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# ANGELS IN AFGHANISTAN



Army Sgt. 1st Class Zachary Rasmussen of Burley, right, and Chief Warrant Officer Layne Pace, left, welcome Asedullah and his father aboard an Army helicopter. With help from a group called Angels for Afghanistan, a project of soldiers and their families, Asedullah traveled to California's Loma Linda University Medical Center where surgeons repaired a hole in his heart.

## Burley soldier brings relief to people in war-torn country

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The barefoot Afghan boy walked along the rock-covered road, playing with a toy he'd fashioned from a stick and the end of a spool of thread. The homemade toy was the best he could do in a country long ravaged by war, a country where the living conditions are so harsh that the average life expectancy is just 46.

The soldier reached into his pack and pulled out a little plastic car, something a more fortunate child might find among other small treasures in a Christmas stocking. The child's eyes lit up as the soldier handed him the small toy.

"You'd think I'd handed him a brick of gold," said Sgt. 1st Class Zachary Rasmussen. "Talk about shock and awe. He'd never seen anything like it in his whole life."

Rasmussen, who makes his home in Burley with wife Sandee, 13-year-old son Jordan and 11-year-old daughter Jessica, is on his second tour of Afghanistan, stationed with the U.S. Army's 21st Attack Helicopter Battalion at Bagram Air



A soldier provides security for an Army helicopter landing in Jeggdalek as an Afghan boy looks on. Base about 30 miles north of the capital of Kabul.

Rasmussen and his fellow soldiers have more or less adopted the small village of Jeggdalek as part of "Angels for Afghanistan," a volunteer project of Utah-based soldiers and their families. Families on the homefront collect food, clothing, blankets, shoes, hygiene kits, medical and school supplies, toys and other items and ship them to the Bagram Air Base. The troops

then load them on helicopters or supply trucks and take them to Jeggdalek and other struggling villages in northern Afghanistan.

They say angels can perform miracles and such was the case with a 10-year-old boy named Asedullah. The boy's family said he'd been lethargic, often out of breath and was suffering from fainting spells. "He couldn't play or run like ordinary kids," Rasmussen said.

## Safety concerns delay trial

Officials say they saw 'body pieces' falling from sheets

By Patti Murphy  
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Sarah Johnson's murder trial was halted two hours early on Thursday when prosecutors spread out blood-covered bed sheets and court officials became concerned over "body pieces" falling to the floor.



Sarah Johnson

Prosecutors had placed the bloody sheets on the floor, which Diane Johnson had been sleeping when she was shot through the head onto a makeshift bed frame. They were just about to call blood-spatter expert Rod Enger to testify when court officer Steve McKissick stepped forward and expressed concern that the sheets could potentially produce a false confession. "I suggest we find another way to present the evidence," he said, noting that his concern was with the safety and security of the jurors. Judge Barry Wood agreed, saying that "body pieces" had fallen out of the sheets as they were opened up.

"I did not know you were unpacking the evidence," Wood said to prosecuting attorneys Jim Thomas and Justin Whitcomb, who had taken the sheets out of a sealed plastic evidence bag. "I have a responsibility to the jury, to the court staff, and the other people in court."

The judge adjourned court for the day and ordered the area to be cleaned before Friday's proceedings.

Sarah Johnson, 19, is on trial in connection with the fatal shooting of her parents, Alan and Diane, in their Blaine County home in a morning of Sept. 2, 2003.

Prosecutors say Sarah shot her mother in the head while she slept, and then turned the rifle on her father, shooting him in the chest as he slumbered. Alan was hit in the way into the bedroom, and died next to the bed in which his wife had been killed.

Thursday's proceedings began with the continued questioning of Malinda Gonzales, who had spent three weeks in the same Blaine County jail cell as Sarah Johnson after being arrested in October 2003 for felony drug charges.

Her profanity-laced testimony was punctuated by yawns and snickers as she addressed defense attorney Bob Pangburn by his last name.

"You have told investigators that you hated Sarah's attorney," Pangburn said to Gonzales, as he began his cross examination, to which she refused to answer.

Gonzales chuckled and sneered at Pangburn as he questioned her about whether she had received Jefferies of compensation. Please see JONHSON, Page A2

When soldiers asked the village elders what they needed, they asked if a doctor could come out and examine the boy. The soldiers came back with a flight surgeon and some medical supplies.

The doctor discovered Asedullah had an abnormal heartbeat and took him to the evac hospital at the base where tests revealed a quarter-sized hole in his heart. Asedullah was one very sick little boy.

The doctor said it was a wonder he was doing anything at all. "I said Army Cpl. Warren Waddell, a public information officer with U.S. Central Command.

The soldiers managed to arrange for the boy to come to the United States where he underwent surgery at Loma Linda University Medical Center.

"We took a collection of the soldiers to buy plane tickets for him and his father," Rasmussen said.

The now healthy boy and his father returned home earlier this week.

### The first tour

Rasmussen, now 36, was raised in Salt Lake City, the son of Roger and Gwen Rasmussen. Please see SOLDIER, Page A2

## Qwest gets price deregulation through House committee

The Associated Press

BOISE — Legislation that would allow Idaho's largest telephone service provider to raise its rates 10 percent this year easily passed the House State Affairs Committee on Thursday.

The bill, sponsored by Qwest Communications International Inc. and supported by several business lobby groups, would eventually free Qwest or any other landline service provider in Idaho from price restrictions currently enforced by the Public



Utilities Commission.

Until then, telephone service could be increased \$1.75 per year from Qwest's current basic service rate of \$17.50. If the company elected to hike the maximum hike allowed, rates

could increase 40 percent above the current price for the next four years. After that, there would be no limit.

Company officials contend that they need price deregulation so Qwest can compete with wireless and Internet-based communication services that are flooding the market with low-priced alternatives to traditional residential services.

The bill passed the committee on a voice vote, with two Republicans and one Democrat in opposition. Some lawmakers who

voiced for the bill argued against similar legislation last year, such as Rep. Steve Smylie, R-Boise.

"I opposed the first two or three attempts because I simply was not convinced it was time for that to happen. I felt there was still the necessity for oversight from the PUC," Smylie said. "I felt competition was not at the point that they needed to be free."

But Smylie said Qwest officials have compromised with other stakeholders so that this year. Please see QWEST, Page A2

## ID theft victims face lifetime of vigilance

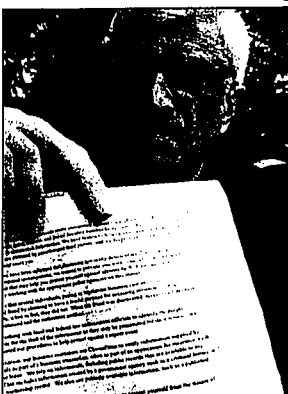
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Warren Lambert thought it was just another piece of junk mail until he read the letter more closely and learned that con artists may have obtained his Social Security number, name and address — just what they need to steal his identity and ruin his credit.

Lambert is one of nearly 145,000 Americans rendered vulnerable by a breach of the computer databases of ChoicePoint Inc., a leading trafficker in a growing pool of information about who we are, what we own, what we owe and even where we go.

The Georgia-based company began mailing the warning letters after acknowledging this month that thieves opened more than 50 ChoicePoint accounts by posing as legitimate businesses.

Lambert, a retired banker in Please see THEFT, Page A2



Warren Lambert, of San Francisco, displays a letter notifying him that his identity may have been stolen.

## Pope undergoes successful surgery to help him breathe

The Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope John Paul II underwent a successful operation Thursday to insert a tube in his throat to relieve his breathing problems, hours after he was rushed back to the hospital for the second time in a month with symptoms of fever and congestion, the Vatican said.

The pontiff was conscious in his hospital room after the tracheotomy, breathing with the help of a respirator, the Italian news agency ANSA reported.

A top aide to Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, who visited the pope, said John Paul was "serene" after waking up from the anesthesia. The pope raised his hand and attempted to speak with doctors but was told not to try, Cabinet Undersecretary Gianni Letta told reporters at Gemelli Polyclinic

Hospital in Rome. Vatican spokesman Inaquin Navarro-Valls said the tracheotomy lasted 30 minutes and that the outcome was "positive."

The pope had approved the procedure, which the Vatican characterized as elective — understanding that it was not done as an emergency measure.

But the tracheotomy may require a longer hospital stay and have consequences for the pope's abilities to carry out his duties since he will not be able to speak, at least initially, while the breathing tube is in his throat.

Before the tracheotomy, outside medical experts had said John Paul may have pneumonia. However, Navarro-Valls' statement made no reference to pneumonia, saying the pope had received a narrowing of his larynx.



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# Bush, Putin disagree on Russia

Sharp differences lead to open, prickly exchange



As they wrap up a day of meetings, President Bush, right, and Russia's President Vladimir Putin depart a joint news conference Thursday in Bratislava, Slovakia.

BRATISLAVA, Slovakia (AP) — President Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin agreed Thursday on new efforts to keep nuclear arms out of dangerous hands, but their sharp differences over Russian backsliding on democracy spilled into an open and sometimes-prickly exchange.

Seeking common ground with a former Cold War rival that is now a key anti-terror partner, Bush said the two leaders stressed agreements over differences.

But U.S. concerns about a series of actions by Putin that are seen as solidifying central power and quashing dissent dominated the leaders' side-by-side appearance.

Bush said he talked with Putin at length of his "concern about Russia's commitment in fulfilling these universal principles" common to all democracies — such as the rule of law, protection of minorities and viable political debate.

"I can tell you he said, 'Yes meant yes,' when we talked about values that we share," Bush said.

Bush said, "Russia has made its choice in favor of democracy." "This is our final choice and we have no way back. There can be no return to what we used to have," Putin said. He added, "We are not going to make up to invent any kind of special Russian democracy."

Despite those assurances, Putin compared his move to end direct popular election of regional governors to the American Electoral College.

process of electing presidents. "It's not considered undemocratic, is it?" Putin said.

And he suggested that Russians who oppose his actions, such as a campaign against the Yukos oil company and shut down of independent media outlets, can sway public opinion because they "are richer than those who are in favor." "We often do not pay the attention to that," he said.

Bush was challenged as well, fielding questions from Russian journalists doubting American democracy.

"I'm perfectly comfortable in telling you, our country is one that safeguards human rights and human dignity, and we resolve our disputes in a peaceful way," Bush said sharply.

Russian officials dislike what they see as U.S. meddling in their internal affairs and in former Soviet republics where Moscow's influence is waning as its new leaders look westward.

But just as Bush wants to protect a vital partnership on security issues, Putin walks a careful line because of his desire

# Russia will put three nuclear reactors on-line in next five years

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia plans to launch three new commercial nuclear reactors over the next five years and upgrade existing ones to higher standards, including stronger protection from possible terrorist attacks, top nuclear officials said Thursday.

U.S. officials have warned repeatedly about the dangers of poor security at Russia's nuclear plants and other facilities — and the possibility of international terrorists either getting their hands on weapons material or staging an attack at a poorly guarded facility.

In December, Russia started up its 31st nuclear reactor, at the Kalinin nuclear power plant in western Russia.

By 2010, the nation will have 34 reactors, said Oleg Sarayev, the head of the state-controlled Rosenergoatom consortium in charge of Russia's nuclear power plants.

"We aren't going to take any of the currently operating reactors off duty during that period, and work has already started to modernize the reactors approaching the end of their designated lifetime," Sarayev said at a news conference.

During recent years, Russia has overcome a public backlash against nuclear power that followed the Chernobyl nuclear disaster and supported an ambitious program to develop its nuclear industry.

not harm Russia's chances of membership in the World Trade Organization.

Turning to global concerns, Bush and Putin said they were in unison on the importance of stopping suspected nuclear weapons programs in North Korea and Iran.

"We agreed that Iran should not have a nuclear weapon," Vladimir said.

"We agreed that North Korea should not have a nuclear weapon," said Putin. "We share a common opinion in this regard and we are taking a similar approach: We should put an end to the proliferation of missile and missile technology. The proliferation of such weapons is not in the interest specific of countries or in the international community in general."

As the leaders met for two hours at a medieval castle overlooking the snow-covered Danube River, aides linked agreements designed to counter the spread of both conventional and nuclear weapons.

# Death rate decreases for youngest drivers

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Total car crashes among the nation's youngest, most accident-prone drivers decreased sharply in the decade after most states enacted laws limiting their access to a driver's license, a new study shows.

Auto deaths involving 16-year-old drivers fell 26 percent between 1993 and 2003, a period when 16 states and the District of Columbia enacted graduated licensing laws that allow fewer 16-year-olds to drive, according to the study released Thursday by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

Among 16-year-olds who have full driving privileges, the rate of fatal crashes hasn't fallen, and it remains higher than that of any age group. Researchers said the difference between the two groups points to the effect of the new laws, which keep most 16-year-olds from receiving unrestricted licenses and which are intended to curb risky practices such as carrying teenage passengers and driving at night.

The study shows that "withholding a license is going to improve the crash picture among 16-year-olds," said Susan Ferguson, senior vice president for research at the institute and an author of the study. "That's a success story, because the fewer of them who drive, the fewer of them who die."

The higher crash and fatality rates for teenagers in their first year behind the wheel have prompted highway safety advocates to fight for laws that prevent them from driving unsupervised, at least until they turn 17. Sixteen-year-olds are four times more likely than adult drivers to become involved in a crash and three times as likely to die in one, national statistics show.

Motorists are at the greatest risk during their first year of driving — with high speed, driver error and multiple passengers contributing to crashes, previous research cited by the Insurance Institute shows.

Although the rules vary by state, graduated licensing programs extend the learner's period, the time that teenagers must drive with an adult in the car. Further, they limit driving under conditions linked to crashes.

The first graduated licensing program was introduced in Florida in 1996. By 2003, 47 jurisdictions had such programs.

# Report: Hundreds of troops leave because of gay policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hundreds of highly skilled troops, including many translators, have left the armed forces because of the Pentagon's rules on gays, at a cost of nearly \$200 million, the first congressional study on the impact of the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy says.

The estimated cost was for recruiting and training replacements from 1994 through 2003 for the 9,488 troops discharged from the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marine Corps because of the policy, the General Accounting Office estimated.

The study released Thursday said the government does not collect financial information specific to each individual's case. The investigative arm of Congress estimated the costs based on how much the Pentagon and each service branch spends to recruit and train the general military population.

Other costs, such as for discharging officers, are not included.

Congress approved the policy in 1993. It allows gays and lesbians to serve as long as they abstain from homosexual activity and do not disclose their sexual orientation.

Of those who left, 757 held jobs for which the Pentagon offers recruitment bonuses because of their specialized nature, such as translators.

Many who were discharged had intelligence-related jobs.

Also, 322 speak foreign languages, including Arabic, Farsi, Korean, and Mandarin, which the Pentagon has called

critical skills amid threats from terrorists.

The report said most gays left within the first 2.5 years of enlistment.

"What the research has found and what the GAO confirmed is that 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' harms military readiness," said Aaron Belkin, director of the Center for the Study of Sexual Minorities in the Military at the University of California-Santa Barbara.

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WORLD

# Attacks kill 30 in Iraq

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A suicide bomber wearing a police uniform blew up his car at police headquarters in Tikrit, killing at least 15 people in Saddam Hussein's hometown in the bloodiest of several attacks Thursday that claimed 30 lives.

Iraqi TV airs tape of purported insurgent. See page B6



Two Iraqi policemen grieve after a man in a police uniform drove a car bomb inside police headquarters in Tikrit, Iraq. The explosion killed at least 15 police and wounded 22 others Thursday.

Two American soldiers were among the dead. The suicide bombings and other attacks came as politicians negotiated behind the scenes to forge the alliances needed to win enough backing in the 275-seat National Assembly for the post of prime minister.

The U.S. command said two American soldiers were killed and two wounded in separate bomb attacks, one northeast of Baghdad in Qaryat, and a second near Samarra, west of Qaraqush.

In the Sinni Arab stronghold of Tikrit, 80 miles north of Baghdad, a man dressed as a police lieutenant drove through the snarled gates and blew himself up just as dozens of policemen were arriving to relieve colleagues who had worked through the night, police Col. Saad Daham said.

"He waited until the shift change, then he exploded the car," Daham said, adding the aim was "to kill as many as possible." At least 22 people

harmed. In Baghdad, gunmen fired on a bakery, killing two people and wounding a third, police said. Several blasts echoed through the capital at midday and several more after nightfall. Their cause was not known.

Two roadside bombs in Qaim, near the Syrian border, killed four Iraqi National Guardsmen, Iraqi Lt. Col. Abid Ajab Al-Salmi said.

Elsewhere, insurgents ambushed a police patrol in the northern city of Kirkuk with a roadside bomb, killing two policemen and injuring three.

U.S. Marines and Iraqi troops, meanwhile, pressed a joint operation to root out insurgents in parts of the so-called Sunni triangle.

The military said it detained 17 suspected insurgents and seized several weapons caches.

Politicians of all stripes sought out representatives of Iraq's Sunni minority, whose support they need to isolate the insurgency.

Many insurgents are thought to be loyalists of Saddam's outlawed Sunni-dominated Baath Party.

## Officials: Arrests thwart attacks

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Police said Thursday they thwarted planned attacks on an airport, malls, a church and U.S. troops with the arrests of three members of an al-Qaida-linked terror group who allegedly came to the Philippines to train Muslim militants to make bombs.

The two Indonesians and a Malaysian — all alleged Jemaah Islamiyah members — were arrested in southern Zamboanga city in December along with a Filipino member of the Abu Sayyaf Muslim extremist group, with bomb-making manuals, bomb parts and money for attacks, officials said.

"We were able to foil an at-

tempt to bring into the country terrorists with firearms, with training materials, with explosives, before they can do their thing," Interior Secretary Angelo Reyes told reporters as 14 men were presented to media. One of them shouted "Allahu akbar" — or "God is great."

The men allegedly belonged to a previously unknown Jemaah Islamiyah terror cell in the country, the authorities said. The arrests were not immediately announced to allow authorities time to identify six of their local comrades, one of whom has been arrested, said Chief Supt. Ismael Itafanan, head of the police intelligence Group.

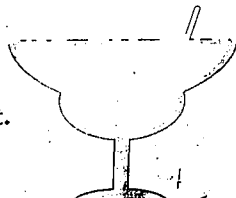
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Kansas AG seeks full abortion records

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — In an investigation conducted secretly for months, the Kansas attorney general is demanding that clinics turn over the complete medical records of nearly 90 women and girls who had abortions.

Kansas children," Kline, an abortion opponent, said at a news conference. Kline is seeking the records of girls who had abortions and women who received late-term abortions.

attorneys for two medical clinics. The clinics argued that unless the high court intervenes, women who obtained abortions could find government agents knocking at their door.

control practices and psychological profile. The clinics, which said nearly 90 women and girls would be affected, are offering to provide records with some key information, including names, edited out.

Prosecutor enters car naked

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — A prosecutor who may have had a little too much to drink thought it would be funny to run naked across a parking lot and hop into a friend's car.

County State Attorney's Office, apparently got in the back seat of a car occupied by a woman waiting for her boyfriend.

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Jackson jury selection wraps up

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — Jury selection in Michael Jackson's child molestation trial wrapped up Thursday after eight alternate jurors were chosen.

Nation in brief

Jackson's music star parents. The jury is mostly white and Hispanic; the alternate panel included one black man.

Police: Man kills two children, slits own throat

COLUMBUS, Ga. — A father fatally stabbed his two young children and seriously wounded three others with a hunting knife before committing suicide by slitting his throat, police said.

Court backs former Gov. Janklow's convictions

PIERRE, S.D. — The state's highest court on Thursday upheld Bill Janklow's conviction for a 2003 crash that killed a motorcyclist, rejecting the former congressman's argument that there wasn't enough evidence for a guilty verdict.

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## EDITORIAL

### Counties can't site new power plants on their own

If a power company decided to set up shop in your county, you'd probably want some help on your side.

Thus, it's practical that state leaders assume some role in determining the right site for large power plants.

For almost two years now, Sempra Energy of San Diego has been eyeing a potential 750-megawatt powerplant in Elmore or Jerome counties.

But currently, Idaho state government has no siting authority to determine the best sites for those industries. That authority rests primarily with county governments.

Most of the southern Idaho counties will claim that smells can be trouble.

Idaho counties have traditionally wrestled with how to site large dairies which have significant odor and emission issues that often go beyond county borders.

If you thought the dairy problem was bad, the possible emissions from a coal-fired plant could be even worse. There are a number of communities downwind from Jerome and Elmore counties, so the local effect is much more regional in its scope.

Former Twin Falls County Sen. Laird Noh last year broached state siting laws last year in light of Sempra's interest. But Noh retired from politics. Now Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Idaho, is taking a lead.

Stennett is a fitting player for the issue since it relates to Gooding County voters in his district. But other Magic Valley legislators need to get on

board as well. Stennett suggests forming a state committee to evaluate siting proposals from large power producers, whether they be a coal-fired plant, a windfarm, or another energy plant.

Committee members could come from agencies that include Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, the Department of Health and Welfare, Idaho Commerce and Labor, the Public Utilities Commission, the Department of Water Resources and the Department of Agriculture. County commissioners, both from the proposed site and neighboring counties, would still be involved.

**Our view: State agencies should play a role with local government in siting new power plants.**

**What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.**

Count Twin Falls County Commissioner Bill Breckman among those local officials who aren't comfortable making such a huge decision of power plant siting. Who can blame him? County governments have neither the money nor the scientific studies to decide which location is the best for multiple counties.

Giving the state more regulatory power doesn't mean power plants aren't welcome in Idaho. But finding the right location is critical for air emissions, water rights, proximity to neighbors, fish and wildlife impact, and a host of other factors.

Each proposal for a power plant will have its own merits and flaws for local residents. By including state agencies in those siting decisions, those neighbors might be much safer in the long run.

## The truth about Bush's 'friend'

Revelations this past weekend that author Doug Wead secretly taped conversations with his close friend, President George W. Bush, for use in a book reveals less about the president than it does about Wead and our culture.



KATHLEEN PARKER

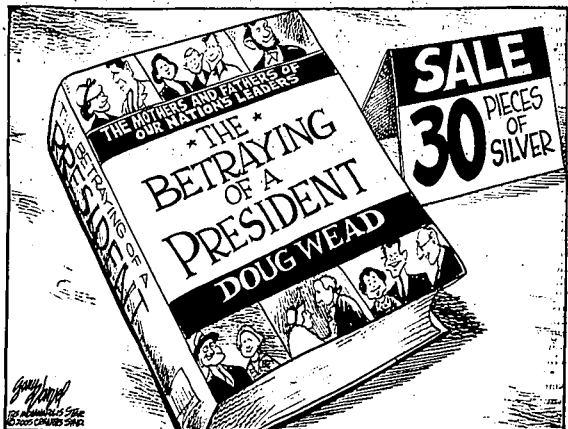
Between street cameras, hidden spy cams, cell-phone hackings and involuntary "outing" of a new crop of "friends" who secretly tape record friends — privacy is long dead. And with it, perhaps, is the trust implicit and candor denoting personal friendship.

It's no longer just lonely at the top. The democratization of technology has made life lonely everywhere. If you're a public person, lunch with a friend is a potential land mine; lunch with a new acquaintance may not be worth the risk without a frisk.

Despite the portentous nature of Wead's tapes, reported in Sunday's New York Times, the revelations about the president's possible prior drug use were less than stunning. Bush didn't specifically say in the tapes that he once used drugs, but one could infer as much from his evasions about why he never answered reporters' questions about drugs.

The gist was that he felt it was time to "just say no" and decline to answer potentially damaging personal questions. Whereupon millions of baby boomer parents nodded in bobbleheaded unison.

As a parent, I applauded Bush's resolve at the time. I understand the temptation to confessing to the drug use rampant on college campuses in the late '60s and the '70s risked giving children permission to behave likewise. Children inevitably would infer: "If you can smoke dope and grow up to be presi-



deedman of the cathedral teacher, then it must be OK to smoke dope.

Parents would find this logic appealing as they try to raise healthy children. At my own house, I responded to such questions similarly: "When we're both adults, we'll swap war stories. In the meantime, I'm the boss, what I say goes, case closed."

For the record, the little darlings found this answer both a satisfactory and comforting. "Children like it when parents act like grown-ups and establish clear boundaries. It gives them confidence that someone is in charge and that the person responsible for keeping them safe isn't likely to be whacked out on the couch when they come home from school."

On the no-smoke tapes, Bush articulates this idea in language that redeems more than indicts. "Do you want your little kid to say, 'They dadly, President Bush tried marijuana. I think I will.'" Bush said, according to a transcript excerpt posted on

ABC's "Good Morning America" Web site. "That's the message we've been sending out. I wouldn't answer the marijuana question."

On the cocaine question, he said: "Rather than saying no ... I think it's time for someone to draw the line and look people in the eye and say, you know, 'I'm not going to participate in ugly rumors about me and blame my opponents,' and hold the line. Stand up for a system that will not allow this kind of crap to go on."

And yes, I would have been just as happy had Bill Clinton answered the same way. His "ditch inhaled" dodge undermined his credibility far more than a straight "yes" or "no" would have. Besides, veterans of those smoke-filled times recall that *breathng* was thrilling. Bush's straight comments, meanwhile, were made to a trusted friend — an Assembly of God minister who was an aide to Bush's father as well as the junior Bush's liaison to the Christian right. Wead has been unapologetic

about the tapes, recorded from 1998 to 2000, except to say he ment the president no harm. He made the tapes, he said, because he felt that Bush was a historic person. He wanted to get the words exactly right.

Translation: Wead felt that he might need proof of what the future president said so that he could sell books. In a "didn't inhale" defense, Wead pointed out that he recorded the conversations in states where it is legal to do so without notifying the person being taped.

Wead may have behaved legally, but not ethically. What he did was dishonest, period. When Bush drew a line by refusing to answer questions, he did so at least in part to protect his own and the nation's children. Americans concerned about the future of privacy might draw a similar line by censoring Wead.

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## LETTER

### Maybe Congress should pay Social Security

Sometimes a piece of information arrives on my computer via the Internet that so shocking it jolts me into wondering how I can be so ill-informed — and how many other people know as little as I do about what's going on. This particular example of my ignorance concerns the fact (not, so far as I know, discussed or even mentioned by the media) that our congressmen and senators do not pay into Social Security and, therefore, do not collect any benefits when they retire.

time to draw the same salary (adjusted for cost-of-living increases) will they die? Thus it comes that assuming an average life span! Sen. Byrd and Congressman White, for example, may each expect to draw \$7,400,000 during the last years of their lives. Younger members who retire early will, of course, do even better. Senators and congressmen are not required to pay a penny into this plan. We the taxpayers fund it for them. Did you know that I certainly didn't. Can anyone explain this example of equality and democracy in action to me? I can't help thinking that if our senators and congressmen were required to pay into, and rely upon, Social Security-like the rest of us, it would give them the best possible incentive to do it. Instead of dismantling it.

DIANA FASSINGO Ketchum

## Censors do a job parents failed to do

JANE EISNER

Once upon a time, television was a clean, safe, predictable one-way experience. Ed Sullivan appeared on Sunday nights; he couldn't be taped or TV'd, so you just watched and shared the sugar-coated moment. It was clean and wholesome. In separate beds, women never got pregnant, and black people rarely had professional jobs. Parental controls for sex, violence or dirty language weren't necessary.

An 8-year-old could watch anything. Now television is a wide-open medium no longer subject to the constraints of time or taste, where any program is available anytime. "Leave It to Beaver" has been replaced by raunchy beer commercials, bared breasts and bisexuals. No wonder some parents view television as an unwanted predator, beaming a coarsened popular culture right into the living room. And no wonder the U.S. House of Representatives last week overwhelmingly approved a 10-fold increase in the fines levied on broadcasters who cross the line on sex and language. The Senate will surely follow suit. Who says days can be in favor of snout on the public airwaves? It's hard to whip up any First Amendment fury over the "right" to cuss in front of kids. These steep penalties — half a million dollars for indecency, plus a three strikes and you're out provision that could lead to revoking licenses — would get the attention of the broad-

cast industry, and they should. This is obviously not a group capable of policing itself. But the sweeping public denunciations as much blame for the sorry state of American television as the shock jocks and sex artists. After the 2004 Super Bowl "wardrobe malfunction," 500,000 people wrote angry letters to government officials about the rise of lewd sexuality and vulgarity on television.

Then viewers made "Desperate Housewives" the most watched-about new show on TV. "What we say we want and what we actually consume as a nation are two different things," says Robert J. Thompson, founder of the Center for the Study of Popular Television at Syracuse University.

Parents moan about the gratuitous sex and violence on shows aired on what was once the sacrosanct "family hour," but how many allow their kids to watch that stuff? Nearly two-thirds of children in this country have a television in their bedroom, and I doubt it gets there because they saved their allowance. I'm not happy about the grand and vague new powers about to be assumed by the unelected members of the Federal Communications Commission to decide on the 2005 definition of "dececy." If there's censorship, it should start and end at home. Parents and all consumers ought to have the ability to filter what

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prompted a surprising debate around our dinner table about bisexuality.

Television ought to be something that is mastered, not enjoyed, not feared. Legislation pending in Congress to require cable companies to offer programming a la carte — so that you pay only for what you want — would further empower viewers and ought to be seriously debated, despite the industry's objections.

"When all is said and done," writes Peter Gattman, a Washington lawyer specializing in broadcast regulation, "the real issue has nothing to do with freedom, the First Amendment or the FCC. Rather, it's all about responsibility and conscience." The conscience of those who create television content, and the responsibility of those who consume it.

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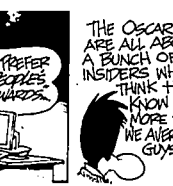
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### AROUND THE VALLEY

#### Man walks away from work center

**TWIN FALLS** — Police were looking Thursday afternoon for a man they say walked away from a work center.

Danny Jean Winkler, 52, violated probation by leaving the work release program on Feb. 24, according to the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department.

Winkler was serving a 150-day sentence in the Twin Falls County Jail for a felony charge of driving under the influence.

He has brown hair and hazel eyes. He stands 5-feet-10 and weighs 180 pounds.

Anyone with information on Winkler's whereabouts is asked to call the Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department at 735-1911 or County Shoppers at 732-3347. Callers may remain anonymous.

#### Pedestrian vs. vehicle accident injures one

**TWIN FALLS** — An attempt to cross busy Blue Lakes Boulevard West Wednesday afternoon left one pedestrian injured.

Andres Perez, 40, of Middleton, was struck near Falls Avenue by a southbound vehicle driven by Joyce Green, 37, of Twin Falls, said Staff Sgt. John Wilson of the Twin Falls Police Department.

"It looks like he was not crossing in the crosswalk," Wilson said.

Green was not cited, he added. Perez was transported to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, according to police.

A hospital spokeswoman said Thursday night that no patient by Perez's name was in the hospital's care.

#### Diversity advocate speaks in Shoshone

**SHOSHONE** — "Diversity Works," a presentation by Sam Byrd, will be held from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at the Shoshone School cafeteria that will move to the gymnasium if crowd warrants.

The event will begin with snacks and a social gathering. This presentation is for Shoshone School District staff and members of the general community.

Byrd is well known in the state of Idaho for his advocacy of the Idaho Latino community.

#### Justice advisory group meets today

**SHOSHONE** — A Lincoln County Community Justice Advisory Group meeting will be held at noon today at the Manhattan Cafe.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the possibility of a part-time or full-time community justice coordinator.

#### CSI students host reading workshop

**TWIN FALLS** — Bilingual Education Student Organization students from the College of Southern Idaho will hold a free reading workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday in the meeting room at the Milagro Camp in South Park.

CSI students will assist children in kindergarten through sixth grade by reading to them, reading with them and encouraging them and their families to read.

The students will donate some books to the Milagro library.

#### Snowpack

Watershed	As of Feb. 24	As of Feb. 24
Salmion	59%	45%
Big Wood	67%	52%
Little Wood	75%	58%
Big Lost	72%	53%
Little Lost	72%	52%
Henry Fork/Teton	78%	61%
Upper Snake Basin	78%	68%
Oakley	76%	61%
Salkim Falls	70%	62%

\*A comparison of basin snowpacks, based on a 30-year average.  
\*\*An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in April.

# Group: Water call threatens cows

## Association says water chief might violate law against cruelty to animals

By Rose Marie Parsons  
For The Times-News

**BURLEY** — The lives of some 125,000 Idaho dairy cows would be threatened by the curtailment of groundwater pumping, the Idaho Dairy-Resources Association is saying.

The group recently filed an objection to the water call made by seven Magic Valley canal companies that form a coalition of surface water users.

Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher responded Feb. 14 to the water

call from surface users and a subsequent objection filed by groundwater pumpers by declaring a contested case.

Now it's the dairymen's turn to weigh in on the issue.

"The Director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources, by virtue of the consequences of enforcement of any curtailment order impacting dairy operations, will be causing the termination of water delivery to approximately 125,000 dairy animals," the association's petition said.

Termination of water use on

dairies would make Dreher "an accomplice, accessory or the de-facto violator" of Idaho's law against cruelty to animals, the petition said.

But the dairymen aren't the only ones responding to Dreher's order.

Idaho Power Co. recently filed a request to intervene in the contested case that stems from the surface user's water call.

Resolution of the water call and objections filed by groundwater pumpers may "impair or impede the lawful exercise of Idaho Power's water rights that depend on flows of the Snake River," the company's petition said.

Idaho Power's petition asked

permission for the company to intervene in support of the surface users coalition and to protect its own water rights.

"Idaho Power is seeking intervention to ensure that the long-term solutions to this matter do not cause injury to Idaho Power's senior water rights," the petition said, adding those water rights are separate and distinct from those of the surface users.

But groundwater pumpers disagree with the company's stance and have now filed an additional petition objecting to Idaho Power's request to intervene.

Department of Water Resources rules do not allow

intervention when a party's interests are already represented or when its intervention will "unduly broaden the issues," according to the groundwater petition.

Power's petition argues Idaho standards that would be stricter than those now required by the Department of Environmental Quality.

Sempira, a San Diego-based energy company, has expressed interest in locating a 750-megawatt plant in either Jerome County or Elmore County.

Bill Alford, air quality manager for Twin Falls DEQ office, told Jerome County commissioners on Wednesday that his office's primary responsibility concerning the proposal is issuing the air quality permit. A permit would allow the DEQ to regulate the amount of pollutants the plant emits.

Companies have sensors in their smoke stacks that measure pollutants. Alford said the DEQ monitors those sensors to assure that the amounts released are in compliance with the permits. When pollutants exceed permitted amounts, the DEQ works with companies to get them back into compliance.

What the DEQ doesn't do is play a role in determining where the plant will be located, Alford said.

Jerome County Planning and Zoning Administrator Art Brown noted at Wednesday's meeting that the county's comprehensive plan calls for "clean air." Bus Brown said his office

### LUXURY CART



Gene Federico, of Twin Falls, cruises around the Jerome County Club golf course in his Cadillac golf cart earlier this week. ADLEY SMITH/The Times-News

## Court documents: Attorney requested sex favors

For The Times-News

**RUPERT** — The procurement charges against a Rupert attorney stem from incidents in which he allegedly asked for or compelled female clients to engage in sexual acts, according to a court affidavit.

Raymundo G. Pena, 47, was booked at the Mini-Cassia Criminal Justice Center and released on his own recognizance Wednesday. Attempts to reach him for comment have been unsuccessful.

According to the court affidavit, in August 2003, Pena allegedly asked a female, who, with her husband, had retained Pena's services as an attorney, to trade sexual favors with him and in exchange for a reduction of his fees by \$5,000. The document states Pena suggested the



Raymundo Pena

woman engage in a sexual encounter with him and his girlfriend.

This victim tape-recorded a conversation she had with Pena on another occasion, during which he again suggested they have a sexual encounter, according to the affidavit.

The second charge is in connection with another female client who told officers Pena had compelled her to engage in sexual activity.

She told an Idaho State Police investigator Pena had asked her to try to recover a tape he believed had been made by the

first victim, the affidavit indicated.

The second victim said she was strip-searched and groped repeatedly by Pena over a five-month period from March to August 2004, according to court documents. She told officers Pena had exposed himself to her and requested sex until she told him she had hepatitis.

The second victim contacted law enforcement officials about the advances and it was her report that prompted the investigation.

In September 2004, the second victim was fitted with a listening device before she met with Pena. She discussed their encounters while an investigator listened to the conversation, according to the affidavit.

During the conversation, Pena allegedly offered to reduce

the victim's \$4,500 attorney bill because of the times he had groped her, the affidavit said. He also reportedly told the victim he would have to "file" some receipts so his secretary wouldn't ask questions.

Court records indicate a second meeting between the two in December 2004, during which Pena agreed to take \$250 off the victim's bill.

After obtaining this evidence, investigators sought charges, which resulted in the seating of the grand jury Feb. 1 by 5th District Judge John Melanson. The indictment was handed down Tuesday and a search warrant was issued for Pena's office.

Pena was arrested without incident in front of his office when he arrived for work Wednesday morning, according to an investigator.

## Craig talks water, free trade

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — One topic has been missing from the water debate, U.S. Sen. Larry Craig told *The Times-News* editorial board Thursday.

"We need to discuss additional off-stream storage," the Idaho Republican said. "We have storage capacity. Idaho seriously needs to begin to engage in that again instead of just asking the Bureau of Reclamation to do it for (us)."

Off-stream storage involves pumping water from a source into a man-made site.

Early Idahoans thought the state had a phenomenal abundance of water, Craig said.

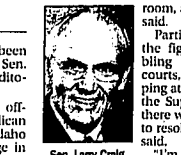
But in relation to the state's needs, growth, over-allocation and a near-decade of drought, resources are drying up, he said.

"We are a highly consumptive state," he said. "We're into almost a decade of declining moisture. That's a reality check. Frankly, I think it's just the beginning — re-orientation of resources or looking at how we use it. There are a lot of tough challenges out there."

Among those challenges is the Snake River Basin Adjudication water rights agreement with the Nez Percé Tribe.

Craig was influential in getting the agreement through the U.S. Senate, and it's now before the Idaho Legislature.

If such fights can stay out of the court-



Sen. Larry Craig

room, all the better, he said.

Parties didn't want the fight to go tumbling through the courts, perhaps stopping at the doorstep of the Supreme Court, but there was another way to resolve the issue, he said.

"I'm always of the belief that water fights should be fought out here and not at the federal level," he said. "You've got a whole panoply of unknowns — where it would land and what the final outcome would be."

On the issue of the Central American Free Trade Agreement, Craig revealed he would throw his support behind the proposal.

"CAFTA is typical of any effort to negotiate agreements in countries that can't produce sugar," he said. "They want a piece of our market."

Even if such an agreement would take only small bites at a time out of the U.S. sugar industry, the cumulative effect

## Simpson: Trade poses challenge

By Rebecca Meany  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Voters want politicians to control the budget and stop spending money, U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson said during a meeting with *The Times-News* editorial board Thursday.

"Everybody's saying you've got to control the \$422 billion deficit," he said.

As the Idaho Republican sees it, two ways exist to reduce the deficit: get mandatory spending under control and get the economy going.

Mandatory spending is money that must be allocated to programs such as Social Security, some veterans' programs and some farm programs, he said.

"There's pressure to put more in mandatory spending, but then there's less discretionary spending you have and the less you can control the budget," he said.

When a project or program is deemed necessary, Simpson said it's his job to try to channel it, and the accompanying funds, into his home state.

"If it's going to be spent in Idaho, Iowa or Utah, I'm going to fight for it to be spent in Idaho," he said. "Decide what you're going to do in total and then decide what can be done in Idaho. We shouldn't grow bananas here. We can't afford it."

Simpson said Idahoans, and Americans in general, will have to adjust to changing economies — including jobs going abroad.

"We'll become less agriculture-orient-



Rep. Mike Simpson

ed," he said. "That's been true for 200 years. The reality is, it's going to happen, but you have to do it in a way that has a smooth transition," he said.

Simpson said he supports free trade agreements, but he admits they come with jobs jobs have to be retrained," he said. "It takes time for them to adjust."

"In the past when you went from agriculture to an industrial revolution and into the service and technology revolutions, it took a long time. People had time to move off their farms. It didn't happen overnight. Today, with the rapidity of change, it happens overnight. It puts real pressure on our institutions. Free trade accelerates that."

Besides free trade agreements, our handling of natural resources will determine how much agriculture will remain in Idaho, Simpson said.

"We put into production places that never should have been in production, using water we don't have," he said. "I think you're going to see more buyout of farmland. The water wars here are going to control how much land stays in agriculture."

The eventual outcome of these growing pains will be a positive for the nation's economy, Simpson said.

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**Cheryl Ann Gay**



**KIMBERLY** — Cheryl Ann Gay, 48, of Kimberly, Idaho, passed away and is home Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005. She was born March 22, 1956, in Jerome, Idaho, the daughter of Leroy and Lovelle Grigsby. She attended schools in Twin Falls and was especially proud of being a star athlete in track at TFHS. Cheryl married the love of her life, David Gay, on March 12, 1976, and they made their home in Kimberly. Cheryl enjoyed camping, hunting and fishing. Her greatest loves were golf, watching sports and being with her family. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and was looking forward to the birth of her third grandchild

in April. Cheryl is survived by her loving husband of 29 years, David of Kimberly; two children, Curtis (Korrlage) and grandchildren Alexis and Isaac (Gay); and Missy (Shaun) Deagle all of Twin Falls, Idaho. Also surviving is her mother, Lovelle Grigsby of Twin Falls; her siblings, Louise Taylor of Emmett, Dan (Susie) Grigsby of Nerington, Nev., John Grigsby of Boise, Joan (Dave) Howard of Twin Falls and Denise (Mark) Alexander of Piler; and several nieces and nephews. Cheryl was preceded in death by her father, Leroy Grigsby. A funeral for Cheryl will be conducted at 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25, 2005, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, with interment to follow at Twin Falls Cemetery, Twin Falls, Idaho.

**Amanda Rex LaGrone**



**TWIN FALLS** — Amanda Rex LaGrone passed away Sunday, Feb. 19, 2005, at Twin Falls. Amanda was born on May 4, 1900, in Fort Washington, Pa., the daughter of William and Annie Bradford. She completed high school at age 16 and graduated from Goucher College in Baltimore, Md., with a degree in science. Amanda married Ralph LaGrone in 1929 and they had one son, James Rex LaGrone who died in 1991. She taught many years in the school of nursing at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Mich., and during World War II, she taught anatomy at Wayne State University in Detroit. In 1988, after retirement, she moved to Idaho to be near her work and her family. She was a lifelong member of the Presbyterian Church and taught Sunday School for many years.

Williams of Northridge, Calif.; her grandson, Rex (Kathy) LaGrone; her father and her great-grandsons, Eric and Matthew Williams. She is also survived by her sister, Henrietta Metzgar and family of Winner Haven, Fla., and many other nieces and nephews. A celebration of Amanda's life will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, at the Castleford Baptist Church with Pastor John Grayson officiating. Because of her life-long interest in medical research she specified that her body be donated to the University of Utah Medical School. The family suggests memorials be given to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Home Health & Hospice or a charity of your choice. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho.

**Ira Bodily Kent**



**ACEQUIA** — Ira Bodily Kent, an 87-year-old resident of Acequia, passed away Feb. 24, 2005. Ira was a brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and great-great-grandfather. He was born June 14, 1917, in McCarron, Idaho, the youngest of 11 children of Thomas Jefferson and Lucy Bodily Kent. He attended both elementary and high school in Acequia. On April 9, he married Velola Lindsay. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Salt Lake Temple on March 17, 1944. They have been life-long companions. Ira was a very happy person. He loved his family and had a great love of life. He loved horses, camping and being outdoors. He especially loved to travel. He was a very dependable and hard worker. During the long span of his life he had many occupations. He worked for farmers, he drove a bus, he was a trucker, a sheep herder and worked many years in cement and construction. He was an active member of

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in many positions throughout the years. He especially enjoyed the many years he spent as ward librarian. He was involved in much service work while his health still allowed it. After his retirement, he and his wife worked in the Boise temple for over 14 years. This was a very special time for him. He is survived by his wife, Velola "Lue" Kent of Acequia; three daughters, Verdene (Edward) Fairchild of West Linn,

**Bernice M. Doolin**



**TWIN FALLS** — Bernice M. Doolin, 93, of Twin Falls, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Bernice was born on May 12, 1911, in Ft. Collins, Colo., the daughter of Kildman and Agnes Mitchell. She attended school in Nebraska and, at around age 10, she moved to Idaho, where she was graduated from Murtaugh High School. Bernice married Thomas Doolin on Nov. 8, 1930, in Jerome, Idaho. They were married 45 years, until his death in 1975. She moved from Murtaugh to Twin Falls in 1975, where she has lived for 30 years. Bernice was always a homemaker and enjoyed sewing clothes for her two grandchildren. She loved to participate in national sweepstakes contests which included poetry writing, limericks to national drawings. She enjoyed entering those contests and was chosen over 100 times in her lifetime. She loved to garden and grow things. Bernice is survived by her daughter, Lois (Richard) Kent of Twin Falls; two granddaugh-

ters, De Anne (David) Fuhrman of West Linn, Ore., and Julie Schneider (Sid Koehn) of Twin Falls; two great granddaughters, Susanne (Corey) Wente of Sherwood, Ore., and Annette Fuhrman of West Linn, Ore.; as well as one great-great grandson, Tyler Wente. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a son-in-law, Lyle Schneider, three brothers and two sisters. A celebration of Bernice's life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho. Bur-

ial will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call one hour prior to the service on Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

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And when you hear a song  
If I should ever leave you  
Whom I love  
To go along the Silent Way,  
grieve not,  
Nor speak of me with tears.  
But laugh and talk of me as if  
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(I'd come—I'd come, could I  
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DEATH NOTICES

**Ione Thompson**

**BURLEY** — Ione Thompson, an 85-year-old resident of Burley, died Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at the Burley 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 515 E. 16th St., with Bishop Sheldon Sorensen officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Tuesday at the church. An obituary will appear in a later edition.

**Austin T. Bird**

**DECLO** — Austin Tyrell Bird, a 15-year-old resident of Declo, died Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2005, at Primary Children's Medical Center in Salt Lake City, Utah. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at the Declo Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Tim Darrington officiating. Burial will be in Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Tuesday at the Declo Stake Center, 213 W. Main St., Burley. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

A complete obituary will appear in a later edition.

**Warren Samuel Myers**

**JEROME** — Warren Samuel Myers, 72, of Jerome, died after a brief illness Feb. 22, 2005. A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 28, 2005, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel with Pastor Gene Kissinger and Pastor Bill Donaldson officiating. No viewings planned. Services are under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

**Marshall H. May**

**BURLEY** — Marshall H. May, a 93-year-old resident of Burley, formerly of Jerome, died Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005, at Rosetta Assisted Living. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 1, 2005, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, where friends and family may call one hour before the funeral. Burial will be in Jerome Cemetery. An obituary will appear in a later edition.

**Paul E. Patterson**

**BURLEY** — Paul Edmund Patterson, a 66-year-old resident of Burley, died at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005, in his home after a long battle with cancer. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, at

**Enna Jo Barclay**

**BOISE** — Enna Jo Barclay, a 72-year-old Boise resident and former Paul resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2005, at her home in Boise. A funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 28, 2005, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake Center in Kelly, 424 W. Ellis, with Bishop Kelly Arnt officiating. Burial will be in the Paul City Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. before the funeral on Monday at the church. An obituary will appear in a later edition.

**Helen A. Buller**

**GOODING** — Helen A. Buller, 85, a resident of Gooding, died Saturday, Feb. 19, 2005, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. At Helen's request no funeral services will be held. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Demaray Funeral Service.

SERVICES

Alice May Bally Hammond of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Roberta Lynn Bencomo of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Farmer Funeral Chapel.

Virge Joseph Dixon of Billings, Mont., funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Belvedere LDS Church. Interment will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Sunset Memorial Park, Twin Falls. Visitation before the service at Smith West Chapel.

Jo Ann Bennett of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road.

Lauro Pfla Sr. of Twin Falls and recently of Boise, funeral Mass celebrated at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church (Reynolds Funeral Chapel), Twin Falls.

Arlica L. Black of Burley public visitation from 6 until 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

William H. Juhnke of St. Paul, Minn., funeral will be held at 11 a.m. today at the Lyngblomsten Chapel, St. Paul, Minn.

Daisy Vargas daughter of Nellida Vargas of Burley, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley (Rasmussen Funeral Home, Burley).

Dorothy L. Parker of Filer, service at 2:30 p.m. today at White Mortuary.

Catherine Ann Gould of Boise, viewing from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Summers Funeral Home, Boise Chapel; graveside service at 2 p.m. Saturday at Dry Creek Cemetery.

Nancy Margaret Brown of Twin Falls, funeral at noon Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, with interment following at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Greta R. Madron of Twin Falls, friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary. A service will be conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday at Bethel Temple Apostolic Church.

Donald K. Justus of Boise and formerly of Halley informal celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at 9107 McMillan Road, between Star and Can-Ada roads (Gibson Funeral Home).

Jerry H. Tillet of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel.

Jane Upson Richardson of Eagle, formerly of Rupert, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Eagle United Methodist Church, 651 N. Eagle Road in Eagle (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Mildred M. Slater of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Monday at White Mortuary.

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Jean Sutcliff

TWIN FALLS — Jean Sutcliff of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away in Twin Falls on Feb. 23, 2005, at 89 years of age.

She was born March 20, 1915, in Sear, Iowa, to W.D. and Elizabeth Taylor Maxwell. She graduated from high school in Lemoyne, Pa., in June, 1933.

She attended what is now the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, Colo., from 1933 to 1937, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree in public school music with

minors in English and Spanish. Following this, she taught for several years in New Mexico. In 1945 she went to work for Dr. N.A. Mader in Greeley, Colo., and eventually she continued over for 10 years.

Following this, she married Dr. R.A. Sutcliff of Twin Falls and moved to Idaho. Dr. Sutcliff died in 1963, having been preceded by his first wife, Alma, and his second wife, Helen.

For a number of years she worked as a medical tran-

scriptionist at MVRMC in Twin Falls.

A graveside memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 2, 2005, at sunset Memorial Park, officiated over by Dr. Lawrence Vedder of Immanuel Lutheran Church of Twin Falls. Jean was a member of the Twin Falls Music Club and the Magic Valley Symphony orchestra. Services and arrangements are under the direction of Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Mark L. Davis



HEYBURN — Mark Lee Davis, a 38-year-old resident of Heyburn, left us on Tuesday, Feb. 22, 2005, at Cassia Regional Medical Center.

He was born Sept. 25, 1966, to Ron and Ruth Davis of Heyburn. Mark married Kellie Sue Reiss on Oct. 25, 1985.

Along with his wife and parents, Mark is survived by his son, Bill Lee Davis, Navy Corpsman, Camp Lejeune, N.C.; his daughter, Maegan Marie Davis; his sister, Tenna Walker (Dennis) of Wells, Nev.; several nieces and nephews; and several grandnieces and grandnephews.

Mark was a 1985 graduate of Minico High School. He was a life-long learner of Southern Idaho Fire Academy and served on the Southern Idaho Fire Academy board for two years. Mark was a volunteer firefighter for the Heyburn Fire Department.

He served this community for 18 years. However, throughout Mark's 39 years, he learned many mechanical, contracting and carpentry

skills while working at Burley Auto Parts, Volcos and most currently, M.H. King Co.

He was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert and Zion Lutheran Church in Burley.

In addition to Mark's ability to work efficiently and meticulously at many jobs, he also believed in helping and playing with friends. Mark's need for speed drew him to motorcycles, planes and fast cars.

His most memorable moments were spent riding his Suzuki motorcycle with his wife holding on behind him. He also cherished his adventures with his firefighting family.

Mark will be deeply missed and always loved by his wife, children, family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his maternal and paternal grandparents.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, 2005, at Trinity Lutheran Church, 909 Eighth St., Rupert, with the Rev. David L. Provey officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. today and from noon until 12:45 p.m. Saturday at Trinity Lutheran Church.

The family suggests memorials be directed to the Mark L. Davis Memorial Fund and may be left at any D.L. Evans Bank. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley.

Senator under ethics probe says he might have misled committee

The Associated Press

BOISE — State Sen. Jack Noble brought a lawyer to Thursday's Senate Ethics Committee hearing, at which he was confronted about testimony he made under oath two days ago.

At the start of Thursday's proceedings, Chairman Brent Hill, R-Rexburg, confronted Noble with his testimony on Tuesday that he has known "all along" that a State Liquor Dispensary rule precluded him from obtaining a state contract to sell packaged liquor.

Noble had used the argument in an attempt to show that he could not have financially benefited from a change in the state's liquor laws that he authored and tried to pass earlier this month. Noble's point was that if he couldn't get a liquor contract, he would have no conflict of interest in trying to pass the legislation.

However, various news media, including The Associated Press, have recorded statements of Noble as recently as last Friday in which Noble said he could have gotten a state liquor contract with or without his legislation.

Additionally, Noble later acknowledged that his convenience store was for sale and that his store might be



more valuable or salable if it came with such conditions.

When Hill asked Noble if he had misled the committee, Noble responded that he "could have misled the committee."

At the end of Thursday's hearing, Noble tearfully read a short statement apologizing but not admitting any intentional wrongdoing.

"Financial gain was not in my mind when I presented the bill," Noble said.

Earlier, Sen. Brent Marley, D-McCammon, asked about the ramifications for lying to the committee while under oath.

"We are going to the trouble of swearing everybody in to testify in case of perjury, why are we doing this, swearing people in, if one of our witnesses or Sen. Noble were to perjure himself, what are the consequences?"

After the hearing, Hill said any false statements made under oath would have a great effect on the deliberations of the committee, and that they

would be considered along with the rest of the testimony.

Noble's personal attorney, former Lt. Gov. David Leroy, offered his opinion of the events that led up to the ethics hearings.

Leroy maintained that Noble did not actually receive any benefit from the bill and therefore was not unethical conduct.

The Ethics Committee was convened last week at Noble's request, saying he wanted to clear his name.

On Feb. 4, Noble, a Kuna Republican, presented a bill that would have revised the way distances are calculated between schools and contracted retail liquor stores.

As the law is written now, Noble's store, "Jacksmart," would not qualify for a state liquor store contract. Under his proposed legislation, the new measuring it would have provided, Noble's store would qualify for the contract.

Hill has appointed Sen. John Goedde, R-Coeur d'Alene, and Sen. Kate Kelly, D-Boise, to write a summary and findings of fact report for distribution to the other members of the six-member committee by next Tuesday. On Wednesday, the committee will meet again and deliberate its recommendations.

Craig

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could erode the domestic market, he said.

That, coupled with changing consumer demand, could take a toll.

"It's not just trade agreements eroding our market," he

said. "Low-carb diets, fructose, corn sweeteners and less desire to consume the product. As a result of that it's squeezing the market."

"Sugar's a tug of war and will continue to be," he added. "My job is to try to mount the right

defense mechanism for the growers of Idaho for as long as I can."

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Fund-raiser will help Red Cross

Families in need will benefit from earnings

By Candace Baltz-Smylie Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Araucel Rodríguez never thought she'd be at the mercy of volunteers with the Red Cross, but one phone call changed everything.

"It was about 4:30 p.m. I got the call at work that my house was burning down," she said.

Rodriguez had left her three children with her mother-in-law when she went to work Feb. 1. "She got them out just in time," Rodriguez said.

Her children, ages 2, 3 and 7, were not hurt, nor was her mother-in-law. But the family lost everything.

"We were in the process of buying the home," she said. "My husband was down in Mexico to get another Visa so he could come back legally, and I went down to visit him and somewhere in there we let the insurance lapse."

Rodriguez was still in shock at the sight of what had been her home just hours before when the Red Cross pulled up. "I didn't expect them so soon," she said. "I didn't think they'd be there until at least the next day."

The Red Cross came to Rodriguez's aid, and now volunteers with the organization say they need help, too. Last year the local office spent just over \$67,000 helping local families with emergencies, like the Rodriguezes.

But this year, because of an outpouring of support for the tsunami victims in Southeast Asia, the majority of donations to the local office have been earmarked for tsunami relief efforts.

So the Red Cross office in Twin Falls is holding a fund-raising event today to help it continue to help families in need.

The dinner, dance and auction will be held in The Ballroom on Shoshone Street in Twin Falls.

After her home burned down, Rodriguez was thankful the Red Cross volunteers showed up when they did.

Although she had a place for her family to stay with her in-laws, they didn't have anything else.

"We went through the house and that was the first time she had been inside since the fire," said Red Cross volunteer Cathi Leaming, who was part of the team that arrived on scene.

"It was extremely emotional for her. She broke down crying the moment we walked through the door."

Leaming helped Rodriguez go through what was left of her home, and find what was left of important documents.

"It was a good help because it let me know where to start and helped me start to get my mind in order," Rodriguez said. "A lot of people are surprised at how fast we respond," said Polly Corley, district director of the South Central Idaho district office of the American Red Cross.

"We were there by about 6 or so with groceries, clothes and blankets."

For families who don't have a place to stay, the Red Cross can also provide shelter at a motel. But Rodriguez and her children are staying in a one-bedroom home with her in-laws.

"They were nice to give me the bedroom," she said, laughing.

But I'm still looking for a new apartment for us to move into."

Rodriguez is grateful the Red Cross was there when she needed them.

Having a ball

A Red Cross Ball to raise funds to support families in times of emergency will be held from 6:30 to 11:30 p.m. today in The Ballroom on Shoshone Street in Twin Falls.

The event features a cocktail hour, dinner, dancing to a live jazz band and a silent auction. Tickets are \$60 per person or \$550 for table of 10. To RSVP call 733-6464, Ext. 300.

"Never in my life did I think this would happen to me or that I would need their help," she said.

"I am just so thankful for all that they did for us and that they were able to help."

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needs more detail and guidance in how that relates to a possible Sempra plant.

Sliding issues are the responsibility of counties, Brown said. The county would need to require Sempra to meet all of the DEQ's permit requirements before allowing the company to build near Jerome. But Brown said he felt more stringent requirements might be needed.

County Commissioner Charles Howell said the county could set its own emission standards that were higher than those required by the Environmental Protection Agency or the DEQ.

Brown agreed, saying the county would need to justify the more stringent requirements

with scientific data. The county could also choose to close a business down if it failed to meet the county's emission standards.

Alfred said the DEQ allows the public numerous opportunities to comment on permits, permit holders, air pollution and other DEQ responsibilities.

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# Mormon historian dies at 94

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Hugh Nibley, an outspoken Mormon historian, professor and defender of the faith, died Thursday at 94.

Nibley, who according to a family spokesman died of natural causes after being bedridden for the last two years, was widely known in the Mormon world for his teachings and writings, but his legacy as a maverick theologian recently when one of his children accused him of molesting her as a child.

Martha Beck made the allegations in a book due in stores next month called "Leaving the Saints: How I Lost the Mormons and Found My Faith." She said memories of the abuse were re-created in therapy sessions.

She confronted her father four years ago, and he denied her accusations, said Beck, a columnist for Oprah Winfrey's O magazine.

"My sister just told me one of the last things he said was, 'I just loved Martha so much, she was my favorite,'" Beck told The Associated Press on Thursday from her Phoenix home. "He was my favorite, too, and that's why I've done everything I've done," she said, through tears.

"I didn't do this to harm anyone. I wanted us all to heal," she said. "I just want everyone to know that I love my father very much."

Family members, however, have denounced Beck's claims against their father.

"We are saddened by the book's countless errors, falsehoods, contradictions and gross distortions," Nibley's seven other children said in a statement this week.

Nibley was a professor at Brigham Young University. His writings were marked by "brilliant, unbelievable erudition," said Daniel Peterson, a BYU professor.

In his work as a defender of Mormon doctrine, he made careful observations of the church and its faithful that, if they had been said by an outsider, would have made people angry, Peterson said.

"He was a real critic of materialism and greed, and social status," Peterson said. "And on more than one occasion, he rebuked church members for doing that when they shouldn't."

# Police arrest teens after cycles stolen

REXBURG (AP) — Three teenagers were arrested for allegedly stealing five motorcycles and a four-wheeler from Rexusburg Motor Sports, and police say they may also be involved in a recent theft spree at eastern Idaho construction sites.

Shilo Ford, Ellingford and Weston Mace Gleave, both 16, and 19-year-old William Allen Kaiser face felony charges in connection with the thefts at the store, which involved \$46,000 in merchandise.

Madison County detectives believe the teens also are responsible for stealing five more construction sites in Idaho Falls and for absconding with a covered utility trailer from a recreational vehicle dealership.

Ellingford and Gleave, both from Thermanon, Utah, are being held in Utah.

# Micron pushes for tax breaks

Company officials promise chance of expansion in Idaho

BOISE (AP) — Micron Technology has kept its state-a-list of tax breaks incentive package needed to keep the Boise-based operations "viable."

If the tax breaks are not approved, Micron officials would leave Boise with the site for a new production facility.

The state's largest private employer wants a property tax exemption for any new facilities that would increase the value of its Idaho property, as well as exemption from sales and use taxes for any new equipment used in research and development.

But Micron lobbyist Mike Reynoldson said new expansion would not necessarily mean new jobs.

Mike Journie, the spokesman for Gov. Dirk Kempthorne, said the governor was aware of Micron's proposals, but they were "in line with the governor's plans for creating jobs in Idaho, and anchoring companies that

are already here." The request comes on the heels of an incentive package created by the governor. Kempthorne hopes that package will lure a Fortune 500 company to the region.

Micro lobbyist Mike Reynoldson said that following the governor's proposal, lawmakers asked Micron to come up with one of its own. The company employs about 11,000 Boise workers.

"We're not saying that it would guarantee expansion, but it would put the state on a level playing field with other locations," said Trudy Sullivan, a Micron spokeswoman.

The property tax cap would simply keep Micron's tax bill from rising — not lower the company's tax payment, Reynoldson said. But he estimated the sales tax exemption would save Micron about \$6 million a year. That revenue would normally go to the state's general fund.

Micron, the only American manufacturer of dynamic random access memory chips, makes about half of its silicon wafers in Boise. Wafers are the base on which memory chips are printed.

But the wafers used in Boise cost more per chip than newer technology perfected in Virginia. The company wants to expand the use of that technology, but has yet to decide where.

If built elsewhere, the new plant would be a multimillion dollar project, Sullivan said. But it would be a draw to Boise, however, because the company already has existing facilities in the city.

The research and development credit would likely help offset the state's high-tech companies and other research-intensive businesses, Tax Commission officials said. The entire credit cap for the state is as much as \$7.5 million next year. The property tax break —

which calls for a \$700 million value limit on property taxes, is more specific to Micron, because that is the only company in Idaho which currently meets the criteria. Ada County Assessor McQuinn said the property was valued at \$776 million last year, and the county collected \$15.1 million in property taxes.

Similar tax incentives exist in other states. Oregon caps the taxed value of new investments at \$100 million, though the amount taxed can creep up to \$150 million over 15 years.

Revenue and taxation committee chair DeLores Crow (R-Nampa) said she hopes to take the question up next Wednesday on both Micron proposals and Kempthorne's package.

Assistant House Majority Leader Mike Moyle, who is sponsoring Micron's sales tax proposal, said the Legislature should look after the state's main companies. "That's ultimately what the question is about. Do we want Micron or do we not want Micron?"

# Boise man feels jittery after winning Powerball

BOISE (AP) — A 22-year-old restaurant manager is the winner of Wednesday's \$18.7 million Powerball jackpot.

Eric Kyle bought the \$1 Powerball ticket on a whim at a Big Smoke store last Tuesday and was in line with the game's winner until he saw news reports on Thursday.

"I was instantly shaking," Kyle said during a press conference at Idaho Lottery headquarters Thursday afternoon. "The first thing I dreamed about for a long time."

After waking his roommate to check the numbers, Kyle called lottery officials. Then he called his boss at Copper Kitchen.

"I told him, 'I'm not coming in today. I'll explain later,'" Kyle said. "So far, Kyle said, he has not made any major decisions about what to do with the money — including whether he would take one lump sum or have the cash distributed over

time. He has 60 days to decide. "I haven't thought about that, other than I want to take a trip and buy a new car," he said.

He also said that his parents and three younger siblings would benefit from the money. They may be surprised by the news. At the time of the press conference, he hadn't told them he was the winner.

"I'll probably give them a call after this," he said. Kyle said he didn't plan on buying any more lottery tickets, since he has already beat the odds in 120 million odds by winning the jackpot. He let the ticket machine pick his numbers — 4, 10, 15, 48, 51 and Powerball 13 — and all matched the official drawing.

# Idaho judge will rule on unsealing court case

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Members of the press were booted from a hearing this week regarding whether a judge would make public the records of a civil case about a Boy Scout leader convicted of child molestation.

The case involved Brad Stowell, who spent 150 days in jail and paid \$10,000 after pleading guilty to molesting children. The abuse occurred in 1998 while Stowell was working at the Little Lemhi Boy Scout Camp in Swan Valley.

The records were sealed as part of a settlement between the Boy Scouts of America and the boy who sued them for negligence, 7th District Judge W. H. Woodland said last month. Woodland said Wednesday

that he would make a written ruling about whether to unseal the case sometime in March, according to people allowed to attend the hearing.

Media were not allowed at the hearing at the Bonneville County Courthouse so attorneys could argue the specifics of the case.

Kim Hansen, director of the Grand Jurors Council for the Boy Scouts of America, said the case should remain sealed to preserve the anonymity of the children involved.

"We appreciate the ostensible concern of the Boy Scouts, but the victims have their own lawyers to look out for their interests," said Lauri Gaffney, who represented Scout victims in two settled civil cases.

# Lawmakers fund Pocatello center

BOISE (AP) — The legislative budget committee has voted to fund operating costs at the 110,000-square-foot performing arts center at Idaho State University for at least one year.

The university will receive \$378,900 for occupancy costs in the state-of-the-art Stephens Performing Arts Center, but made no guarantees of ongoing state funding.

University officials and Gov. Dirk Kempthorne recommended almost \$500,000 for this year's occupancy costs, but lawmakers lowered the figure.

"We have been working with ISU to determine the necessary level of funding," Sen. Dean Cameron of Rupert, chairman of the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee, said Wednesday. "In certain of the universities are looking for all of the money we can find for them."

The \$35 million facility has been built almost entirely through private donations. Faculty moved into new offices in the building last summer, and curtains opened at the two performance theaters for the first time last fall.

# UI vice president leaves post after nine months

MOSCOW (AP) — The University of Idaho's new financial vice president is leaving his post after less than a year.

The school announced Wednesday that Jay Kenton, who was hand-picked by University President Tim White, has accepted a job as vice chancellor for finance and administration for the Oregon University System.

His resignation is effective March 31, three months before the end of his one-year contract. Kenton has refused to comment about his departure.

Bob Hieronymus, a university spokesman, said Kenton makes \$155,000 a year and the money from the remaining three months of his contract may not be used in the search for a replacement.

The university spent \$67,000 last year to find a financial vice president. Now White is deciding whether to start a search immediately or delay the effort until the university's Office of Finance and Administration reorganizes amid a \$2 million budget cut. Hieronymus said. If the hiring effort is delayed, Hieronymus said, White may

promote someone to fill the position on an interim basis or contract with someone outside the university for financial services.

School officials worry that the impending budget cuts may make it hard to recruit a replacement. "Games move are personal choices. He sees it as a good career move, and I wish him well," Stone said. Kenton helped save the university about \$1.9 million per year on the Idaho Water Center project in Boise, laid the groundwork for cheaper employee health insurance and reduced accumulated deficits by more than \$2 million, according to a university statement.

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### Calculating Social Security benefits

The Social Security Administration keeps track of each person's wages each year. The numbers are used to figure out how much is owed in taxes, and to figure out how much the person will get in benefits.

Retirement benefits are calculated based on a person's highest 35 years of wages

Each year's wages are adjusted for inflation so they reflect current dollars. The numbers are adjusted using the rate that wages grow each year — known as wage indexing.

These past earnings are then averaged into a single number, the Average Indexed Monthly Earnings.

The government uses a formula to convert that AIME into a monthly benefit.

Normal retirement age is now 65 1/2 and slowly rising to 67. Retirees can begin collecting Social Security as early as age 62, but their monthly benefits are reduced if they do so.

After someone starts collecting benefits, their checks are increased each year with inflation to reflect the rising cost of living.



SOURCE: Social Security Administration

## Better or worse off? Social Security 'calculators' vary widely

WASHINGTON (AP) — Under President Bush's plan for Social Security, a 35-year-old woman earning \$50,000 would see her benefits cut by \$6,000 per year.

No, scratch that. Given a personal account, her annual take would jump by \$63,000.

What? A variety of do-it-yourself "calculators" purport to show the impact of Social Security changes on individual workers. But anyone who tries to use them might come away confused. Created by groups in the Social Security debate, each of these online calculators begins with different assumptions, and that makes all the difference.

"You can get yourself into trouble if you're comparing apples to oranges," said Michael Tanner of the libertarian Cato Institute, a leading proponent of private accounts.

The calculation assumptions go to the heart of the debate over Social Security: How much will the stock market rise? How much will promised benefits be cut?

Democrats and their allies assume that promised benefits will be chopped by almost half and the stock market will produce relatively paltry returns.

Bush backers assume the stock market will do very well. They figure that personal accounts will be so large and so profitable that retirees will come out way ahead.

Part of the trouble in calculating the impact of changes to the system is that Bush hasn't produced a comprehensive plan, and no leading one has emerged in Congress either.

Bush says the system will go broke if changes aren't made. And he talks about creating private accounts — allowing younger workers to divert up to two-thirds of their share of Social Security payroll taxes into accounts that could be invested in stocks or bonds.

But personal accounts do nothing to solve the problems of long-term financial problems, as Bush advisers concede. And the president has not said how he would make the system sol-

vent, only that many ideas are on the table.

Advocates on both sides have taken it upon themselves to fill in the details.

Most of the options for bringing the system into balance involve cutting benefits one way or another. The option that has received the most attention is the one recommended by the president's 2001 Social Security commission — involves changing the formula used to set initial benefits at retirement.

Democrats and their allies favor this change, which would eventually reduce future government benefits by half — will be part of the final plan.

Initial benefits are now based on the rate that wages rise over time. Under the commission's plan, benefits would be set based on the rate that prices rise during a person's working life. Because prices tend to grow more slowly than wages, benefits would wind up smaller.

A Social Security calculator recently launched by Senate Democrats incorporates this cut. It also assumes that someone's personal account will earn only 3 percent interest after inflation. At that rate, because of the way the accounts are structured, the investor would see no profit at all for his account.

Given these assumptions, it's not surprising people would come out worse under the Bush plan.

Someone born in 1970 who earned \$50,000 this year and who expects her salary to grow over time would get about \$27,000 per year upon retirement under the current system. But she would get less than \$21,000 under the new plan.

The site declares: "How will you lose under Bush privatization plan?" and calculates the annual cut at \$6,480.

What the site doesn't say is that the cut is attributable entirely to efforts to make the overall system solvent and has nothing to do with any "privatization plan."

A similar calculator from the liberal Center for Economic and Policy Research is more compli-

cated and detailed, but it makes similar assumptions and comes up with similar results.

Not the calculators created by conservatives.

The Heritage Foundation, Cato Institute and National Center for Policy Analysis all have online calculators that assume very large personal accounts — much larger than the ones Bush is proposing. They all assume healthy returns — from 4.6 to 5.4 percent after inflation.

The Heritage Foundation calculates that the 35-year-old woman now earning \$50,000 would wind up with \$89,160 a year at retirement from her personal account.

The conservatives' sites don't mention there is not much of a safety net if the stock market tanks. They also omit the trillions of dollars government would have to borrow to implement this plan.

David John, a Social Security expert at Heritage, noted that the calculator has been on the Internet for several years. But he added: "We have more hits these days."

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## Two die during rampage outside Texas courthouse

TYLER, Texas (AP) — A man with a high-powered rifle opened fire Thursday in a historic town square, killing his ex-wife and another man before he was shot to death by police. The gunman, David Hernandez Arroyo Sr., also wounded four people during the rampage, including three law officers and his son. Authorities said the man apparently was angry about a dispute over child support.

Witnesses said he started firing at the back of the courthouse in Tyler's town square and then appeared to be shooting indiscriminately.

"We ran to the window and saw him shooting over and over and over again," said Julie Carver, a 57-year-old court clerk who was returning from lunch at the time of the shooting.

"It was the most horrible things I ever saw." After being shot in the neck, Arroyo escaped in a pickup truck and led officers on a chase, police said.

He was apprehended a few miles away and pronounced dead on arrival at East Texas Medical Center.

The victims were identified as Maribel Estrada, 41, and Mark Wilson, 52.

Two officers with the Smith County Sheriff's Department, a

Tyler police officer and the man's son were injured, police said.

East Texas Medical Center spokeswoman Rebecca Berkley said one of the wounded law officers was in critical condition.

Nathan Hoffman, an attorney who works across the street from the courthouse, said he locked the front door of his office and crawled on the floor during the shooting, urging coworkers to get down.

"I saw people lying everywhere that had been shot," Hoffman told the Tyler Morning Telegraph.

Margo Adkins, a deputy court clerk, said everyone rushed to the window after hearing a popping sound.

She said she saw a gunman, who appeared to be heavyset and in his 40s or 50s, and two officers down.

"The man who was down was holding up his hand like, 'Don't shoot me, or stop.' He was holding his hand out like 'don't shoot' because he and another deputy were shot."

Tyler is a town of about 86,000 located about 95 miles east of Dallas.

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# Broadcast implicates Syria

Purported intel officer claims involvement in Iraqi insurgency



In a video image taken from Al-Iraqiya television, alleged insurgent Hamoud Moussa gives his televised confession, in Iraq Wednesday.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The Syrian intelligence officer who appeared on the U.S.-funded Iraqi state television station had a stark message about the insurgency — he'd helped train people to build car bombs and behead people.

"My name is Anas Ahmed al-Essa. I live in Halab. I am from Syria," he said by way of introduction — naming what he said was his home in Syria. Halab is another name for Aleppo, a city north of Damascus.

"What's your job?" he was asked by someone off-camera. "I am a lieutenant in intelligence."

Then a second question, "Which intelligence?" The reply: "Syrian intelligence."

And so began a detailed 15-minute confession broadcast by al-Iraqiya TV on Wednesday, in which the man, identified as 30-year-old Lt. Anas Ahmed al-Essa, said his group was recruited to "cause chaos in Iraq ... to bar America from reaching Syria."

"We received all the instructions from Syrian intelligence," said the man, who appeared in the propaganda video along with 10 Iraqis who said they had also been recruited by Syrian intelligence officers.

Syria denied the claims that the detained insurgents had received training in the country or that it was sending armed men to Iraq.

"These are unfounded and baseless claims. Syria is keen on Iraq's security and stability. It does not interfere in Iraq's internal affairs," Syria's official news agency, SANA, quoted high ranking security sources as saying.

Al-Iraqiya later aired another round of interviews with men it said were Sudanese and Egyptians who also trained in Syria to carry out attacks in Iraq.

The claims could not be independently authenticated.

An Iraqi special forces commander, Brig. Gen. Abu Al-Walid, said his forces arrested the men in Mosul on Jan. 29, one day before the national elections. He said they included eight Syrians, one Lebanese, 12 Egyptians and 10 Sudanese.

He said the men were found with explosives, weapons and maps for balloting centers in Mosul.

On Thursday, Iraqi police said they arrested four other suspected terrorists during raids in Baghdad — two Syrians and two Iraqis believed to have carried out other attacks.

The videos were broadcast as the Bush administration steps up pressure on Syria to stop

meddling in Iraqi affairs by allowing insurgents to cross into the country to fight coalition troops and by harboring former Iraqi regime members. Syria has denied the charges.

Top officials in Iraq's U.S.-backed interim government have called on Syria to hand over former members of Saddam Hussein's Baath Party who fled there after the 2003 U.S.-led invasion, which Syria vehemently opposed.

Al-Iraqiya TV can be seen nationwide and is believed to be widely watched by Iraqis — mainly those who cannot afford satellite dishes offering the Persian Gulf-based Al-Jazeera and Al-Arabiya stations. But the station, which went on the air in May 2003 with help from the Pentagon, is viewed by many Iraqis as an American propaganda tool.

Wednesday was the first time the channel showed someone it claimed was a Syrian intelligence officer.

All those interviewed in the first video apparently were detained in the northern city of Mosul. It was not known where the interviews were made, and no date was provided.

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# Canada opts out of missile defense program

TORONTO (AP) — Prime Minister Paul Martin said Thursday that Canada would opt out of the contentious U.S. missile defense program, a move that will further strain brittle relations between the neighbors but please Canadians who fear it could lead to an international arms race.

Martin, ending nearly two years of debate over whether Canada should participate in the development or operation of the multibillion-dollar program, said Ottawa would remain a close ally of Washington in the fight against global terrorism and continental security.

He said he intended to talk to President Bush later Thursday and that Secretary of State Con-

dolezza Rice had been informed of the decision earlier, this week.

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# Palestinian Cabinet consists of Ph.D.s, technocrats

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Nearly half of the 24 ministers joining a new Palestinian Cabinet on Thursday hold doctorates — many earned at topflight universities in the United States or elsewhere in the West.

The new lineup of doctors, lawyers, engineers and economists embraces a one-word credo — reform — in sharp contrast to the outgoing body of Anafat cronies.

After swearing-in his new ministers late Thursday, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas told reporters, "They are young and professional ... We have chosen them very carefully."

The Cabinet revolution was spurred by lawmakers' demand for a clean sweep of the political hacks associated with Anafat's corruption-plagued regime.

The Cabinet has an economist heading the Finance Ministry, a physician as health minister and a statistician as labor minister. By contrast, the outgoing Cabinet featured an Anafat crony as interior minister, a local affairs minister who purportedly got rich skimming government contracts and the widow of a famed Palestinian fighter who is best known for her frequent appearances in corruption reports.

# Syria to begin withdrawing troops

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Syria said Thursday it will begin withdrawing its troops in Lebanon closer to its own border, a move designed to blunt international demands for a complete pullout and to ease a groundswell of anti-Syrian sentiment.

But a dissatisfied United States said the move was not enough and demanded a full

withdrawal from the Mideast nation.

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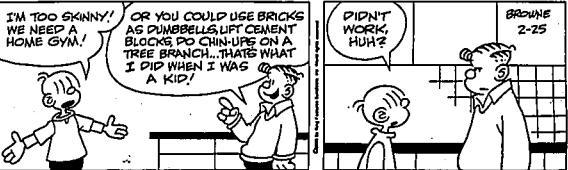
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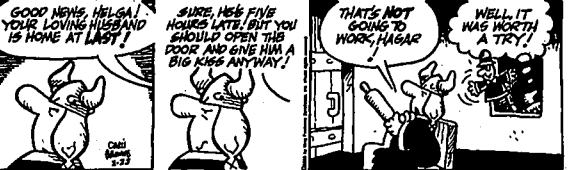
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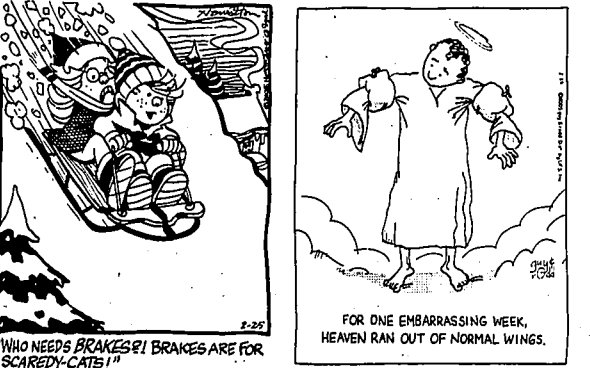


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# Teen's compulsion needs addressing

**DEAR ABBY:** I am 13 years old and suffer from a condition where the person has a strong, persistent desire to have one or more limbs amputated. This happens every day, and I don't understand it, but I want to have my leg amputated.

I have researched prosthetics on the Internet and have found that life as an amputee is not that different. But I'm afraid if I tell my parents they will think I'm crazy. What should I do? Please answer this. It is ripping me apart.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

understand what is driving this "need."

**DEAR ABBY:** In my line of work I come in contact with a lot of people. Occasionally, my clients bring up the subject of race and make unacceptable comments.

I have two beautiful biracial children and I feel I need to defend their honor and tell these people I do not approve of the comments. However, I have been informed by management that I am not allowed to say anything to the clients. I have spoken to a friend about this. She has also had encounters like mine.

How can I handle this tastefully and still keep my job?

**—OFFENDED IN OBERLIN, OHIO**

**DEAR OFFENDED:** A picture is worth a thousand words. If there are no rules against displaying family photographs, bring a lovely framed picture of your little ones to work and display it on your desk. Should anyone ask who the children are, smile sweetly and say, "They're mine." Unless the person is deliberately trying to be obnoxious, that should put an end to the comments.

**DEAR ABBY:** My 75-year-old paternal grandmother, "Granny Claire," smells like mothballs and she's totally unaware of it. She stores her winter clothes in a basement storage area filled with mothballs, and the odor has saturated her house and everything in it.

Other people have been offended by it and have made comments to my sister and me.

We have tried to tell Granny nicely, but she acts like we're exaggerating and shrugs it off. No one can stay in her home for long periods.

At a recent function, people commented about the "funny odor" in the next room. It was Granny Claire! What can we do to help her?

**—HOLDING MY NOSE IN N.J.**

**DEAR HOLDING:** Your problem is not uncommon as you might think. As people age their senses dull, and the senses of hearing, taste and smell can be affected. (Example: I recently heard from a man who was worried because his elderly mother did not seem to notice when food had spoiled in her refrigerator.)

In your grandmother's case, I recommend a family intervention that she cannot strug off — and that her son, your father, accompany her to an ear, nose and throat specialist for an evaluation.

# Try to schedule and plan the details, Libra

**HOROSCOPE**  
Jeraldine Saunders

**IF TODAY IS YOUR BIRTHDAY:** Be ready to be the center of attention as your popularity soars in 2005. Reach for the stars as you leave old motivations behind and develop new passions. You will be intrigued by the exotic and be willing to test your skills in uncharted waters. An improvement in your life's course in October when an opportunity will come your way. Have faith in the universe to send you what you need.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** It is simple to exert a little effort and achieve a big payoff — especially if cooperation is needed. Settle old scores amicably and make your peace with others. Those close are sympathetic and wise.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):** If you are truly committed (to a course of action, obtain a promise, sign an agreement of otherwise put your money where your mouth is. Obtain your objectives by being open-minded and tolerant.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** Ignore temporary emotional tantrums. Seek or give good advice while the planets indicate that judgment is at its best. Strike a bargain while both sides are willing to compromise.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** An intense passion for getting things done will give way to a more relaxing mood by nightfall. Take swiftly shifting ideas in stride and remain flexible when faced with surprising circumstances.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** Impressive changes that have been contemplated can be implemented now to your financial advantage. You are a bit wiser than usual about handling your piggy bank, especially if you listen to good advice.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** An analysis of a financial con-

drum is right on target, so make key decisions. Don't lose sight of your objective during a brief period of emotional upheaval when you may feel threatened.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** If you feel overwhelmed, you will be blessed by an extra set of helping hands that can make work fly by more quickly. Make plans and schedules to take into account the little details.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** Pressures could briefly put you into a stew — but if you rise above petty issues, everything will fall into place. Concentrate your efforts on making plans for the future while infused with the excitement of a new purpose.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Promises made now will be kept, as visionary plans for the future are crystal clear. You have the necessary drive to start new projects and follow ideas through to a successful conclusion.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** The moodiness of others could make you uncomfortable for a few moments today. By staying calm, rational and even-tempered, you can win Brownie points on the career front.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You've got superstar quality and others applaud your efforts to entertain and amuse. Don't hide your light or your ideas under your proverbial bushel. Cash in by selling your self.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Observations from others can give you a clue that will improve your personal situation. Pay attention to well-meant words of wisdom. You are a shining beacon that may attract adoring fans.

# 80 percent of pathological gamblers are men

According to a study, about 80 percent of the 6 million pathological gamblers are men. Three-quarters of them brag about winning even when they're losing.

This day in history: On Feb. 24, 1870, Hiram Rhodes Revels became the first African American to be sworn into the United States Senate. Rhodes was a Republican from Mississippi back in a time and place when Republicans were the liberals and Democrats were the conservatives.

In the Roman Catholic Church, there have been 16 Pope Gregories.

Despite its name, the Goodyear was not started by Charles Goodyear, the man



**RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESSES**  
Jack Mingo  
Erin Barrett

who discovered how to vulcanize rubber. He died penniless in 1860, long before the company's founding in 1858.

When Goodyear founder Frank Seiberling named the company, he said it was to honor Charles Goodyear. That may have been true, but it also didn't hurt to have the public confuse his startup with the long-established B.F. Goodrich

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Acche and NRA spokesman Charlton Heston played the adult Moses in "The Ten Commandments." His infant son, Fraser, played Moses as a baby in the movie.

A special edition of "Faust" by Johann Wolfgang Goethe printed in 1867 was the first known paperback book.

Before making a deal with the devil, Faust may have been well served if he had had a touch of syphilis.

That's an overwhelming fear of hell.

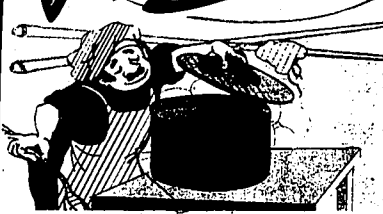
When the Black Plague first hit Europe, people were understandably scared, especially since they didn't know what was causing it.

The government of Switzerland, trying to offer the population some explanation (or at least a scapegoat), tortured four doctors into admitting that they were to blame for the plague. The doctors were put to death, but the disease lived on.

Squash gets its name from the Algonquian Indian word, "asquutasquash" ("eaten raw"). The inventor of kity litter was Kay Draper of Cassopolis, Mich. In 1948, she discovered that little bits of dried clay were perfect for the job.

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**Nicely, nicely**  
 The Oakley Valley Arts Council's production of Frank Loesser's classic Broadway musical "Guys and Dolls" opens Thursday at Howells Opera House in Oakley.

**Think spring**  
 KLIX's Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show runs today, Saturday and Sunday at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.



**Sister act**  
 The Company of Fools production of Wendy Wasserstein's drama "The Sisters Rosensweig" wraps up at the Liberty Theater in Hailey this weekend, with performances tonight, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

**Get jazzed**  
 David Sills and Dean Koba, jazz musicians from California, will headline the February Jazz Workshop in the Fireside Lounge of the Student Union Building on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls Monday night.

**'Plaid' all over**  
 The Sun Valley Company's production of Stuart Ross's musical "Forever Plaid" continues Sunday night in the Boiler Room at the Sun Valley Resort.

For times, dates and details, see Events Spotlight on Pages C6-7

# Return of the native

## Home-grown pianist highlights M.V. Symphony concert

By Steve Crump  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Like adventure? Then the life of a visiting symphony orchestra soloist might be for you.

"You just never know what you're getting into," said pianist Anna Gerrish, who will be the guest soloist at tonight winter's concert of the Magic Valley Symphony. "Each orchestra has different characteristics, and typically you only get a dress rehearsal to work them."

Fortunately, Gerrish knows the territory.

"I've played with a lot of the musicians, and worked with (conductor) Ted Hadley many times before," said Gerrish, who grew up in Filer. "So when I sat down at the piano at the rehearsal on Tuesday, I felt right at home."

Gerrish, 27, a former Magic Valley Symphony Youth Soloist winner, has since earned dual master's degrees in piano performance and music education from the Eastman School of Music in New York. She's now an adjunct faculty member at Belmont University in Nashville, Tenn., where she operates a piano studio and teaches young musicians.

"It's always nice 'to come home," she said, "especially when I get to work with musicians I grew up with."

Tonight she'll perform symphonic variations for piano and orchestra, the best-known orchestral work by 19th century Belgian composer Cesar Franck. Franck was an old man — 63 — when he composed the Symphonic variations, but the last decade of his life was his most creative.

"The variations, unlike the work of other 19th century composers using that title, is not a piano concert, but a tightly integrated call-and-response piece in which the piano and the orchestra share equally a continuous evolution of musical ideas."

Gerrish will also play a variety of solo selections, and the 51-member symphony will perform Russian composer Peter Tchaikovsky's Symphony



Pianist Anna Gerrish shares a laugh with members of the Magic Valley Symphony during a rehearsal Tuesday for their winter concert. The concert is tonight at the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center auditorium in Twin Falls.

- **Violists** — Lori Casperson (concertmaster), Diana Dewey, Angel Fillmore, Kathy Harris, Melanie Kerbs, Katie Jensen, Ken Patterson, Annette Barnum, Kendra Butler, Jessica Byington, Melanie Nielsen, Jaime Hansen, Megan Lowman
- **Violins** — Kevin Howard, Ron Wade, Jan R. Olsen, Leisel Heiner
- **Cellists** — Rick Stickland, Lorna Pringle, Renee Birch, Barry Hamilton, Elisa Pierce, Leslie Tay

- **Flute and piccolo** — Jo Gerrish, Ann Root, Stacey Corbett
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**Listen to the music**

- **What:** The Magic Valley Symphony will perform its winter concert.
- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Tonight, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at Everybody's Business, the Magic Valley Arts Council office, the College of Southern Idaho Bookstore and at the door.

No. 2 in C minor, the so-called "Little Russian Symphony."

Tchaikovsky wrote it at age of 32 when he was just beginning to earn an international reputation. It's an intensely nationalistic work, chock full of references to Slavic — in this

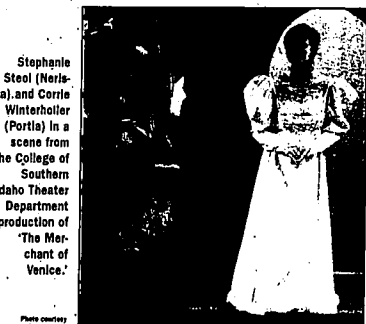
case, Ukrainian — folk music, but while its third movement begins with bombast akin to his "1812 Overture," it ends in a reflective, nuanced style that would be refined in his later work.

"Tchaikovsky's Fourth and

Fifth symphonies are better known," Hadley said. "But the Second is a wonderful piece of music."

Following tonight's performance, there will be a reception honoring Gerrish in the foyer of the CSI Fine Arts Center.

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**Theater students explore 'Merchant of Venice'**

"Though justice be thy plea, consider this: 'Tis in the course of justice none of us Should see salvation."

— Portia to Shylock, "Merchant of Venice"

By Steve Crump  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Jewish moneylender Shylock dominates "The Merchant of Venice" like a thunderclout dominates a summer picnic.

But William Shakespeare's 1596 Christian comedy "is really the story of a smart Italian girl and two nearly fatally naive guys."

"When most people think of 'Merchant of Venice,' they think of Shylock," said Latine Steel, theater professor at the College of Southern Idaho and the director of CSI's production of Shakespeare's classic that opens next. "But Shylock is a supporting character, and the play really isn't about him or about anti-Semitism."

### Brush up your Shakespeare

- **What:** The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present William Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice."
- **Where:** Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center.
- **When:** Wednesday and Thursday and March 4-5 and 9-12, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$6 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, are available at the CSI Bookstore from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays and at the CSI Fine Arts Box Office from 1-4 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. Tickets also may be purchased by phoning 732-6798.

"The Elizabethans were very anti-Semitic," he continued. "Shakespeare was just writing about the times he lived in."

Bassanio (Dustin Hodge), a Please see MERCHANT, Page C3

## Foiled again! JUMP Company finds itself 'Tied to the Tracks'

By Steve Crump  
 Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Most American melodramas are variations on a single theme.

The villain, thwarted in his nefarious designs to pry loose either the heroine's fortune or her virtue, lashes her to railroad tracks, and she's rescued in the nick of time from an onrushing locomotive by the handsome hero.

The Junior Musical Playhouse is cutting to the chase.

"Tied to the Tracks," a melodramatic musical by Arge Christiansen, Ole Kittleson and Tim Kelly, intersperses classical derring-do with 10 songs, including "A Rose With Plenty of Thorns," "We're the Harvery Girls," "He's a Meanie, He's a Nasty, He's a Grouch" and "Knock Him Down Again, Sheriff Billy."

"We're having a good time," said Susan Baca, who's directing 73 youngsters aged 6 through 18 in the production, scheduled for tonight and Saturday night at the auditorium. "These are characters the kids love, and the songs are a lot of fun."

More importantly, Baca adds, musicals such as "Tied to the Tracks" help teach performance etiquette to kids, some of whom might get more involved theater in the future.

"They learn when to keep quiet, when to listen and when to perform," she said.

In "Tied to the Tracks," Sheriff Billy Bold (played by 15-year-old McKay Nield) and the delicate Dakota Melody (played by 14-year-old Rachel Scott) resist the evil machinations of the dastardly Silas Scavenger (Jared Johnson, 16) and Wild Prairie Rose (Kelsey Nebeker, 15). The heroine can only be saved from



McKay Nield, right, as Billy Bold apprends Jared Johnson, as Silas Scavenger, during a recent rehearsal of "Tied to the Tracks," a musical by JUMP Company.

**If you go ...**

- **What:** The Junior Musical Playhouse will present Arge Christiansen, Ole Kittleson and Tim Kelly's musical melodrama "Tied to the Tracks."
- **Where:** Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls.
- **When:** Tonight and Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
- **How much:** 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 Saw-Mor Drug in Buhl, or from any cast member.

### Meet the cast

- Nathan Anderson, Kayli Bangert, Heidi Bangert, Mattie Beard, Octavia Bergen, Sydney Bergen, Madi Bernhart, Devin Blackburn, Daniel Burch, Chloe Case, Jordan Cramer, Tamara Downs, Trevor Downs, Lauren Drummond, Keisie Fields, David Geske, Kelli Gabardi, Natalie Harman, Preston Heath, Emily Hosman and Jaclyn Hunt, Jennifer Jackson, Alex Johnson, Alexa Johnson, Becca Johnson, Jared Johnson, Maddie Lloyd, Peter Massaro, Ashley Mc Cormick, Mariah McMurtry, Mikaela McMurtry, Anstley, Meeks, Ashton Meeks, Danielle

- Moisee, Emily Moisee, Shelby Moisee, Talitha Morrison, Kelsey Nebeker, Matt Neville, Aubrey Nield, Kamrin Nield, McKay Nield, Kaisha Packham, Tasha Packham, Darby Perry and Emily Piew, Matt Pullin, Strella Sallaiga, Rachel Scott, Jacob Shaner, Samuel Shaner, Shayla Shaner, Alex Simmons, Allison Simmons, Alicia Southwick, Kari Southwick, Kayla Southwick, Kenya Turner, Lilly Tucker, Rebecca Turner, Bailey Wadman, Alison Ward, Maddie Watkins, Hailey Whitehead, Kara Whitehead and Katelyn Vanloo.

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WEEKEND

# T-N plays favorites in Pick-the-Oscar Contest

Readers select their top picks

The Times-News

Let's see: Howard Hughes, Ray Charles, Katherine Hepburn. *Times-News* readers seem to love stars played by stars.

The Hughes biopic "The Aviator," Jamie Foxx's turn as Charles and Cate Blanchett's rendition of Hepburn topped T-N readers' picks in the newspaper's 12th annual Pick-the-Oscar Contest.

"The Aviator" was their runaway choice for the Academy Award for Best Picture, while Foxx and Blanchett were overwhelming picks for Best Actor and Best Supporting Actress in "Ray" and "The Aviator," respectively.

Readers favored Hilary Swank's performance as a fighter in "Million Dollar Baby" for Best Actress and Morgan Freeman's aging boxing cornerman in the same movie for Best Supporting Actor.

Clint Eastwood, the director of "Million Dollar Baby," edged out Martin Scorsese, who helmed "The Aviator," for Best Director.

The T-N reader — or readers — who correctly forecasts the most winners of the six major Oscars will win two movie tickets and popcorn to go with them.

The Academy Awards will be handed out Sunday night. We'll announce the contest winners in the WeekEnd section on March 4.

One hundred fifty-seven T-N readers entered the contest.



Martin Scorsese's biography of Howard Hughes' early years, "The Aviator," is *The Times-News* readers' favorite for Best Picture at Sunday's Academy Awards.



Jamie Foxx is the favorite for Best Actor for his performance as Ray Charles in "Ray."



Cate Blanchett turned in a convincing Katherine Hepburn, one of Howard Hughes' many love interests in "The Aviator."



The cast of "Million Dollar Baby." *Times-News* readers like Hilary Swank for Best Actress, Clint Eastwood for Best Director and Morgan Freeman for Best Supporting Actor.

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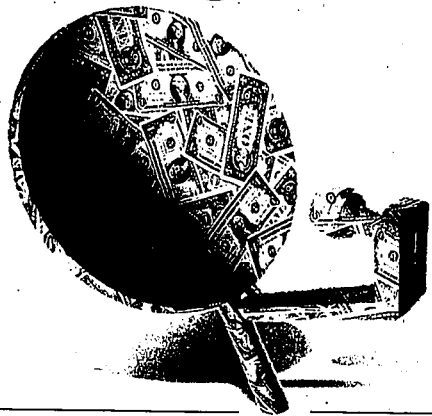
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# High-rolling in Oakley: OVAC will present 'Guys & Dolls'

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

OAKLEY — In the realm of musical comedies, "Guys and Dolls" is a slow-burning curveball for actors.

"I think it's one of the greatest Broadway musicals ever," said Kent Severe, president of the Oakley Valley Arts Council and director of OVAC's winter production of the Frank Loesser classic, which opens Thursday in Howells Opera House. "Most musicals have four or five good songs, and all the rest are fillers. With 'Guys and Dolls,' they're all great songs."

"They include 'If I Were a Bell,' 'Sit Down, You're Rockin' the Boat,' 'A Bushel and a Peck,' 'Luck Be a Lady' and, of course, the title song, whose lyrics say in part:

"When a lazy slob takes a good steady job,  
And he smells from Vitalis and Barbosol,  
His thumbs call it clever  
Ah, but you can get odds forever."

That the guy's only doing it for some doll."  
Then there are the characters: Sky Masterson, the suave, cyni-

## If you go ...

- **What:** The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Frank Loesser's musical, "Guys and Dolls."
- **Where:** Howells Opera House, Oakley.
- **When:** Thursday and March 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14-15 and 17-19, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 677-2787.

cal master of the loaded dice. Nathan Detroit, proprietor of the oldest established permanent floating crap game in New York. Miss Adelaide: Nightclub singer engaged to the same man.

Nathan — for 14 years. Sister Sarah Brown, "Major Barbara" without a sense of humor.

Not enough for you? Then how about Nicely Nicely Johnson, Benny Southstreet, Rusky Chay, Harry the Horse and Big Duke?

They're all the febrile imagination of Loesser, a reformed New York newspaperman who once less stole the story from Damon Runyan, a legendary

chronicler of the underworld.

The pitch, see, is that a high-roller bets that he can seduce a painfully earnest and beautiful Salvation Army soldier who is trying to reform the mugs, pugs, barflies and hookers around New York's Times Square.

And, of course, he ends up falling in love with her.

"It's fun to watch, and it's been fun to watch it come together," Severe said. "We have a mostly young cast that's having a good time."

Jared Davis of Oakley, who's studying art at the College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls, and classmate Jenny Harmon, a nursing student at CSI, play Skye and Sarah. Burley physical therapist Nick Greenwell is Nathan, and Linda Barnes, a Burley homemaker, is Miss Adelaide.

The dead-end boys are Zane Milton of Oakley (Nicely Nicely), Michael Ure of Oakley (Benny), David Hansen of Oakley (Rusky), Denny Davis of Oakley (Big Duke), Chris James, a CSI student from Burley, plays the law, Lt. Brannigan, and Jolene Smith (Gen. Cartwright) is the soul-saver-in-chief.

"Guys and Dolls," with lyrics and music by Loesser and story

by Abe Burrows and Jo Swerling, opened on Broadway in November 1950 with Alan Alda's dad, Robert, playing Skye. It ran for

three years — 1,200 performances in all. Director Joseph Mankiewicz made it into a movie in 1955, miscasting Mar-

lon Brando — who couldn't sing — as Skye. Frank Sinatra was Nathan and Jean Simmons was Sarah.

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## Musical

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cal unworthy fate by one man, identifying justice to thriving Dakota Territory.

"There's singing, dancing and a lot of humor," Baca said.

"Tied to the Tracks" was created by two guys with a rich history of uplifting music.

Composer Christiansen, a San Diego schoolteacher, was the director for Up With People during American tours and served as the musical director and conductor for the San Diego Junior Theater as well as vocal coach for the Lawrence Lawrence Theater. He can direct the San Diego Civic Youth Orchestra and Wind Ensemble.

Lyricist Kittleson, who is the artistic director of the San Diego

School for Creative and Performing Arts, appeared off-Broadway in a revival of Jerome Kern's "Leave It to Me" and in regional theater productions. He has directed for San Diego Civic Light Opera and the Lawrence Welk Resort Theater.

Christiansen and Kittleson have written more than a dozen musicals together, including "Little Miss Christie," "Robin Hood," "We Like It Here," "Legs in 'Hansel and Gretel,'" "Live a Little" and "Squid Room."

It's been 22 years since Marty Mead and a few others organized JUMP Company, a musical theater troupe for kids designed to provide youngsters with a chance to act and dance, not just sing.

Every summer since 1983, JUMPSCO has put on a show with casts ranging in size up to 160 children.

The company does an annual winter production as well, including in recent years "Tumbleweeds," "Disney Mania II," "Pinocchio" and "The Lions Den Was Never Like This."

JUMPSCO has given out about 200 scholarships in its two decades, and its alumni include all the members of The Stars, a Twin Falls-based vocal harmony group, and actress Christina Hendricks ("E.R.," "The Court.")

Lara Bradshaw is in charge of choreography for "Tied to the Tracks" and Devry Nield is the musical director.

## Merchant

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young Venetian, asks his merchant friend Antonio (David Chambers) to lend him money so he can travel to Belmont to court a beautiful heiress, Portia (Corrie Winterholler). Antonio agrees, but says he must borrow the cash from one of the city's moneylenders because all of his ships are at sea.

Antonio and Bassanio approach Shylock (David Ketchum) to ask for the loan. Shylock agrees on the condition that Antonio must forfeit a pound of flesh if the defaults. Bassanio, with the money in his pocket, departs for Belmont.

According to the terms of Portia's father's will, she must marry the man who chooses the box — out of three boxes made of gold, silver or lead, respectively — that contains her portrait. If a suitor chooses incorrectly, he is condemned to remain single forever. Bassanio and Portia fall in love, and Bassanio happily selects the right box. But then news arrives from Venice that Antonio's ships are lost at sea, and that Shylock is demanding his pound of flesh.

When Shylock refuses, to accept Bassanio's offer to repay the loan, the case goes to court. A legal expert — Portia, disguised as a young male lawyer — is

called to settle the matter. She renits the contract and declares that Shylock is entitled to the flesh, but since the loan agreement says nothing about shedding blood, Shylock must cut the flesh without making Antonio bleed or else be arrested for taking a Christian's blood.

Portia declares that Shylock has conspired against a Venetian citizen's life and thus his own life is forfeit. But the court shows that Shylock will keep half his wealth, but must convert to Christianity.

Portia, now unmasked, and Bassanio are reunited, and some of Antonio's ships are salvaged. Only Shylock is the loser.

To a greater or lesser degree, Portia ends up controlling the destiny of all the major male characters in "Merchant."  
"Shakespeare didn't write many strong female characters, but Portia is an exception," Steel said. "Typically in Shakespeare's day, men played women's roles, but I don't think that was the case with Portia."

Steel likes "Merchant" for the lessons in drama — and life — that it offers his students.

"You could read this play and never get it from what you get by acting in it — or watching it performed," he said.

## Dramatis personae

Cast members are Chelsea Watkins, Troy Cooper, John Robinson, David Chambers, Sarah Pratt, Kayla Nicole Stephenson, Alexis Meyerhoffer, Corrie Winterholler, Stephanie Steel, Alex Craig and Eric Huntz, all of Twin Falls.

Falls: Stephanie Park, Jasmine Smith and Anna Fernandez, all of Caldwell; Dustin Hobbes of Gooding; Marc Walker of Jerome; Jean Paul Archambeault of Mountain Home; and Bradley Kidd of Burley.

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WEEKEND

# Almodovar offers stylish film noir in 'Bad Education'

## New to the valley 'Bad Education'

Pedro Almodovar's stylish film noir about movies, mistaken identity, mysterious disappearances and the power of self-delusion. With Gael Garcia Bernal, Fede Martinez and Javier Camara. NC-17.

## 'Cursed'

'Scream' writer Kevin Williamson and director Wes Craven spin a contemporary tale of werewolves in Los Angeles. Christina Ricci, Jesse Eisenberg and Joshua Jackson star. PG-13 for horror violence, gore, some sexual references, nudity, language and a brief drug reference.

## 'Diary of a Mad Black Woman'

Kimberly Elise stars in the title role, piecing her life together after her successful Atlanta attorney husband accuses her out of her man for another woman. With Steve Harris and Tyler Perry, who adapted his play. Directed by Darren Grant. PG-13 for drug content, the-

## Big box office

Last weekend's top-grossing movies:

1. "Hitch," Sony.
2. "Constantine," Warner Bros.
3. "Because of Winn-Dixie," Fox.
4. "Son of the Mask," New Line.
5. "Million Dollar Baby," Warner Bros.

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co.

matic elements, crude sexual references and some violence.

## 'Man of the House'

Hard-nosed Texas Ranger Tommy Lee Jones goes undercover to protect the only witness to a crime — a group of college cheerleaders. With Cedric the Entertainer. Directed by Stephen Herek. PG-13 for violence, sexual content, crude humor and a drug reference.

## Continuing

### 'Are We There Yet?'

A thuddingly miscalculated comedy starring Ice Cube as a

guy who says he doesn't like children but who ends up escorting a pair of incorrigible little monsters (Phillip Daniel Bolden and Aleisha Aden) on a 300-mile nightmare journey to deliver them to their attractive mother (Nia Long). The kids, however, are more scary than amusing, which is pretty clearly not what the filmmakers intended. (1.34) PG for language and rude humor.

## 'The Aviator'

Martin Scorsese's sleek epic biography of oilman/businessman/madman Howard Hughes, by turns soaring and sluggish. Leonardo DiCaprio gets under the skin of the increasingly eccentric entrepreneur and Cate Blanchett has a terrific turn as Katharine Hepburn. PG-13 (sexual candor, profanity)

## 'Because of Winn-Dixie'

A lonely young girl names her new dog after the supermarket where she found him. With Anna Sophia Robb and Jeff Daniels. Directed by Wayne Wang. PG for thematic elements and brief mild language.

## 'Boogeyman'

From producers Sam Raimi and Rob Tapert, who Americanized "The Grudge," this pulpy nonsense has little to offer in the way of entertainment or originality. Barry Watson plays an associate magazine editor plagued by memories of a horrific childhood event involving the title character. Director Stephen Kay employs the darling shadows familiar to anyone who has seen "The Grudge," as well as an assortment of overly familiar jump cuts and shock zooms to give the audience a handful of jolts. The script, however, includes listless stretches of atmospheric build-up that succeed only as smokescreen for exposition of the back story. Fright fans expecting anything special will be sorely disappointed. With Emily Deschanel. (1.26) PG-13 for intense sequences of horror and terror/violence, and some partial nudity.

## 'Coach Carter'

Samuel L. Jackson stars in this stand-up-and-cheer inspirational about the real-life basketball coach who believed that students athletes should be

scholars first and jocks second. PG-13 (sexual innuendo, disorienting drug references, violence, profanity)

## 'Constantine'

Keanu Reeves stars as the title character, based on the "Hellblazer" graphic novels about a man who has literally been to hell and back and helps a policeman investigate her sister's death. Directed by Francis Lawrence. R for violence and demonic images.

## 'Finding Neverland'

Johnny Depp stars as 'Peter Pan' author James M. Barrie in this twee and fuzzy melodrama about the inspiration the Scotsman got from four London lads, and how he hid in a fantasy world to escape his not-so-happy life. 1 hour 46 minutes. PG (adult themes, language)

## 'Hide & Seek'

The year's first laugh-out-loud-funny thriller owes much to Stephen King and not a little to the perilous path of being too self-referential. After the unexpected death of his wife, a New

York City psychologist (played by Robert De Niro with hand-wringing solemnity for most of the film) moves his traumatized 9-year-old daughter, Emily (Dakota Fanning, with hair dyed Wednesday Addams black), upstate to a large rambling home in the woods outside a rustic town. Unless you're a connoisseur of movies that are so bad they're good, "Hide and Seek" is one game you're not going to want to play. (1:40) R for frightening sequences and violence.

## 'Hitch'

Will Smith plays a smooth-talking New York City "date doctor" who advises men on the art of wooing women, but his best stuff does nothing for his own efforts to win over Eva Mendes' character. Directed by Andy Tennant. PG-13 for language and some strong sexual references.

## 'The Incredibles'

A movie with the sweet soul of "Toy Story" and the brazen spirit of "Spy Kids," Brad Bird's eye-popping cartoon boasts a

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"Man of the House"  
"Million Dollar Baby"  
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pro-family, pro-tort-reform agenda and a witty, atomic-modern style, it resembles the way the futuristic director (Hick) If pop artist Roy Lichtenstein had designed rocketships for NASA and ranchers for suburban developers. PG (mild violence, language, suitable for children-11 and older)

Meet the Fockers

The sequel to the 2000 hit Meet the Parents brings back Ben Stiller as Greg the Gaylord Focker, the mild-mannered nurse who suffered humiliation at the hands of his girlfriend's (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) Fockers. This is one of those relatively rare comedies that at once puerile, charming and very funny throughout. Stiller dutifully reproduces his nervous routine, and Polo does what she can in a critically blind part. Hoffman and Streisand have a blast as Bernie and Roz, the unself-conscious free spirits who made their son into the leading milkop he is today. Directed by Jay Roach, (1.55) 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 pie 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-battered popcorn movie that's family-friendly, 'Treasure' may fall a notch below 'The Da Vinci Code' in the mainstream, but it does give American history sex appeal and celebrates a guy who relies on ingenuity rather than gadgets. PG (mild violence, suspense)

The Phantom of the Opera

'This white elephant of movie chat lumbers from dripping cab-comb to dropping chandelier from Andrew Lloyd Webber's Broadway blockbuster. The developer of this holiday enterprise is Emmy Bossum as Christine, Beauty to the Phantom's Beast. PG-13 (violence, threat of sexual violence)

Racing Stripes

In the race-acting, talking-animal genre, 'Racing Stripes' is no 'Babe' but should delight young stars, although parents likely will find it sentimental in the extreme. The film is a celebration of every development, inefficiently directed by Frederick Du Chau. Tom David E. Schmidt's script, a lion film is populated with encouraging animals and especially anthropomorphized and that are voiced by among others, a sprinkling of famous names, including Dustin Hoffman, no less. A sparkling farce (from Greenwood) and his daughter rescue a baby zebra (voiced by Frankie Muniz) who develops a hunch for racing, unaware that he is not a horse. Much of the movie devoted to harried antics, as the zebra is befriended and schooled by the farmer's veritable menagerie. (1.50) PG for mild crude humor and some language.

'Sideways'

Alexander Payne's exhilarating, edgy and wryly comic buddy film about fortyish guys, a depressed intellectual and an affable hit-writer, who embark on a bachelor debauch to the California wine country before the latter's marriage. With Paul Giamatti, Thomas Haden Church, Virginia Madsen and Andrew Oh. R (sexual candor, profanity, brief drugs)

'Son of the Mask'

Disadvantaged from the start by not having Jim Carrey, this sequel to the 1994 comedy hit 'The Mask' fills itself in impressively deep hole by also forging a compelling story or introducing by characters of interest: The original star is Jamie Kennedy, who plays an aspiring animator, the majority of the film revolves around an amish minor Norse god named Loki (Alan Cumming) trying to get back the

mask and Kennedy trying to deal with a son conceived under its influence who literally bounces off the walls. It's astonishing how dull a movie that packs so much visual overstimulation into its frames can be. PG for action, crude and suggestive humor and language. (1.55)

'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 in Sex') for sexual content including dialogue.

'The Work and the Glory'

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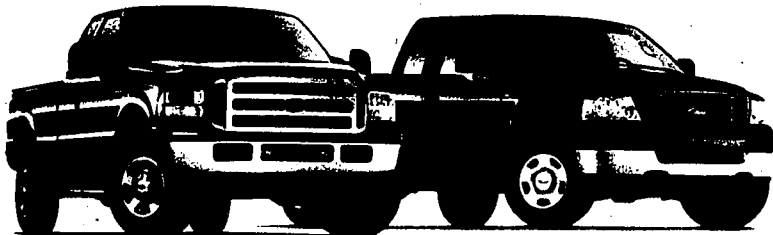




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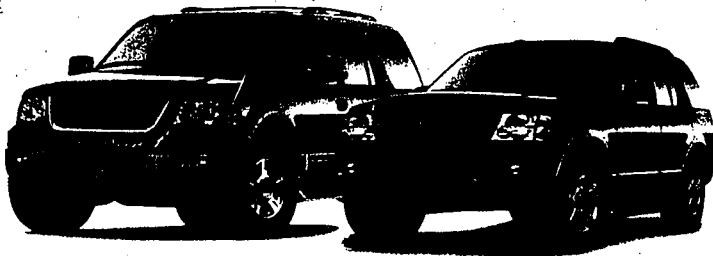


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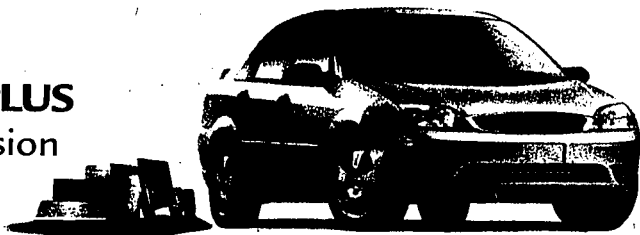
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## MORNING LINE

### SPORTSQUOTE

A white guy drives 200 mph, they give him a trophy. I drive 57 in a 55, and I wind up on 'Cops.'

— John Salley about Jeff Gordon's victory in the Daytona 500

### TRIVIA

**QUESTION:** What is the only Atlantic Coast Conference school USC has never played in men's basketball?

...answer below

### TODAY'S SCHEDULE

**High School**  
Postseason  
**BOYS BASKETBALL**  
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State tournaments, Nampa  
**College**  
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Colorado Northwestern at CSI, 11 p.m.  
**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**  
Colorado Northwestern at CSI, 6 p.m.  
**MEN'S BASKETBALL**  
Colorado Northwestern at CSI, 8 p.m.

### IN BRIEF

#### Kimberly boosters meet Monday

**KIMBERLY** — The Kimberly Bulldogs booster club will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the media center at the high school. For more information, call George Flew at 423-4987.

#### Jerome wrestling club starts up Monday

**JEROME** — All elementary school children are eligible to join the Little Tigers wrestling program. Registration is 3 p.m. Monday at the Jerome High School wrestling room. The cost is \$35 for a freestyle card and T-shirt. A parent or guardian must be on hand during registration.

#### Ponderosa Golf Course now open

**BURLEY** — The Ponderosa Golf Course and its driving range are now open under winter rates.

#### Basketball commish needed for 2005-06

**GLENN'S FERRY** — The Board of Control of the Fourth District Activities Association is accepting applications for the position of basketball commissioner for the 2005-06 season. A letter of application, resume of experience and several letters of recommendation can be sent to league secretary Len Penner at Box 475, Glenns Ferry, ID 83624 or faxed to 386-3018 or e-mailed to [Edalen@aol.com](mailto:Edalen@aol.com). Contact Penner at 366-7957 or at [Edalen@aol.com](mailto:Edalen@aol.com).

#### T.F. freestyle wrestling club meets Monday

**TWIN FALLS** — All are welcome interested in freestyle wrestling are encouraged to attend the initial meeting of the Twin Falls Freestyle Wrestling Club Monday, Feb. 21, 7 p.m. in the Twin Falls High wrestling room. The program is open to all youth elementary through high school. Parents are encouraged to accompany their children. There will be a \$30 registration fee for the program which gives each membership to the USA Wrestling Association. Practices will be held Mondays and Wednesdays with Saturday travel tournaments scheduled through the summer for some age divisions. For more information, call Brady Dickinson at 735-1890.

### TRIVIA ANSWER:

Clemson. The Trojans and Tigers participated in the battle royale in December but did not meet.

# Bruins claim regional title

## Twin Falls boys remain undefeated, headed to state

By Nathaniel Garrabrant  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls High's 23-0 and going on to state.

With an 81-66 victory over Highland in a packed Baun Gymnasium Thursday night, the Bruins snagged the Region Four-Five Six championship and closed out the season with an unblemished record.

Don't let the score deceive you, it wasn't easy. At least at first. Twin Falls will enter the state tournament next week as the only team boasting a goose egg in the loss column, but early on it seemed the only egg on the horizon was the one that the Bruins were laying.

Rebounding trouble and six first-quarter turnovers enabled the Rams to jump out to a 24-17 lead after eight minutes of play.

"We didn't do a good job of rebounding and it caught up to us," said Twin Falls coach Matt Harr.

Four minutes into the game, Highland got in a groove and surged for a 15-2 run to go up 24-14.

It didn't last long. Mitch Smith drained a three as the quarter expired and less than two minutes later Twin Falls was up 29-24. Smith, who finished the game with 18 points, opened the second quarter with another 3-pointer and the Bruins took advantage of a trio of Rams turnovers to initiate a 14-0 run during which Mike Smith drained two from past the arc.

Mike Smith would post a game-high 24 points and eight boards.

"When you've got a team like our team, if you've got an open guy, he's going to hit it," said Mike Smith.

However, sloppy play continued to plague the Bruins, with four more turnovers facilitating a 10-2 Highland run to tie the score at 39 at the half.

The second half seemed a different game entirely, with Highland coming out cold and Twin Falls going straight for the jugular, switching defenses and controlling the tempo as well as the ball.

"The first half was all maintenance," said Harr. "Once they started missing from the outside, we went to a zone."

The adjustment paid dividends, with the Rams field goal percentage dropping from 59 percent in the first half to 29 percent in the second as they found themselves unable to get the ball inside.

Twin Falls on the other hand was fully able, with Mike Smith, Brady Jardine, and Tanner Hazelbaker driving into the paint for short-range buckets and an 8-2 run to open the third.

The Rams threatened once



Bruins forward Brady Jardine scores over Highland's Tyler McKee during the second quarter of Twin Falls' 81-66 win over the Rams Thursday night in Twin Falls. The 23-0 Bruins now head to next week's Class 5A Idaho state boys basketball tournament.

more when Tyler McKee hit a three for the Rams with three minutes left in the third to make it 52-50. But it would be as close as Highland would get, as Mike Smith answered with a 3-pointer of his own on the ensuing possession to spark a 9-0 run to close out the quarter and pull away for good.

Twin Falls begins the 5A state tournament at 6:15 p.m. Thursday at the Idaho Center in

Nampa against an opponent to be determined Saturday.

**Twin Falls 81, Highland 66**  
Highland: 20-11 24-15 14-11 10-11  
Twin Falls: 18-11 24-15 14-11 10-11  
Scoring: 1st Q: Highland 10-22; Twin Falls 10-18  
2nd Q: Highland 14-20; Twin Falls 14-18  
3rd Q: Highland 14-20; Twin Falls 14-18  
4th Q: Highland 14-20; Twin Falls 14-18  
Total: Highland 56-100; Twin Falls 55-100  
Rebounds: Highland 27; Twin Falls 23  
Assists: Highland 10; Twin Falls 10  
Steals: Highland 10; Twin Falls 10  
Blocks: Highland 10; Twin Falls 10  
Fouls: Highland 10; Twin Falls 10

# Minico ties for first after Round 1

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

**NAMPA** — Wrestling is undoubtedly an individual sport.

However, Magic Valley area wrestlers spent a good part of their time focused on their teams Thursday at the 2005 State Wrestling Tournament at the Idaho Center in Nampa. Minico's Wes Cooper found time in his preparation for his first round 171-pound match to cheer on teammate Shawn Kuzler, then went out and dominated Skyview's Joel Sandoval, pinning him in 1:13.

There was the throng of lower-weight, Kimberly wrestler supporting 145-pound Trevor Millwright through a close 6-4 decision. And then there was Gooding senior Hella-Bingham, whose entire wrestling season has been a study in teamwork.

After starting the season wrestling at 160, Bingham dropped some 15 pounds by



Minico's Kevin Kilroy cruises to a win by pin during his first-round match against Sandpoint's Darren Thompson in the 2005 4A state wrestling tournament at the Idaho Center Thursday in Nampa.

better at state at 145 and help the team out. We had a couple of kids who could wrestle 160 and they came really close to getting here, but that's just the luck of the draw."

Cutting weight is by no means anything new to the wrestling world, but all Idaho wrestlers have to adhere to the state's two year-old wrestling weight guidelines.

"It was hard to manage it," Bingham said. "You can only drop two pounds a week so you have to really work and be precise. It took a long time."

"The hard work has paid off for Bingham, who advanced to the state quarterfinals by pinning Fruitland's Zac Grove in 3:35.

"I'm glad I went down because those bigger kids at 160 take a lot more out of you," Bingham said. "Against the bigger kids you learn certain moves and learn not to stay underneath. I think that's helped a bunch, because I haven't gotten underneath as much against the smaller guys."

It was an exciting start to the tournament for the Class 4A Minico Skyviews, who were tied with Spartan for the team

Please see MINICO, Page D2

# Cattoni parlays academic prowess to field

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Take a poll of a 100 college basketball players. No, make that 100,000. How many have goals of becoming a pediatric surgeon once they finish school? How many enjoy reading "Scientific American" magazine in their free time? It could be many. But if you talk with the College of Southern Idaho's Eric Cattoni, you'll have shown needle-point preci-

sion in the classroom, but has also dissected opponents' pitching stalls in his two years as a Golden Eagle. Cattoni, a second-team All-Scenic West Athletic Conference selection last season, led the Eagles with a .329 batting average in 2004 and hit .294 through six games this season.

But just as there's always work to be done in the classroom, Cattoni is still learning from his on-field professors, head coach

Boomer Walker and assistant Skip Walker. As the pencil-in-leaderoff batter for the Eagles, a high batting average is nice. But the real test of a man at the top of the batting order is his on-base percentage.

"Hitting for average is always going to be something that any hitter in any spot in the lineup is always going to be thinking about," Cattoni said. "But for a leadoff hitter, batting average Please see CATTONI, Page D2

# Eagles overcome Arnold's suspension

By Kevin Colbert  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team had a lot to overcome this past weekend.

Not only were the Golden Eagles fighting to remain at the top of the Scenic West Athletic Conference, facing two road games against the No. 12 team in the country, but they were doing it without head coach Gib Arnold.

Arnold was suspended for two games against Salt Lake Community College due to physical contact made with a North Idaho College player along the sideline on Feb. 12 in Twin Falls. The Eagles, however, persevered, losing to the Bruins the first night before responding the next evening with a win that may end up being the key victory in eventually landing the Region 18 tournament in Twin Falls.

"I think the main thing it shows is that this is a very good program," Arnold said. "One player or even a coach, they're not greater than the program."

Arnold will be back on the sideline for seventh-ranked CSI (24-2 overall, 12-2 SWAC) when it takes on Colorado Northwestern Community College on Wednesday and Saturday at CSI Gymnasium. The women's games will take place at 6 p.m. with the men following at 8.

The executive Scenic West Athletic Conference committee of Salt Lake City athletics director Norma Carr and Dixie State College athletics director Dexter Irvin made the decision to suspend Arnold, who was on the playing floor with the contact in question occurred. But CSI had no representation during Please see EAGLES, Page D2

# CSI hoops doutheaders

**CSI Gymnasium**  
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**Saturday**  
**CSI women vs. Colorado Northwestern, 6 p.m.**  
**CSI men vs. Colorado Northwestern, 8 p.m.**

# Wendell books return ticket to state

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**WENDELL** — Wendell will be back to defend its 2A boys basketball title.

The Trojans knocked down nine 3-pointers as they easily claimed the Canyon Conference title with a 75-47 victory over Glenns Ferry Thursday night.

In a game that resembled a street fight at times, Wendell went on a 12-0 run to finish out the opening period and never looked back.

"It was a very impressive. We had been a little shaking early. Going into the state tournament we wanted to have four good quarters," said Zac Davis, who paced the Trojans with 21 points. "We shoot a lot. We have been doing well so we have stuck with it the whole season."

Four good quarters was what they had. Wendell tossed in 18 points in each of the first three periods in a 12-0 run to 21 in the final eight minutes.

The Trojans will open state tournament play at 7:15 p.m. Thursday in the Capital High School in Boise. The opponent will be determined by a play-in game Saturday.

Davis hit a couple early baskets as the Trojans got out of the gates quickly taking an 8-2 advantage. Chris Laib, who finished with 11 points, answered for the Plois with a pair of layups cutting the deficit in half. That would be the only offense for Glenns Ferry in the first quarter.

Kevin Oden and Davis each drained a 3-pointer and gave Wendell Please see WENDELL, Page D2

SPORTS

Burley lacks intensity in loss to Century

By Jared Eborn Times-News correspondent

POCATELLO — Starting center Kegan McCoy was sitting at home listening to the game on the radio and his team, the Burley Bobcats had already secured a spot in next week's state tournament field.

So, it was no surprise, then, to see the Bobcats play with a little less energy, urgency and intensity than they'd have hoped for.

"It showed," Burley coach Jack Bagley said after the 52-42 loss. "It was hard to pick up the intensity knowing we were already in state."

Perhaps because they were

playing on the road in a somewhat meaningless game, the Bobcats were never able to find the emotion needed to hang with the Diamondbacks. And though Burley was far from blown out by the game, the lack of fire was evident.

Especially on the stat sheet. Century, with a trio of 6-foot-5 or taller bangers inside, dominated the glass and snagged 25 offensive rebounds while winning the overall rebounding war 46-29.

Four Century players had more rebounds than Burley's best, Kyle Benham with six. "We couldn't match up on the inside," Bagley said. "Our big post player is sick and he stayed home. We really missed him because we didn't have enough guys to keep them off the glass."

Jacques Wilson scored 24 points for Century and defensively helped prevent the Bobcats from finding a rhythm. Aside from Anthony Curly's 15 points and Steve Eisensohn's 11, no Burley player had more than five.

"We just didn't come out fired up at all," Eisensohn said. "We knew we had that spot in state already and that's why we had a hard time."

Sitting on the top row with a cameraman was the Bonneville coaching staff. The Bobcats, by virtue of the loss, will face

the Bees in the first round of the state tournament next Thursday.

"Maybe it's a good thing that we lost. Maybe we'll work harder in practice this week," Bagley said. "And, there's another good thing. We didn't show (Bonneville) a whole lot."

Century 52, Burley 42

Scoreboard table for Century vs Burley game, listing player names and statistics.

Preston ends Jerome's season with late spurt

POCATELLO — When his team ran out of steam with a state playoff position riding in the balance, Jerome basketball coach Houston Finn did what any self-respecting coach would do.

He took the blame. "It was probably bad coaching, I suppose," Finn said after the Tigers dropped a tough 51-43 decision to Preston. "I guess I drove a few plays I shouldn't have."

Finn was trying to deflect any hint of disappointment in his team, who despite a lousy fourth quarter, had a good chance of beating the Indians.

But the Tigers failed to control the rebound off the second miss, allowing Preston's Lynden Moser a chance to grab it and quickly power the ball up and into the hoop for a two-point lead, 47-45.

That was the final turning point, Finn said. "We gave up an offensive rebound on a free throw with the game on the line. There's really no excuse for that."

Jerome didn't score a point over the final 1:47 and squandered what might have been a game-winning rally in the third quarter.

After trailing by as many as 10 points in the second quarter, the Tigers mounted a 19-1 rally over the six-minute span to put Preston on the ropes.

Chance Craig fed the rally by hitting back-to-back 3-pointers to open the second half while Conrad Lee's defense and fast break baskets also

played a big role. But Preston responded, and after taking the game on its own to take the lead early in the fourth quarter.

Craig scored 14 points and hit four 3-pointers to lead Jerome. Preston was paced by Holtz 14 and 10 from Jeremy Burns.

Preston 51, Jerome 45

Scoreboard table for Preston vs Jerome game, listing player names and statistics.

Huskies pull away from Musers for third seed

By Diane Philbin Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — A nine-day year break at this time of the year should have been like a shot in the arm giving the players a second breath and fresh legs.

Instead, Hansen had to fight off rust and a game Camas County squad.

"We looked tired and sluggish," said Hansen coach Mike Heifer. "Nine days was just too long to layoff."

With senior standout Mark Pearson scoring a game-high 21 points and Kyle King adding 16, Hansen just managed to get by Camas County 46-42 Thursday night.

The Huskies will be the third seed out of District IV and will play at 1:15 Wednesday at Caldwell High School. Camas will play at Valliuve High School at 6:15.

Hansen took a 31-26 lead into the final quarter as the Huskies outscored the Musers 11-5 in the final 46 quarter for Camas.

Later, Camas County sophomore Chase Lee hit two quick shots and Mark Wilson added a bucket to pull the Musers within three points, 35-32.

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Chase Lee added 10 points, all in the final quarter for Camas.

Hansen 46, Camas County 42

Scoreboard table for Hansen vs Camas County game, listing player names and statistics.

Richtfield 50, Raft River 42

SHOSHONE — Richtfield rallied big time to clinch the 1A District IV boys basketball championship, scoring 20 points in the final 4:34 of the game Thursday for a 50-42 win over Raft River.

The Trojans, the Magic Valley Southside Conference champions, led 38-30 with 4:34 remaining only to see the third-ranked Musers erupt for 20 points, sparked by 3-pointers from Victor Vazquez, Tate Exon, Shayne

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Knicks beat shorthanded Sixers, 113-101

NEW YORK (AP) — Kurt Thomas celebrated the passing of another uneventful trading deadline — at least for him — by scoring 21 points on 10-for-14 shooting to lead the New York Knicks past the Philadelphia 76ers 113-101 Thursday night.

Thomas also grabbed 12 rebounds, and Tim Thomas shot 10-for-14 and scored 27 points for New York.

Philadelphia, which had only eight players in uniform — none of them named Chris

Webber — was led by Allen Iverson's 29 points. Webber, acquired late Wednesday night from Sacramento, will make his 76ers debut Saturday against his old team, the Kings.

Stephon Marbury had 17 points and 12 assists, and Jamal Crawford added 16 points and nine assists for New York, which also was shorthanded after trading away Nazr Mohammed, Moochie Norris, Vin Baker and Jamison Brewer earlier in the day.

The Knicks outscored Philadelphia 32-22 in the fourth quarter to secure the win.

Philadelphia, which needed to have eight players in uniform, brought journeyman Jason Lawson to New York in a trade that also included Tim Thomas.

But Rodney Rogers — acquired from New Orleans earlier in the day in a three-player trade — flew to New York aboard Hornets owner George Shinn's private jet and arrived at the arena less than an hour before tipoff, prompting the Sixers to send Lawson home.

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Scoreboard table for Friday's wrestling tournament, listing school names and scores.

Women

The No. 1 Eagles used a sweep at SLCC to silence most of their doubters, including their biggest critic — their own coach.

CSU head coach Randy Rogers had hoped to earn at least a split against Salt Lake, but his team was able to come out on top with two victories over the second-place Bruins while perhaps just as importantly, proving worthy of holding the top national ranking.

"I think we did prove it," Rogers said. "We went down there and played with a lot of confidence. I think that we have a mental edge on some of these teams right now."

CSU (25-1, 12-1) can wrap up an outright SWAC title with a pair of wins against Colorado Northwestern (2-23, 0-14).

CNCC has a forward solid players but lacks depth. Forward Emily Kunington leads the Spartans with 13.0 points and 6.6 rebounds per game. Guard Jami Hunsman also scores in double figures at 11 ppg.

The Spartans have fired 468 3-pointers this season (second in the SWAC), but are shooting the worst percentage from long range in the conference at 27 percent.

"The shoot a lot of 3s, a lot," Rogers said. "... They're just a scary team because they're really unorganized. I'd say, You'd hope we wouldn't have any problem with that. It's a team that we should beat, and beat bad."

Wendell

Continued from D1. led the 18-4 lead after one. The Pilots had their chances, but could not get anything to fall.

"The boys played hard, but we couldn't hit anything," said Glenns Ferry coach Jeff McPherson, who added that his team missed 11 shots in the paint early.

About the only concern the Trojans had was Davis getting his second foul early in the second period. It wouldn't matter. Jeff Lewis came off the bench to knock down Wendell's third

First round

Results will be published in Saturday's Times-News.

Smith came up with a gutsy performance nonetheless. Still recovering from pneumonia, Smith weakened his left ankle during the second period of his first round match and had to get through the rest of the contest with half a roll of trainer's tape covering his foot. Smith pulled through though, pinning Skyline's Sam Burns in 4:47.

"It's been tough," Smith said. "Even the kid I lost to at regionals, I'd beat 9-3 earlier. It's like I

couldn't catch a break last time. I'm going to try and come back and make that one right through. I just have to keep fighting through it."

Wood River senior Greg Lyons took a step forward in his quest to take his second straight state medal at 160-pounds with a 9-5 decision over Valliuve's Brandon Badol.

"It feels great just to make it here, but I don't feel satisfied yet," Lyons said. "I roll a have a lot more to go. I've done everything I could to get here, now I hope to place top four if not in the finals."

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After nearly 10 scoreless minutes, Laib finally scored for Glenns Ferry. He added two more lay-ups, cutting the deficit to 16 midway through the second. Other Pilots finally found their range as Dusty Suring clipped in nine points coming off the bench.

Wendell led the Pilots 36-18 at the break. Unlike Tuesday night, there would be no rally this time. Michael Chandler hit the Tro-

lans' sixth 3-pointer of the game early in the third and the lead was to 21. Oden added his third and fourth long-range bombs in the third quarter.

"That was one of my better shooting nights," said Oden, who tossed in 16 points. "We knew we had to play together as a team and make sure we came out real strong in the second half."

Jack VanderHulst clipped in six points in the paint early in the final period pushing the advantage to 30. The senior

finished with 12 points. The Trojans shot 48 percent from the field while the Pilots could manage to connect on just 26 percent of their shots.

Wendell 75, Glenns Ferry 47

Scoreboard table for Wendell vs Glenns Ferry game, listing player names and statistics.



Southern Idaho outfielder Eric Cattoni makes contact with the ball during batting practice.

Cattoni

Continued from D1 almost has to become secondary to on-base percentage. If you had a leadoff hitter with a batting average of .180 and an on-base percentage of .650, most coaches will take that over a guy that hits .400 and has an on-base percentage of .400."

So far, his new-found patience at the plate is paying off. Cattoni recorded four walks, was hit by one pitch and notched five hits through the Eagles' first six games, putting his on-base percentage at .588, up from .406 in 2004.

"If me, last year it just felt wrong not to swing hard," Cattoni said. "But I'm not the typical four- or five-hole hitter who's going to hit the ball over the fence all the time. I've got to realize that I've got to cut my swing down a little bit, take more balls and get on base more often to make things happen for me in big guys."

But Boomer doesn't want to completely take the bat out of Cattoni's hands, rather use it to take advantage of his blazing speed.

Just stays within himself he'd hit .400 because he's going to get a lot of hits where he'd beat out a ground ball to shortstop where nobody else in the conference would probably be able to," Walker said. "I can just take a little bit better mentally in those situations and not allow himself to strike out, he should lead the conference in hitting. It really should, just because he's so quick."

Cattoni is also making an adjustment in the field. He was

recruited as an infielder, but was asked to play in the outfield last season due to a glut of infielders on the roster. He's not the prototype outfielder, despite his speed. He's not long and lanky like most at his position — as he put it, he's "5-9 in cleats on concrete."

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Eagles

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The suspension was the second handed down to the Eagles this season. CSI center Monte Kone was suspended earlier in the season for one game.

"The Mohamed incident, along with this incident has taken away from the many positives of this year," Arnold said. "I think it is unfortunate and I think that we need to understand that that's not the focus. The focus is that we have a great group of guys, a great team and they're doing great things."

"We need to be talking about basketball," he continued. "I do believe that both of these incidents were blown out of proportion, it did take away from the emphasis of us as a team."

CNCC (2-23, 0-14) hasn't won a conference game since the 2002-03 season and has won just five league ties dating back to the 1997-98 campaign.

The Spartans aren't likely to reverse history against CSI unless they receive huge performances from forwards Jeff Gardley and guard Trent Dykster. Gardley ranks fourth in the SWAC in scoring (15.5 ppg) and third in rebounding at 8.8 per game. Dykster cores at 15.1 ppg.

CNCC head coach Joel Taylor, who also coached the women's team, resigned recently for unspecified reasons. Former coach Greg Duxon (men) and Christie Voyles (women) will take over through the end of the season.

Double Dip

Walker Field Friday CSI vs. Colorado Northwestern, 1 p.m.

Saturday CSI vs. Colorado Northwestern, noon

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# Sixers stockpile for division title push

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The acquisition of Chris Webber didn't stop the 76ers from making another deal.

Philadelphia pulled off another deal Thursday as the 76ers traded down toward the 3 p.m. EST NBA deadline, acquiring Rodney Rogers and Jamal Mashburn from New Orleans for Glenn Robinson.

Also, Cleveland acquired guard Jiri Welsch from Boston for a future first-round draft pick, and Houston bolstered its backcourt by acquiring point guard Mike James from Milwaukee, along with center Zenden Hamilton, for Reese Gaines and a pair of future second-round draft picks.

None of Thursday's deals matched the magnitude of the six-player swap late Wednesday night sent Webber to Philadelphia for the Celtics.

Williamson, Kenny Thomas and Brian Skinner. The 76ers also received forward Michael Bradley and Matt Barnes.

Webber was expected to travel to Philadelphia on Thursday and would not be with the 76ers for their game in New York against the Knicks.

Webber will likely debut for his new team when the 76ers play his old team, Sacramento, on Saturday night in Philadelphia.

The Sixers are 26-27 and just a half-game behind Boston for first place in the Atlantic Division. Webber will provide Allen Iverson will get some of the offensive help he has been requesting.

"They're going to probably win the Atlantic now," Cleveland's LeBron James said. "It's going to make them one of the top four teams in the Eastern Conference. I know Iverson is very happy about it. I'm going to call him and tell him I got an early Christmas present."

In the 76ers' other deal, the major principles — Mashburn and Robinson — are injured and have not played this season. Rogers can become a free agent at the end of the year, but his 3-point shooting fits nicely with coach Jim O'Brien's offensive philosophy.

Robinson averaged 16.6 points a game in his first season in Philadelphia last year — down from his career average of 20.8. He lost his starting spot from small forward to rookie first-round pick Andre Iguodala in training camp and has rarely been seen with the team since then.

Rogers was expected to play against the Knicks. Mashburn is making \$9.3 mil-

lion this year and \$10.1 million next year, but seems likely to retire because of his knee injury. Andre Walker is coming back to Boston after the Celtics agreed to trade Gary Payton, Tom Gugliotta and Michael Stewart to Atlanta on Thursday.

The Rockets will also get a future first-round draft choice, spokesman Arthur Triche said Thursday.

The Rockets-Bucks trade gives Houston another point guard to help make up for the absence of Bob Sura, who is expected to be sidelined at least another week by a back injury.

Milwaukee will get Houston's second-round draft pick in 2006 and 2007.

The Golden State Warriors acquired guard Baron Davis from the New Orleans Hornets on Thursday for guard Speedy Claxton and forward Dale Davis.

# SPORTS IN BRIEF

## Registration deadline approaches for Upwards

BURLEY — Registration is open for Upwards Basketball for children in kindergarten through sixth grade now through Sunday, Feb. 27.

The league is sponsored by the Burley First Baptist Church. For more information or to sign up, call 878-7613.

## ATV and cycle race benefits community

RUPERT — The Minidoka County Fairboard with the help of the Magic Valley Charities Association is sponsoring a benefit ATV and cycle race for Les Shultz and Oel (Oli) Parish on Saturday, Feb. 26 at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds Rupert Chariot Track.

Sign-in will be at 11 a.m. and practice runs will begin from noon to 12:45 p.m. Races begin at 1 p.m.

Entry fee is \$10 for ATVs and cycles and all proceeds will go to the benefit. The event is open to boys and girls of all ages. Winners must be signed to participate. Age categories are 5-12 years and 13 years, 16-18 years and 19 and up.

Public admission is \$2 per person at the gate. Children under 8 years-old are free.

Concessions will be available. For more information, call Jerry Kreigh at 312-5235 or Carla Hare at 678-3819.

## Richfield team offers auction fund-raiser

RICHFIELD — The Richfield Tigers boys basketball program is hosting an auction and spaghetti dinner fund-raiser Friday in the school cafeteria, starting with the meal at 5:30 and the auction at 7 p.m.

Items include baked goods, quilts, candles, team-signed footballs and basketballs, two loads of gravel, ground beef, and two sessions of sorting and penning.

Horse stud service from Jim and Rebecca Wood will be auctioned off at the Shoshone Saleyard Monday, Feb. 28. All proceeds go towards the team's trip to Nampa for the state tournament.

## Semi-pro baseball players meeting planned

BURLEY — A players registration meeting for the Northwest Triple B semi-pro baseball league will be held at 4:30 p.m. March 12 at Connor's Cafe.

## 1980 hockey rink named for Brooks

LAKE PLACID, N.Y. — Pat Brooks never stopped thriving away the years. The 25th anniversary of his high school's crowning achievement as nearly a two week to handle.

The rink where Brooks coached the U.S. Olympic hockey team to its stunning gold medal victory in 1980 now bears his name. It was renamed Wednesday night in his honor: 1980 Rink, Herb Brooks Arena.

The announcement came 18 months after Brooks was killed in a car accident.

The announcement capped a celebration of the 1980 Lake Placid Winter Games, and it came 25 years and a day after Team USA's miraculous 4-3 victory over the Soviet Union in the medal round.

"It might sound funny, but I could feel the presence. I could feel the energy. I could feel the arena," daughter Kelly said. "I was 8 years old when it happened and I could still hear, 'USA! USA!' Being back there and I did it for now."

The ceremony featured 35 members of the 1980 U.S. Olympic team and included 18 of the 20 members of the hockey team.

## Barry will step down as Colorado's coach

BOULDER, Colo. — Colorado's men's basketball coach Cecil Barry announced Thursday she is stepping down at the end of the season, the school in her 22 years at the school.

Barry has a career record of 509-282, including a 426-240 mark with Colorado. She also coached Cincinnati for four years.

She has led the Buffaloes to 13 seasons of 20 wins or more. 12 trips to the NCAA tournament, six berths in the round of 16 and three appearances in the final eight.

## Shaq should resume playing this weekend

MIAMI — Miami Heat All-Star center Shaquille O'Neal has a mildly sprained left knee and a night's rest Saturday against the Orlando Magic.

An MRI exam confirmed a very mild sprain, the team said Thursday. O'Neal didn't comment to reporters waiting outside the hospital, and is listed as day to day.

He was injured in the first two minutes of Tuesday's game in Chicago when he leaped to catch an alley-oop pass from teammate Scottie Pippen and awkwardly spun Bulls forward Otisella Harrington. O'Neal stayed on the court for several minutes, clearly in pain.

## Dodgers' closer Gagne sprains left knee

VERO BEACH, Fla. — Los Angeles Dodgers closer Eric Gagne sprained a ligament in his left knee Thursday during the team's first full-season workout of spring training, and will undergo an MRI exam.

Gagne didn't seem particularly bothered by the injury. Stan Johnson said the 29-year-old right-hander probably will have his activity limited for about a week. Johnson said the injury won't last about six weeks to fully heal.

Gagne agreed to a \$19 million, two-year contract last Monday.

## Federer, Henman advance in Dubai

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Top-ranked Roger Federer advanced two match points and Andy Roddick won a straight match in a third-set tiebreaker, will face seventh-seeded Mikhail Youzhny, a 7-5, 6-4 winner over Rainer Schuettler.

Third-seeded Tim Henman beat Igor Andreev 7-6 (5), 6-1, and will face Ivan Ljubicic, who beat Fernando Verdasco 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-6 (8).

## Marlins' ballpark plan wins city approval

MIAMI — The Florida Marlins' financing plan for a \$420 million stadium in the city of Land O'Lakes won unanimous approval Thursday from the city commission.

In a nonbinding agreement, the city agreed to contribute an additional \$25 million in infrastructure needed for the 38,000-seat stadium, which would open for the 2008 season.

The city plans to issue \$20 million in bonds backed by \$28 million in tourist tax development taxes. \$32 million for a parking garage and \$60 million in hotel beds freed up by the city sold Miami Arena last year.

## No. 10 Michigan St. handles Wisconsin

EAST LANSING, Mich. — Alan Anderson didn't miss and scored a career-high 28 points to lead No. 10 Michigan State to a 77-64 win over No. 20 Wisconsin on Thursday, snapping a 12-game losing streak against ranked opponents and a six-game skid against the Badgers.

Anderson was 10-of-10 from the free-throw line for the line for the Spartans (20-4, 10 Big Ten), who have won 10 of 11 since joining to the Badgers (17-7, 8) on Jan. 16.

## 'Goon' ends St. Joseph's forward's season

PHILADELPHIA — John Chaney's use of a "goon" is going to have a lasting effect on St. Joseph's.

Hawes senior forward John Bryant could miss the rest of the season after an MRI on Thursday showed he had a broken right arm. Bryant was injured on a hand foul two days after the Buffaloes (7-7, 4-13 Big 12) lost their school-record 10th game in a row, 84-33 at No. 13 Texas.

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# BASKETBALL

## NBA

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	22	28	.438	1
Philadelphia	22	28	.438	1
Atlanta	22	28	.438	1
Toronto	22	28	.438	1
Charlotte	22	28	.438	1

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	10	16	.385	7.5
Orlando	20	28	.417	1
Washington	10	16	.385	7.5
Atlanta	10	16	.385	7.5

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	11	17	.394	1
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Indiana	11	17	.394	1
Memphis	11	17	.394	1

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	16	12	.571	0
Dallas	16	12	.571	0
Houston	16	12	.571	0
New Orleans	16	12	.571	0

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	17	11	.607	0
Minnesota	17	11	.607	0
Portland	17	11	.607	0
Utah	17	11	.607	0

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	14	14	.500	1.5
LA Lakers	14	14	.500	1.5
Golden State	14	14	.500	1.5

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Indiana	10	16	.385	7.5
Cleveland	10	16	.385	7.5
Memphis	10	16	.385	7.5
Dallas	10	16	.385	7.5

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San Antonio	16	12	.571	0
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Golden State	16	12	.571	0

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LA Lakers	14	14	.500	1.5
Golden State	14	14	.500	1.5

## Thursday's College Basketball Scores

Team	Score	Team	Score
Arizona	82-68	Arizona State	82-68
Duke	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
North Carolina	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
Georgia Tech	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
Florida	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
Virginia Tech	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
Georgia	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
Florida State	77-64	Wake Forest	77-64
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# Clarett emerges from the shadows

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Maurice Clarett isn't challenging anyone but himself these days. No lawsuits against the NFL. No feuding with authors.

Instead, Clarett showed up Thursday at the NFL Combine with a smile and a plan. The former Ohio State star who challenged the league's draft rules in court — and eventually lost — claims he can handle anything except not playing.

"This is a big day I've been preparing for a long time," he said. "This day has been on my calendar for a long time, coming here interviewing with everybody, kind of knocking off the kinks everybody had on me and the knocks everybody had on me. I've been not focused and ready for this day to come."

"I'm not sure what I have to convince them of."

Here's a little help, Maurice: The NFL teams want to know how a two-year layoff has affected your running skills.

And whether you are team-oriented enough for them.

And if you've matured during the hiatus caused by a school suspension, then having a federal appellate court overturn a lower court ruling that made all underclassmen (and even high school players) draft eligible.

He'll have to show people he's been working and is in shape, said Bills general manager Tom Donahoe, a loud critic of Clarett last year, when he did beat out for the number one combine. "He'll probably have to work out well to show that. The fact that he hasn't played in



a positive, so I think it is important based on what happened last year."

Clarett is guaranteeing it. At 21, he says he has matured and learned from his mistakes. He spent much of the last year training in California and being tutored by his lawyer, David Kenner. Now he's presenting the new Maurice Clarett, not the guy who basically blew off the 2003 combine. Not the guy who pleaded guilty to lying on a police report after claiming \$10,000 in merchandise was stolen from his car. Not the youngster who accepted benefits in college to which he was not entitled.

And not the Clarett who accused Ohio State of arranging for a no-work job and providing improper academic aid after he was suspended by the school.

"A more positive person" is what the NFL will get, he says. "I've got a lot greater work ethic than I had last year. I think my drive is a whole lot more determined than it was last year. I just want to work. I don't care if it's special teams, anything, just get me on the field. I want to play with anybody."

Who is interested? That's hard to tell this early in the draft process and with so many questions surrounding Clarett.

Plus, this is a strong class of running backs, led by Cedric Benson of Arizona, Ronnie Brown and Carnell Williams of Auburn, and Clarett of Florida.

# Top seeds survive a soggy La Costa

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Tiger Woods won his 13th consecutive match and all but one of the top 10 seeds advanced Thursday at the Match Play Championship, finally getting under way on a golf course still mostly underwater.

The fairways at La Costa were so soggy that Davis Love III spent 10 minutes looking for a dry patch of grass.

The greens were soft and saturated, leaving players to contend with heel prints late in the round. It was a rare sight to see any putt conceded outside 18 inches, and Woods said he would have been better off putting on a wooden.

"At least a waffle iron is the same height," he said. "You can hit good putts and look great, and hit good putts and look like an absolute idiot."

Tees were moved up to avoid landing areas that resembled swamps, the biggest change coming at the 467-yard ninth. It played as a par 3 from 162 yards because there wasn't a dry spot in the fairway.

They didn't need marshals at La Costa, they needed life-guards.

The course was really unplayable. Stuart Appleby said after beating Jock MacIntyre in one of only two matches that required extra holes. "With stroke play, there was no chance of playing that well. And match play was a mess."

But that's why they played. This fickle format is about beating another player, not the course, and everyone faced the same conditions brought on by heavy rains earlier in the week that delayed the start of the Accenture Match Play Championship by one day.

Who handled it better than others.

Vijay Singh, the No. 1 seed who has never advanced beyond the second round, built a quick lead against Shingo Kajitani and sailed to a 4-and-3 victory.

Phil Mickelson made two



Nik Price, left, gets descriptive while chatting with Tiger Woods during their first round match at the World Match Play Championship Thursday, in Carlsbad, Calif.

## Match Play Pairings

Friday Second-Round Matches (Seedings in Parentheses)		All Times EST	
10:10 a.m. — Stewart Cink (8) vs. Tom Lehman (40)	10:20 a.m. — Davis Love III (9) vs. Lee Westwood (24)	10:30 a.m. — Padraig Harrington (7) vs. Rory Sabbatini (59)	10:40 a.m. — Stuart Appleby (10) vs. Ian Poulter (42)
10:50 a.m. — Vijay Singh (1) vs. Jy Haas (33)	11 a.m. — Chris DiMarco (16) vs. John Daly (48)	11:10 a.m. — Tiger Woods (2) vs. Nick O'Hern (31)	11:20 a.m. — Kenny Perry (15) vs. Luke Donald (18)
10:10 a.m. — Kirk Tiptlett (60) vs. Craig Parry (37)	10:20 a.m. — Greene McDowell (53) vs. Robert Allenby (44)	10:30 a.m. — Sergio Garcia (6) vs. Jerry Kelly (38)	10:40 a.m. — Adam Scott (11) vs. David Howell (43)
10:50 a.m. — Retief Goosen (4) vs. Fred Couples (38)	11 a.m. — Miguel Angel Jimenez (13) vs. Chad Campbell (20)	11:10 a.m. — Phil Mickelson (3) vs. Angel Cabrera (30)	11:20 a.m. — David Tomes (14) vs. Mark Hensby (46)

birds to start the second nine and led by as many as four holes before dispatching short-hitting Owen Roberts, and 1. Retief Goosen went the dis-

tance with Stephen Leaney, winning 1 up.

Mike Weir of Canada, the No. 2 seed, was the only player among the top 10 who is head-

ed home. Weir fought to the end, making a 20-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole to keep alive his chances, but Kirk Tiptlett rolled in a tricky 4-foot putt to advance to the second round.

Not many felt worse than Jim Furyk. He made six birdies and ran into one of the hottest players at La Costa, Ian Poulter of England, who made seven birdies for a 3-and-1 victory.

## Rosales leads early

at season-opening SBS KAHUKOUI, Hawaii — Jennifer Rosales shot a bogey-free 6-under-par 66 to take the early first-round lead Thursday in the season-opening LPGA tournament.

The 26-year-old player from the Philippines led Angela Stanford by two strokes after the morning groups completed play in the SBS Open.

# Cooking the curse is a new national pasta-time

By P.J. Huffstutter Los Angeles Times writer

CHICAGO — The foul ball that unraveled the Chicago Cubs' chance for a World Series was a red spaghetti sauce.

Harry Caray's Restaurant Group last year bought and de-batted the infamous "Bartman" ball, an object that was superstitious Cub fans was the ultimate symbol of bad luck.

The restaurant is using the shredded remains in a key ingredient in its "Foul Ball" spaghetti. Since the dish was unveiled Monday, about 1,000 folks have paid \$11.95 each in hopes of bringing home a championship.

The restaurant is going to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Cubbie faithful from Fargo, N.D., have driven more than 600 miles just to eat a fan from England and Italy. Fans have asked the restaurant to ship them some of the pungent sauce.

The start of baseball season is coming. We have to do something to prepare," said Grant DePorter, the managing partner of Harry Caray's, founded by and named after the long-form Cubs announcer.

During the 2003 National League Championship Series, Steve Barman — a loyal Cubs fan — inadvertently knocked the head of left-fielder Moises Alou's head. The head became the Cubs' leading Florida Marlins 3-0 — just five outs from a trip to the World Series. But the Marlins rallied to win Game 7 to Game 7 to advance to the World Series — where the Cubs have been since 1945.

The Bartman ball was blown apart last February, reduced to a pile of plastic, wood, leather and rubber. But its destruction failed to bring about the much-hoped-for result — a World Series berth — which led to the lawsuit filed by Cubs to e-mail or call DePorter.

Each person begged for just one thing: Finish the job.

"We went through all the messages, and there were three common ones," he said.

Drop the remains in beer. Pierce them with a laser beam. Eat them.

DePorter decided to do all three.

Late last week, the restaurant assembled a small team of local advisers that included a chemistry expert from Northwestern University, a registered dietitian from the Hospital, and a staff member from a food-testing laboratory.

They had to figure out a way to blend the ball into something that would be safe to eat.

"Once all the leather and the



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rubber was removed, we were left with actual fibers," said Krista Wennerstrom, an actor of nutrition for Thorek Hospital and a "serious" Cubs fan. Those remains were then tossed into a big container of beer seasoned with rosemary, Parmesan, and bay leaves. "We boil it, and then it went through a distilling and purifying process," Wennerstrom said.

The result was nearly a gallon of clear, pungent liquid, which then was zapped with low-powered laser beams. Finally, it was blended with the restaurant's regular marinara recipe.

"The flavor's a bit on the smoky side," executive chef Paul Katz said.

The city health department gave the all-clear after making sure the "red" would be no horsehide or rubber bits in the sauce," spokesman Tim Hadac said.

Cubs fans John Perrone and his 20-year-old son, the ball, drove into the city from northwest Indiana on Wednesday to sample the sauce — hoping to end the team's bad luck as they dabbed up the last bits with slices of bread.

"It's ridiculous. But I thought, if I'll help, what do I have to lose?" said Perrone, 48. "It was pretty good. It didn't taste like rubber."

After six decades without making the World Series, many Cubs fans are convinced that their team is destined to fail. Some blame the bad luck to a local saloon that, in 1945, bought two tickets to a game: one for him, one for his goat.

When Wrigley Field officials forced the pair from the ballpark, the man reportedly cursed the Cubs. Until they allowed his goat to enter, the team would lose.

It doesn't matter that you can point to a lot of things the Cubs did wrong over the years, team historian Ed Harig said. "A lot of people in Chicago truly believe the team is cursed."

Katz's recipe calls for 4 ounces of the ball, divided into every eight gallons of marinara sauce. As of Wednesday, he used only about one-fourth of the "Foul Ball" liquid.

"It has to be gone before the first tickets go on sale" Friday, DePorter said. "We'll start adding more to the sauce."

# Steroid scandal leaves us wondering about legitimacy

SAN JOSE, Calif. — A few days ago, at the annual Bay Area baseball luncheon, the rumbling through the room was all about steroids. I got a distinct impression from chatting with some Giants front-office folks that they believed all of us journalists were absolutely giddy with glee over the raging "roid story."

It's the same message coming from plenty of readers. That the steroid story is absolutely the greatest, happiest moment of our lives. I go to bed every night with a new revelation we put down our notebooks and pens and turn cartwheels of pure joy.

Sure. And next week I'm hoping to advance my career by covering pro football.

As we enter the steroid spring, all of baseball — fans, players, the league and the media — is in an unconfirmed, unproven, unproven state. We wish we knew more. But we're watching something real. We feel like Alice in Wonderland — what's real and what's a mirage?

Bonds is 11 home runs away from one of the most cherished numbers in all of baseball — 714. Babe Ruth's home run total. He is closing in

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on Hank Aaron's record of 755. Sportswriters for generations have extolled the sanctity of those numbers.

And now they'll be surpassed. We will dutifully record Bonds' historic home runs. We will dutifully make reference to the BALCO investigation. We will, in our reports, walk an increasingly thin tightrope.

The steroid issue has become like politics: red-vice, blue-vice. Those on one side of the fence think the media are unfairly bashing Bonds. They are outraged that the steroid issue continues to interrupt their enjoyment of baseball. Those on the other side see only phony numbers, the need for asterisks, a travesty to the game, and they want the media to keep hammering.

It's true reporters love a good story. And this is a good story — a story of deception and fraud, of unchecked ego, of biological engineering. We're in this business to ask questions, find out truths, pull back the curtain and

see what's really there.

But we also — just like sports fans — love to see history made. To know that what we watch and write about is legitimate.

Simple as that. In this business because we love sports and have some belief in their intrinsic value. We respect their history and context. It's not much fun to sit in a glorious Olympic stadium on a warm Athens night and watch the competition with squinty-eyed cynicism. In fact, it's pretty sad. But that's the age in which we live.

The conventional wisdom is that the steroid age — at least until the dirty laundry aired — has been good for everyone associated with baseball. Good for the players, good for the owners, good for the fans, good for television ratings and good for sportswriters. We've had plenty to write about, from Jose Canseco's 40-40 season and the steroid contracts Brothers to the Soda-McGwire home run race of 1998 to Bonds' record-breaking 2001 season and his continued assault on history.

Good for everyone. Except when it comes to credibility. The growing revelations have

taken a universal toll on integrity. The players, the league and the media. Respondents to an ESPN survey last week said that when it comes to information on the steroid issue, most people believe the players (59.6 percent), while the media (60.3 percent) rank slightly above the discredited league (14.9 percent). The answer "none of the above" got 25.2 percent.

We discover the lack of credibility. We've all heard the rumors, all harbored suspicions. But it was only a federal investigation into BALCO Laboratories that made this story truly unraveled. Any reporting up to that point had been spotty at best and is still spotty considering that there are probably dozens of BALCO-esque laboratories out there.

This isn't the most important story in the world. It's not war or health care or education. But it is a story of cheating, corruption and sports history. It's a story that needs to be told. That doesn't mean the media are gleefully telling it.

Now that the ugly truth is coming out, we can only hope that it has a happy ending. Otherwise that pro wrestling comment is looking pretty good.

# Schilling pitches off mound for first time since surgery

By The Associated Press

Encouraged, but the perfectionist pitcher was less than thrilled Thursday after throwing off a mound for the first time since winning Game 2 of the World Series last October.

Sixteen days after beating St. Louis, the Boston Red Sox pitcher had ankle surgery.

"This was a day when I didn't feel as good as I wanted to feel," Schilling said after his 47-pitch, 16-minute workout at Fort Myers, Fla. "My ankle didn't hurt, so I guess that's a positive for people other than me."

Schilling's competitive nature is driving him forward, but he wants to make sure his healthy at a much more important time. "I think he looked terrific," manager Terry Francona said. "He's been doing everything our coach right now and just not snapping."

Schilling's 21-6 record and 3.26 ERA in his first season with

## MLB spring training

Boston boosted the Red Sox into the playoffs, where his only loss was to the Yankees in Game 7 of the World Series. He was the first pitcher to be named MVP.

He had one of the worst outings of his career in the first game of the AL championship series, allowing six runs in three innings of a 6-2 victory. The procedure was repeated before his next and last start, when he allowed no earned runs in six innings of a 6-2 victory.

In Vero Beach, Fla., Los Angeles Dodgers closer Eric Gagne sprained a ligament in his left knee Thursday during the first day of spring training and will undergo an MRI exam.

Gagne didn't seem particularly concerned, but trainer

Stan Johnson said the 29-year-old right-hander probably will have his activity limited for the injury needs about six weeks to fully heal.

"I turned around and a cleat got stuck," Gagne said. "I just twisted my knee a little bit, I'm not sure. There was no swelling, and that's really good sign. I don't want to start aggravating anything. It's early in camp."

Infielder Norihiro Nakamura, assigned to a minor league contract, was not in camp because of visa problems. Dodgers manager Jim Tracy said he had no idea when Nakamura, a 31-year-old veteran of 13 seasons with the Osaka Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan's Pacific League, would report.

In Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Baltimore's Rafael Palmeiro is leaving open the possibility of filing a lawsuit against Jose Canseco, who said he introduced the first baseman to steroids in 1992 when both players were with the Texas Rangers.

Canseco cited Palmeiro as a steroid user in his new book. In an interview on the CBS televi-

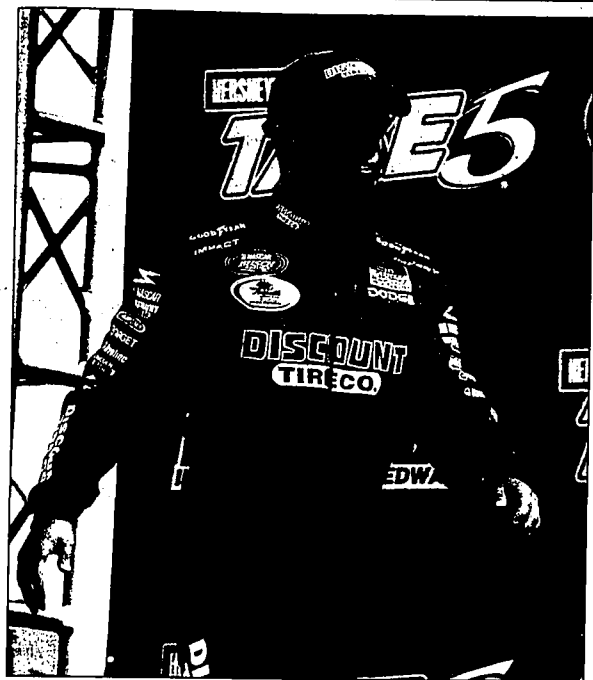
sion show "60 Minutes," Canseco said he injected the drug into Palmeiro.

Palmeiro issued a statement last month in which he denied ever using steroids, and the emphatically backed up that assertion Thursday after his first practice of spring training. Palmeiro also said he's considering hiring the law firm of attorney Peter Angelos to take legal action against Canseco.

In Mesa, Ariz., Chicago Cubs manager Dusty Baker and some of his players were discussing the possibility of putting some Sammy Sosa made when he reported to the Baltimore Orioles' camp.

At a news conference on Wednesday, Sosa was asked about comments by Cubs players who said he and the team were better off following the Feb. 2 trade. Sosa apparently interrupted that as the Cubs saying they didn't need him anymore.

"They lie," Sosa was quoted as saying in several newspapers. The Cubs insisted Thursday that's not what they said or meant.



NASCAR Busch series driver Reed Sorenson is introduced to the Busch race at the Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., last Saturday. The 18-year-old Sorenson is one of several young drivers making headway in NASCAR and taking advantage of the sport's youth movement.

## NASCAR's ongoing youth movement creates new stars

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — As Reed Sorenson reached for the microphone, Dale Earnhardt Jr. playfully slipped his hand and snatched it away. Sorenson had to wait his turn. But he might not be so willing to take a back seat on the race track. The 18-year-old Sorenson is one of several young drivers making headway in NASCAR's lower ranks and taking advantage of the sport's ongoing youth movement.

"I hope I'm leading the way," the confident Sorenson said.

So far, so good. Sorenson finished ninth and was the top rookie in the Busch Series season opener at Daytona International Speedway last Saturday, a race that featured several drivers expected to be part of NASCAR's next group of "Young Guns."

Drivers under 24 years old include Sorenson, Ryan Hemphill, Shane Hmiel, Blake Feese, Justin Labonte, Paul Menard, Brandon Miller, Boston Red, Martin Truex Jr. and Jon Wood.

At that age, they make young Nextel Cup stars like Junior, Kurt Busch, Kevin Harvick, Jimmie Johnson, Matt Kenseth and Ryan Newman seem over the hill.

There's more available talent than ever before," said Loris Rancier, who scouts talent for Chip Ganassi Racing. "We'd all like to hire Jeff Gordon and bring him to our team, but what's the chance of that happening? Not very good. So what do you do? You start looking elsewhere. You can't get the guy

you want so you have to go out and find the next best thing."

For Rancier, that means spending countless hours researching drivers and poring over results, hoping to find a young Gordon or Tony Stewart. He would settle for Kasey Kahne or Kyle Busch, both of whom had successful Busch careers and are now driving full time in the Nextel Cup series.

"There's a lot of good drivers out there, but I am not looking for good drivers. I am looking for exceptional drivers," Rancier said. "We're the NBA draft. I'm only looking for lottery picks."

Rancier said that because of NASCAR's popularity reaching an all-time high, more children than ever are picking up the sport — and at a young age too. "Instead of playing baseball, a lot of kids are racing go-carts," he said.

That gives NASCAR teams a larger talent pool from which to choose drivers. It wasn't like that a decade ago, when NASCAR was much more of a family business. Fathers and sons, as well as brothers, could be found in almost any field.

But these days, sponsors want more marketable talent. So much so that 2002 Daytona 500 winner Ward Burton is out of racing and veteran drivers Jimmy Spencer, Mike Skinner and Bobby Hamilton have been relegated to the truck series.

Other seats are due to open next year after Mark Martin and Rusty Wallace retire from full-time racing. Terry Labonte already is racing a limited schedule.

ment everywhere except Daytona and Talladega, are intended to slow the cars in the turns by giving them less downforce, thereby making passing easier and improving competition.

Nearly everyone tested the new aerodynamics package here and at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in January, alleviating many of the concerns. But there wasn't any racing.

"Until we get around other cars in race conditions, we're really not going to know how much of an effect the reduced spoiler height and the new tire compound will have," said Tony Stewart, who led a race-high 107 laps last Sunday before slipping back to seventh at the end. "It didn't seem like it was a huge change for us."

"Things are going to change constantly, and no matter what changes you've got to learn to deal with it and learn to make the best of it."

Some drivers have looked forward to the changes because they expect them to make the cars harder to drive, perhaps an edge for the more experienced such as Stewart.

"I've lain in bed at night won-

dering if it will," he said. "I really won't know until we get a couple weeks into the season. I'm hoping so."

"Two years ago, we were in situations where track position was everything and you could run 150 laps on a set of tires and be just as fast as a guy with 30 laps on his tires."

The weekend schedule could also play into the hands of the more experienced drivers.

Beginning this week, and at about two-thirds of the remaining tracks, qualifying has been switched from Friday to Saturday. The cars will be impounded by NASCAR immediately after time tests and race the next day with the same tires, chassis setup and fuel load on which they qualified.

Daytona 500 winner Jeff Gordon said Sunday's race is going to tell everyone a lot more about the season than the 500.

"I think you're going to see more lead changes," he said. "I don't know if you're going to see as much side-by-side racing with the new rules. But what you saw at Daytona is not what exists anywhere else other than Talladega."

## Stewart still searches for big wins

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Tony Stewart is someday going to break through and win the big races that always seem to get away from him.

He's had chances at his beloved Indianapolis Motor Speedway, and his had victory in sight at the Daytona 500, only to come up short at the very end.

If Stewart ever scores those wins, he might just climb out of his car and call it a career.

"If I could get everything done [I want to get done, I would probably be gone from here by now] — I would have won everything I wanted to win," Stewart said.

When the day comes that Stewart quits full-time racing, he'll walk away with an impressive resume that will rank him among the most talented drivers ever.

He has nine championships in various forms of racing, starting with a Karting title he won in 1980 at 8 years old. He was the first driver in history to win USAC's Triple Crown in 1995 and he won the IRL series title in 1997.

He then became the first IRL driver to successfully transition into NASCAR, where he claimed the 2002 series championship.

All those championships have given Stewart a greater respect for the crown jewels on every schedule. He understands what an Indianapolis 500 title means to a driver resume, and the same for a Daytona 500 win.

A driver can win 100 championships, but will forever be recognized for the big wins.

"I remember what it was like to win the IRL championship," Stewart said. "The next year, it was a weight lifted off my shoulders. I could concentrate on individual races. I didn't even look hardly at the points sheet."

Perhaps that explains why Stewart hasn't really been a factor in the NASCAR's championship race since his 2002 title. He's already got that trophy. It's the others he needs to complete his career.



NASCAR driver Tony Stewart drives through the tri-oval during the Gatorade Duel No. 2 at the Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla., last Thursday.

### Auto Club 500

TV: Fox, noon Sunday

He came close again last weekend, leading a race-high 107 laps in the season-opening Daytona 500.

But with the finish line in sight, he again had the biggest win of his career snatched away when good buddy Dale Earnhardt Jr. pushed him out of the draft during a late-race pass for the lead and Stewart was shuffled back into traffic.

He ended up a distant seventh, bitterly disappointed again after joining the late Dale Earnhardt in the record book for futility. Earnhardt was the last driver to dominate the race and not win, leading 107 laps in 1993 and failing to earn a trip to Victory Lane.

And don't forget, Stewart led the most laps at Daytona last year, too. But in the end, Earnhardt Jr. had the better car and Stewart ended up pushing him to the win.

Earnhardt Jr. offered no apologies for not returning the favor this year.

"I wasn't going to sit on his bumper till the checkered fell. You know that wouldn't have been a whole lot of fun," Junior said. "I had a chance to be back-to-back Daytona 500 champ. That would have been awesome. I felt like Tony can

appreciate somebody trying to win the race."

Maybe someday he will. Stewart is still trying.

"We could write a book about it. How many years did Dale Earnhardt go through it?" crew chief Greg Zippadelli moaned. "Hopefully we don't have to wait that long [20 years] to win one of these things."

As long as the title eludes him, Stewart might stick around NASCAR. He's made no secret of his desire to get out while he's still young — he's 33 now — and is already planning for his future.

He owns teams in the World of Outlaws and USAC racing series and recently bought famed Eldora Speedway in Rossburg, Ohio — the dirt track where he started his career.

"You never know, tomorrow could be my last day in a race car," he said. "If something happens and I get hurt ... if I can't drive a race car, then what am I going to do?"

"At least this would be something for me to do. It gives me an option for something else to do the rest of my life is something happened."

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## New NASCAR rules debut at California

FONTANA, Calif. (AP) — NASCAR's new aerodynamic rules are competing under a new set of rules this weekend at California Speedway.

Shorter rear spoilers, softer tires and a new qualifying schedule will greet the Nextel Cup drivers when they hit the 2-mile oval for two practice sessions Friday.

"There really is a lot to take in," said Chad Knaus, crew chief for Jimmie Johnson. "This weekend should answer a lot of questions for everyone after all the speculation we've been going through all winter."

The season opened last Sunday with the Daytona 500. But the results of that race were probably a bit misleading because the teams were forced to use horsepower-sapping carburetor restrictor plates and had rear spoilers 6.75 inches high for stability on the 2.5-mile Daytona International Speedway.

In Sunday's Auto Club 500, the unrestricted engines will produce considerably more power, but the spoilers will be cut to 4.5 inches and there also will also be a new generation tire to contend with. Both changes are to be imple-

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## BRIEFLY IN MONEY

### Qwest revises its bid for MCI

DENVER — Qwest Communications International Inc. submitted a revised \$8 billion bid for MCI Inc. on Thursday in an effort to squash the long-distance phone company's plan to be acquired by Verizon Communications Inc.

The revised bid contains a mechanism to guarantee the value of the stock portion of the deal at the time of closing and will speed up the cash payments to the company's shareholders.

The new bid includes, as some key MCI shareholders have questioned MCI Inc.'s decision to accept a \$6.7 billion offer from Verizon over an initial \$8 billion offer from Qwest.

MCI's board said it would thoroughly review the new Qwest offer, as it has previous offers.

Qwest is the local phone carrier in 14 Western and Midwestern states — including Idaho.

In its initial bid, Qwest offered \$24.60 a share to MCI shareholders, comprised of \$7.50 a share in cash, \$1.60 a share in special dividends and \$15.50 of Qwest common stock based on a fixed exchange ratio of 3.735 Qwest shares per MCI share and Qwest's recent share price of about \$4.15.

The new offer guarantees the stock portion of the deal will hold at \$15.50 per share by adjusting the amount of Qwest stock paid if the shares fall below \$4.15 per share.

**CSI offers retirement information at seminar**

BURLEY — A "Successful Retirement Planning Seminar" is planned from 6 to 8:30 p.m. on three consecutive Tuesdays, March 1, 8 and 15.

The Mini-Cassia College of Southern Idaho enrichment program sponsors the Burley course.

Financial instructors Bret Robinson and G. Clay Espin will present the investment information in nontechnical, easy-to-follow language, class organizers said.

The three-session course will cover financial goals, maximizing income and investments, combating inflation, tax shelters, insurance, retirement planning and money management.

The fee is \$59, and each student may bring a guest at no additional charge.

Class size is limited, and organizations requesting early registration. For information or to register with a credit card, call 678-1400.

**DEQ will present a real estate workshop**

POCAHELLO — The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will present a workshop in Pocatello on real estate transactions and environmental liability.

It's set for 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 15 at Idaho State University's Student Union Building. The workshop is to increase public awareness of potential environmental issues when properties are sold and purchased in Idaho.

Information presented at the workshop will be of interest to Realtors, bankers, developers, local government representatives and the public, organizers said.

Keynote speakers Pat Engel, of Sage Community Resources, and Susan Lorenz, of Southeast Idaho Council of Governments, will talk on successful partnerships in the restoration, revitalization and economic development of communities.

Engel will preview potential no- to low-interest loans to help property owners clean up properties with environmental concerns.

Richard Ferguson, U.S. Bank's chief environmental compliance officer, will speak on "How Banks Address Environmental Issues." What to Expect Before the Deal Closes."

Cost is \$25, which includes classroom materials, refreshments, lunch and vendor registration. Call ISU Continuing Education in Pocatello at 282-3155.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

# Proposal excites south side residents

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — What do a spool of thread, a pair of stockings and a haircut have in common?

"They're all things you can't buy on Twin Falls' south side, in the growing neighborhood known as South Park.

But a group of businessmen want to fix that, starting with a new commercial development at the corner of Orchard Drive and Washington Street South anchored by a Swensen's Market grocery store. The developers of the planned Orchard Park Plaza commercial center showed pre-

liminary plans for the development to the public Thursday and asked for feedback from neighbors on what the proposed development should include.

Swensen Development Co. LLP — which consists of investors, the owners of Swensen's Markets and the owners of Force Engineering LLP — two weeks ago announced plans to build a 21,500-square-foot Swensen's Market, if city officials approve the proposed planned-unit development, or PUD.

Swensen Development has an agreement to purchase 5 acres inside the proposed 17-acre Orchard Park Plaza from

landowner Don H. Deeters of Boise, and the grocery store would be built on a portion of the 5 acres. White Pine Development Co., of which Deeters is a managing member, and Swensen Development hope to gain city officials' approval for a planned-unit development and fill the rest of the space with a variety of businesses.

The group decided to hold the open house as an additional step to become acquainted with neighbors before the city-required public hearings on the project. The land proposed for Orchard Park Plaza is now zoned for residential use. Developers will apply for rezoning to C-1

PUD, which will allow for a variety of businesses to set up shop in the development.

"We chose to take this additional step to take away some of the surprise of the project," said Andrew Swensen of Twin Falls, who is a partner in Swensen Development and co-owner of Swensen's Markets. "It's a way of informing the public."

The developers hope to fill the pad sites around the supermarket with a variety of local, regional or national retailers that cater to the needs of the South Park community, but no potential tenants other than Swensen's Market have been announced, Deeters and Swensen

said Thursday.

"That's where a questionnaire came in. A steady stream of people came through the meeting room at Depot Grill, grabbed a questionnaire and checked off the types of shops in which they'd like to shop. Business options ranged from hotels to florists to dog grooming to home furnishings. Swensen said the developers will compile the questionnaire answers and use the results in a future presentation to the city.

Merle Stoddard, who lives near Twin Falls' airport, said she'd like to see a department

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## DAIRY DISASTER



Wet cows stand and lie in mud due to the rain that has deluged the region since Feb. 1, at a dairy farm in Chino, Calif., on Thursday. Farmers are limited in how they can siphon off the floodwaters because of strict laws regulating dairy runoff.

## Deluge deadly for Southern California's dairy cows

The Associated Press

CHINO, Calif. — Herds upon herds of Southern California dairy cows are mired under deep in a thick stew of water, manure and mud — a consequence of record rainfall that has brought economic disaster to farmers.

Dairy farmers said this month's deluge in an important region of the nation's top milk-producing state has cost at least \$39 million — or at least \$2,000 per cow per day — in lost milk production, dead and sickened animals and damaged infrastructure.

The economic hit to the region is the worst since 1997, an infamous El Nino year when dairy farmers in San Bernardino and Riverside counties lost about \$60 million and the area was declared a federal disaster area, said Robert Feenstra, executive

director of the Chino-based Milk Producers Council.

Cold and wet cows are stranded in gobs of mud and standing water, but farmers are limited in how they can siphon off the floodwaters because of strict laws regulating dairy runoff.

Normally, the region receives about 14 inches of rain in the entire winter season, but this year it has registered more than 30 inches since October, said Art Marquez, 27, a third-generation dairy farmer in this community about 40 miles east of Los Angeles.

Marquez, who has 2,000 cows at two dairies, said he's lost at least \$2,000 a day to the rain over the past few weeks.

"We have nowhere to go with the water; the ground is soaked. Our dairies aren't designed to deal with this. It's the third-worst rain year on record,"

Marquez said.

San Bernardino and Riverside counties, two largely rural counties east of Los Angeles, together rank No. 2 for milk production in California. There are 250 dairies in the area with about 200,000 cows.

California dairies produced 35.4 billion pounds of milk in 2003, the latest reported year, accounting for more than \$4 billion annually, according to the state's Department of Food and Agriculture. Southern California milk accounts for \$760 million of that and about 10 percent came from San Bernardino and Riverside counties, according to dairy industry officials.

San Bernardino County, which by itself ranks fourth among California milk-producing counties, has lost \$26 million between Feb. 1 and Wednesday, said Nathan de

Boom, the council's assistant general manager. Riverside County, which ranks seventh in California, has lost \$12 million in that period, he said.

The state's Department of Food and Agriculture sets the minimum price that dairy producers receive from milk processors. State economists set the price monthly and would consider any impact on supply and demand when setting that price, said Steve Iyle, a department spokesman.

The loss of milk production in the Chino-area likely would not affect consumers, since other regions in California and nationally are important suppliers, said Bill Verbroek, general manager of the California Dairy Herd Improvement Association.

In a normal rainy season, each dairy farmer in the region

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## J.C. Penney swings to profit in quarter

The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS — Among the corporate earnings reports released Thursday were quarterly statements from three retailers with Magic Valley stores.

The highlights:

**J.C. Penney**

U.S. department store chain J.C. Penney Co. swung to a profit and beat Wall Street expectations in the fourth quarter as sales at stores open at least a year rose 3 percent from a year ago.

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The Plano, Texas-based retailer earned \$333 million, or \$1.17 per share, in the quarter ended Jan. 29, compared with a loss of \$1.07 billion, or \$3.42 per share, a year earlier, when Penney was dragged down by problems at the Eckerd drugstore chain, which it sold last year.

Penney said profit from continuing operations was \$328 million or \$1.16 per share, compared with \$253 million or 83 cents per share a year ago, excluding Eckerd.

On that basis, analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had forecast \$1.11 per share for the latest quarter.

Revenue fell to \$6.07 billion from \$6.10 billion a year earlier despite the increase in sales at stores open at least a year.

Profit from continuing operations is expected to be 48 cents per share in the first quarter and \$2.89 to \$3.01 per share for the fiscal year, the company said.

The full-year outlook includes a cost of 8 cents per share to buy back debt and 5 cents per share to account for the cost of stock options, which the company will begin exercising in the first quarter.

For its fiscal year, Penney

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## Developer drops plans to build first Wal-Mart in New York City

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A real estate developer scrapped plans to build the city's first Wal-Mart store amid intense pressure from residents and union leaders.

The decision, announced by city officials, comes as a blow to the retail giant, which has sought for years to move into the lucrative New York City market.

The company — which has Magic Valley stores in Jerome and Burley and hopes to open one in Twin Falls — had announced Dec. 6 that it would open a new store in the Rego Park neighborhood of New York City's Queens.

Wal-Mart Stores Inc. spokeswoman Mia Hosten said Wednesday the company had never signed a deal with the developer, Vornado Realty Trust, for the 132,000-square-foot space. She said Wal-Mart was still interested in exploring other locations in New York City.

Vornado spokeswoman Roann Kulkoski declined to comment Thursday.

Councilwoman Melinda Katz, head of the City Council Land Use Committee, said the deal may have fallen through because of Wal-Mart's track record on labor issues.

"Vornado may very well have a project that could be a good project in the area, and they wanted to go forward based on the substance as opposed to getting caught up in the issues that Wal-Mart seems to bring to the table," she said.

Opponents formed coalitions to block the store immediately after Wal-Mart, the world's largest retailer, announced plans to expand into New York.

Small businesses feared Wal-Mart would drive many retailers out, and residents near the site raised concerns about traffic and parking at the proposed site. Union leaders cited a list of labor offenses against the company, including a recent settlement of allegations that

Wal-Mart violated child labor laws and the company's decision to close a Quebec store when workers moved to unionize.

Meanwhile, in California, Wal-Mart Chief Executive H. Lee Scott Jr. said Wednesday that the company is renewing efforts to expand its Supercenter stores there. Public outcry had stalled the company's plans there last year.

Scott said that although Wal-Mart's \$1 million campaign to gain voter approval for superstore projects in the Los Angeles and San Diego areas failed, it is moving ahead with plans to open 25 new stores in the state this year.

"We're not going to lay down," he said. "We've got nothing to apologize for."

Analysts have said that Bentonville, Ark.-based Wal-Mart needs to tap into the New York City and Southern California markets to make up for slow growth elsewhere in recent years.

## Michaels Stores face subpoena over trusts

The Associated Press

DALLAS — A federal grand jury and the Securities and Exchange Commission are investigating whether trusts controlled by Michaels Stores Inc. leaders San Wly and Charles Wly Jr., wealthy beneficiaries of President George W. Bush, failed to disclose their involvement in offshore trusts that traded in company stock, the crafts-store chain said this week.

Michaels said trusts to benefit San Wly and his family members hold 2.15 million shares and trusts benefiting Charles Wly and his family control 2.87 million shares. Together, the trusts hold 3.7 percent of the company's outstanding shares.

The Irving, Texas-based company with a Twin Falls store disclosed the subpoena and SEC probe in a news release.

The two brothers from Dallas have swapped roles at Michaels. Charles Wly is cur-

rently chairman and former chairman San Wly, a financier who sold a software company for \$4 billion in 2000, is now vice chairman. Both are Michaels directors.

According to court records in a recent lawsuit filed by the Wlys, they set up several trusts in the late 1990s and early 2000s to benefit the couple of England, to benefit themselves, their children or other relatives.

Subsidiaries of some trusts acquired stock in private deals with the company in 1999, Michaels said Wednesday. The company said its sales of stock to some of the trust subsidiaries had been disclosed in SEC filings.

However, the SEC filings did not report the Wlys and their family members as beneficiaries of the irrevocable non-U.S. trusts.

Jeffrey N. Boyer, Michaels' chief financial officer, said the company was cooperating fully with both investigations. He

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Storm

Continued from D6. The damage is so devastating, farmers aren't going to be able to survive without some help," he said. "The mud and the mire is several feet deep and it gets worse every day. A lot of the facilities are overflowing with water."

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The 2005 Neon SE is shown in this undated photo provided by Daimler Chrysler/Dodge. The SRT-4 is based on the Neon, but packs a bit more punch.

### DODGE SRT-4

## It's reminiscent of a small muscle car

By Ann M. Job  
For The Associated Press

The Dodge Neon compact sedan has been around since 1994. But its younger, sporty SRT-4 version surprises with its boisterous personality.

Judging by record sales of more than 6,300 last year, car buyers have been noticing. The SRT-4, which has a starting manufacturer's suggested retail price, including destination charge, of \$21,195, posted record sales of more than 6,300 last year.

The SRT-4 uses the body and basic chassis of the Neon. But the SRT-4 is really a different kind of four-door sedan. The Neon can travel with normal, mostly muted, four-cylinder engine noise. The SRT-4 it bellows loudly, almost like a muscle car, no matter if it's driven in the city or is zipping up to speed on the highway.

The SRT-4 interior has form-fitting, sport seats that keep you snugly in place—sometimes too snugly—and a turbo boost gauge sits prominently on the dashboard.

You don't find these items in a regular Neon. You can buy a Neon with an automatic transmission. But you have to shift from gear to gear yourself in the SRT-4, because the only transmission is a five-speed manual.

And some of the view out the SRT-4 rear window is obstruct-

**TYPE:** Front-engine, front-wheel-drive, five-passenger, compact sedan.

**ENGINE:** 2.4-liter, double overhead cam, turbocharged, inline four cylinder.

**MILEAGE:** 22 mpg (city), 30 mpg (highway).

ed, thanks to the big spoiler on the trunk lid. It's standard equipment, but it's not standard on the normal Neon.

Oh, one other thing: There's no ho-hum 132-horsepower four cylinder under this Neon body.

The SRT-4 comes with a 230-horsepower, 2.4-liter, double overhead cam, turbocharged four with a lot of torque—250 foot-pounds between 2,200 and 4,400 rpm, to be exact.

In a car like the SRT-4 that weighs only some 3,000 pounds, that kind of low-end power takes you from zero to 60 mph in 5.8 seconds, qualifying the SRT-4 as Dodge's second fastest car.

That's especially impressive when you consider that the Dodge car with a faster 0-to-60 time is the V10-powered Dodge Viper, with a starting price of more than \$81,000.

While the SRT-4 is based on the long-running Neon, and it has a certain Neon styling similarity, Dodge doesn't officially include the word "Neon" in the

### Dodge SRT-4 by the numbers

**Price:** BASE PRICE: \$20,650. AS TESTED: \$21,345.

**TOP SPEED:** NA.  
**LENGTH:** 174.4 inches.  
**WHEELBASE:** 105 inches.  
**CURB WT.:** 2,950 pounds.

**BUILT AT:** Belvidere, Ill.  
**OPTIONS:** Orange Blast pearl coat paint \$150.  
**DESTINATION CHARGE:** \$545.

name of the SRT-4. Officials prefer to stress its origins with Chrysler's Street and Racing Technology team.

And actually, for someone considering how much power they can get for the dollar, the SRT-4 can look like a bargain. Consider: The SRT-4 is \$2,600 less than the larger, 2005 Mazda6 sedan with a V6 that has only 220 horsepower and 192 foot-pounds of torque at 5,000 rpm.

And the SRT-4 is only \$1,460 more than Honda's sportlet Civic, the Si, which has only 160 horses and 132 foot-pounds of torque at 5,000 rpm.

The SRT-4 power can come on in a rush, if you don't inductuate the clutch pedal and shifting.

Or, it can come on in a more moderate way, as it did when I was driving carefully on wintry roads. The only constant—a low, muscle-car growl.

In other words, an SRT-4 driver had best like that sound.

And that driver had best like a stiff ride, too, because the SRT-4

suspension will give you one. On rough, broken up pavement, I felt every bump jarringly.

But the grip and traction was better than expected in this front-drive sporty car. The SRT-4 has 17-inch, three-season performance tires, and a torque-sensing, limited slip differential helps provide competent power delivery to the wheels.

Rack-and-pinion steering is quickly responsive, too, darting around a sudden obstacle in the roadway without fuss.

The look of the radio controls and face plate in the test SRT-4 were less than impressive for a sporty car. A new-for-2005 option: a Kicker/SRTi Lwin Loud audio system with subwoofer in the trunk and the two 1-inch performance Neodymium tweeters.

The SRT-4's 13.1-cubic-foot trunk is the same size as that of the Neon. The bad, though, that the heavy spoiler made it awkward to open or close the test car's trunk.

## Whether eyes or headlights, something's going wrong

**Q.** I believe my headlights have become dim and I am wondering how to check them. Either my eyes are going or they are. How can I know for sure which it is? I have a voltmeter and I'm not afraid to use it.

**A.** I wondered the same thing a few years back. It turned out to be a little of both. Whenever an electrical component works questionably, the fault could be the electrical source, the circuit feeding the component or the component itself.



**UNDER THE HOOD**  
Brad Bergholdt

The electrical source is the charging system and battery. If the vehicle is starting and driving well, it's unlikely that a problem lies here. The wiring and switches controlling the low and high beam headlights can develop resistance over time. A corroded connector, oxidized switch contact or loose ground connection can reduce lamp performance by a noticeable amount. Headlight bulbs typically work well or not at all, so they are an unlikely suspect. If polycarbonate headlight lenses appear cloudy or yellowed, polishing them with Brasso will help restore needed clarity.

To test the headlight circuit, try the following: Temporarily insert a small paper clip (one end unfolded) into each of the two or three terminals at the back of a headlight connector, making sure the clips do not touch each other. Do not unplug the connector from the headlight. With the engine off, measure the voltage between the positive and negative battery terminals.

Next, measure between the paper clips, trying differing terminals as necessary, until a similar voltage is seen. If headlight voltage is within one volt of battery voltage, the circuit is acceptable, and it's time to see your optometrist.

If the difference between battery (supplied) voltage and headlamp (delivered) voltage exceeds one volt, further circuit testing is necessary to determine the cause.

For more information on automotive electrical system testing, please request an e-mail copy of my troubleshooting tips classroom handout.

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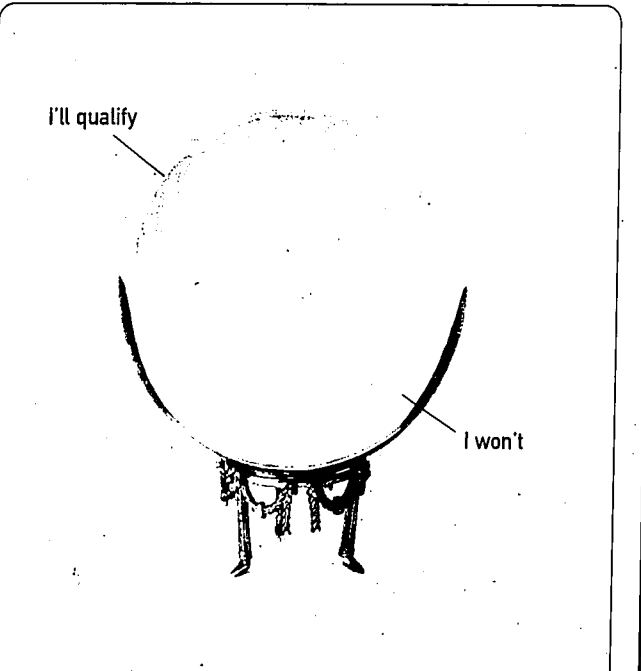
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6 Fashion  
10 Loafer or slipper  
14 Rub out  
15 Track shape  
16 Split the beans  
17 Counter person  
19 Foray  
20 Entire amount  
21 Meat cut  
22 Do duty  
23 Imitate Leo  
24 Pistol case  
25 Stonecutters  
29 Woodland  
30 Aware of  
31 Become visible  
33 Smash  
36 Shallow-draft boat  
38 \_\_\_ about time!  
39 Late  
41 Erie Canal  
42 Cavaalryman  
43 Reserve  
46 Blast off  
48 Limp  
50 Board of painters  
52 Pouty look  
53 Blazing  
54 Ascend  
55 NYC arena  
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60 Daughter of Demeter  
62 Tallow base  
63 Baroque master  
64 Garman sub  
65 Otherwise  
66 Stick around  
67 Hearth equipment

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2 Spoken  
3 Audacity  
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5 Practice session  
6 Grinding tooth  
7 Roasting place

**8 Unexpected winner**  
9 Antlered grazer  
10 Emphasize  
11 Dreamboat  
12 Popeye's gal  
13 Senior  
18 "Funny Farm" star  
22 Wintry weather forecast  
23 Gambrel or mansard, a.g.  
25 OAS word  
26 Racecar driver  
27 "Diana" singer  
28 Inanimate art  
29 Petrievs  
32 Picnic table  
34 Groupie target  
35 Small kid  
37 Mozart's "The Magic \_\_\_"  
40 French cleric  
43 Social insect  
44 River to the Gulf of Lions

**58 Bare buttocks**  
57 Unforeseen obstacle  
58 Comes down with  
60 Network of "Nova"  
61 "The Sopranos" production co.

**47 Make bubbly**  
49 Production  
50 Like yesterday's news  
51 Run \_\_\_ of the law  
52 Squishy  
55 Killer whale

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HEETES  
CEIVED

Answer: YARD, KLANE, HEETES, CEIVED

**HOW THE STEAMY SOAP OPERAS STAR LEFT THE FANS.**

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

Answer: A

**Yesterday's Jumble: FILMY TOXIC VIOLIN EXPEND**  
Answer: What the bookie gave the waiter - A NICE TIP!

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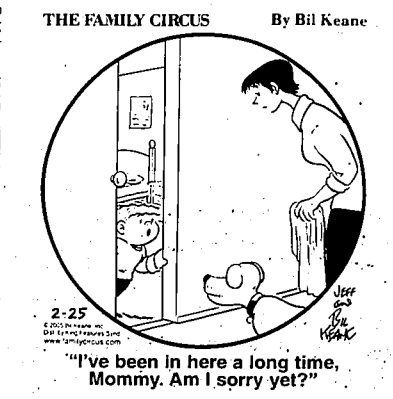


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SMILE!

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ARE YOU OUTGOING?

Enjoy doing things outside? Me too. SF, 40, seeks honest, caring SWM, 38-49, who enjoys having kids and family around. Kimberly TF583303

JUST WANTED HERE

Fun-loving gal, 24, spontaneous, polite, math, no alcohol, like to go, always up for a good time, dinner, movie, long walks, hiking, swimming, romance, cuddling, quiet nights drinking wine and talking. Interested? Hollister TF605785 @ Cowboyluvr

FRIENDSHIP, FUN & DATING

DWF, 31, 5'4", blonde/haired, dimples. ISO 30+ medium build WM, I am and I seek non-smoker, non-drug user, light drinker ok. Education and intelligence a must. Twin Falls TF467842

HOPE IT'S YOU

DWF, 57, 5'3", mother/grandmother, enjoys travel, dancing, football, bowling, movies, more. Seeking a friend to share dinner dates, talks and simple times. Hansen TF512878

READY FOR FINAL SEARCH

Gentle, honest, loving, kind, fun, spontaneous SWF 48, enjoys the outdoors, dining, movies, friends, more. Seeking down-to-earth SM, 45-55, for friendship, possible relationship. Hollister TF482779 @ twiddle\_dee

SEEKING A FRIEND

SF, 19, student, outgoing and spontaneous, seeks friendly, cute SM, who loves sunsets, quiet walks, and quality talks to share lasting friendship and possibly more. Hollister TF527142

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

Outgoing SF, 51, 5'11", slim, blonde hair, smoker, seeks steady relationship with good-looking guy, 19-21. If you're adventurous and spontaneous, give me a call. Hollister TF527945

IS IT YOU?

SF, 21, brown-haired, medium build, enjoys dancing, camping, hunting. Seeking child-friendly, honest, loving, like-minded SM, to share friendship, casual dates, talks and possibly more. Appleton TF542967

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SM, 24, just your average guy likes to have fun, hang out, talk, occasional day trips/road trips exploring life. Seeking similar SF for sharing friendship. In my area. Burley TF510001 @ cowbof44099

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SM, 21, the cowboy type, enjoys having a good laugh, having a lot of fun, hunting, fishing, being part of a family farm, seeking his cute cow. 18-23. Anzika TF053993 @ nfr10

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FROM HERE TO FOREVER

SM, 35, 5'7", 130lb, blonde/blue, into race cars, football, hunting, camping, romantic quiet evenings. Seeking honest, sincere SWM, 30-44, possible relationship. Burley TF512255

BE MY BABY

SWF, 33, likes to camp out under the stars, try new restaurants, go on outings and long drives of you like the same, give me a call. Hollister TF592946 @ lucky321

IS IT YOU?

Employed SHF, 32, 5', black/brown, mother loves music, concerts, Italian cuisine, camping. Seeking a king man, not about games, who's spontaneous, family oriented and fun, for sharing life and possible LTR. Hollister TF493445

NEED A LITTLE LC

SWF, 21, nursing and equine business student, great listener, loves horses, outdoors, studying, hanging out, camping. Seeking SM, 18-35, for friendship, maybe more. Hollister TF595510 @ niam0924

SINGLE IN IDAHO

Likes movies, dining out. Hi, I'm a 55-year-old SWF looking for a relationship with a right man. I have one daughter at home. She's 19. I'm a home maker and lady. Hollister TF433125 @ ill-women2003

KNOWING MY SHINING ARMOR?

ISO SM, 18-21, young old guy who enjoys to party but also enjoys a quiet night at home cuddling. I'm a SHF, 18 years old college student looking for LTR. Burley TF437137 @ sweet\_gurl85

BE YOURSELF

SWF, 30, is looking for a man who is honest, not afraid to be himself, a fan of the outdoors as well as enjoying in. Hollister TF506862 @ gtrt2u

FUN AND LOVEABLE

Separated woman, 34, with 8-year-old son, enjoys family activities, seeking a family-oriented man, 30-42, for friendship first. Appleton TF25015 @ Baracetta

LOVES TO LAUGH

SWF, 38, not afraid of hard work, enjoys helping others, enjoys movies, music, being outdoors, romance, seeking a SM, 45-45, who loves romance as much as she does. Hollister TF557547 @ mail19666301

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WAITING FOR YOU!

SM, 44, loves fishing, fishing, barbecues, cooking. Looking for SWF, 35-50, who is active, fun, likes to laugh. Hollister TF600544

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SWM, 35, OTR truck driver, 6', 260lbs, outgoing, laid-back, enjoys country music, horses, fishing, camping. Seeking outgoing, open and honest, to share the fun times in life. Possible LTR. Randolph TF603391

LOVE TO TRY IT

Laid-back, open-minded SM, 53, loves a long weekend camping, seeking an old jeep/truck, cuddling watching good movies or just enjoying the moment with someone special. ISO affectionate, happy lady. Wendell TF603231 @ j0052

LOOK OF LOVE

SM, 21, Virgo, NS, likes to work on cars, and spend time with friends. Seeks HF, 16-24, who likes to party and enjoys quiet nights at home. Kimberly TF591213

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LET'S MEET!

SM, 19, 5'11", brown/blue, chef, seeks SF, 18-22, who enjoys sports, jet-skiing, fishing, camping, outdoors. Curry TF588172

STILL SEEKING THE...

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SOUND LIKE YOU?

DWM, 37, father of 2, enjoys Italian food, cooking, travel, stoneware/water, road trips. Seeking outgoing, sincere SF, 27-43, interested in having fun, lasting friendship and possible romance. Hollister TF207042

EASYGOING

SWM, 29, 5'10", 170lbs, light drinker, NS, business owner, enjoys camping, hunting, fishing, hiking, movies. Seeking honest WF, 24-30, NS, right drinker, with similar interests, for friendship, possible LTR. Acquia TF254335

IS SHE OUT THERE

SM, 61, ISO a lady who enjoys fishing, Idaho's deserts, music, hiking, lakes, highways, bays, restaurants, concerts, shows large and art, museums, unique shops, second hand stores. I'll make you smile. Halley TF611073 @ yes2life

SEARCHING FOR YOU

WM, 39, brown/blue, love being outdoors, fishing, camping, horseback riding, animals and more. Seeking caring female, 18-25, who likes to talk. Twin Falls TF433935

THERE FOR YOU ALWAYS

Lonely, loyal SHM, 33, Gemini, NS, certified welder, loves to laugh, seeks blond, outgoing SWF, 18-30, for excellent relationship. Acquia TF476879

AGING SWF...

55, light smoker, getting tired of talking to nobody but my dog! Looking for someone to share life with, someone to spend some time with. Dietrich TF606942 @ loatblue

WILL TREAT YOU WELL

SM, 61, ISO a lady who enjoys fishing, horse, enjoys music, parks and just about anything fun. Looking for an attractive woman, 30-55, for dating. Middleburg TF48869

JUST A CALL AWAY

SM, 25, looking to meet a pretty, honest, easygoing, non-judgmental lady, who is heart and soul into life, for friendship, life, and possible LTR. Lone Star TF506304

SM SEEKS SF

Kind, sexy SM, 44, no children, seeks friendship with a SWF, 58-62, who is a line. Burley TF59078 @ wonderdog

SOUND LIKE YOU?

SM, 40, delivery driver, seeking a SF, 35-45, who is interested in hunting, fishing, the outdoors, walks on the beach, poetry, candlelight dinners, a long-term relationship. Kimberly TF517937

GOOD COMES IN THrees

SM, 31, works as groundskeeper, guitarist, enjoys bowling, camping, hunting, fishing. Seeking a SW/HRF, 19-20, who is fun, outgoing, and has a good relationship. Burley TF517651

RELOCATING SOON

SWFM, 35, moving to Idaho for work, to share similar SF, who is fun, fish, cook, entertain, not big party/drinker, works hard, plays hard. Very spiritual, seeking like-minded lady, 24. Butte Creek TF590864 @ shawbwoy

ARE YOU THE ONE?

SWCM, 39, 5'8", 165lbs, seeks SF, 25-45, who's active, affectionate, enjoys music, conversation, romantic, movies, children, and much more. To enjoy similar SF, who is fun, single father, loves to play sports in life. Armo, TF68325

FILM BUFF

Laid-back SM, 21, NS, very interested in meeting a nice SHF, 18-26, who likes to kick back with a good movie on the weekends. Heyburn TF529379

WHAT A CATCH!

Retired SWM, 69, looking for SF, 50-60, to share conversation, adventure and excitement. I enjoy fishing and outdoors, hopefully you do too. Outgoing TF496247 @ lrwlv

WORTH A CALL

Outgoing SM, 19, farmer, enjoys horseback riding, shooting pool, time with family and friends, stargazing, more. To enjoy similar SF, who is fun, friendship and more. Halley TF532218

AVAILABLE 4 U

SWM, 49, 5'10", ND, NS, 180lbs, solo-employed, outgoing, outdoors type, low baggage, seeks SF, 40-55. Call me, we may have something in common. Appleton TF532547

LITTLE GOES A LONG WAY

DHM, 40, enjoys camping, dancing, sports, dining, music, laughing, quiet times. Seeking adventurous, spontaneous SW/HRF, 20-45, for friendship, possible relationship. Hollister TF515293 @ dentle136

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LIKE HAVING FUN? SWM, 20, 170lbs, blonde/blue, loves the outdoors, hunting, fishing, horseback riding, camping, 4-wheeling. Seeking SWF, 21-25, who enjoys the same. Gooding TF51302

OOH, LOOK, IT'S ME. Artistic WM, 28, loves children, exercising, and animals. Looking for serious relationship with a woman, 18-40. Acquia TF559349 @ Bigteldbear

GONE FISHING. SWM, 39, 6', blond/green, goatee, kid-at-heart, likes fishing model planes, go family times, action/comedy films, camping, fishing, BOCs. Seeking out-doorsy, open-minded, light-hearted lady, to share and explore life with. Appleton TF563310

LET'S HAVE FUN! Handsome, fit, 170lb WM, late 20s, single father, loves to play sports. Seeking woman, under 45, NS, interested? Hollister TF570804 @ striker1995

HERE I AM... just so y'all know, SHM, 37, lives, loves, plays, likes to have fun, and keep it simple. Seeking SWF, 30-45. Hollister TF555307 @ average\_Jo

SMILE FOR ME. Fun-loving SWM, 21, loves to hike, fish, play and watch sports, is a fun, female, 16-23, who isn't into playing games of the heart. Buhl TF581557 @ k4p0272

ACTIVE GENTLEMAN. SWM, 31, loves to spend time outdoors in the winter, has a big heart to share with the right SF, 25-40. Curry TF556646 @ HERB

THIS COULD BE IT. Outgoing SWM, 31, likes to go to the movies, into fishing, football, music, cars, loves to make people laugh. ISO SF, 28-35, who loves to cuddle. Hollister TF501328 @ ree1973

LET'S GET TOGETHER! SM, 35, enjoys outdoors, why anything once, isn't afraid to talk chances! Seeking SF, 18-30, for possible relationship. Hollister TF572465 @ Bob-the-fitter

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