuse of a minor, and a judge issued a warrant for Acosta's arrest, according to an affidavit written by Detective Curtis Gambrel with the Twin Falls Police Department.

Acosta fled to Mexico, police say, where he is believed to have stayed until reappearing in Idaho last fall.

The defendant made an initial appearance in Magistrate

Court Oct. 18, and the case was bound over to District Court Nov. 12.

Defense attorney David Pena filed a motion to dismiss, maintaining that prosecutors are barred from filing charges because of the statute of limitations on the crimes.

Through an interpreter, Acosta told the judge Thursday that he agreed to plead guilty to one count of level conduct.

Additionally, Pena must waive any appeals on the issue

of statute of limitations.

In exchange, prosecutors agreed not to recommend any sentence over 15 years in prison.

The sentence, however, will be determined by a judge.

A change of plea hearing was set for Feb. 28.

Times-News writer Rebecca Meany can be reached at 735-3259 or by e-mail at rmeany@magicvalley.com.

MOVING FORWARD



Crews move dirt into a truck at the Albion grade road project earlier this week. The \$6 million project on Highway 77 between Junction and Albion is realigning the road to eliminate snow-drifting problems.

Crews make progress on road project

By Lorraine Caveron
Times-News correspondent

ALBION — When Lonnie Simpson drives to the top of a makeshift road on the side of the Albion grade, he sees more than dust rising in the air amid a flurry of activity.

He checks out the crew, some of whom are drilling what are known as line holes in the rocks. He knows that the holes will be fitted with dynamite, taking down another portion of the mountain.

Simpson is the owner of Decko, an Orofino-based construction company hired to do a \$6 million project on Highway 77 between Decko and Albion — which is better known as the

Albion grade.

Rob Ramsey, project coordinator for Idaho Transportation Department, said that the new road alignment is being done to eliminate snow-drifting problems.

The new road has been designed to snow will collect in the ditches instead of on the roadway, he said.

A wider shoulder is being built to accommodate farm-to-market traffic, and three lanes are being built.

The intersection of 500 South is being realigned to meet with Water Canyon Road, Ramsey said.

A standard curve is one reason part of the hillside is being removed.

Traffic, which must now slow

to 35 mph, will be able to travel the posted speed limit of 55 mph, he said.

"We're redesigning the road to meet today's standard," Ramsey said.

Crews are using five bulldozers along with several excavators and between six and eight 45-ton dump trucks, as well as an assortment of other equipment.

One half-million cubic yards of material will be moved before the project is complete, Simpson said.

The crew, which will reach 40 people at the project's peak this spring, will make gravel with a rock crusher and an asphalt maker, which will save the state about \$600,000, he said.

Jackie Fields, the transportation department's project development engineer, said that before the road was built — sometime prior to 1935 — a wagon trail further to the west was the way to get from Decko to Albion.

The road is about the same age as the oldest member of Decko's crew.

Rex Cronk, 73, operates one of the excavators.

Cronk retired recently but couldn't stay away from this job.

"I love the work," he said. "And I don't like sitting on the couch."

Times-News correspondent Lorraine Caveron can be reached at 438-8446 or leaven@pmg.com.

Painter lends a hand with art project

Canadian artist will work with teens on a fund-raising effort

By Lorraine Caveron
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Some sand from the Great Barrier Reef, along with a little paint and canvas, could be of benefit to an environmental cause — and some local youth.

Canadian painter Ron Steven, also known as Rogust, will be working with a group of teens from Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services on a fund-raising project Saturday.

He'll put on a painting workshop at Dive Magic and the works the teens produce will be sold at an upcoming auction. The proceeds will benefit an environmental cause of their choosing.

"I'm arming the next generation with some tools to be better caretakers of our environment," he said.

"To me, art is a way of conveying to our children, future generations and ourselves the importance of looking after our lands and our oceans."

The youth will also receive diving instruction at the YMCA from Steven, who combines images from the world where

he lives.

"Years ago his career path was that of a man in a business suit behind a desk. But he later went to work as a dive instructor in shorts working aboard dive vessels, Steven says on his Web site, www.rogust.com.

He now paints the underwater creatures from dives he has taken on the Great Barrier Reef, Coral Sea, Papua New Guinea, Caribbean, Tahiti, Mexico and the west coast of Canada.

Kelly Rockwood, one of the owners of Dive Magic in Twin Falls, met Steven on a dive trip in Papua New Guinea.

"Ron is a totally dynamic individual," said Rockwood, who is donating the art supplies for the project. "His program is about creating a positive impact. It may inspire them to become artists or oceanographers. They could understand that any of this is obtainable."

Dive Magic, Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services and Steven's focus is to do something positive for youth, she said.

"Perhaps we can give them a new direction in life," Rockwood said.

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Ron Steven

Art auction

Paintings made by youth involved in Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services programs under the direction of artist Ron Steven will go on display at the downtown branch of Wells Fargo Bank at 102 Main Ave., S. beginning on Feb. 22.

The paintings will be for sale in an online auction at www.dive-magic.com. The sale ends March 3.

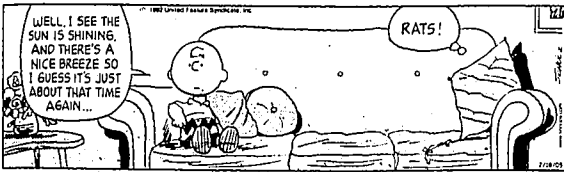
Proceeds from the sale will go to help an environmental cause chosen by the youth.

For more information about the sale, call Kelly Rockwood at Dive Magic, 733-8203.

COMICS

Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



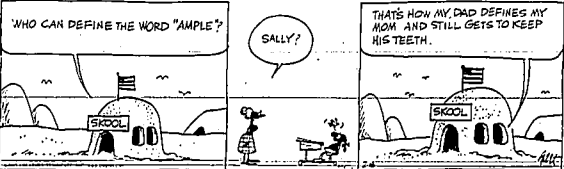
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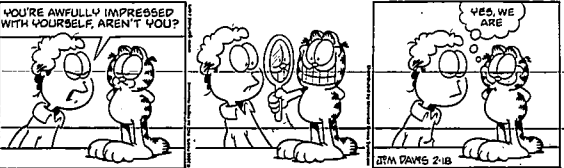
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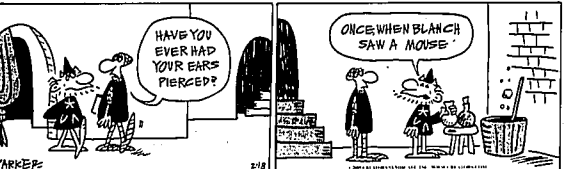
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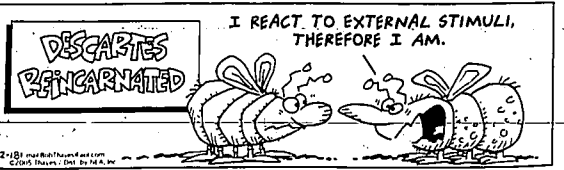
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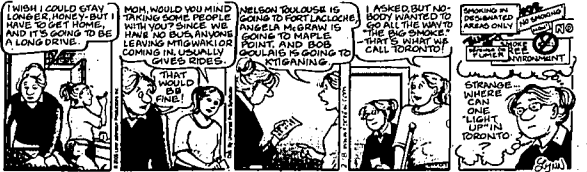
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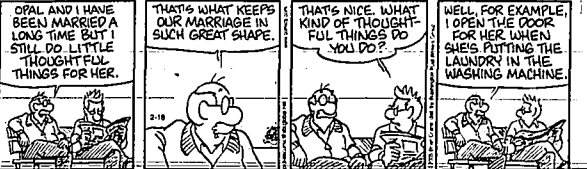
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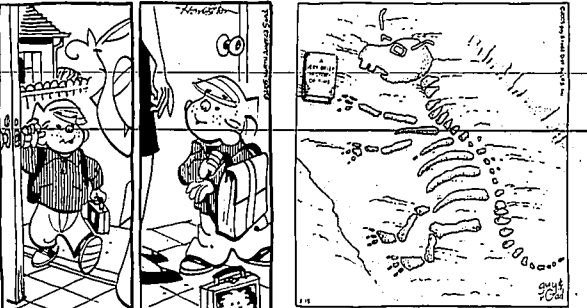


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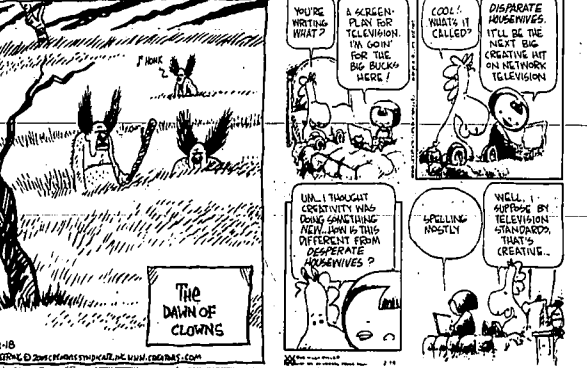


Strange Brew

By John Deering

Non Sequitur

By Wiley



THE DAWN OF CLOWNS

BRIEFLY IN MONEY

Intrepid gets grant for station

IDAHO FALLS — Intrepid Technology and Resources Inc., a renewable energy company, will receive a \$299,000 grant to upgrade its alternative vehicle fuel station in Idaho Falls.

Intrepid has signed a contract with the Idaho Department of Water Resources Energy Office, whereby a U.S. Department of Energy grant will be awarded to the company.

The money will be used to transform Intrepid's compressed natural gas station into a state-of-the-art liquid natural gas/compressed natural gas public fueling facility.

Intrepid currently operates an anaerobic digester that produces biogas at a dairy near Rupert.

The resulting facility will support vehicles owned by the city of Idaho Falls, the Idaho National Laboratory and mass transit buses being delivered to California customers from their Minnesota manufacturer.

Also, the station will offer fueling for various fleets and individuals using natural gas, alternatively fueled vehicles.

Intrepid said its station will offer the only source of liquid natural gas fuel to fleets and travelers on Interstate 15 between the Canadian border and Salt Lake City.

Cancer Consultants hires vice president

KETCHUM — This month, Sugata Biswas joined Keichum-based Cancer Consultants Inc.'s leadership team as vice president of subsidiary Interactive Clinical Intelligence Inc.

Biswas has expertise in market research, business analytics and competitive analysis. Under Biswas' leadership, the business will continue to expand its product portfolio and technical depth and will open an office in southern California.

Prior to joining ICI, Biswas held management positions at AMGEN Oncology. In his roles as senior manager of business analytics and information and on the Aranesp sales and marketing team, Biswas provided leadership to develop the company's oncology branding in the pharmaceutical industry. Previously, Biswas was a consultant at The Wilkerson Group, a multinational strategic consulting firm dedicated to the health care industry.

Biswas holds a master's degree in business administration from Yale School of Management, a master's degree in economics from Utah State University and a bachelor's degree in economics from University of Chicago.

Qwest says it will bid again for MCI

DENVER — Qwest Communications International Inc. said Thursday it will submit another bid for MCI Inc., four days after the long-distance company agreed to be acquired by Verizon Communications Inc. in a \$6.7 billion cash and stock deal.

Qwest Chairman and CEO Michael H. Casey told the MCI board of directors by letter that Qwest would make a modified offer and hoped that it would lead to new discussions.

Qwest officials are reviewing the details of the proposed Verizon-MCI merger. Notebaert said, but noted that the Verizon proposal was substantially less than the Qwest bid based on public comments this week from MCI President and CEO Michael D. Capellas.

The value to MCI shareholders from 40 percent of the synergies in the Qwest bid would "substantially exceed" the value of synergies under the Verizon bid, Notebaert said.

"The letter was contained in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing Thursday in Magic Valley. Qwest is the dominant provider of local phone service."

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Monsanto buys cotton seed company

The Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Continuing its recent buying spree, agribusiness Monsanto Co. said Thursday it plans to buy Emergent Genetics Inc. — the third largest U.S. cotton seed company — for \$300 million.

The announcement comes less than a month after St. Louis-based Monsanto agreed to a \$1 billion cash deal to buy Seminis Life, a major California-based supplier of more than 3,500 seed varieties to commercial fruit and

vegetable growers, dealers, distributors and wholesalers in more than 150 countries. Seminis has a research and customer-service facility between Filer and Twin Falls.

"This is our second major strategic acquisition recently and now we believe we have the elements we need to achieve our goals," said Hugh Grant, Monsanto's chairman, president and chief executive.

To reflect the acquisition of Emergent, Monsanto said it now expects its earnings per share on

an ongoing-business basis for fiscal 2005 to be near the upper end of its previous forecast of \$1.95 to \$2.

Boulder, Colo.-based Emergent has roughly 12 percent of the U.S. cotton seed market through its Stoneville and NexGen brands. Emergent also has two cotton seed brands in India and a solid presence in several other smaller cotton-growing markets. With Emergent and Seminis, Monsanto said it will have a broader germplasm and traits platform, accelerating

Monsanto's earnings growth this year by complementing Monsanto's biotech corn and soybeans business.

With competition continuing to erode Monsanto's dominance in herbicides, the maker of Roundup has increasingly focused on seeds — including genetically modified offerings able to withstand weeds, insects and disease seeds — for future profits. Monsanto already makes the DeKalb and Agrisure brands of seeds.

Late last year, Monsanto's

newly formed holding company, American Seeds Inc., acquired Indiana-based seed company Channel Bio Corp. for \$120 million cash. Monsanto formed American Seeds to support regional seed businesses with capital, genetics and technology investments.

Monsanto said it expects the Emergent deal, subject to regulatory approvals, to close "as soon as practical." The acquisition also may include Denmark-based Emergent Vegetable A/S.

Clear Channel adopts liberal format

The Associated Press

—DETROIT— The day before President Bush's inauguration, listeners tuning in to the Detroit sports station WDXD-AM were told they were about to hear a show of braying donkeys. By the time Bush was taking the oath of office, the radio station had new call letters and a full schedule of liberal talk shows.

WDXD-AM — now known as WDTW-AM — is one of 22 stations owned by Clear Channel Communications Inc. that have switched to a liberal talk format in the last year. This month, KLTX-AM in Los Angeles became the latest Clear Channel station to adopt the format.

Those who track broadcasting trends say there's money to be made in liberal-talk radio. Todd Webster, a consultant for Washington-based liberal talk show producer Democracy Radio, said Clear Channel is expected to introduce the left-leaning format on 20 more stations by the end of the year.

"There is a tremendous appetite out there for progressive talk," he said.

Webster said that even as recently as a year ago, no one thought Texas-based Clear Channel, a media conglomerate that owns 1,200 stations — including Twin Falls radio stations KZJL-FM, KLX-AM and KLX-FM — would ever become partners with upstart liberal talkers.

"There has been a tectonic shift in the industry from all of the big brains and the head honchos saying, 'Nobody wants to listen to a bunch of liberal talk on the radio,'" Webster said.

The partnership might seem surprising because of Texas-based Clear Channel's conservative reputation. Clear Channel CEO Lenory News and his wife gave \$85,000 to the Republican National Committee in the last election cycle, and two-thirds of the company's federal donations went to the center, according to the Public for Responsive Politics.

And last summer, a Berkeley, Calif.-based group sued Clear Channel, which also owns an outdoor advertising business, after it refused to run an anti-year billboard in Times Square during the Republican National Convention.

The company also isn't seen as socially progressive. In December, Clear Channel stations in Tampa, Jacksonville, St. Louis and Detroit awarded breast enhancement surgeries to 13 women as part of the "Breast Christmas Eve" contest; at the time, the company said it had



WDTW-AM personality Nancy Skinner talks on the microphone at the station's headquarters in Farmington Hills, Mich., on Feb. 2.

no oversight of the contests and didn't sponsor them. Clear Channel also pulled talk show host Howard Stern off the air because of concerns over mounting indecency fines.

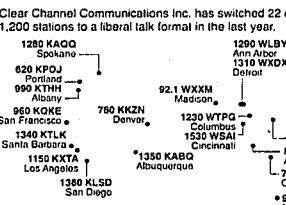
The company says politics aren't involved in its decision to put liberal talk shows on the air. "My task is to identify needs in our various communities, whether it's German industrial music or punk rock or progressive talk," said Gabe Hobbs, vice president of news and talk programming for Clear Channel. "That happens to be good business."

Hobbs said Clear Channel began programming offerings from Air America Radio, which produces comedian Al Franken's three-hour talk show, and Democracy Radio, which produces a popular show by liberal talker Ed Schultz, because listeners were demanding an alternative to conservative talkers like Rush Limbaugh during the 2004 election.

"The election dramatically raised everyone's interest in

Liberal talk over Clear Channel

Clear Channel Communications Inc. has switched 22 of its roughly 1,200 stations to a liberal talk format in the last year.



SOURCE: Clear Channel Communications Inc.

hearing political talk," Hobbs said. "I think polarization is one of the facets of any talk radio format, regardless of orientation."

Hobbs said liberal radio is actually a return to the days before Limbaugh, when talk radio was dominated by left-leaning hosts like Alan Colmes, who is now seen on Fox News Channel's

"Hannity and Colmes." Local station managers have the final say over the switch in programming. At WDTW, General Manager Dave Pugh was eager to give listeners a format they couldn't find anywhere else.

"We are a blue state and a blue region and it just made sense," Pugh said.

Restaurants bet on remodeling

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — With green walls punctuated by dark wood, the interior decor at Sizzler restaurants was so dreary that one customer compared it to Disneyland's Haunted Mansion.

Now the folks at Sizzler are hoping that a brighter look featuring sunny yellow walls, cherry-stained table tops and more contemporary lighting will sweep up more sales.

"Our stores had become dated," said Kenneth Cole, president and chief executive of Sizzler USA.

That became very dark, and of course here in California in particular, everybody loves light colors.



In addition to remodeling, Sizzler has renewed its emphasis on steak, seafood and salads.

launch extensive remodeling programs. The Sizzler, IHOP and Jack in the Box chains include Magic Valley locations. To be certain, not every restaurant company thinks it began in October. The Sizzler, IHOP and Jack in the Box chains include Magic Valley locations. To be certain, not every restaurant company thinks it began in October.

McDonald's hopes free chicken will boost sales

Knight Ridder News Service

CHICAGO — McDonald's Corp. on Thursday began a foray sampling of chicken strips and a new fat-free barbecue sauce at its 13,000 U.S. restaurants, apparently in an effort to avert a slowdown in sales.

Although the Oak Brook, Ill.-based company says sales of Chicken Selects are exceeding its expectations, analysts wonder whether the first nationwide giveaway in the company's history is an indication that the meals might not be as big a hit with customers as the company had hoped.

"That would be the obvious reason to do a sampling," said Janna Sampson, co-manager of the AmSouth Select Equity Fund and director of portfolio management at Oakbrook Investments in Lisle, Ill. "They get

you in to try it."

But company spokesman Heather Oldani said the sales of Chicken Selects have been going well. He wanted to kick the year off by introducing our chicken selections to people who may not have tried them," said Oldani, who added that the event will also highlight that McDonald's has more to offer than hamburgers.

Approximately one-third of McDonald's U.S. menu is now chicken-based, according to Oldani. It's one of the mainstays of McDonald's North America.

Sampson said customers are not likely to be satisfied with the one chicken strip they will receive. "Are you going to leave or are you going to eat lunch?" she asked. "My theory is they will buy lunch."

The promotion could cost McDonald's \$2 million, but it Please see FREE, Page B7

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Table of closing futures prices for commodities like Corn, Soybeans, Wheat, and various oil products.

BEANS

Table of closing prices for various types of beans, including Pinto and Kidney beans.

GRAINS

Table of closing prices for grains such as Wheat, Corn, and Soybeans.

CHEESE

Table of closing prices for various types of cheese, including Cheddar and Swiss.

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Table of closing prices for different grades of potatoes, such as Russet and Red Bliss.

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Table of closing prices for various grades of sugar, including White and Brown.

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Remodel

Continued from B6. The new look, which includes softer lighting inside and concrete stamped to resemble cobblestone outside, plans call for 250 more outlets this year at a cost to franchisees as much as \$80,000 each.

Something missing?

We're able to customize our market reports. If you're interested in a stock, mutual or commodity that's not in our report, give us a call and we'll try to include it.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Advertisement for mutual funds featuring a large graphic of a person's face and the text 'If the majority of self-made millionaires earned their money in Real Estate... why don't you have your IRA invested in it?'.

Large table of mutual fund performance data, including fund names, returns, and other financial metrics.

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Section C

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Such good friends

Ketchum's Royal Larkspur troupe reprises off-read 'Love Letters'

By Karen Bossick
The Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — All the leading couples have starred opposite one another in "Love Letters."

Paul Newman and Joanne Woodward, Richard Kiley and Lauren Bacall, Colleen Dewhurst and Jason Robards, Adam West and Dawn Wells, Robert Wagner and Jill St. John

Now Helen Hudson and Jamey Reynolds want to add their names to that list.

The Equity actress and actor will appear in this touching romantic comedy (tonight through Sunday) at the nexStage Theater as part of a Royal Larkspur production.

And they're not one bit shy about the shoes they have to fill.

"I saw Robert Wagner and Stephanie Powers 15 years ago in Nashville," Hudson said. "And I'm here to tell you, Jamey is already more exciting than Robert Wagner."

Why husband said, "Oh my gosh, that play's been done 2,010 times." But I say, Gary Hoffman's putting this together. And the play readings I've seen him do are so intelligently done that I know this will be worth seeing.

"Love Letters" may be the quintessential Valentine Day's presentation, according to Reynolds.

It was written by A.R. Gurney, whose "Sylvia" — a romantic triangle between a man and his dog and wife — proved so popular that the Wood River Valley's New Theater Company revisited it last year to mark the theater company's 10th anniversary.

The play revolves around two characters — a staid, dutiful lawyer named Andrew Makepeace Ladd III and a free-spirited artist named Melissa Gardner — who have loved each other in various capacities since meeting in second grade.

Their bitter-sweet relationship is told through love letters that each take turns reading aloud — something that ironically might not be possible in today's age of e-mail.

Time magazine called it "one of America's best plays." The Wall Street Journal dubbed it "the love affair of a lifetime."

"The thing we forget about love is that it's more than falling in love," Reynolds said. "There's the hope of falling in love. There's living love. There's even falling out of love and the mem-



Helen Hudson and Jamey Reynolds star in the Royal Larkspur theater production of A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters," tonight, Saturday and Sunday in Ketchum's nexStage Theater.

ories of lost love. In the two hours it takes to present this play you will see the whole of their love — a love that spans the course of 50 years."

Hudson and Reynolds have become so familiar with each other in the process of preparing for "Love Letters" that at times it's difficult to distinguish the actor and actress from the real persons.

The two began preparing for the play last August by getting to know each other over Helen's double-tall vente soy lattes in Starbucks (Reynolds is a juice man, himself).

Hudson is a former theater arts professor who taught at the University of Michigan and the University of North Carolina and that he also had a professional theater company in Munich for awhile. He moved to the Wood River Valley a couple years ago to join his brother and

If you go ...

- **What:** Royal Larkspur Theater will present A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters."
- **Where:** nexStage Theater, Ketchum.
- **When:** Tonight, Saturday and Sunday, 7:30 p.m.

How much: Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$25 for reserved seats. They're available at Chapter One Bookstore and from 2 to 5 p.m. today at the nexStage Theater, or at the door.

sister. Now he lives in the Bellevue Triangle with a cat named Vanilla.

Reynolds learned that Hudson was born in Australia, has lived on both sides of America and is a former Nashville singer-songwriter who has sung the national anthem in every major league baseball park in the country. She lives with her hubby and two daughters in Ketchum where she teaches vocal and guitar lessons.

The two have even exchanged pictures — from

Hudson's sojourn as a flower child in Haight-Ashbury to Reynolds' wedding pictures.

"He used to be so cute," Hudson chuckled as she held one of Reynolds' grade school pictures in her hands.

The point is, Reynolds says, "Helen and I have gotten to know each other — the trials and tribulations of who we are. You will see me cry in this play and you will see expressions of love. And they're not just read. They're real."

Reynolds, who has directed

"Love Letters" twice, says preparing the play has taught him a thing or two about life.

"I don't think we pay as much attention to the moments of life as we should," he said. "I listen to Helen's Melissa and I see the woman has a lot of pain and there are moments I think I should have been there more for my wife," he said.

"This play is not just a night at the movies or dinner. There's something for all of us. It's for anyone who's ever been in love before. It's for anyone who ever hopes they will be in love some day."

Music to set the stage will precede the play at 7 each night.

This story originally appeared in *The Wood River Journal*, a *Hailey* newspaper affiliated with *The Times-News*. The journal is distributed each Wednesday in the Wood River Valley.

Sisterhood

Hailey's Company of Fools will present Wendy Wasserstein's drama "Sisters Rosensweig" tonight and Saturday and Sunday afternoon at the Liberty Theater.

Winter concert

The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra will present its Winter Concert Saturday afternoon in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Admission is free.



Future tense

Maya Beiser brings presents the cello recital of the future, employing live performance, pre-recorded tracks, vocals, and video, on Saturday night at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum. It's the second concert in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Winter Music Series.

Farm, ranch

KNIV-TV's 28th annual Agri-Action takes place today and tonight and Saturday morning and afternoon in the Expo Center on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.



Plaid all over

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' musical "Forever Plaid" will be staged Sunday night in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C2-3

SV Center exhibit looks at women, Islam and modernity

By Karen Bossick
Wood River Journal

KETCHUM — Egyptian painter Ghada Amer's thread paintings look like abstract expressionist paintings from a distance.

But a closer look reveals something startling: The delicate embroidery in this Egyptian artist's work outlines the images of women in erotic poses.

It is this curious display of women's bodies set against a traditional Islamic backdrop that characterizes the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' new exhibition, which will run through April 1.

The exhibition, titled "Confluence," explores the battle between traditional and modernity and the merging of Middle Eastern cultural traditions with current Western thought as it questions conventional thinking about Islamic women's roles and bodies.

The multi-disciplinary exhibit will do that through the artwork of three women whose roots lie in Egypt, Pakistan and Iran.



An image from Shirin Neshat's dual projection film "Soliloquy" on display at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts.

the Middle East," said Kristin Poole, the center's artistic director. "Until recently, these cultures were not something

Westerners knew much about. It's imperative that we become more knowledgeable, yet Please see WOMEN, page C6

Video watch

The Motorcycle Diaries

A good-hearted young Argentine from Cordoba named Ernesto "Gael" Garcia Bernal decides it is time to put aside his medical school education, get on a motorbike with his pal Alberto Granados (Diego de la Serna) and hit the road. He wants to discover South America.

This man will grow up to be Ernesto "Che" Guevara, a Marxist revolutionary in the Cuban revolution.

But Walter Salles' movie, adapted from Guevara's

memoir, "The Motorcycle Diaries," and Granados' "Travelling With Che Guevara," isn't about the politics. It's a lyrical, warmhearted road

movie about two men coming of age. Bernal, the star of "Y Tu Mama Tambien," is the movie's guiding star.

He beams brightly, charming men and women, rich and poor, healthy and leprous, wherever he goes. In Spanish with subtitles. Contains obscenity.

Raise Your Voice

Hilary Duff's squeaky clean vehicle is quite simply for the fan base: the young, the innocent and the commercially acquisitive. She's Teri Fletcher, a 16-year-old, church-going, musically ambitious daughter of an overprotective father (David Keith) and a gentle mom (Rita Wilson) and the sib to an impossibly wonderful brother.

When a disturbing tragedy occurs, Teri's desire to attend a musical academy's summer program in Los Angeles is hampered by her traumatized feelings.

And then there's Dad, who

forbids her to go. A plucky lass with a powerful voice and a will to go should follow her dreams, right?

What follows is part "Fame" and all Hilary all the time, as she makes friends, learns life lessons, sings and enjoys a bubblegum-ish romance with a sweet-natured fellow student (Oliver James).

The movie is going to be fine for PG-ready audiences, assuming they don't have a problem with extremely predictable story turns. Contains a traumatic incident that could disturb young sensibilities.

Source: Washington Post

WEEKEND

Disabled American Veterans will hold dance

T O D A Y

Dance/Twin Falls

Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary will hold a public dance at 8 p.m. at the DAV Hall. The Idaho Old Time Fiddlers will provide the music. The cost is a \$2 donation. The DAV Hall is located at 459 Shoup Ave.

Theater/Halley

Company of Fools will present Wendy Wasserstein's "Sisters Rosenzweig" at 8 p.m. at the Liberty Theater. Tickets, which are \$18 and \$24, can be reserved by phoning 785-6520 or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>.

Theater/Ketchum

Royal Larkspur Theater will present A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters" at 7:30 p.m. in the neoStage Theater. Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$25 for reserved seats. They're available at Chapter One Bookstore and from 2 to 5 p.m. today at the neoStage. Music to set the stage will precede the play at 7 p.m. each night.

Farm show/Twin Falls

KMVT's 28th annual Agri-Action will be held from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Expo Center on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho. Free.

Country/Jerome

Country Classics will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Snake River Elks Lodge. No cover charge. The Snake River Elks Lodge is located at 402 E. 200 S.

Country/Buhl

Renegade will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at TJ's Lounge. No cover charge. TJ's Lounge is located at 112 Broadway Ave. S.

Variety/Twin Falls

Pure Country will play country and '50s and '60s music from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Rock/Twin Falls

Jam Side Down will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Variety/Twin Falls

DJ Kurt Kruger will perform



From 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kruger's. Cover charge is \$3. Kruger's is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Country/Declo

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 826 Highway 81.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke with Lone Star Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Karaoke/Murtaugh

Karaoke will be featured at 9 p.m. at Sidewinders. No cover charge. Sidewinders is located at 109 Archer St. W.

Karaoke/Buhl

Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Garibaldi's. No cover charge. Garibaldi's is located at 113 Broadway Ave. S.

Karaoke/Rupert

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody-The Melody is located at 502 Sixth St.

Karaoke/Burley

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Chevy Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

Karaoke/Rupert

Moonlight Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge. The Blue Room is located at 613 Fremont Ave.

Rock/Utah

Big D and Kids Table and River City Rebels will play the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be re-

served by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Dance/Utah

Ballet West will dance Sergei Prokofiev's "Cinderella" at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$17, \$25, \$40 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2707. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Planetarium/Twin Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho will present "HubbleVision" at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families. Children under 4 are not admitted.

SATURDAY

Classical/Twin Falls

The Magic Valley Youth Orchestra will present its Winter Concert at 3 p.m. in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts auditorium. Admission is free.

Theater/Ketchum

Royal Larkspur Theater will present A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters" at 7:30 p.m. in the neoStage Theater. Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$25 for reserved seats. They're available at Chapter One Bookstore. Music to set the stage will precede the play at 7 p.m. each night.

Classical/Ketchum

Cellist Maya Belszer will perform at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood in Ketchum at 7:30 p.m., the second concert in the Sun Valley Center for the Arts Winter Music Series. Tickets, which are \$25, are available at the Sun Valley Center office in Ketchum or by phoning 726-9491.

Theater/Halley

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Farm show/Twin Falls

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Variety/Twin Falls

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Variety/Gooding

Dirty Johnny will play from 9:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at Toponis Restaurant. No cover charge. Toponis is located at 413 Main.

Country/Kimberly

Wild Side will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Mixers. No cover charge. Mixers is located at 105 Main St.

Rock/Twin Falls

Jam Side Down will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

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Country/Declo

The Fugitives will play from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is located at 826 Highway 81.

Karaoke/Bliss

Karaoke will be featured at 9 p.m. at Outlaws and Angels Bar and Grill. No cover charge. Outlaws and Angels Bar is located at 204 Highway 30.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke with Lone Star Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from

8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Karaoke/Burley

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Karaoke/Burley

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 137 Highway 30 W.

Karaoke/Declo

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna. No cover charge. The Big Kahuna is located at 9 E. Main.

Karaoke/Rupert

Moonlight Madness Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge.

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Q: I've heard that an open MRI costs more than a "traditional" tube type of MRI?

A: Each insurance company has a pre-determined fee schedule (the amount they will reimburse a medical office) for MRI scans, open or "traditional." An open MRI costs no more than a "traditional" tube type of MRI. To be confident in what your insurance company will pay, consult them in advance of your scan for their reimbursement rate. Then the choice becomes your individual preference as the patient, open or closed MRI.



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Events

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change. The Blue Room is located at 613 Fremont Ave.

Pop/Utah

Utah Symphony will perform dance music from movies and Broadway at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$20 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Rock/Boise

GWAR will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$17.50, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4927, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Entombed will play the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$12, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Rock/Boise

Walls of Jericho will play The Venue at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4927, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Venue is located at 523 Broad St.

Country/Idaho Falls

John Cowan will perform at the Colonial Theater in Idaho Falls at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, can be reserved by phoning (209) 522-1043. The Colonial Theater is located at 498 A St.

Dance/Utah

Ballet West will dance Sergei Prokofiev's "Cinderella" at 2 and 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$17, \$22, \$40 and \$55, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

Planetarium/Plum Falls

The Faulkner Planetarium at the Hornet Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho will present "Greatest Wonders of the Universe" at 2 p.m., "Mystery of the Missing Seasons" at 4 p.m., "Hubble Vision" at 7 p.m., and "Led Zeppelin: Maximum Volume 1" at 8:15 p.m. Tickets are \$4 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families. Children under 4 are not admitted.

SUNDAY

Theater/Halley

Company of Fools will present Wendy Wasserstein's "Sisters Rosenzweig" at 3 p.m. at the Liberty Theater. Tickets, which are \$18 and \$24, can be reserved by phoning 715-6540 or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>.

Theater/Ketchum

Royal Larkspur Theater will present A.H. Gurney's "Love Letters" at 7:30 p.m. in the nonstage Theater. Tickets are \$15 general admission and \$25 for reserved seats. They're available at Chapter One Bookstore. Music to set the stage will precede the play at 7 each night.

Theater/Sun Valley

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' musical "Forever Plaid" will be staged at 7:30 p.m. in the Boiler Room. Tickets, which are \$12 for adults, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. Kids 12 and under get in free.

Dance/Twin Falls

Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will hold a dance from 2 to 5 p.m. at the senior center. The Melody Masters will provide the music. Cost is \$4 per person. The Twin Falls Senior Center is located at 530 Shoshone St. W.

Variety/Kimberly

Open jam session will be featured from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Mixers. No cover charge. Mixers is located at 105 Main St.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Clover Klub Lounge. The Clover Klub is located at 402 Main St.

Rock/Utah

Duane Peters will perform at 7 p.m. at the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Pop/Utah

Utah Symphony will perform dance music from movies and Broadway at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$20 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Broadway at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$20 to \$45, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

MONDAY

Karaoke/Burley

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Rendezvous Lounge. No cover charge. The Rendezvous Lounge is located at 109 E. Main St.

TUESDAY

Karaoke/Burley

Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at George K's East Restaurant. No cover charge. George K's is located at 325 E. Third N.

Rock/Utah

Crisis will play the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

World Music/Utah

Habb Kolle and Bamada will perform at Kingsbury Hall on the campus of the University of Utah in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$16 and \$24, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787.

WEDNESDAY

Variety/Twin Falls

Bob Nora Band will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Variety/Twin Falls

DI Night will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kruger's. No cover charge. Kruger's is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Karaoke/Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Karaoke/Paul

Karaoke with Full Moon Music Madness will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Bruthers. No cover charge. Bruthers is located at 118 E. Idaho St.

THURSDAY

Variety/Twin Falls

Open microphone night will be featured from 7 to 9 p.m. at Java. No cover charge. Java is located at 228 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Variety/Twin Falls

DI Night will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kruger's. No cover charge. Kruger's is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

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Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to midnight at the 610 Club. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

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Kroakers Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

Rock/Boise

Eighteen Visions, Emery and Remembering Never will perform at The Venue at 8 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4927. The Venue is located at 523 Broad St.

Rock/Utah

Acceptance and Over It will perform at the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

NEXT WEEKEND

Classical/Twin Falls

The Magic Valley Symphony will perform its winter concert at 8 p.m. on FEB. 25 in the College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium. Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$5 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at Everybody's Business, the Magic Valley Arts Council office and the College of Southern Idaho Bookstore.

Rock/Boise

Sugarcult, Hawthorne Heights,

AnBerlin, Head Automatica and Plain White T's will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 7:30 p.m. on FEB. 25. Tickets, which are \$16, can be reserved by phoning (800) 965-4927, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Market in Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert House is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

Rock/Utah

Letter Kills will perform at the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on FEB. 25. Tickets, which are \$10, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIXX or online at <http://www.smithstix.com>. The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Theater/Twin Falls

The Junior Musical Playhouse will present "Tied to the Tracks" at 7:30 p.m. on FEB. 25-26 in Roper Auditorium. Tickets, which are \$7, are available at Crowley's Soda Fountain, Kurt's Pharmacy and Hallmark and R&R Pharmacy in Twin Falls, at Arlene's Flowers in Jerome, at Sav-Mor Drug in Buhl, or from any cast member.

Classical/Utah

Utah Symphony will perform Vaughan Williams' Symphony No. 2 and music by Butterworth and Barber at 8 p.m. on FEB. 25-26 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which range from \$12 to \$38, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel Hall is located at 123 West South Temple.

Rock/Utah

Three Doors Down will play the Delta Center in Salt Lake City at 7:30 p.m. on FEB. 26. Tickets, which are \$29.50 and \$32.50, can be reserved by phoning (801) 325-SEAT or online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>. The Delta Center is located at 301 West South Temple.

Rock/Utah

Sugarcult, Hawthorne Heights,

AnBerlin, Head Automatica and Plain White T's will play the Lo-Fi Cafe in Salt Lake City at 7 p.m. on FEB. 26. Tickets, which are \$16, can be reserved by phoning Smith's Tix at (800) 888-TIXX or also by logging onto <http://www.smithstix.com>.

The Lo-Fi Cafe is located at 165 South West Temple.

Theater/Sun Valley

The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross' musical "Forever Plaid" will be staged on FEB. 20 AND 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Boiler Room. Tickets, which are \$12 for adults, can be reserved by phoning 622-2135. Kids 12 and under get in free to the production.

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Movies

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rate shark (Tiphier Grace) who is half his age, half the man he is and hired to be his boss. With Scarlett Johansson, PG-13 (sexual innuendo, profanity).

'Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events'

If you are interested in happy endings, you would be better off buying a ticket to some other film than 'Lemony Snicket's.' The flaw of Brad Silberling's agreeably disagreeable film is Jim Carrey, who is too much of a bad thing as Uncle Olaf. PG (scary situations, not suitable for children under 6)

'Meet the Fockers'

The sequel to the 2000 hit 'Meet the Parents' brings back Ben Stiller as Greg (the boyfriend) Focker, the mild-mannered nurse who suffered humiliation at the hands of his girlfriends' (Teri Polo) father, Jack (Robert De Niro) — a former CIA operative, surveillance enthusiast and psycho-prig. Two years later, Greg is ready to introduce her family to his own parents, Bernie (Dustin Hoffman) and Roz (Barbra Streisand) Focker. This is one of those relatively rare comedies that's at once puerile, charming and very funny throughout. PG-13 for crude and sexual humor, language and a brief drug reference.

'Million Dollar Baby'

Clint Eastwood directs, and stars with Hilary Swank and Morgan Freeman, in this heart-breakingly great movie about a diner waitress determined to be a prizefighter. The time-honored conventions of the boxing movie are served up with absolute finesse, but then the plot goes deep and dark into themes that strike at the core of human experience. PG-13 (violence, language, adult themes)

'National Treasure'

'National Treasure' stars Nicolas Cage as Ben Gates, a cryptographer and civics geek who steals the Declaration of Independence in order to decode a treasure map encrypted on the back. A hot-buttoned popcorn movie that's family-friendly, 'Treasure' may fall a notch below 'Pirates of the Caribbean' on the

pleasuremeter, but it does give American history sex appeal and celebrates a guy who relies on brainware rather than gadgets. PG (discrete violence, suspense)

'The Phantom of the Opera'

This white elephant of movie that lumbers from dipping cat-actom to dropping chandelier was adapted by Joel Schumacher from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Broadway blockbuster. The dew-drop in this moldering enterprise is Ermy Rossum as Christine, Beauty to the Phantom's Beast. PG-13 (violence, threat of sexual violence)

'Pooh's Heffalump Movie'

An innocuous introduction to diversity for the preschool set, the movie features some charming songs by Carly Simon and is warmly animated so as to evoke nostalgia in their parents. The Heffalumps are seamlessly incorporated into the milieu, gently fitting in with all the familiar elements. (1.07 G.

'Racing Stripes'

In the live-action, talking-animal genre, 'Racing Stripes' is no 'Babe' but should delight youngsters, although parents likely will find it sentimental in the extreme, with a plot that telegraphs

every development. Efficiently directed by Frederik Du Chau from David E. Schmidt's script, the film is populated with endearing animals that are expertly anthropomorphized and that are voiced by, among others, a sprinkling of famous names, including Dustin Hoffman, no less. A widowed farmer (Bruce Greenwood) and his daughter rescue a baby zebra (voiced by Frankie Muniz) who develops an itch for racing, unaware that he is not a horse. (1.50) PG for mild crude humor and language.

'Sideways'

Alexander Payne's exhaltant-

ing, edgy and wryly comic buddy film about fortyish guys, a depressed intellectual and an affable lightweight, who embark on a bachelor debsauch to the California wine country before the latter's marriage. With Paul Giamatti, Thomas Haden Church, Virginia Madsen and Sandra Oh, it sexual candor, profanity, brief drugs)

'Son of the Mask'

The infant son of cartoonist Jamie Kennedy is born with the mystical powers of the Mask of Loki. With Alan Cumming and Bob Hoskins. Directed by Lawrence Guterman ('Cats &

Dogs'). PG for action, crude and suggestive humor and language.

'The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie'

For adults not yet initiated into the cult of SpongeBob, prepare to be swabbed by the porous yellow innocent with googly eyes, bucktooth grin, and cardboard-box shorts. 'The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie' gets a charge from the way its hero-matter-of-factly breaches the membrane between second and third dimensions. PG (sponge and starfish nudity)

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Women

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it's hard to sort out the intricacies of life in the Middle East — the way the Pakistani women live differently from Egyptian women, for instance, and it raises questions, like: As we become a more global culture, what happens when traditions and cultures intersect?

The artists are three of the most celebrated contemporary artists in the world, regardless of their Middle Eastern, background, Pooie said.

"They're hot — really hot — right now. One was even on the cover of Art News, recently. So we're extremely fortunate to be able to borrow some of their work," she said.

Shazia Sikander is a Pakistani artist who was trained in the art of Indian and Persian miniatures.

She has pioneered a revival of the miniature form, using traditional mythology and materials such as vegetable dyes, tea stains and hand-drawn wash papers. But she's taken them into the 21st century by infusing them with symbols demonstrating her modern visions of politics, sexuality and the role of women in Islamic society.

Iranian-born Shirin Neshat moved to the United States to study art and was barred from returning to her country for 11 years after the Islamic Revolution of 1979. Her trademark is haunting black-and-white photos that question the role of

Some highlights

The "Confluence" exhibit will run through April 1 at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, 191 Fifth St. E., in Ketchum. Here are some special events during the confluence:

- **March 26:** The 2001 Cannes Film Festival award-winning film "Fardous" follows a female journalist who returns to Taliban-ruled Afghanistan to rescue her sister, who has been driven to suicide by the ever-present persecution.
- **March 23:** "Hollywood Havens" juxtaposes film clips

from the 1920s through the 1980s to show how Technicolor fantasies have shaped derogatory assumptions about Arab, Persian, Chinese and Indian people.

• **"Afghanistan Unveiled,"** filmed by the first-ever team of women journalists trained in Afghanistan, explores the effects of the Taliban's repressive rule and the U.S. military campaign through the story of Hazara women left in caves to fend for themselves. 7 p.m. Free.

• **Tuesdays:** Informal docent tours through exhibition. 11 a.m.

Islamic women in today's world. Her "Women of Allah" series, for instance, examines the Islamic idea of martyrdom which allows women to be hired as soldiers and martyrs. It includes a self-portrait of herself in a black veil with a gun in front of her face in a prayerful-like martyr pose. Written across her face is Islamic poetry, an art that is traditionally ascribed to women in Islamic culture.

Also a video artist, her dual projection film, "Soliloquy," features a Muslim woman who finds herself between East and West, between tradition and modern culture, in a series of images taken in age-old and modern architectural settings.

Egyptian artist Ghada Amer grew up in the politically charged period that followed the Six Day War before moving with her family to France in 1974. During trips to Egypt, she be-

came fascinated with the strange combination of French fashion and Islamic morality in Venus, a fashion magazine that superimposed short hair, veils and sleeves on pornographic images and western models. She conveys these erotic images on textiles, her medium of choice inspired by women's veils.

Other miniatures feature the strange juxtaposition of heart and tanks knit together with embroidery.

"The exhibition will be compelling because it brings to the community a level of contemporary work that hasn't been seen before," said Jennifer Gately, the center's visual arts director.

This story originally appeared in *The Wood River Journal*, a *Heartley* newspaper affiliated with *The Times-News*. The journal is distributed each Wednesday in the *Wood River Valley*.

Releases

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'The Wedding Date'

An unmarried woman (Debra Messing) hires a professional escort (Dermot Mulroney) to accompany her to her younger sister's wedding in London, and he's worth every penny. Directed by Clare Kilner ("How to Succeed"), PG-13 for sexual content including dialogue.

'White Noise'

Michael Keaton stars as an architect who starts hearing voices, and seeing pictures, on his audio and video equip-

ment. He thinks it's his dead wife trying to send him warnings. He could be right. A cable-ready thriller with elements of "The Sixth Sense" and "The Ring," but with neither the style nor the smarts. PG-13 (violence, profanity, creepy stuff)

'The Work and the Glory'

Adapted from Mormon author Gerald N. Lund's best-selling series, this is love story set against the backdrop of religious intolerance on the American frontier of the early

19th century. Recently moved to update New York from the comfort of their Vermont hometown, the Benjamin Smed (Brighton Herford) family makes their way into the established social structure of Palmyra. In their attempt to settle peacefully into the new community, they find that the help they have hired to clear their land is at the center of a religious controversy — a controversy that threatens to tear the family apart. PG.

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Best Picture (choose one)

- "The Aviator"
- "Finding Neverland"
- "Million Dollar Baby"
- "Ray"
- "Sideways"

Best Actor (choose one)

- Don Cheadle, "Hotel Rwanda"
- Johnny Depp, "Finding Neverland"
- Leonardo DiCaprio, "The Aviator"
- Clint Eastwood, "Million Dollar Baby"
- Jamie Foxx, "Ray"

Best Actress (choose one)

- Annette Bening, "Being Julia"
- Catalina Sandino Moreno, "Maria Full of Grace"
- Imelda Staunton, "Vera Drake"
- Hilary Swank, "Million Dollar Baby"
- Kate Winslet, "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind"

Supporting actor (choose one)

- Marriade, "The Aviator"
- Thomas Haden Church, "Sideways"
- Jamie Foxx, "Collateral"
- Morgan Freeman, "Million Dollar Baby"
- Clive Owen, "Closer"

Supporting actress (choose one)

- Cate Blanchett, "The Aviator"
- Laura Linney, "Kinsey"
- Virginia Madsen, "Sideways"
- Sophie Okonedo, "Hotel Rwanda"
- Natalie Portman, "Closer"

Best director (choose one)

- Martin Scorsese, "The Aviator"
- Clint Eastwood, "Million Dollar Baby"
- Taylor Hackford, "Ray"
- Alexander Payne, "Sideways"
- Mike Leigh, "Vera Drake"

Best cinematography (tiebreaker)

- Idrone Richardson, "The Aviator"
- Zhao Xiaoding, "I House of Flying Daggers"
- Caleb Deschanel, "The Passion of the Christ"
- John Mathison, "The Phantom of the Opera"
- Bruno Delbonnel, "A Very Long Engagement"

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THE JOHNSONS

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. W.E. Johnson of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house for their 50th wedding anniversary. Friends and relatives are invited to attend at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Depot Grill, 545 Shoshone St. S., Twin Falls.

Johnson and Rachel Ann Kratter were married Feb. 22, 1955, in Washington. They have lived in Twin Falls for 43 years.

He worked at Rogers Brothers in Twin Falls. She worked at Gem Linen (American Linen) in Twin Falls.



W.E. and Rachel Johnson

The event is hosted by their children, Mary (Roni) Crampion of Nampa and Donna Johnson of Twin Falls.

The couple has one grandson.

WEDDING

GOSNEY-CHRISTENSEN

BURLEY — Jennifer Deon Gosney and Steven Dillan Christensen were married Jan. 22 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The bride is the daughter of Terry and Carrie Gosney of Seattle, Wash.

The bridegroom is the son of Steven and Debra Christensen of Burley.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of North Knap High School in Pasco, Wash., and a 2004 graduate of Utah Valley State College in Orem, Utah. She is also employed at Utah Valley State College.

The bridegroom is a 2001 graduate of Decla High School and served an LDS mission in Japo Pessoa, Brazil. He is employed at Albertsons in Orem and is continuing his studies at Utah Valley State College.



Deon Gosney and Dillan Christensen

played at Albertsons in Orem and is continuing his studies at Utah Valley State College.

A reception to honor the couple will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at the Springdale LDS Church, 525 E. 200 S., Burley.

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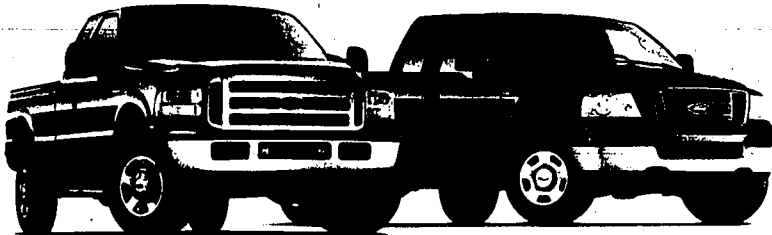
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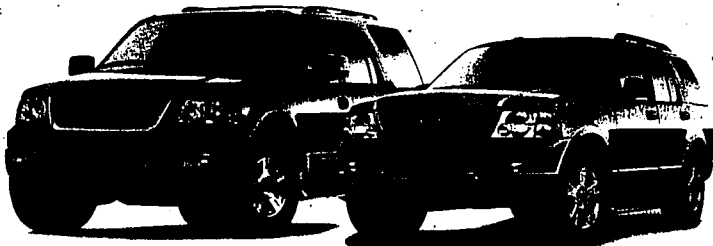
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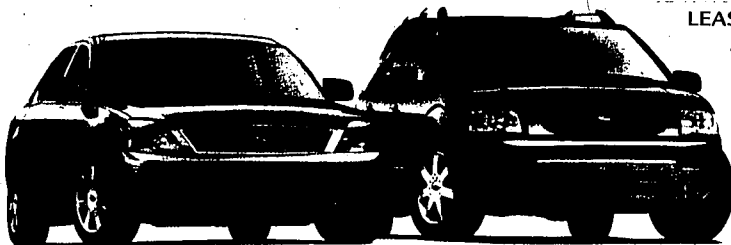
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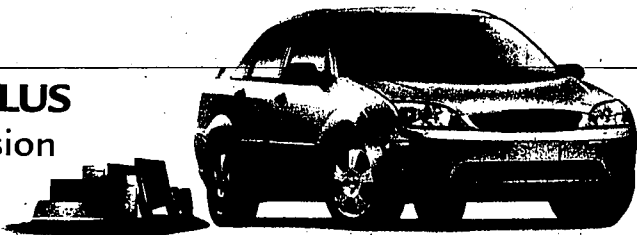
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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

I had a miserable weekend. I was ratted out by Jose Canseco.

— David Letterman

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School Postseason BOYS BASKETBALL Region Four-Five-Six Tournament Highland at Twin Falls, 7 p.m. GIRLS BASKETBALL State tournaments, Boise area see related stories College Regular season WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CSI at Salt Lake CC, 5:30 p.m. MEN'S BASKETBALL CSI at Salt Lake CC, 7:30 p.m. BASEBALL Eastern Utah at CSI, 1 p.m. (2)

IN BRIEF

TFHS hosts state track rules clinic

TWIN FALLS — A state rules clinic for high school track and field coaches in the fourth district will be held at the Twin Falls High School cafeteria at 7 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18.

Kimberly hosts donkey hoops game

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly FA is sponsoring a donkey basketball game on Monday, March 7 at 7 p.m. in the old gymnasium.

Tri-Cities soccer registration begins

RUPERT — Registration is now open for Tri-Cities co-ed youth spring soccer for ages 5-15 years-old.

Call of the Wild ski competition news

ALBION — The Call of the Wild Kids ski competition will be held Saturday, Feb. 19 at Pomerelle Mountain Resort.

TFHS hosts rules clinics for baseball

TWIN FALLS — The state rules clinics for baseball and softball will be held at Twin Falls High School on Feb. 21.

Bruins bounce Coeur d'Alene

Edwards, Heidenreich dominate OT

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

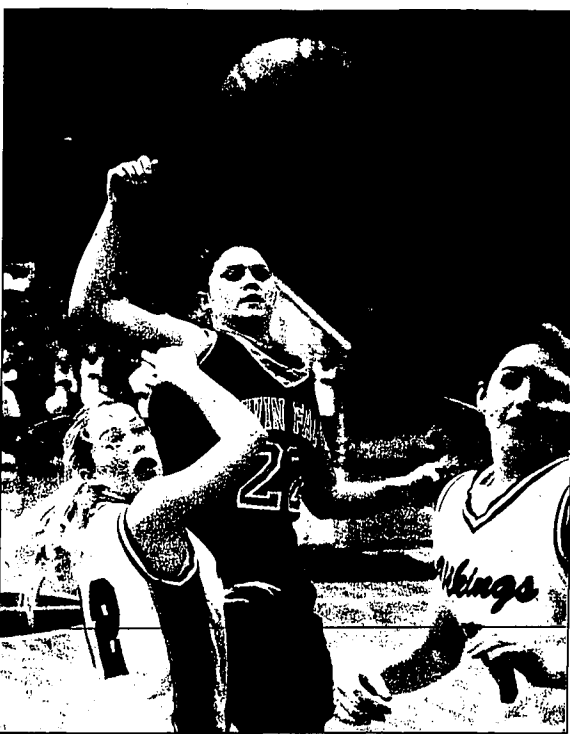
NAMPA — It takes just as long to travel from Coeur d'Alene to Nampa as it takes to drive West to the Oregon coast.

After Thursday's 53-50 overtime loss to the Twin Falls Bruins in Round 1 of the 2005 Idaho Class 5A Girls Basketball State Tournament, sandy beaches probably seemed a lot more inviting than The Idaho Center's bleachers to the Coeur d'Alene Vikings.

With the score knotted at 43-41 after four periods of play, seniors Jamie Edwards and Hannah Heidenreich took over in overtime.

Jamie really stepped up tonight," Heidenreich said of Edwards. "We have nine seniors and for us, this is our last tournament.

Edwards came up with a big jumper to answer, tying the game with 7.1 seconds remaining to send the game to overtime.



CORY MEYER/The Times-News

Taking control of the game in overtime, Bruin guard Jamie Edwards, center, delivers an entry pass between two Coeur d'Alene defenders to teammate Hannah Heidenreich (not pictured) during Twn Falls' 53-50 win over the Vikings in the first round of the Class 5A Idaho State basketball tournament in Nampa Thursday.

43-41 lead with 31 seconds left. Edwards came up with a big jumper to answer, tying the game with 7.1 seconds remaining to send the game to overtime.

Pollenroth said. "She came out and said, 'We're not going to lose this game.' She came out to play."

Stark, Edwards was taken to the training room immediately after the game for icing.

Minico advances to 4A state semifinals

By John Derr Times-News writer

MERIDIAN — Key free throws and a big offensive rebound propelled Minico into the semifinals of the 4A Girls State Basketball tournament Thursday.

The Spartans led most of the game on their way to a 39-37 victory over the Bishop Kelly Knights in first round action.

The first game is always tough at state, but we hit our free throws," said Minico coach Clint Strassman.

The Spartans will battle Bishop Kelly at Mountain View High School.

4A State Tournament

Thursday's results Minico 39, Bishop Kelly 37 Blackfoot 42, Skyview 31 Bonnevile 56, Century 42 Lakeland 55, Emmett 35

Friday's games Bishop Kelly vs. Skyview, 1:15 p.m. Century vs. Emmett, 3 p.m. Minico vs. Blackfoot, 6:15 p.m. Bonnevile vs. Lakeland, 8 p.m.

More girls state basketball coverage See page D2

team-high 12 points, scored off the assist by Kelsie Arritt.

After a K n i g h t s turnover, Arritt converted on the drive and the Spartans led 34-28 with just under six minutes left in the game.

Lindsay Brady, who paced Bishop Kelly with a game-high 17 points, hit a jumper and the lead was down to four.

Minico then struggled, turning the ball over four times on consecutive possessions. However, the Knights could only manage a pair of free throws as they finished the game hitting just 31 percent of their shots.

With under a minute left, Meghan Boetcher stepped to the free throw line and knocked down both ends of the one and one to give Minico a four-point edge.

"You try not to think about it, that this is everything we have worked for. I just breathed and shot the ball," said Boetcher, who also had 12 points for the Spartans.

Minico was back at the line 30 seconds later, but missed the first shot. Boetcher got positioned.

Please see MINICO, Page D2

Filer girls juice Fruitland in Round 1, 57-50

By Eric Larsen Times-News writer

KUNA — Whew. Admission to Thursday night's Filer versus Fruitland Round 1 game of the 2005 Idaho Class 3A Girls Basketball State Tournament game today have come with a paper bag — just to prevent hyperventilation.

Everyone in the Kuna High School gym needed a moment to collect themselves after a whirlwind 22-18 first quarter that saw the Wildcats take an early lead off a quick-hitting transition attack.

Fans heads may have been left spinning, but the Wildcats are used to playing at a fever pitch and maintained composure on their way to a 57-50 win over the Grizzlies.

"It turned into a track meet early," Wildcats coach Joel Bate said. "Both teams are very athletic and matched up really well."

No Wildcats lead seemed safe against speedy Grizzlies point guard Kelly Howard. The senior pushed the pace, finding fellow senior Abbie MacFarlane time and again in transition. With the Wildcats up 35-28 at the start of the third, the Grizzlies ignited a 9-0 run out of the chutes to take



CORY MEYER/The Times-News

3A State Tournament

Thursday's results Alston 44, Middleton 28 Priest River 43, Shelley 41 Filer 57, Fruitland 50 Marsh Valley 60, Bonners Ferry 38

Friday's games Middleton vs. Shelley, 1:15 p.m. Fruitland vs. Bonners Ferry, 3 p.m. Salmon vs. Priest River, 6:15 p.m. Filer vs. Marsh Valley, 8 p.m.

a 37-35 lead with 5:50 left in the period. "I was really proud of the way the kids came out and battled back to tie it up," Fruitland head coach Beth Holt said. "I really have no complaints. Filer is a

very athletic team that's used to running like that. We run, but not the way they run."

layup in transition followed by an offensive rebound and putback on Filer's next trip down the court. Sarah Haney and Lindsay Heinicke would add buckets of their own to make the score 47-39 after three quarters.

"The girls played with a lot of jitters," Bate said. "I was thankful we were able to hang on at the end."

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Eagles face huge weekend

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Every game counts equally, but some are more important than others.

Both the College of Southern Idaho men's and women's basketball team will play their most important games to date this season when they hit the road to face Salt Lake Community College today and Saturday. The women's games begin at 5:30 p.m. with the men following at 7:30.

CSI and SLCC are fighting each other for Scenic West Athletic Conference titles on both the men's and women's sides. But the men's race is where a little more may be on the line, where the league winner will host the Region 18 tournament.

"For us to win a conference championship, I think we have to go to Salt Lake and win some games, there's no doubt about that," CSI head coach Gil Arnold said. "It's not do or die just yet. There's still plenty of games. But if we can go there and win a game or two, it puts us in the driver's seat. We just want to stay in a position where we can control our own destiny."

Please see EAGLES, Page D5

CSI basketball

Friday/Saturday Salt Lake City No. 1, CSI women at No. 25 Salt Lake CC, 5:30 p.m. No. 3 CSI men at No. 12 Salt Lake CC, 7:30 p.m.

CSI baseball team has talent, lacks experience

By Kevin Colbert Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's a long season. College of Southern Idaho baseball fans can look at that fact any way they want.

The first year at an 8-4 start, including three blowout losses, watching each game this season could be about as pleasing as being the recipient of a new canal.

The second Idaho option: The baseball ultra-inexperienced Golden Eagles have plenty of time to mature, getting better

each time out while putting together another strong run in the Scenic West Athletic Conference.

First-year head coach Boomer Walker is hoping for that.

"You know, we have a very young and inexperienced team," Walker said. "But we can't use that as an excuse."

The Eagles return just six players from last year's 36-24 team, only three of which — outfielders Eric Cantoni and Jared Archart, and middle infielder Hector Martinez — were regular starters.

Outfield

With Cantoni, a second-team All-SWAC selection, and Archart back, the outfield appears as if it could be the strength of the team.

Cantoni led the Eagles with a .329 batting average in 2004 and stole 21 bases in 23 attempts. Archart, perhaps the best natural outfielder on a team, seems poised for a breakout year after hitting just .229 a year ago, but has been sidelined with a pulled groin muscle.

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SPORTS

Slow start dooms Valley

By Nathaniel Garrabrandt Times-News writer

MIDDLETON — Though they stumbled hard off the block, the Valley Vikings...

Mentally we just didn't have it in that first quarter...

The 5-7 guard posted a double-double with a team-high 16 blocks...

With 10 of her game-high 21 points coming in the first quarter...

Hagerman advances in consolation play

By Dustin Lapray For The Times-News

NAMPA — A win in the consolation round of the state tournament...

"It feels great; that's what we want to see," Hagerman head coach Luanu Nelson said.

"She's done it all year," Garden Valley coach said.

Juice

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On a Knight defender grabbed the rebound and put it back up for the 30-33 advantage...

Bruins

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Bratwald scored 13 points before fouling out while Reitsma scored eight and limited Griffiths...

2A State Tournament

at Middleton HS Thursday's results Nampa Christian 44, Valley 34 Grangeville 73, West Side 52...

The run prompted a Trojan timeout, immediately after which Cooper regained her form and went on to a tear-scoring seven unanswered points...

Five of those points came directly off of two of the Vikings' 20 turnovers.

Valley opened the final quarter with a 7-2 run to bring the score to 33-31 with three minutes left to play.

Valley plays again today at 1:15 in a loser-out contest against West Side.

1A girls basketball

Valley only scored 15 in that half.

"That's the Shannel Knight we know," Axelson said.

With Knight scoring at will no concentrated Valley effort to keep the ball out of her hands limited the 6-0 senior to no points in the second quarter...

den Valley head coach Paula Tucker-Boyd said.

Garden Valley entered the tournament undefeated on the season. They have won 20 consecutive losses and an 18-2 record.

"We're going to make forward, that's all we can do."

Hagerman (17-5) plays North Gem (14-6) today at 11:45 a.m. at Nampa High School in the consolation side of the bracket.

MacFarlane led Fruitland with 18 points while Howard added 14 and seven assists.

Player 57, Fruitland 50

5A State Tournament

Idaho Center, Nampa Thursday's games Twin Falls 53, Coeur d'Alene 50 Orhah 64, Mountain View 41...

second led the game for the Spartans.

"Another key was early foul trouble for 6-foot post Ellyse Whitesides."

"We knew she was a good player so we went right after her," added Stratmann.

Minnico 39, Bishop Kalke 37

Twin Falls 53, Coeur d'Alene 50

Burley boys upend Jerome in Great Basin West playoffs

The Times-News

JEHOAM — Burley outscored Jerome 23-13 on the road in the fourth quarter to stun the No. 1 seed Tigers...

"They dominated us on the rebounds," said Tigers coach Houston Finn.

Jerome struck eight 3-pointers in the loss, including five by Chance Craig. He finished with a team-high 15 points...

Burley 60, Jerome 50

Boys basketball playoffs

Minico 43, Wood River 38

RUPERT — Minico used a balanced attack to eliminate Wood River 43-38 Thursday night in the Great Basin Conference West playoffs.

Jerome (13-9) hosts Minico at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in a loser-out contest.

Minico 43, Wood River 38

SCIC playoffs

Buhl 68, Gooding 42

RHHL — Buhl's defensive intensity forced Gooding into turnovers prompting some easy Indians baskets during a decisive third quarter in a 68-42 loser-out with Thursday.

Buhl (10-10) plays Piller in loser-out game at 5:30 p.m. Monday in CSI gymnasium.

Buhl 68, Gooding 42

Shoshone defense stuffs Cambridge

By John Derr Times-News writer

NAMPA — Defense wins championships. If that is the case the Shoshone Indians will not be made more room in their trophy case.

The Indians moved on the semifinals of the 1A Idaho State Girls Basketball Tournament Thursday night with a 51-22 ending of Cambridge Bulldogs at Skyview High School in Nampa.

"The game was so fast. We tried to keep them adjust to us instead of adjusting to them," said Hailey Harris.

"Not all the news for the Indians came from junior wing Kayi Aske..."

"They did that especially on the defensive end and that was the key," Chapman said.

"We jumped out early on them and didn't let them make any runs," added Chapman.

Rimrock 50, Oakley 27

NAMPA — Rimrock jumped out to a 17-2 lead and never looked back, as the two-time defending champions routed Oakley 50-27 in the second round Thursday.

Slim Millien led Idaho State (3, 9, 16) with 14 points while Logan Kinghorn added 10 points.

Walker started a 10-1 Portland State run with a thunderous dunk and Jarrell capped the run with a steal and layup that gave the Vikings 27-15 lead with 6:31 left in the half.

1A State Tournament

Thursday's results Consolation bracket Richfield 60, Kootenai 29 Genesee 57, Cascade 23...

Richfield 60, Kootenai 29

Shoshone 51, Cambridge 22

Lapwai 66, Wallace 47

Richfield vs. Genesee, 10 a.m. Hagerman vs. North Gem, 11:45 a.m.

Rimrock 50, Oakley 27

Richfield 60, Kootenai 29

Cassie Wood stroked four 3-pointers en route to 12 points while Brooke Norman added a game-high 17 points.

Robynn Tidley scored 11 points and pulled down seven rebounds while Alex Thomas added 10 points.

Rimrock 50, Oakley 27

Arizona St. 75, Oregon St. 73

UC Riverside.

Coming Saturday The latest from the state basketball tournaments

UC Riverside. The Highlanders (6-15, 3-10) have lost five of their last six games.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Youth baseball coaches clinic offered at TFHS

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls County Youth Baseball will sponsor a free clinic for anyone...

Waltrip, Earnhardt up front again at Daytona

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Michael Waltrip outsourced teammate Dale Earnhardt Jr. to win the first race and Tony Stewart barely avoided a wild seven-car crash and went on to win the nightcap Thursday in qualifying races for the Daytona 500.

Nash's basket with two minutes remaining, meanwhile, struggled from the field, making just one field goal in the game's final four minutes.

Chinese win pairs, U.S. team places third

GANGNEUNG, South Korea — China finished first and second in the pairs final at the Four Continents Championships on Thursday while Katie Orscher and Garrett Leuchter of the United States were third.

Timberwolves bench outshines Cavaliers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota's backups were too much for Cleveland's All-Stars. Wally Szczerbak scored 26 points of the bench, and Kevin Garnett added 20 points, 18 rebounds and six assists to lead the Timberwolves to a 91-88 victory over the Cavaliers on Thursday night.



James had 26 points, eight assists and seven rebounds, but was held out of the game in the locker room. James returned to the court with just over 4 minutes to play and had to drop to his knees in the huddle during a timeout.

Cleveland an 81-79 lead with 4:30 to play. The Timberwolves responded with an 11-2 run. Garnett hit a layup and jumper. Szczerbak added a jump shot of his own and Grant was able to take an offensive rebound off a missed free throw from Eddie Griffin that led to a 90-83 advantage with 1:27 to play.

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NEW YORK — Baseball umpires have ratified the five-year contract that expires in December, the commissioner's office said Thursday.

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DENVER — The NBA is using All-Star weekend to introduce new security guidelines to all its arenas in hopes of preventing a repeat of the brawl between players and fans in Detroit earlier this season.

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MEET THE 2005 GOLDEN EAGLES

Justin 'Boomer' Walker Head coach

10th year, first as head coach... Career highlights: First season as head coach...



Northeast Louisiana University... 31st year, first as assistant coach...

Jim 'Skip' Walker Assistant coach

Family: Wife, Julie; Children, Carly, Boomer... Career highlights: Finished career with a record of 1,061-407...



competed in eight IUCO World Series... Was the U.S. Olympic hitting coach in 1990...

David Carter Pitching coach

Third year (coached one season in 1995)... Career highlights: Guided the CSI staff to a 3.14 team ERA in 2004...



helping the Golden Eagles to a fourth-place finish at nationals... Made the all-region team after going 9-3...

No. 1 Dusty Romero Infield

Freshman Height: 5-10 Weight: 170... Home town: Las Vegas, Nev. Intangibles: Not expected to see much playing time...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He lacks some physical strength to be a really good offensive guy...'

No. 10 Sean Plets Outfield

Freshman Height: 5-10 Weight: 200... Home town: Murray, Utah... Intangibles: Very strong player and can hit the ball a long way...



experience. Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He just needs to learn to stay within himself...'

No. 22 Andrew Shive Pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-5 Weight: 240... Home town: Bakersfield, Calif. Intangibles: Lone returning sophomore who saw an significant mound time in 2004...



Lost his first start of 2005, allowing two earned runs in five innings... Coach Dave Carter says: 'We expect a lead out of freshmen and lead through example...'

No. 2 Hector Martinez Infield

Sophomore Height: 6-0 Weight: 198... Home town: San Juan, Puerto Rico... Intangibles: Played both second base and shortstop last season...



in the field so far with four errors... Coach Boomer Walker says: 'We think he's really improved from last year...'

No. 12 Karl Meljholm Pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-2 Weight: 190... Home town: Nanaimo, British Columbia... Intangibles: Selected in the 14th round of the MLB draft in 2002...



start, allowing four runs in just two innings... Coach Dave Carter says: 'We expect a lot of good things from him but absolutely has not pitched well since he's been here...'

No. 25 Tai Perrod Pitcher

Freshman Height: 6-2 Weight: 200... Home town: Ogden, Utah... Intangibles: Needs to improve his command, as he struggles with his ball-strike ratio...



decent velocity. Very catchable player... Coach Dave Carter says: 'Real hard worker but really needs to improve himself...'

No. 3 Eric Cattoni Outfield

Sophomore Height: 5-9 Weight: 175... Home town: Lethbridge, Alberta... Intangibles: Will likely be the Eagles' leadoff hitter...



team in runs scored last season with 36... Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He's got to get on base. That's all I want from Eric...'

No. 14 Cody Howerton Infield

Freshman Height: 5-11 Weight: 190... Home town: Wendell... Intangibles: Will see time at both second and third base... Good athlete but lacks experience...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He plays right now with reckless abandon, which is good and bad...'

No. 28 Anthony Jones Catcher

Freshman Height: 6-0 Weight: 175... Home town: Blackfoot... Intangibles: Likely the Eagles' best defensive catcher... May also play some at first base...



yet appeared in a game... Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He just kind of keeps things rolling behind the plate...'

No. 4 Tim Meeler Pitcher

Freshman Height: 5-9 Weight: 165... Home town: Twin Falls... Intangibles: Played on the Twin Falls Bruins' state tournament team last year...



three earned runs in 1.3 innings... Coach Dave Carter says: 'Small kid, but real decent role pitcher...'

No. 18 Willie Cratic Outfield

Sophomore Height: 6-4 Weight: 195... Home town: Billings, Mont. Intangibles: A strong outfielder with better-than-average speed...



with the bat. Biting, thus far after finishing with a .188 mark last year... Coach Boomer Walker says: 'We just want him to be aggressive and let his talents take over instead of worrying about trying to succeed...'

No. 27 Troy Grundy Pitcher

Freshman Height: 6-2 Weight: 150... Home town: Helper, Utah... Intangibles: Struggled in his first outing, allowing five earned runs in three innings...



caution with his fastball... Coach Dave Carter says: 'If he pushes himself, he's got real good stuff...'

No. 5 Jerdan Daley Infield

Freshman Height: 5-10 Weight: 170... Home town: Spanish Fork, Utah... Intangibles: Has potential to be the Eagles' best shortstop in many seasons...



400 average. A switch-hitter... Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He's got an innate ability to realize situations in a game...'

No. 17 Brady Bartholomew Catcher

Freshman Height: 6-1 Weight: 215... Home town: Salt Lake City... Intangibles: Average catching skills at this point, but should wield one of the most powerful bats in the CSI lineup...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'We expect him to be a presence in the middle of the lineup...'

No. 28 Chris Goforth Pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-4 Weight: 195... Home town: Bakersfield, Calif. Intangibles: Transfer from Cal State Northridge... Has a good breaking ball but needs to locate his fastball better...



Coach Dave Carter says: 'He needs to realize that this is a good league and he needs to pitch well in order to be successful...'

No. 6 Ken Fuglerud Outfield

Freshman Height: 6-0 Weight: 180... Home town: Lethbridge, Alberta... Intangibles: The Eagles' lone true left-handed hitter... A good defensive outfielder...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'Being left-handed, we expect him to be able to do the small things, like hit-and-run, bunting, but he also has the ability to hit balls in some gaps and drive in some runs...'

No. 18 Sean Edwards Pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-3 Weight: 185... Home town: Boise... Intangibles: Transfer from Cochise Community College... Good breaking ball but needs to show a better fastball...



at times to set up his slider... Coach Dave Carter says: 'He's made a lot of improvements in the fall...'

No. 29 Chase Bazil Pitcher

Freshman Height: 6-3 Weight: 205... Home town: Rigby... Intangibles: Pitched a perfect 12-3 innings in his only appearance of the season... One of the few CSI players with an ability to establish a fastball...



Coach Dave Carter says: 'He had a really good trip down south... He can really throw his fastball to a location...'

No. 7 Kyle Reaser Infield

Freshman Height: 5-9 Weight: 180... Home town: Summer, Wash. Intangibles: Top-notch athlete who works extremely hard... Good defensive third baseman...



'He's just got to come down to his shell a little bit... If you could take Kyle's knowledge and experience for all-time and put it with Cody Howerton's aggressiveness, you'd have an all-conference player...'

No. 19 Josh McFarland Infield

Freshman Height: 6-3 Weight: 190... Home town: Layton, Utah... Intangibles: Big, strong player who fits the physical mold of a traditional first baseman... Will be used most frequently as a defensive replacement...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'He's going to have to fight to get in the lineup and keep improving to knock one of those catchers out from playing first base...'

No. 31 Ben Connors Pitcher

Freshman Height: 5-10 Weight: 190... Home town: Glendora, Calif. Intangibles: Should see plenty of innings out of the bullpen... Struggled in his first appearance, giving up two earned runs and two hits in 1-1-3 innings...



Coach Dave Carter says: 'I think he can be fairly consistent for us... He's a real good breaking ball but he's not going to overpower people with his fastball...'

No. 8 Jared Arenhart Infield/pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-2 Weight: 190... Home town: Idaho Falls... Intangibles: Perhaps the Eagles' best natural athlete... Hit just 229 last season and went hitless in four at-bats this year before pulling his groin...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'We expect him to do everything, to be real honest... We expect him to be a leader, play great, play great defensively, run, steal bases, bunt...'

No. 20 Sean Loglisci Pitcher

Freshman Height: 6-3 Weight: 210... Home town: Nanaimo, British Columbia... Intangibles: Known for being a game pitcher rather than just a good practice player... Has a good breaking ball, and more importantly, can get ahead in the count with it...



Coach Dave Carter says: 'Tough-minded kid. I don't think he's afraid to pitch in a tough situation... Sean seems to be able to overcome the adversity and challenges given to him...'

No. 33 Arin Formanek Pitcher

Sophomore Height: 6-1 Weight: 220... Home town: Bakersfield, Calif. Intangibles: Pitched 27 2-3 innings in 2004 with CSI, finishing with a 5.20 ERA... Decent slider with a good changeup...



Coach Dave Carter says: 'We've probably try to use him in some relief roles... He's made a lot of improvements since last year...'

No. 9 Jeff Vickers Catcher

Freshman Height: 6-3 Weight: 200... Home town: Nanaimo, British Columbia... Intangibles: Very well-rounded player... Very experienced for a freshman, having played on the Canadian Junior Olympic team...



Coach Boomer Walker says: 'Real competitive kid... Good player. Best thing about Jeff is that he's very talented and very competitive... You try to fight to get kids like that at-bats in situations where they can drive in runs...'

No. 21 Todd Privett Pitcher

Freshman Height: 5-10 Weight: 175... Home town: Kearns, Utah... Intangibles: Left-hander... Prized recruit for the Eagles... Should be in the starting rotation... Needs to add a changeup to his repertoire to be more effective...



Currently carries a 1.93 ERA... Coach Dave Carter: 'He's pitched with a lot of success in high school... He's a competitive kid... I think he understands the job and knows what he has to do...'

No. 34 Carson Bryant Pitcher

Freshman Height: 6-2 Weight: 180... Home town: Bakersfield, Calif. Intangibles: One of four Eagles shilling from Bakersfield, Calif. Shows flashes of brilliance but struggles mightily with control... Coach Dave Carter says: 'He's real green, as far as pitching experience... He needs to really improve himself...'



He's a guy with really good stuff, but he needs to put it in the strikezone...'

Compiled by Times-News sports writer Kevin Colbert

SPORTS

With six fingers and no legs, basketball player beats the odds

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press writer

MADISON, Wis. — When Scot Vesterdahl, the basketball coach at Madison Area Technical College, opened the gym for tryouts, he knew Brandon Watkins would have his work cut out for him.

Watkins was born with three fingers on each hand. Then Watkins took off his sweats, and Vesterdahl did a double take: Watkins was standing on prosthetic legs.

"When you look at him it's an inspiration to see a young person that's going through those kinds of challenges," Vesterdahl said.

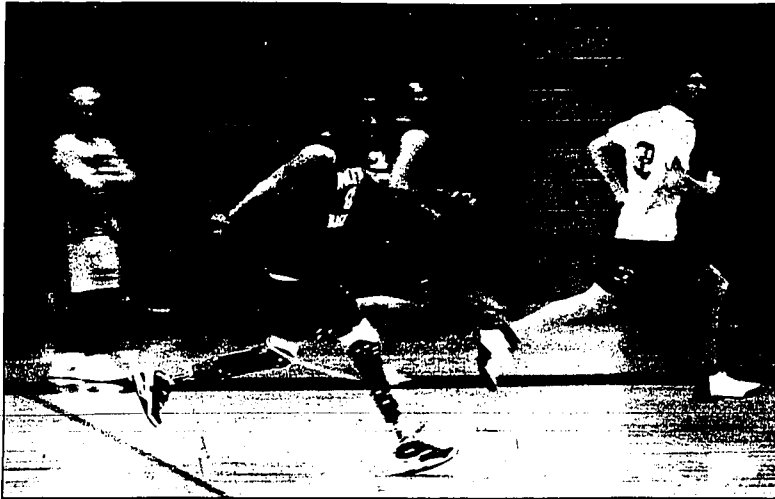
"When you think about it, it's not about putting your shoes on for practice. It's about putting your legs on. And that in and of itself is fantastic."

But did he have game? And could he actually play junior college basketball? Vesterdahl would soon find out.

"Every time I'd seen him, he either had sweat pants or pants on. I had no idea. You could obviously see his hands and his fingers and the challenges he has there, but I had never seen the prosthetics until the first night of tryouts," Vesterdahl said.

Watkins was born with clubbed feet so disfigured doctors had to amputate them below the knees when he was 2. His prosthetics are decorated now with the landscapes of New York, Chicago and Seattle. But that wasn't what drew everybody's attention.

Watkins hustled up and down the floor. He stayed with



Brandon Watkins, who has two prosthetic legs and six fingers, runs the basketball court with his teammates Feb. 11, in Madison, Wis. Watkins is one of 13 members on the men's basketball team at Madison Area Technical College. During the regular season, Watkins got into 13 of 20 games and made 5-of-9 field goals, including four 3-pointers. He grabbed five rebounds, dished out four assists and grabbed two steals.

his man on defense, he could jump, he could shoot. If he hadn't shed his sweat pants, nobody ever would have known he didn't have legs, Vesterdahl said.

That night, Vesterdahl and his assistants began to seriously consider Watkins for a roster spot, and by the second night of tryouts, they decided he would make the team.

"Does he deserve it? Yes; he does," Vesterdahl said. "Just based on hustle, how he got

along with his teammates, attitude on the floor, all those things. Besides, he has basketball ability."

Co-captain Jacob Keller calls him a "true inspiration."

"He's always the first one to compliment us, he's always the first one off the bench when timeouts are called," he said. "And when he gets in a game and makes a shot, it doesn't matter if it's an away crowd or a home crowd, they all stand up and cheer for him."

The WolfPack reached the playoffs with a 22-5 record and Watkins got into half the games. Overall, the 6-foot-1 freshman forward made 5-of-8 shots, including four 3-pointers, in addition to five rebounds, four assists and two steals.

"At the end of a game, if he gets in, if he makes a basket, you would think we've won the NBA championship," Vesterdahl said.

It's been a big adjustment for

Watkins, going from the kid who was always teased to big man on campus. Watkins first played hoops when he was 8 and watched friends and family play on a church playground in Chicago. He taught himself to shoot and dribble between his legs. And he watched all the basketball he could on TV.

"I conked what other people did and I got better and better," he said. "Now, people tell me if I was normal, I'd probably be in the NBA or something

like that." At 11, he moved to Milwaukee, where he played in middle school. He served as team manager for his first three years at Milwaukee Madison High School, then tried out his senior year. After playing just 30 seconds during the first month of the season, he quit the team to focus on Special Olympics. He never figured his basketball dream was done.

"Oh, no, to tell you the truth, I visualized all this was going to happen. I'm going to have a movie, too," said Watkins. "That's going to happen. I know it is. I want Cuba Gooding Jr. to play me. He kind of looks like me and he did good in 'Radio,' so I think he could play me."

Watkins refuses to let his teammates think of him as physically challenged.

"We're not going to get better if you take it easy on me," he said. "You play your game, I'll play my game and we're going to see who comes out the best."

Some opponents early in the season made the mistake of taking it easy on him.

"At first, they were like, 'Oh, he ain't got no game' and I'd score and the crowd would go so crazy they'd be like, 'Oh, man, we can't let him score again. The crowd is going to be so hyped.'"

Now, he gets no free passes, no easy shots.

"Hey, I'm not a complainer," he said. "The Lord has blessed me with so much."

It's those around him who consider themselves fortunate. "Watching how hard he works," said Keller, the co-captain. "It just pushes us to work that much harder."

And enjoy the journey that much more. "I'm not sure that he hasn't taught me more about life than I've taught him about basketball," Vesterdahl said.



Tiger Woods watches his drive on the 12th hole of Riviera Country Club in Los Angeles during the first round of the Nissan Open on Thursday.

Davis takes the lead with Tiger lurking

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The shifting wind and gloomy rain gave the Nissan Open a distinctively British feel Thursday.

So did the leaderboard. Two months after finally earning his PGA Tour card by winning Q-school, Brian Davis of England opened with an eagle and finished with eight straight pars on his way to a 6-under 65 for the early lead at Riviera Country Club.

Luke Donald of England and Darren Clarke of Northern Ireland were among those one shot behind. Davis was tied for the lead until landing in a divot just short of a fairway bunker, going into a greenside bunker and making bogey on his last hole. Clarke had one of many highlights at Riviera with his 7-iron that skirted the edge of the bunker in the middle of the par-3 sixth green, then rolled down the slope and into the cup for an ace.

Brett Quigley made a birdie on the 10th and also shot a 66. Two-time defending champion Mike Weir was at 5 under until finding a bunker on his final hole and making bogey, dropping him into a large group at 67. Still, it was a solid start in his bid to become the first player to win the Nissan Open three straight years.

Tiger Woods should have no complaints, either. Despite three-putting for bogey three times, Woods managed a 67 for his best start ever

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in his hometown tournament, which has given him fits like no other. The Nissan Open is the only PGA Tour event he has played at least four times without winning.

Woods needs to finish no worse than fourth to return to No. 1 in the world.

He wasn't all that impressed with his start. "I putted like a fool today," Woods said. "It was an absolutely horrible day on the greens. I probably could have shot an 8 under par with not too much effort."

The first round was suspended by darkness with four players still on the course.

Donald only had to battle the rain, starting in the afternoon when Riviera played a little longer. He quickly made up ground with a pair of 30-foot birdie putts at Nos. 4 and 5, followed by a tee shot into 16 inches on the par-3 sixth.

Typical for Riviera, the classic course off Sunset Boulevard that puts a premium on shot-making, no one was able to separate himself from the pack.

Adam Scott, Kevin Sutherland and Jose Cocheres joined Woods at 67, while the large group at 68 included Jerry Kelly and Steve Elkington, who won the 1995 PGA Championship at Riviera in a playoff over Colin Montgomerie.

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Big Unit to Red Sox: 'Bring it on'

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Randy Johnson didn't think that merely by signing with the New York Yankees he'd join Alex Rodriguez as a target of the Boston Red Sox and their fans.

"I haven't done anything to them," he said Thursday. "Not yet, but his job is to lead the Yankees to their first title since 2000 and end the Red Sox a second straight World Series championship."

"So they'll be mad at me if I pitch well against them? Bring it on then," he said, laughing.

"So I guess I'm a target, but I'm going to go out there and do the best I can," Johnson said. "I'm not going to be firing quips and stuff like that to make myself more of a target, that's for sure. I'll leave that to other people that can do that better than I probably could."

As Johnson pitched his first bullpen session at Legends Field, Arizona teammate Curt Schilling reported to Boston's training camp in Fort Myers, and new-Red Sox and former-Yankee David Wells added his own criticism of Rodriguez.

"I remember reading the press conference or something when he went there," Wells said. "He said: 'When we' He said a 'we' in his comment about like he's won like three or four rings with them and he hadn't, and that kind of disturbed me."

"He shouldn't put himself in that category," added Wells, who helped New York win two AL pennants and one World Series. "You've got to earn it. It's like he's been there the whole time. But you can't take away what A-Rod has done for the game. He's a great player, and he will continue to be a great player."

During the offseason, Schilling criticized A-Rod, and earlier this week Red Sox outfielder Trot Nixon said of the former AL MVP: "He can't stand up to (Derek) Jeter in my book or Bernie Williams or (Jorge) Posada."

Schilling on Thursday added: "I'm pretty sure that me not liking Alex Rodriguez is not a groundbreaking story. I'm sure there are a lot of guys in the big leagues (who) don't like each other. The comments came about because of play on the



New York Yankees pitcher Randy Johnson, front, prepares to field a ball as teammates Mike Mussina, background from left, Jarret Wright, an unidentified staff member and Carl Pavano look on during the first day of workouts for pitchers and catchers, Thursday, in Tampa, Fla.



Boston Red Sox pitcher Curt Schilling, left, tests his right ankle as pitching coach Dave Wallace looks on, during the first day of spring training, Thursday, in Ft. Myers, Fla. Schilling injured his right ankle during last year's playoffs.

field last year. That's the way I see it. I never really thought it was nearly as big a deal as people have made it. I'm pretty sure Alex could care less whether I like him or not."

Nixon also was irritated by Rodriguez's description of his early morning workouts, saying: "I'm not a deadbeat dad, you clown. That's what I said to my-

self. What's wrong with me taking my kid to school and then going to work out?"

Red Sox general manager Theo Epstein downplayed the comments.

"As a whole our team has been pretty modest in victory and respectful of the opposition, especially the Yankees, and focus on what we're having to

do," he said. "If there's anything personal, I'm sure it's just a blip and it will pass. But I know from knowing our guys that they're very, very respectful of the Yankees and what they've accomplished."

"I like the on-field Yankees-Red Sox rivalry. I've never cared much about the off-field stuff."

Former Boston outfielder Greenwell criticizes Canseco

FORT MYERS, Fla. (AP) — Mike Greenwell was runner-up in the American League MVP voting in 1998 and wants everyone to know what happened: Jose Canseco, who won the award, cheated.

In his book released this week, Greenwell discussed his steroid use and accused other players of using the illegal substance. His tainted success, Greenwell said Thursday, deprived other players of recognition and honors.

Greenwell spent his entire career as a Red Sox outfielder from 1985 through 1996 and hit .303. He was teammates with Canseco for his last two seasons. "I would have never said a word, but now that Jose's admitted he was using steroids during the time he beat me (for) the MVP then I have a problem with that because, obviously, I wasn't playing on an even playing field," Greenwell said.

"He reaped a lot of rewards and a lot of benefits for being on an illegal drug and probably took something away from me that I never got to feel. So does it bother me? Absolutely."

He said he doesn't care about having the MVP award given to him but "I just want it acknowledged that as far as I'm concerned, he cheated while he won it."

Greenwell is a volunteer assistant baseball coach at Riverside High School just outside Fort Myers. He attended North Fort Myers High School.

On Thursday, he showed up at the Red Sox spring training complex for a television interview and was surrounded by reporters.

Greenwell said that "halfway through my career I considered using steroids." Later, he may have had a chance to get help from Canseco when they were teammates.

"One day he hits a mammoth home run at Leeway Park and I said to him, Jose, if I do anything to have your power, it's unbelievable," Greenwell said. "I actually got up and gave him a drink of Gatorade and sat back down and gave him a minute to think, and he said, 'well, why don't you come on down to Miami and I can give you the power.'"

"Whether he was serious or not, I don't know, and my comment back to that was, 'I'm too old for that stuff.'"

Greenwell said he knew Canseco was talking about steroids even though that word wasn't mentioned.

In 1998, Canseco hit .307 with 32 homers, 124 RBIs and 10 stolen bases for Oakland, which lost the World Series in five games to the Los Angeles Dodgers. Greenwell hit .225 with 22 homers and 119 RBIs.

He said Canseco's book might help address the steroid problem by drawing attention to it.

Two other MVPs also have said they used steroids. Jason Giambi admitted to federal grand jury in 2003 that he used steroids, and Ken Caminiti, who died last Oct. 10, said he used them when he won the award in 1996.

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Chargers put franchise tag on Brees; police arrest Titans safety

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The San Diego Chargers used their franchise tag Thursday on quarterback Drew Brees, who led them to their first playoff berth in nine seasons and was the NFL's Comeback Player of the Year.

Brees was tagged as a non-exclusive franchise player, meaning he can still negotiate with other teams. Should Brees receive an offer from another team, the Chargers can either match the new club's offer, or receive two first-round choices from that club as compensation.

As a non-exclusive franchise player, Brees received a one-year contract offer of just more than \$8 million; the average of the top five salaried quarterbacks from last season. The Chargers could try to trade Brees, but a team interested in him would want to negotiate a long-term contract before finalizing a deal.



term contract from the Chargers. The team's quarterback situation is complicated, though, because San Diego obtained Philip Rivers in a draft-day deal with the New York Giants and gave him a \$40 million contract.

Rivers missed half of training camp in a contract holdout, allowing Brees to keep the starting job. Brees responded by throwing 27 touchdown passes and just seven interceptions, a dramatic turnaround from 2003, when he threw just 11 TD passes, 15 interceptions and was benched for five straight games.

Bruschi may have suffered stroke

BOSTON — New England Patriots linebacker Teddy Bruschi has a broken blood vessel in his head and might have had a



Teddy Bruschi

The possibility that he had suffered a stroke was reported in Thursday editions of The Boston Herald, which cited unidentified sources. The story also said Bruschi suffered lost vision.

The Boston Globe, citing an unidentified team source, reported on its Web site Thursday that Bruschi had a broken blood vessel in his head and suffered from partial paralysis that has since gone away. A broken blood vessel can cause a stroke if it deprives the brain of oxygen.

James said Thursday that any information on Bruschi's condition would come from the player or his family. Bruschi spent Wednesday night at the hospital and more tests were scheduled for Thursday morning, James said.

"It is in good condition and will be held for further evaluations," the team said in a statement. "The Bruschi family appreciates everyone's concern, but requests that you respect their privacy at this time."

A spokeswoman for Massachusetts General Hospital would neither confirm nor deny that Bruschi had been admitted and referred all questions to the Patriots. Patriots owner Robert Kraft, who was attending the men's college basketball game between Boston College and Rutgers on Wednesday night, declined comment.

A nine-year NFL veteran, Bruschi is the centerpiece of the Patriots defense that helped the

team win three of the past four Super Bowls, including a 24-21 win over the Philadelphia Eagles on Feb. 6.

On Sunday, Bruschi played in his first Pro Bowl. Bruschi, 31, was selected as the AFC's Defensive Player of the Week three times, including the first-round playoff victory over the Indianapolis Colts. A second team Associated Press All-Pro selection, he ranked second on the team with 128 tackles and tied for second with three interceptions.

He had two fumble recoveries in the team's 20-3 playoff win over the Colts, and an interception in the Super Bowl.

Tennessee safety Tank Williams arrested

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Titans safety Tank Williams was arrested early Thursday and charged with driving under the influence after police said an officer



Tank Williams

saw his car make a rolling stop at a downtown intersection. The 24-year-old player smelled of alcohol and had red and watery eyes when his car was stopped near downtown, arresting officer Ron Bright said. Police said Williams

agreed to a blood alcohol test and registered 0.08 percent, the minimum reading for intoxication under Tennessee law.

Williams declined to speak to reporters as he left the Criminal Justice Center after being booked and posting a \$1,000 bond. A first-time DUI conviction can be punished with a one-year suspension of the driver's license, a fine between \$350 and \$1,500 and jail time ranging from two days to a year.

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2005 TOYOTA AVALON

Avalon becomes bigger, more powerful

Ann M. Job
For The Associated Press

The badge on the outside of the 2005 Avalon says it's a Toyota. But this new-generation Avalon full-size sedan provides such a refined, roomy, quiet ride and offers so many features, you might wonder why it doesn't qualify as a luxury car.

Toyota's flagship car, the Avalon, this year is bigger than ever, and styling is decidedly upscale. There's a new, 280-horsepower V6 and a new top-of-the-line Avalon Limited model that includes a number of amenities found in Lexus cars, including front seats that cool passengers.

Yet the Avalon's starting manufacturers' suggested retail price, including destination charge, is \$26,890 — just \$210 more than the old-generation, 2004 model. Competitors include the 2005 Buick LaCrosse, which starts at \$23,895, and the 2005 Chrysler 300, which starts at \$23,995, as well as the Buick Park Avenue, which starts at \$36,350.

First introduced in 1994, the Avalon now has moved boldly from being a bigger Toyota Camry to being distinctively different in styling and character, with which it has shared platforms. There are four Avalon models now, up from two a year ago.

The next Avalon "tuning" incorporates sportier-tuned suspension so a driver feels mildly sharper response to his or her

TYPE: Front-engine, front-wheel-drive, five-passenger, full-size sedan.
ENGINE: 3.5-liter, double overhead cam V6 with VVT-i.
MPG: Estimated 22 mpg (city), 31 mpg (highway).
TOP SPEED: NA.

steering inputs. Some 12 percent of Avalon sales could be the touring model, officials said.

The top Limited model, which has a luxury-like price of \$34,080 and incorporates a high-tech Smart Key system for entry and startup that doesn't use a key, is expected to attract nearly 30 percent of Avalon buyers.

The 2005 Avalon doesn't look much like its predecessor and is noticeably bigger. Indeed, the Avalon has grown 5.3 inches in overall length and is 1.2 inches wider, resulting in a car that's longer and a bit taller than Chrysler's 300.

But where the 300 looks big and has some old-style, gangster-car cues, the Avalon looks sleek. The back end, in particular, is reminiscent of the rear end on a BMW 7-Series, only prettier.

It's not the only BMW-like styling cue. There's a closer fit between the Avalon fenders and tires now, which, as BMW officials attest, helps give a car a substantial and more powerful look. In addition, the Avalon is

Price BASE PRICE: \$26,350 for XL; \$28,600 for Touring; \$30,800 for XLS; \$33,540 for Limited. As tested, \$34,080.

LENGTH: 197.2 inches.
WHEELBASE: 111 inches.
CURB WT.: 3,600 pounds.

BUILT AT: Georgetown, Ky.
OPTIONS: None.
DESTINATION CHARGE: \$540.

the first Toyota in the United States with dual exhaust.

Inside the Avalon, large-sized drivers can find comfort in the 59.1 inches of shoulder room in the front seat. This is more than what's in Buick's LaCrosse and Park Avenue and equal to what's in the 300.

Front and rear legroom in the new Avalon are both over 40 inches, with the front seat room 0.6 inch less than what's in the 300 and the rear seat room 0.7 inch more. The LaCrosse and Park Avenue have more front-seat legroom than the Avalon and 300 but the LaCrosse has only 37.6 inches of legroom for back-seat riders, while the Park Avenue has 0.5 inch more than the Avalon.

It appears the Avalon's interior space was arranged at the expense of the trunk, which tops out at 14.4 cubic feet compared with 16 cubic feet in the LaCrosse, 19.1 cubic feet in the Park Avenue and 15.6 cubic feet in the 300.

All models of Avalon except the base XL come standard with

leather seat trim. Its black leather in the sporty Touring model, and its perforated leather in the Limited. This is because the front seats in the Limited can cool passengers via fans under each seat. It feels strange, sort of like there's a draft underneath you. The seats also can be heated.

The instrument panel has backlit Optitron gauges like those in Lexus cars, and the Avalon's audio system controls have a pull-down cover that can be closed over them for a less-cluttered look on the dashboard.

All Avalons have the same V-6 a new, 3.5-liter version that uses the same architecture as the six-cylinder engine that's in the Toyota Altamar sport utility and Honda pickup truck.

Horsepower in the Avalon is up substantially — from 210 in the 2004 model to 280 now. Torque has gone from 220 foot-pounds at 4,000 rpm to 260 foot-pounds at 4,700 rpm.

Delivered through a five-speed automatic transmission, the power came on smoothly

and steadily in the test Avalon Limited — and without noisy bluster. I passed slower cars with ease and without noticeable or jerky shift points.

This is the first five-speed in an Avalon, and this transmission includes a shift-it-yourself manual function for drivers who want to select the gears themselves.

The Avalon's newfound power tops that of the V6s in the LaCrosse and the Chrysler 300. The Park Avenue's upped, 240-horsepower, supercharged V6 has more peak torque and it comes at a lower rpm — 200 foot-pounds at 3,600 rpm. Meantime, Chrysler's 300 is available with a 340-horsepower, Hemi V8 with 300 foot-pounds of torque at 4,000 rpm.

It's worth noting that even with the new power, the Avalon's estimated fuel economy rating of 22 miles a gallon in city driving and 31 mpg on the highway is better than the 21/29-mpg rating for the previous Avalon.

The test Avalon Limited was so quiet inside, I didn't need to turn up the radio to stifle exterior sounds. Indeed, the ride was peaceful. And while at times I felt like the Avalon was lulling me into a floaty ride sensation, it only took a drive in mountain twisties to show this large sedan has decent road manners, too, when pressed.

The Avalon remains front-drive, while the 300 and many upscale cars are rear-drive.

Auto shop missed chance to impress

Q. I recently had a major service done on my car and was told I needed to replace my water pump. Since then, I've heard from friends that the usual reason for replacing this part is coolant leakage, which was not a problem. I like this repair shop, but have a lingering doubt they might have been a bit demanding of my wallet. Could you please explain a bit about water pumps and your opinion on what might have justified mine being replaced?

—Alfred Gonzalez, Sunnyvale, Calif.



UNDER THE HOOD
Brad Bergholdt

A. Water pumps have been used on virtually all liquid-cooled automotive engines since the Model T Ford. They are mounted to the front of the engine and driven, and contain an impeller, which circulates coolant through the engine, radiator and related parts via centrifugal force. Pump output varies with engine speed and can reach a high of 6,000 gallons per hour.

Within the pump, a permanently lubricated and sealed bearing supports the impeller shaft, and a spring-loaded ceramic seal prevents coolant leakage. Older and some current engines drive the water pump with one of the accessory drive belts, while a growing number of engines drive the pump via the timing (camshaft drive) belt. This saves valuable under-hood space, but makes pump access more challenging.

With diligent cooling system service (clean, noncorrosive coolant) and a properly tensioned drive belt, a water pump might last the life of the vehicle. But in the real world, a 75,000- to 100,000-mile lifespan is more realistic.

If your major service includes renewing the timing belt, it so this might explain why replacement of the pump was recommended. During a timing belt repair, it's disassembled, which makes the normally difficult-to-access water pump pipe for the picking. Also, if the pump should ever seize, it will likely damage the timing belt, which can result in a messy and expensive valve/piston collision.

For these reasons, many shops recommend renewing the water pump along with the timing belt, regardless of its apparent condition. It also possible the replacement recommendation was made because of non-noticeable milky brownness or visible staining around the pump's vent hole, an indication of impending greater seal leakage.

If an indicator of a great repair shop is the trade manner, you missed a chance to impress you with his experience and diligence by not better explaining the service performed on your vehicle. Instead of wondering about its credibility, you might have told five friends how sharp your shop was.

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Estate No. CV-05-88
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In the Matter of the Estate of:
F. KENNETH DRURY, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or his estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the undersigned at the address indicated, and filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 11th day of January, 2005.
s/Kenneth L. Drury
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Attorney for the Estate
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Twin Falls, ID 83303-0321

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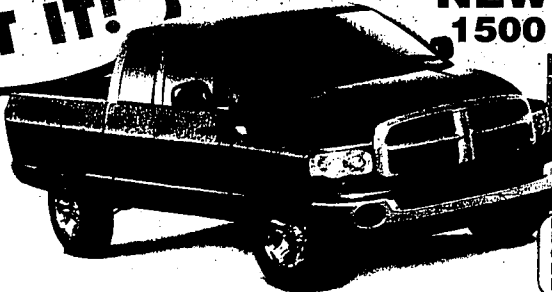
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