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Jurors get wiggle room

Conviction may result even if they don't believe Johnson pulled trigger

By Patti Murphy
Times-News correspondent

BOISE — Jurors in the Sarah Johnson murder trial will be told on Monday that they may find the defendant guilty of murder even if they don't believe she pulled the trigger.

Under the judge's "aiding and abetting" instructions, if jurors feel there's enough evidence to show Sarah was a participant in the murders, they will be allowed to convict her of first- or second-degree murder even if they don't think she personally killed her parents.

Court Judge Barry Wood after he met with defense and prosecuting attorneys to go over the final jury instructions.

Defense attorney Bob Pangburn objected to the aiding and abetting option. "There is no dispute that a killing has occurred," Pangburn protested. "Their (the prosecution) contention is that she did it. Our defense is that Ms. Johnson didn't do it. There's no evidence whatsoever that connects between Ms. Johnson and someone else."

Johnson, 18, is accused of shooting her mother, Diane, in the head while she slept and then turning the rifle on her father, Alan, as he came out of the shower. She was 16 years old at the time of the Sept. 2, 2003, murders. Prosecutors say she



Sarah Johnson could face life in prison if she's convicted of murder.

killed her parents because they disapproved of her relationship

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Suspect goes on shooting rampage

Atlanta judge dies; manhunt begins

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — A man being escorted into court for his rape trial Friday stole a deputy's gun, killed the judge and two other people and contacted a reporter's vehicle to escape, setting off a massive manhunt and spreading wide-spread chaos across Atlanta, police said.

Hundreds of officers in cruisers and helicopters swarmed the area in the search of the deputy, identified as 33-year-old Brian Nichols.

The rampage led to chaos around the city, with schools, restaurants and office buildings locking down amid fears that the suspect might strike again. Nichols' mug shot was plastered all over TV screens, and highway message boards issued descriptions of the stolen vehicle.

Late Friday, police reported that the car had been found in a downtown Atlanta parking lot, not far from where it was stolen.

"Mr. Nichols is considered armed and extremely dangerous and should not be approached," Fulton County Sheriff Myron Freeman said. "We are not going to rest until we find him."

Nichols got the semiautomatic pistol by overpowering the female deputy while he was being led down a corridor in the Fulton County Courthouse. Assistant Police Chief Alan Dreher said, "After shooting the deputy in the face, the suspect then went to the courtroom, held about a dozen people at bay for a short time and shot and killed Superior Court Judge Rowland Barnes and court reporter Julie Brandau, authorities said."

Another deputy, identified as Sgt. Hoy Teasley, was later killed outside the courthouse when he confronted the suspect, Dreher said. The deputy shot while leading Nichols to court, identified as Cynthia Hall, was in critical condition but was expected to survive.

Police said Nichols later pistol-whipped a reporter for The Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

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DISAGREEMENT ON THE BRINK



Hazel Bober, left, and Lorraine Call pose for a portrait Friday along Canyon Rim Road in Twin Falls. Both say they enjoy the view while walking and driving on the road and oppose its removal for development.

Residents fight planned road removal near canyon rim

By Karin Kowalski
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — From Canyon Rim Road the view of the Snake River Canyon wall, golf courses and Perrine Bridge, can take your foot off the gas pedal. Cheryl Barlow worries that the roadway vista will disappear if a housing developer gets its way.

Lance Fish, the development manager for Settler's Ridge LLC, said the group's plans for the property will result in an improved alternative roadway and better opportunities to enjoy the edge of the canyon.

also sits on property that is part of a 576-acre development that would have 241 single-family homes and 12 townhouses. The land in question is owned by four developers, but Settler's Ridge is the only one adjacent to the canyon.

The Twin Falls City Council annexed the land about two weeks ago and a preliminary plat has been approved, but the developer has yet to petition to vacate the road, said Lamar Ozon, director of planning and zoning.

Fish said a petition to vacate the road is in the works. He hopes to break ground on the project next month, but he doesn't expect the new road or walking path to be done for at least a year.

The plan is to connect a walking path to other canyon rim trails, Fish said. The develop-

ment plan also includes a park. Fish said developers sent out about 300 invitations last fall to discuss the development with neighbors.

"We're trying to work with everybody," Fish said. "We're just trying to make an improvement everyone can use."

Barlow, who lives near the proposed development, said he's not against it, but dislikes the proposed changes to the road. He says it's a one-of-a-kind spot where people can drive along the canyon and enjoy the view.

"We have a lot of walking paths, and they're wonderful," Barlow said. But he'd rather see the road kept so that the elderly and handicapped can enjoy a view of the canyon.

He's gathered about 100 signatures in support of keeping the road as is.

Fish said a walking path would be handicapped-accessible, and it would not be built until an alternative road was finished.

Barlow said the proposed walking path has no parking lot near it, so it will create hazards. Fish said the development will have space for street parking.

Barlow said he would rather see a combination of a road and walking path along the canyon. Fish said the combination with people, bicycles and cars is a hazard.

George Lee, who has lived in the area since 1967, agrees with Barlow.

"I just don't think that scenic drive should be taken away from the city of Twin Falls," he said.

In order to vacate the road, the city must hold public hearings.

Data merchants have your numbers

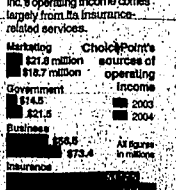
Recent cases show U.S. consumers are vulnerable

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Privacy advocates have long complained about scant regulation of the data-brokerage companies that traffic in doers on almost every adult American.

That's changing after disclosures by two of the largest such businesses, ChoicePoint Inc. and LexisNexis, that intruders sneaked into the companies' databases and gained access to dossiers on more than 170,000 Americans, at least 750 of whom had their identities stolen.

Insured Income



from Bank of America that it lost computer tapes containing data on 1.2 million federal employees, raises the question of what consumers can do to protect their personal information.

The answer: Not much.

Even the most basic report from a company like LexisNexis, which announced this week that dossiers on 32,000 Americans may have been illegally accessed by criminals, includes an individual's address and Social Security number — enough information for identity thieves to open a credit card account.

Everyone from landlords screening tenants to insurance companies weighing a driver's risk to human resources departments wondering if job applicants are ex-felons can buy such data.

Businesses that can use your Social Security number include companies that send unsolicited mail. The Direct Marketing Association says the marketers use Social Security numbers to make sure they're sending mail to the correct individual.

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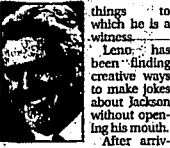
Leno gets stay of joke execution in Jackson case

The Associated Press

SANTA MARIA, Calif. — The judge in the Michael Jackson trial delivered the punch line Friday that Jay Leno has been wanting to hear: The comedian is allowed to crack jokes at Jackson's expense.

Judge Rodney S. Melville muddied his ruling on Leno as he signed a gag order preventing everyone involved in the case from discussing it. Leno has been subpoenaed to testify at the trial, and the comedian feared that the order would apply to his monologues on "The Tonight Show."

"I'm not attempting to prevent anybody from making a living in the normal way that they make their living," the judge ruled, adding that Leno may not talk about the specific



Jay Leno

things to which he is a witness. Leno, who has been "finding creative ways to make jokes about Jackson without opening his mouth. After arriving late for the taping of the Thursday "Tonight Show," Leno stepped out of a black limousine wearing SpongeBob SquarePants pajamas and accompanied by several bodyguards. One of the bodyguards held an open umbrella over Leno's head as the comedian remained silent when asked if he was late.

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IWIN FALLS FIVE DAY FORECAST

Today: Increasing high clouds, gusty winds and warm temperatures are expected. Highs in the lower 60s. Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy and windy at times. Lows near 30s.

Tuesday: Partly cloudy, windy and warm. Highs in the lower 60s. Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy and windy at times. Lows in the lower 30s.

Wednesday: Partly to mostly cloudy and windy at times. Lows in the lower 30s. Thursday: Partly to mostly cloudy and windy at times. Lows in the lower 30s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Partly to mostly cloudy skies and gusty winds are expected this weekend. Temperatures will be turning cooler. Only a few high mountain snow showers will be possible.

BOISE Sunny to partly cloudy skies and brisk winds are expected this weekend. Temperatures will be gradually turning cooler. No precipitation is anticipated.

NORTHERN UTAH Quietly windy and scattered in and near the mountains this weekend. Temperatures will be mild.



Weather by State Extremes: 71 at Lowell; Low: 11 at Darby. Weather by City: 60 at Idaho Falls, 50 at Pocatello, 40 at Arden, 30 at Burley, 20 at Twin Falls, 10 at Boise, 0 at Boise, -10 at Boise, -20 at Boise, -30 at Boise, -40 at Boise, -50 at Boise, -60 at Boise, -70 at Boise, -80 at Boise, -90 at Boise, -100 at Boise.

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Weather forecast table for Twin Falls with icons for sun, clouds, and moon. Includes high/low temperatures and precipitation chances.

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Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moon Phases table.

MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for March 17, 20, 23, 26, 29, 31.

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Dispute shuts down House ethics panel

WASHINGTON (AP)—A dispute between Republicans and Democrats over new rules has virtually shut down the House ethics committee.

The panel's five Democrats this week balked at adopting Republican-crafted operating rules passed earlier by the GOP-controlled House, leaving the committee in limbo.

West Virginia Rep. Alan Mollohan, the committee's senior Democrat, said Friday the panel now can't take action against a member or aide or launch inquiries into their conduct.

"If you are going to have an ethics committee, you are going to have to do it right. You are going to have a good ethics committee, otherwise you shouldn't have one," Mollohan said.

Prosecutors allege Jackson's on verge of bankruptcy

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Earlier in the day, Jackson had arrived late to court wearing pajama bottoms and a T-shirt under a coat. His lawyers explained the pair had come straight from a hospital where he had been treated for a back injury caused by a fall.

"They're ruling on my gag order tomorrow to see if I'm allowed to tell Jackson jokes," he told his audience Thursday.

"I'm not legally allowed to tell Michael Jackson jokes, but I can still write them."

Then, as he has in recent

Leno

Prosecutors allege Jackson's on verge of bankruptcy

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days, he called up another comedian, Drew Carey, to handle that night's Jackson duty.

"Michael Jackson showed up to court late today wearing his pajama bottoms," Carey told the audience. "You know what? You find the kid wearing the pajama top and we have another court case on our hands."

Leno may be called to testify about having contact with Jackson's accuser or his mother. The defense contends the family tried to bill Leno and others out of court.

Jackson attorney Robert Sanger said Leno has made "very cruel jokes" about the pop star that could affect his legal testimony, and he urged the jury to restrict Leno further.

"We're not putting him out of his business if he can't talk about Michael Jackson for a few weeks," Sanger said.

Shooting

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stole his green 1997 Honda Accord and sped away from a parking garage. Police Chief Richard Pennington said it was one of three or four cars that the suspect committed after the shootings.

At an evening news conference, he said the suspect is still believed to be driving the Honda, but may have changed the plates to try to conceal himself.

The shootings occurred a day after the judge and prosecutors had requested extra security for deputies following the discovery of the sharp objects in Nichols' shoes, prosecutor Gayle Abramson said. She said the objects were apparently fashioned by sharpening pieces of a floor knob assembly.

Freeman said the extra security that was requested by the prosecutor's office was provided. He refused to elaborate.

Nichols attorney Barry M. Hazen, told CNN that his client is a "very intelligent, articulate man" and never seemed violent. But he acknowledged the concern raised by the sharp objects found in his shoes.

"Judge Barnes indicated to us that he was going to have security in the courtroom beefed up for the remainder of the trial," said Hazen. "We were most concerned with reaction with the world get if a jury were to convict him."

Dreher said there were no other officers assisting with taking Nichols to court other than the female deputy. The law re-

quires that defendants on trial not be handcuffed as they enter the courtroom, to make sure the sight of cuffs doesn't unfairly influence the jury.

The shooting occurred shortly after Nichols had changed out of his prison uniform and into street clothes. After shooting the deputy, police said he went through a walkway that leads into the courthouse where the judge's chambers are located, proceeding to gun down the judge and his court reporter.

The shootings took place around 9 a.m. Friday — the fourth day of Nichols' trial. Nichols had been facing a retrial on charges of rape, sodomy, burglary and false imprisonment, among others, after his earlier trial ended in a hung jury a week ago.

"I think he probably realized he might be convicted this time, he might not have a chance to walk out," Fulton County District Attorney Paul Howard said. "We believe he came here with the intent to make that didn't happen."

Nichols was accused of bursting into his ex-girlfriend's home, binding her with duct tape and sexually assaulting her over three days. Howard said Nichols brought a loaded magazine gun into the home and a cooler with food in case he was hungry.

Nichols, who had been jailed for the last six months, had faced a possible life-prison sentence if convicted for rape.

Johnson

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with a 19-year-old man. Responding to Pangburn's objections Friday, Wood said evidence found at the murder scene included items only Sarah could have known about.

If she didn't commit the murders, then the jury needs to decide if she could have participated by assisting the killer, the judge said.

Wood told Sarah's attorneys that it was their defense that cast light on the possibility that someone else committed the murders. He reminded them that their witnesses had testified about hearing speeding cars in the neighborhood and their forensic analysis had suggested Sarah couldn't have been the murderer because she wasn't covered in blood.

"The hypotheses 'no blood no guilt' has always been curious to me," Wood told the attorneys.

Acknowledging that the case is built on circumstantial evidence, with no eyewitnesses and no confessions, Wood testified that there was clear evidence that Sarah could have

Understanding aiding and abetting

The law makes no distinction between a person who directly participates in the acts constituting a crime and a person who, either before or during its commission, intentionally aids, assists, facilitates, promotes, encourages, counsels, solicits, invites, helps or gives another to commit a crime with intent to promote or assist in its commission. Both can be found guilty of the crime. Mere presence at, acquiescence in, or silent consent to, the planning or commission of a crime is not sufficient to make one an accomplice.

Jury instructions are guidelines given by the judge at the beginning and end of a trial that explain the law in the case and how jurors should evaluate the evidence when reaching a verdict.

Judge Barry Wood will tell jurors on Monday that they may convict Sarah on a charge of murder if they feel there's enough evidence to show she participated in the crimes although she might not have pulled the trigger.

The definition of aiding and abetting states:

assisted the murderer by her knowledge of where the many evidence items were kept.

"I'll let you argue to the jury how she was asleep in the room and how someone else came in and planted bullets and got the robe," Wood said to the defense attorneys.

At one point during Friday's proceedings, Sarah, who was sitting in the defendant's table next to her two attorneys, began sobbing and jiggling her leg nervously, causing her

Identity

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Journalists can also get that access. When an Associated Press reporter ordered a LexisNexis report this week providing her name and address, it came back with her complete Social Security number.

Data brokers compile these reports largely by gathering public information available to "You can't opt out from all the public records," said Evan Hendricks, author of "Credit Scores and Credit Reports." Public information available to the data brokers includes some drivers' records and property records.

The companies have "opt-out" buttons that are removed from some databases, said Hendricks, but "you don't know how to opt out if you've never heard of the company before. The current system puts the burden on the individual to discover the system, understand how it works and know what you have to do."

The largest publicly traded U.S.-based data-brokerage companies are Acclaim Corp., which had \$1 billion in sales in its 2004 fiscal year and ChoicePoint Inc., which had sales of \$795.7 million. (Both made some money from businesses other than selling data — Acclaim had sales of \$772.1 million

Correction

Mobile adoption event runs from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

An article in Friday's newspaper contained the incorrect time of an event. The Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce's mobile adoption event will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. today at D&S Supply.

The Times-News regrets the error.

The Times-News Information Line 735-3350. Lottery and Weather Information are just a phone call away! Includes icons for Lottery Information (Press 2) and Weather Information (Press 3).

Congress may cut food aid for poor

Lawmakers look to preserve aid for big-farm subsidies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cuts in food programs for the poor are getting support in Congress as an alternative to President Bush's idea of slicing billions of dollars from the programs that go to large farm operations.

Senior Republicans in both the House and Senate are open to small reductions in farm subsidies, but they adamantly oppose the deep cuts sought by Bush to hold down future federal deficits.

The president wants to lower the maximum subsidies that can be collected each year by any one farm operation from \$360,000 to \$250,000. He also wants to cap farm payments at 5 percent of a farm's production, but he wants to close loopholes that enable some growers to annually collect millions of dollars

in subsidies. Instead, Republican committee chairmen are looking to carve savings from nutrition and farm conservation programs that are also run by the Agriculture Department. The government is projected to spend \$52 billion this year on nutrition programs like food stamps, school lunches and special aid to low-income farm students and children. Farm subsidies will total less than half that, \$24 billion.

Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Tom Coburn, R-Okla., said the \$56 billion food stamp program is a good place to look for savings.

"There's not the waste, fraud and abuse in food stamps that we used to see. That number's down to a little over 6 percent now," he said. "But there's a way, just by utilizing the president's numbers, that we can come up with a significant number there."

Bush is proposing to withdraw food stamps for certain families already receiving other government assistance. The administration estimates that

plan would remove more than 300,000 people from the rolls and save \$113 million annually.

Chambliss said minimal changes in all three areas of agriculture spending — nutrition, farm supports and conservation — could save what's needed. "I want this to be as painless to every farmer in America as we can make it," he said.

House budget writers this week reduced Agriculture Department spending for 2006 by \$5.3 billion. Their counterparts in the Senate cut it by \$2.6 billion. Bush's proposals would cut farm spending by \$8 billion as calculated by the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office.

The House and Senate plan to vote on initial versions of the budget next week.

Anti-hunger and environmental groups are worried.

"Particularly in the House, the members are talking about taking all or most of it out of nutrition," said Jim Well, president of the Washington-based Food Research and Action Center. "There isn't a way to do it that

doesn't hurt, because the program's very lean and doesn't give people enough anyhow. The benefits are less than people need."

The program's not reaching even three-fifths of the people who are eligible. And the abuse rate is very low and is going down further.

Eric Best, the Agriculture Department's undersecretary for food, nutrition and consumer programs, told a House appropriations panel this week the programs are so efficient now it would be difficult to save money by targeting waste and fraud.

Rep. Jerry Moran, R-Kan., said food stamps are vital to many Americans, "but like all government programs, there are ways to save money."

Chambliss and other Republicans say they are open to modest cuts in farm programs, such as a small increase in the hard cap in all payments to growers. While budget writers and lawmakers from farm states oppose the deep cuts Bush wants, they still are very much on the table.

The adoption wait can be long

There is a backlog of children waiting to be adopted and only 3.6 percent of adults who begin the adoption process succeed in adopting a child. Most of those adopting children are already relatives or foster parents.

Children in foster care as of Sept. 30, 2002

Adopted awaiting 126,000	532,000
Children adopted in FY 2002	53,000

Months children awaiting adoption have been in continuous foster care

Each black is one month	1-5 months 4,428	6-11 9,256
Number of children in field	12,117 13,052	18-23 13,819
Less than a month 532	24-29 25,819	30-35 24,234

SOURCE: Department of Health and Human Services

Prospective parents face delays to adopt

NEW YORK (AP) — The backlog of children languishing in foster care could be sharply reduced if state agencies were more friendly and helpful to prospective parents asking about adoptions, according to a new report that says fewer than one in 10 adults who make initial inquiries actually ends up adopting.

The vast majority give up "not because they don't want to, but apparently because they decide not to deal with a system that is bureaucratic as 'too frustrating' and punitive and just plain unfriendly," the Evan B. Donaldson Adoption Institute says.

The report urges state agencies to set up hotlines staffed by well-trained employees who provide callers with immediate, encouraging responses. Throughout the process, state employees should strive to avoid alienating applicants, be cordial in brushing the issue of background checks, and provide clear information. It said, "Small improvements in the process created among adoption professionals last year, and already has had an impact. Barb Holian, director of a new federal initiative called AdoptUSKids, said the findings prompted her program to form state recruitment response teams with the goal of providing 'basic good customer services' to prospective parents."

"We recruit and recruit (parents), and then when people call they're treated less than enthusiastically," she said Friday.

The report's lead researcher, Jeff Katz, formerly headed Rhode Island state adoption agency. He and his colleagues surveyed more than 40 states, analyzed federal data and conducted interviews in Boston, Miami and San Jose, Calif.

"To me, it's shocking," Katz said in a telephone interview. "There are kids in foster care saying, 'No one wants me and there are parents who want to adopt saying, 'Why doesn't anyone return my call?'"

"According to the latest federal statistics, from 2002, about 126,000 children were in foster care awaiting adoption, often for many years. Roughly 53,000 children were adopted from foster care, in most cases by their foster parents or by relatives; Katz said less than 6 percent of the 200,000 other adults who inquired about adoption ended up completing the process.

Katz said state agencies "rather than spending to recruit ever more applicants — should focus on making the process more welcoming, even during the necessary screening to weed out unsuitable parents. He said at least one state agency seemed to deter applicants by fingerprinting them at their first orientation meeting.

"For foster children, 'an alienating experience for a prospective parent can mean the difference between a life spent in the uncertainty of temporary homes and the loving embrace of a permanent family," the report said.

Schiavo refuses man's \$1 million offer

Husband wants to decide the fate of brain-damaged wife

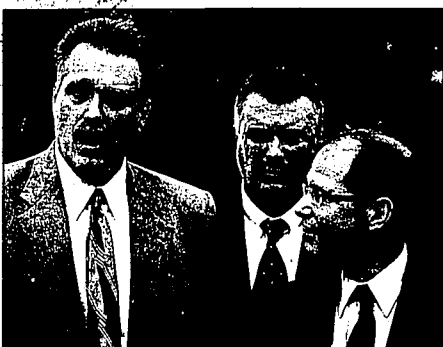
TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — A man fighting to have a feeding tube removed from his brain-damaged wife on Friday rejected a California businessman's offer to pay him \$1 million to give up his right to decide her medical treatment.

Thursday's offer, which the husband's attorney labeled "offensive," came hours after a judge refused to let the state's social services agency intervene — a move that would have delayed next week's scheduled removal of the tube.

Other such offers, including one for \$10 million, had already been made and rejected by Michael Schiavo, said his attorney, George Felos.

Teri Schiavo's parents are trying to keep her alive, but Michael Schiavo contends his wife had once promised his wife he would not keep her alive by artificial means before she suffered a heart attack 15 years ago. Now 41, she has lived since then in what court-appointed doctors call a persistent vegetative state.

Even if the husband did walk away, Felos said, there is still a court order requiring removal of the tube at 11 a.m. next Friday. A judge ordered that the feedings



Michael Schiavo, left, husband of Terri Schiavo, speaks at a news conference, following oral arguments in the Florida Supreme Court case on Aug. 31, 2004, in Tallahassee, Fla.

be stopped after finding "clear and convincing" evidence that she would not want to be kept alive in her current state.

Judge George Greer denied a request by the state Department of Children & Families to delay that order for 60 days so it can investigate allegations of abuse and neglect against Terri's husband.

The judge said the allegations had already been investigated and found to be groundless. He said the agency was apparently trying to pull an end run around the court by getting involved at

this late stage.

The case has drawn international attention, particularly among religious conservatives, who are supporting the woman's parents.

San Diego businessman Robert Herring, who founded an electronics company and later a cable and satellite channel, said he felt "compelled" to try to have the husband transfer the legal right to decide his wife's medical treatment to the parents, Bob and Mary Schiavo.

"I believe very strongly that

there are medical advances happening around the globe that very shortly could have a positive impact on Terri's condition," Herring said.

Herring's offer is valid until Monday, according to a statement from his attorney, Gloria Allred.

Bush picks new chief at NASA

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — President Bush on Friday picked physicist Michael Griffin to lead NASA as it prepares to resume space shuttle flights next month after a decade of House goal of sending astronauts back to the moon in the decade ahead.

If confirmed by the Senate, Griffin would become the space agency's 11th administrator.

Members of Congress immediately praised the president's choice, as did John Logsdon, director of George Washington's Center for Space Policy Institute.

"I've known Mike for a long time and have a great deal of confidence in his leadership and innovative thinking, real enthusiasm full of energy," Logsdon said. "His biggest challenge is convincing Congress that the president's vision is the right way for the program to proceed," Logsdon added.

Sean O'Keefe left NASA last month after three years in the top job to become chancellor of Louisiana State University. Since then, his deputy, former space shuttle commander Frederick Gregory, has been serving as acting administrator.

Over the past year, Griffin has headed the space department at Johns Hopkins University's Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, Md.

In the lab's second-largest department and specializes in projects for both NASA and the military.



Jack Whittaker and his wife Jewell are interviewed on NBC's The Today Show in this December 2004 photo taken in New York.

Father sues lotto winner, alleges wrongful death

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — The businessman who won the nation's richest undivided lottery jackpot was sued Friday by the father of a teenager who died of a drug overdose at his home in September.

The wrongful death lawsuit said Jesse Joe Tribble was led astray by Jack Whittaker's late granddaughter, and it said he should have exercised more control over her since she was in his custody. Whittaker promised to fight the case as Tribble's father, Jimmy Tribble, "I'll be dead and gone to hell before he gets a dime out of me," Whittaker said.

Tribble, 18, was found dead Sept. 17 at Whittaker's home in

Scott Depot. The night before, according to the lawsuit, Tribble had used drugs at the home with 17-year-old Brandi Bragg. When Tribble passed out on a bed, the lawsuit said, Bragg left him there instead of seeking medical help, though "she knew he was severely intoxicated and ill from the use of illegal drugs."

Bragg died less than three months later. The cause of death has not been determined.

The lawsuit accused Whittaker of negligence, saying he knew or should have known that Bragg was using money he gave to her to buy illegal drugs and supply her friends with drugs.

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RETURN TO MINIDOKA

Survivors gain peace as they remember their internment

By Erika Nieldowski
The Baltimore Sun

JEROME COUNTY — The barbed wire and watchtowers are gone, the military police building reduced to a stone foundation.

For more than 60 years, the former Minidoka internment camp has remained etched in the memories and imaginations of many Japanese-Americans as a desolate and menacing place. But today, the site blends almost seamlessly into a serene landscape dotted by clumps of trees and low hills beyond.

On her way here this June morning, Jeni Yamada brushed a few simple strokes into her sketchbook to capture the scene. She has long wondered what her mother and grandmother felt as they arrived two generations ago. Now, finally, she will walk this ground herself, ready, she believes, to confront her own feelings.

Jeni's two uncles trudge through the high grass, a guide for what is now a little-visited national monument where they explore the land on which they lived during World War II. But Jeni stays close to her mother, Mitsuye, close to the camp's one-time entrance, which contains the few tangible remnants of what used to be.

She rests on a basalt boulder in the ornamental rock garden, the handwork of an internee who owned a landscape design business in Seattle before the war changed everything. The garden had disappeared in part until a recent excavation uncovered its stone-lined pathways. Other artifacts from the dig offered a glimpse into the world of those who called this place home: pieces of a white ceramic gray bowl, a 1940 Lincoln penny, a few seashells that a Japanese American soldier had sent his imprisoned father from overseas.

Jeni wonders: Could enough dirt and dust be gathered, excavated in just 60 years to conceal this place? It seems to her like a metaphor for this trip — the diggers' meticulous brushing away of the earth.

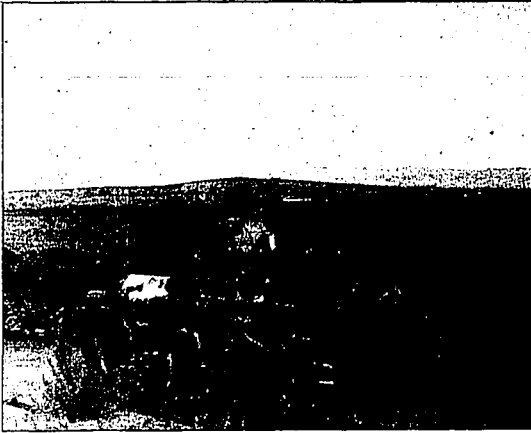
Next to the oldest son, Aaron, stands alone, absorbing the landscape through an artist's eye. The 21-year-old fills his pad as he looks past the irrigation canal toward a farmhouse, once part of the military police headquarters. Off in the distance is where his grandmother lived during her internment, in Barracks 4.

For newcomers such as Jeni, it is difficult to envision Minidoka the way it was. Some who lived here and have returned on this pilgrimage are disappointed to find it now so flat and green. They are visitors to see the bleakness and dust they knew, the place they felt was forgotten by God. This Minidoka doesn't seem so bad.

For Jeni, the feeling is more complex. It has taken her whole life to get there. Now she is not sure what it all means. This is her first day at the camp, and she will have to go further still to see the hills out.

Jeni Yamada's journey to Minidoka began long ago — on Dec. 7, 1941, the date Japanese forces bombed Pearl Harbor and killed more than 2,300 American servicemen. Within hours of the devastating attack, her grandfather, a self-made immigrant and veteran government employee, was arrested and later imprisoned because the FBI considered him a threat. The historic day set in motion a similarly horrific act: the signing of Executive Order 9066, the decree that led to the internment of 120,000 people of Japanese descent, most of them U.S. citizens, during the war. Never before and never since had so many civilians been forcibly relocated on American soil.

For years, Jeni, who lives in north Baltimore, has wanted to



Jeni Yamada of Baltimore shoots video during a family pilgrimage to Minidoka Internment National Monument in Jerome County. The low stone walls are the last remaining traces of the camp's police building.



Jeni Yamada, right, her mother, Mitsuye, 63, and Uncle Toshi Yasutake share the experience at Minidoka internment camp.

see what remains of the place where the government held her mother and 13,000 others. She has wanted to feel what her mother felt, living in an uninsulated room in a crude, wooden barracks. Today, if only for a few minutes, she will.

The Idaho Farm and Ranch Museum is tucked near Twin Falls behind the Flying J Travel Plaza, at the junction of two highways, not far from the Minidoka camp.

The machinery scattered around its grounds makes it look something like a junkyard, until it sinks in that these hulks represent — an old tractor, a hay derrick, a harvester — are the heart of the exhibit. Approaching on the bus, those with Jeni on this pilgrimage peer out the windows at the windmill and the first log cabin in Jerome County, complete with outhouse.

Aside from visiting here, touring a barracks now is nearly impossible, without trespassing. Though some were demolished after the camp closed in 1945, many were moved and converted into barns, other farm buildings or even homes.

This one is covered in black tar paper, restored to look as it did during the war. A hundred twenty feet long, it contains what would have served as six "apartments," some no bigger than 20 feet by 16 feet.

In one room stands an original potbelled stove, the only means of heat during Minidoka's unrelenting winters. There are child-size chairs, crafted from scraps of wood found around camp, as lined up by the front wall. In another room are five shabby cot frames, rusted and bent, set side by side, inches apart.

Walking around here, Jeni's Uncle Joe Yasutake, who was just a boy when interned, gets an eerie feeling he can quite describe. The family finds it easier to talk about more concrete things: whether this was

really the size and shape of their space they think their room was a bit larger; how the cots were arranged (Jeni's mother remembers being in the corner).

The strong, silver-haired matriarch of the family, Mitsuye, 81, sits on a portable folding chair and holds court before her sons, daughters and grandsons. She recalls seeing her little brother crouched beneath the barracks on hot summer days with his friends, surely carrying out some kind of terrible mischief. But they were just playing cards, it turned out. It was cooler down below.

This day is warm, and after a short time inside, the building is stifling. Stepping outside is liberating.

At the hotel in Twin Falls that night, it seems somehow fitting that Mitsuye has been asked to open the storytelling session by reading some of the works that have made her a well-known Asian American poet.

Among the last to speak is a professor from Seattle University, Larry Matsuda. Born at Minidoka to parents who would never get over their time there, he says he came hoping for one thing: a healing experience.

In the audience, Jeni nods. Matsuda had wondered whether the camp site would strike him the same way the Grand Canyon once did. Standing at the edge, he looked down into the vast space, not knowing what to feel. Instead, at Minidoka, he was struck by

how the site had changed.

"It looks like nature has healed the land," he offers. "Healing for me is moving ahead, but always knowing that there are pieces and parts left behind."

The landscape at Minidoka does look beautiful the next morning, a mixture of hay brown and shades of green. Rows of chairs and a lectern have been arranged near the rock garden for this, the pilgrimage's closing ceremony. Jeni can't help but think the swallows dipping and swooping above her mean something.

A five-man color guard, including Japanese-American veterans of World War II, enters slowly; one bears an American flag. The service begins with a moment of silence.

This day is about honoring the Issei who are gone and the Nisei who remain, about remembering the sacrifices both generations made for their children and their grandchildren — and the great-grandchildren they'll never know. It is also about the journey they have taken to get here.

Jeni crouches next to Mitsuye and listens as her mother's former camp mate, Mama Tokuda, carries them back to the mass evacuation of Japanese and Japanese-Americans from Seattle.

"Sixty-two years ago, many of us made a journey together that was unprecedented in the history of our country," she begins. "Who sits here share the

Internment and after

Executive Order 9066, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on Feb. 19, 1942, paved the way for the largest forced relocation on American soil.

It authorized designation of military areas from which "any and all persons may be excluded." During World War II, 120,000 men, women and children of Japanese descent — two-thirds of them U.S. citizens — were interned.

In 1978, President Ford repealed the order, calling Feb. 19, 1942, a "sad day" in U.S. history. In 1983, a congressional commission found that the internment was not a "military necessity" as

claimed, but was spurred by "race prejudice, wartime hysteria and a failure of political leadership."

The Civil Liberties Act of 1988 authorized payment of \$20,000 to each detainee. In 1990, President George H.W. Bush apologized: "A monetary sum and words alone cannot restore lost years or erase painful memories. ... We can never fully right the wrongs of the past. But we can take a clear stand for justice and recognize that serious injustices were done to Japanese-Americans during World War II."

Source: The Baltimore Sun

common bond of memories. Do you remember the day we left Seattle in 1942, a half-year after Pearl Harbor Day?

"The last night in Seattle, our family slept on the floor of our homes because everything was either packed or in storage. In the morning, my parents, my brother and two sisters, the six of us, lugged our bags to the street corner on 10th and Lane Street where the bus waited. A group of friends were there to see us off. We boarded the bus, and I sat beside my mom. We were all too tired to think or worry."

These are the stories Jeni longs to hear, the ones that will remain forever in her memory. Up above, the swallows are still diving.

Tokuda goes on: "As we settled down, this unfamiliar terrain became our home. 'Sumeba miyako — if we stay long enough in a place, it starts to feel like home,' as Papa said. Some nights we sat on the stoop and gazed at the stars. All the stars in the universe seemed to be sparkling, and the sky was never so clear or immense."

Jeni's Uncle Toshi Yasutake is by himself, behind the rows of chairs, in a blue T-shirt that lists the names of all 10 Japanese internment camps. Uncle Joe and his son Paul, from Tokyo, stand together. Her son Adam, 15, documents the scene with a video camera, while his 19-year-old brother Jason moves unassumingly around the grounds, seeking just the right angle for the pictures he is shooting.

Jim Azumano, a city admin-

istrator in Idaho whose mother was interned at Minidoka, thanks the Nisei with words that Jeni is now feeling inside: "You've given us the strength. We're now proud of ourselves."

The sun edges out from behind thin clouds, bringing warmth, as if on cue.

Six riflemen from a local American Legion post, dressed in white shirts and black pants and caps, move away from the crowd, point their guns to the sky and fire.

So much of this trip has taken place in her mind, her heart. Besides touring and listening to stories, there has been little to do at the site — nothing to tear down or build up. There will be talk of erecting a permanent memorial, perhaps one inscribed, as Mitsuye suggests, with the values of the immigrants once imprisoned here: Enryo. Restraint. Gaman. Perseverance. Ganbatte. Hang in there. Or one that complements the natural elements: rock and water, something physical that might change over time from the touch of those who visit.

The pilgrims board the bus again for the ride back to the hotel, and then back to their daily lives. Jeni takes a seat next to her sister, Heidi. As the bus rolls along, they flip through the pages of Camp Notes, their mother's first book of poems. They have read these lines countless times before, but so many of the words have new meaning.

It took Jeni Yamada a long time to get to Minidoka. But now, as her journey continues, she will always take it with her.



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LOOKING BACK



A third generation Marine, 2nd Lt. Earl Speechley who will attend the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima, is photographed in Okinawa, Okinawa, Friday. The remote, volcanic crag will come back to life today, as hundreds of Americans and Japanese gather for the 60th anniversary of one of the bloodiest, and most symbolic, battles of World War II.

U.S., Japanese veterans mark 60th anniversary of battle on Iwo Jima

CAMP BUTLER, Okinawa (AP) — As an island, it's got just about nothing for it. It's tiny, covered with rough jungle and rocky with caves. There are no hotels, no beachside cafes. Outside of several hundred Japanese soldiers, no one has lived here for decades.

But for Marine 2nd Lt. Earl Speechley, Iwo Jima is the stuff of legend.

Today, the remote, volcanic crag will come back to life, as hundreds of Americans and Japanese mark the 60th anniversary of one of the bloodiest — and most symbolic — battles of World War II.

For weeks, Speechley and dozens of Marines stationed at this base on Okinawa have been working out the logistics of hosting elderly veterans, their families, journalists and even the commandant of the U.S. Marine Corps.

The assignment — and the trip to Iwo Jima — is considered an honor.

Iwo Jima was the defining moment of the Marine Corps, Speechley said. "Every Marine recognizes the significance of the battle."

The island has a personal significance as well. It's the battle never happened, he wouldn't have been born, Speechley said.

"My grandmother was engaged to marry a man who was killed on Iwo Jima," said the 24-year-old native of Aurora, Ill. Instead, she married a Marine who didn't fight on Iwo, but survived the battle of Wake Island.

Speechley said one of his first tasks upon arriving today would be to scoop up some sand from the beach for the man she did marry.

During about a month of fighting that began Feb. 19, 1945, some 100,000 Americans battled more than 22,000 Japanese desperate to protect every foot of the first Japanese home island to be invaded.

Nearly 7,000 Americans died. Fewer than 1,000 of the Japanese survived. Japan surrendered



U.S. Marines of the 28th Regiment, 8th Division, raise the American flag atop Mt. Suribachi, Iwo Jima, in this Feb. 23, 1945, file photo. Strategically located only 660 miles from Tokyo, the Pacific island became the site of one of the bloodiest, most famous battles of World War II against Japan.

the following August, after one more bloody battle, on Okinawa, and the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The island, about 700 miles southeast of Tokyo, has been used only by the military since the war. About 400 Japanese soldiers are Iwo's only permanent residents, but the U.S. Navy regularly uses an airstrip set up like the flight deck of an aircraft carrier to train pilots.

Most of the American dead have been accounted for, but less than half of the Japanese remains have been recovered since the war. Most of the American dead have been recovered since the war. Most of the American dead have been recovered since the war.

Several natural hot springs dot Iwo Jima, which means Sulphur Island. But because of the island's status as a hallowed ground for the Marines, the buried in its caves the whole island is considered something of an open grave and relatives of the Japanese who died there have not been allowed any development.

Thus largely untouched, Iwo looks like an island forgotten

by time. Its famous black sand beaches are pristine, save for detritus washed up from the sea and the remnants of the battle. At the southern tip, a one-lane, dusty road winds its way up Mount Suribachi, site of the famous flag-raising that for many Americans symbolizes the Pacific War.

Weeds cover the windows of concrete bunkers, where scorplings nest and rusted cannons sit unattended. Rifles, hand grenades and spent shells of every size are not uncommon inside the countless caves that were formed by lava flows or dug out by the Japanese defenders long ago.

The passage of six decades, however, has not dimmed the island's status as hallowed ground for the Marines.

"The symbolism of Iwo Jima is well understood by even the youngest Marines," said Capt. Joseph Pienzer, a spokesman for the 3rd Marine Expeditionary Force on Okinawa. "It's something we think in boot camp."

United States agrees to pay \$25.5 million to Holocaust victims in case over 'gold train'

MIAMI (AP) — The federal government on Friday reached a \$25.5 million settlement with the families of Hungarian Holocaust victims and will acknowledge the U.S. Army's role in commandeering a trainload of the families' treasures during World War II.

Under terms of the settlement, the money will be distributed to needy Hungarian Holocaust survivors rather than those who lost family possessions.

The case never really was about money alone. It was about having a reckoning with history," said Sam Dubin, one of the families' lawyers. He called the agreement "a great outcome."

The Justice Department, which negotiated on behalf of the government, issued a statement saying it was "very pleased to announce" the settlement but said it would be inappropriate to add comment

on a pending legal matter. A commission appointed by President Clinton concluded in 1999 that high-ranking U.S. Army officers and troops plundered the train after it was intercepted on its way to Germany in May 1945 during the closing days of the war.

The train carried gold, jewelry, 1,200 paintings, silver, china, porcelain, 3,000 Oriental carpets and other heirlooms seized from Jewish families by the Nazis. The cargo would be worth \$45 million to \$90 million in today's dollars.

About \$21 million in funding for humanitarian services will be distributed to social service agencies worldwide based on the percentage of survivors, including 40 percent in Israel, 22 percent in Hungary, 21 percent in the United States and 7 percent in Canada.

Up to \$3.85 million is proposed for legal fees and costs. A

total of \$500,000 would fund an archive on the so-called Nazi "Gold Train" for scholarly and educational uses.

"I can't say that I'm happy with the settlement, but I am happy that we have a closure," said David Kleinman, one of the families' lawyers. "The government, he said, "I expect them to acknowledge that it was a mistake not to return the property to the rightful owners."

The Bush administration was under bipartisan pressure to settle what was seen as a black mark on the U.S. record in World War II. Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., were among 17 senators who urged a resolution in a letter last May.

"It's tremendously important for the government to acknowledge that these Holocaust survivors were defrauded and cheated," Specter said.

Anti-war memorial stirs passions among parents of deceased soldiers

ESCONDIDO, Calif. (AP) — Laid out in rows stretching longer than a football field, 1,513 pairs of black military boots gave a sunsplashed park the quiet, somber mood of a cemetery.

The traveling exhibit, a reminder of the U.S. troops lost in Iraq, arrived on the West Coast this week as divisive as the war itself — especially for the families of the fallen men and women.

"To some of the families, it is a cathartic, fitting memorial in a nation they say seems largely anesthetized to the pain of a distant war. For others, it's an outrage tormenting them in their grief."

"It's a difference between honoring our fallen and using them as pawns," said Georgette Frank, who believes the exhibit defamed the memory of her son, Marine Lance Cpl. Willie Frank, by linking him with an anti-war agenda he never would have supported.

The "Eyes Wide Open" exhibit, created by the American Friends Service Committee, a branch of the pacifist Quaker church, began its nationwide tour in Chicago with 500 boots — then the war's death toll.

The exhibit arrived in downtown San Diego on Wednesday, but space was limited there because of what the county and organizers said was a misunderstanding over a permit. It was moved Thursday to Escondido, northeast of San Diego.

Nine families have donated their sons' military boots for the exhibit, and others have provided time and support. Most of the boots come from military surplus stores.

Cindy Sheehan calls the exhibit a wonderful memorial to her 24-year-old son, Army Spc. Casey Sheehan, who died last year in an ambush in Sadr City. She has left tissues, notes and many tears on the boots that bear her son's name and plans to donate his boots later this month.

Sheehan, who lives in Vacaville, said the exhibit is also a fitting reminder in a nation that has banned media coverage of America's war dead as their re-



Fernando Suarez del Solar puts a note of remembrance on the boots of his son Marine Lance Cpl. Jesus Suarez del Solar as part of the Eyes Wide Open exhibit set-up in front of the San Diego County administration building in San Diego, Wednesday.

"If ... they're offended by it, maybe they should be."

— Cindy Sheehan, whose son died in Iraq

mains arrive in flag-draped caskets.

"If some people look at it and they're offended by it maybe they should be," she said. "I'm in unbearable pain every second of every day because of only one pair of those empty boots."

About two dozen families, however, have asked that their loved ones' names be removed from the exhibit. The committee said it removes names from the boots on request, although the names are still read aloud during events.

Frank said she and her husband believe the "naive" peace movement only encourages insurgents in Iraq with the message that continued violence will lead the United States to withdraw its troops. She said

her son, killed by a sniper's bullet last year in Fallujah at age 20, was committed to bringing freedom and democracy to Iraq.

"How can I be against the war when this is what my son went to do?" she asked. "And you know what, he succeeded on the Sunday when the Iraqis voted."

Christine M. Dybevik of Coos Bay, Ore., was angered that the name of her son, Marine Lance Cpl. Gary Van Leuven, was used without her permission. Van Leuven, 20, was killed last year in a fierce fight in Husaba along the Syrian border.

"This road back from hell is hard enough without having to defend my son's name in a political arena," Dybevik said. "Our sons made the ultimate sacrifice and they did it for the American way of life and not for some political view."



Fernando Suarez del Solar of Escondido supports the exhibit, and donated the boots worn by his son, Lance Cpl. Jesus Suarez del Solar, 20, who was killed during the March 2003 Iraq invasion.

"We don't need empty boots," Suarez del Solar said. "We need the people inside the shoes home with their families in peace."

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Relay for Life begins team picnics and some even decorate their campsite. This year there is "Popin' in a Cure." Throughout the evening and into the next day everyone enjoys entertainment, fun and camaraderie.

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After dark candles are lit in luminaria bags in memory of those who have lost the battle with cancer and in honor of those who continue the fight. The names of those honored are remembered in a touching ceremony. The luminaria ceremony is another visual reminder of why every one has joined together to support the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Light from the luminaria bags glow for team members throughout the night lighting the way along the track until sunrise. With these lit luminaria, Hope Lights the Way!

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4. It also goes to **Education**. Did you know that lifestyle choices such as avoiding tobacco use and eating right could prevent more than 380,000 deaths from cancer each year? The American Cancer Society is working to make sure kids grow up healthy by learning how the choices they make can reduce their risk for cancer later in life. For many types of cancer, finding the disease in any early, highly treatable stage can make the difference between life and death. The American Cancer Society provides checkup guidelines physician education, and advocacy efforts to make screening tests accessible to all.

Relay for Life represents the hope that those lost to cancer will never be forgotten, that those who face cancer will be supported, and that one day cancer will be eliminated.

Team Captain Meeting Schedule All Meetings at Bridgeview-Great Room
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The Relay for Life is searching for local bands or acts to perform at the relay. If you are interested please contact Larry @ 208-308-5388.

To participate in the Relay and gather a team contact Leann Taylor: 208-324-8423.

CHEERS & JEERS

St. Patty's Day parade is O'Connor's labor of love

CHEERS: To Bev O'Connor and O'Dunken's Bar and Grill for spearheading the St. Patrick's Day parade in Twin Falls. Most Twin Falls residents already identify O'Dunken's with the day of greenery and shamrocks. But it's a whole different blazney scene when you're the one lining up the floats.

O'Connor took on the responsibility with little preparation time, but her enthusiasm is already infectious. And remember, if you want to participate in the big festivities this Thursday at noon, there's still time to enter by calling O'Connor at 733-8114.

The changes included a 16-percentage point raise for Commission Chairwoman Veronica Lierman, from \$2,500 of base pay to \$2,900 a month. Newly elected commissioner Charles Howell and Joe Davidson will now go from \$1,250 of base pay to \$1,900 per month, a 51-percentage increase. One more difference, however, is that the commissioners will no longer log overtime hours.

The commission pay structure has changed numerous times over the years, from heavy emphasis on part-time pay and with more pay on the chairman of the commission. But perhaps this last round of changes could have waited, at least until all members had served a full term.



CHEERS AND JEERS is a light-hearted weekly potluck of compliments and quibbles from the weekly headlines. Do you see an individual, group or organization worthy of some praise? Is a job of healthy criticism warranted elsewhere? Send your suggestion for a cheer or a jeer to The Times-News at dcooper@magickvalley.com and we'll consider it for our weekly feature.

JEERS: To 5th District Court Judge John Melanson, for reducing the sentence of a convicted rapist. Melanson reduced the sentence of Job Ramirez, 22, who was originally given two to five years in prison. He's now eligible for parole after one year and will be incarcerated no more than three years.

Ramirez pleaded guilty in November to raping a 16-year-old girl in 2003 who left him in the U.S. Army. Evidence in his case showed the victim was intoxicated "to the point of being incoherent if not unconscious" when she was raped.

Yet, Ramirez argued his sentence was too heavy - and Melanson agreed, saying "Melanson is intelligent, articulate and ambitious and he could probably accomplish much in the future."

Maybe so. But a one-year prison term, for a male who rapes a girl four years below his age, makes a bad case of justice.

CHEERS: To Cain's Home Furnishings for helping out a Twin Falls competitor wiped out by fire.

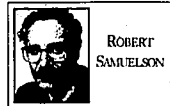
An early morning fire scorched the Furniture and Appliance Outlet's downtown storage warehouse on Monday. The blaze gutted the building and destroyed all the merchandise inside.

But store owner Leroy Scantlin discovered almost instantly that rival stores wanted to help. Competing stores called to offer the use their warehouse space until Furniture and Appliance Outlet could rebuild. Scantlin eventually took up Cain's generosity to share warehouse space until they a new storage facility.

JEERS: To Jerome County commissioners for instituting raises - just four months after two of them were elected to office.

Social Security, Wall Street don't mix

Let's suppose that Congress approves President Bush's personal accounts for Social Security. The Social Security system would then become the largest single investor in U.S. stocks. By 2050, Social Security could hold 25 percent of all stocks, estimate economists at Goldman Sachs. This estimate reflects a modest plan for personal accounts; other proposals would permit bigger stock purchases.



ROBERT SAMULSON

Hardly anyone has thought about the economic consequences of concentrating so much stock in the Social Security system. My hunch is that it would be a huge mistake - or worse.

The idea of personal accounts is that Wall Street should triumph over the welfare state. Just the opposite might occur: the welfare state would triumph over Wall Street. The moneys flowing into personal accounts would not be invested according to the free market. Individuals wouldn't have the freedom to invest in Microsoft, General Electric or eBay. Instead, the moneys would be invested according to rules made by Congress, influenced by politics. There would be unrelenting pressures from interest groups, "experts" and public opinion. Some types of investing - or some types of companies - would be deemed better than others.

The danger is that investment decisions would become unduly politicized and that the money would be used to satisfy. The rules governing which stocks can and can't be purchased for personal accounts might become irrational or counterproductive. The result would be that personal accounts aim to accomplish is inherently difficult, perhaps impossible. The economic and social roles of Wall Street and the welfare state are fundamentally opposed. The attempt to blend them, through personal accounts, would create intractable contradictions.

The role of Wall Street is to move investment funds to their most productive use. If the process works well, the economy expands, living standards rise and the stock market as a whole advances. But inevitably, there are losers, because Wall Street is an exercise in collective risk-taking. A free market means continuous trial and error. If there are no errors, there is no free market.

By contrast, the welfare state is an exercise in collective risk reduction. It strives to provide some security - aka, the "safety net" - against life's misfortunes and the economy's upssets. It aims to protect society's poorest and weakest members. We have many welfare programs: unemployment insurance; food stamps; school lunches. Social Security is the largest and most popular. In 2005, it will serve an estimated 48 million people.

Personal accounts would be a strange hybrid: part "private" investment, part public entitlement. This is a hard struggle. There's an unavoidable dilemma: making personal accounts safer for individuals may make the stock market less useful - less dynamic - for society. The conflict has already surfaced. One criticism of personal accounts is that they might subject beneficiaries to huge losses, because stocks fluctuate erratically. The administration counters that it would allow accounts to be invested only in "index funds" - for example, funds representing the Standard & Poor's 500 stocks. The idea is to minimize the risk of big losses on individual or speculative stocks. Sounds sensible. But it would bias the market in favor of existing companies, industries and technologies. It would discriminate against the new, exciting and different.

If investment became too hidebound, it might slowly degrade the economy's performance. Consider that this won't conveniently fade away because Wall Street and the welfare state are at such cross-purposes. Nor would personal accounts, if created, remain fixed for all time. As public entitlements, they would spawn their own ferocious politics. Millions of Social Security beneficiaries and countless interest groups (from the American Association of Retired Persons to mutual funds) would periodically agitate to modify the accounts, reacting to their own experiences or interests. The specter of rule changes would constantly hang over Wall Street; and the larger the per-



sonal accounts became, the more the rules would actually affect how the stock market behaves.

What looms is a massive expansion of government power over Wall Street. To be sure, it would occur gradually over decades, and its outlines are murky. The irony is that it comes from "conservatives." The irony, though intriguing, is understandable. Facing the rising costs of federal retirement programs, practical politicians seek ways to cover the costs without resorting to unpopular benefit cutbacks. Putting payroll taxes into stocks seems one painless way out. But even good stock returns can't erase the basic problem. The costs of all those retirement programs (Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid) are growing much faster than any plausible portfolio of private accounts.

So what happens between now and 2030, spending increases will force significant benefit cuts, big tax increases, or both. The bipartisan consensus is to ignore this inconvenient fact. In their hearts, the Democrats want to do nothing. Republicans have at least proposed something. Unfortunately, it may be worse than nothing.

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LETTERS

Bush cracks open new Social Security remedy

Most people view Social Security as a retirement account managed by the federal government. What could be safer? Time for a reality check. Politicians tell us they have paid out most of the money in the fund and the program is going broke. How can this be? For one, it's not a fund. It's not enough to receive back what I paid in.

Where did the money go? There is no clear answer to this question. The funds may be going to recipients who have never paid into the fund. Also, Congress has depleted the fund by spending from the fund with no accountability. If funds are being given to those who have not paid into Social Security, isn't that a form of welfare? Should not these people be removed from Social Security and entered into the welfare program? How can Congress be stopped from using Social Security funds as a piggy bank?

Perhaps the money deducted from the worker's paycheck for Social Security should be invested in Treasury notes and "E" bonds that are registered in the worker's name with a beneficiary of their choice. The investment would pay interest and mature at retirement or, if for medical reasons, a person can no longer work. The result would be you get back what you pay in plus interest, and the

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money is protected from unaccountable spending by Congress and is not distributed to recipients of welfare. President Bush has cracked open the door by his proposal to privatize a small portion of what you have paid into Social Security. I can only hope people will rally to this cause and eventually have all the money they pay in invested in private, secure accounts. The money accumulated in these accounts will provide security for the worker's family at his death instead of going into government coffers. EDWIN HENSON Twin Falls

Bill categorizes religious belief as 'hate speech'

We received a bulletin, a 2005 Issue Guide, involving the "hate act," and the Bible as "hate speech." "As we read, the 'hate crime bill' has already passed the Senate overwhelmingly, but the House of Representatives didn't get it to a vote before the

2004 election, and now it has to pass the Senate again, so it is giving Christians and country-caring people everywhere a chance to counter it. This must wake us up as a people. We've got to work fast as the bill could come up quickly for a vote.

The name of the bill is "Equal Rights and Equal Dignity for All Americans Act." To read the bill's name, don't read the bill's name. Don't imagine what treachery and deceit within it. The bill is a dangerous threat to free speech rights of Christians. Passing the Ted Kennedy bill as a top priority of influential lobbyists in Washington, D.C. Will the government really use the Kennedy "hate crime bill" to crack down on pastors, churches and religious freedom in America? This bill has been passed in Canada and already a Canadian court has upheld that certain passages in the Bible are classified as "hate literature."

Will Republicans in Congress vote for the Kennedy "hate crime bill"? Most Republicans in Congress appear set to vote for the Kennedy bill. That's why it is so important for every member of Congress to hear from their constituents on this issue.

Call your congressmen and two U.S. senators at (202) 224-3121. Strongly urge them to oppose the Kennedy "hate crime bill." The address of the Citizen Leader Coalition is P.O. Box 96324, Washington, DC 20000-

6324. Or contact www.citizenleader.com. WANDA ARFORD Twin Falls

Idaho lacks real health care solutions

I go to school full time, and I also work part time on the side, but I have no health insurance. This is a tremendous problem for me - and for a quarter of a million people across Idaho. Our health-care system is broken, and it's harming lots of consumers - me included and small businesses, too.

I need health care just like everybody else does. For example, I'm supposed to have a yearly health exam, but I can't afford it. If I get sick with cancer or something, who's going to happen? It's just going to be more expensive. I still won't be able to afford it, and either the state of Idaho will have to pick up my bill or I die.

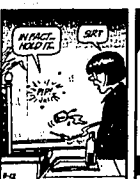
I work for a temp agency, and it won't give health insurance to temps. For jobs that do offer insurance, so many plans have such high deductibles now it's almost doesn't make sense anymore for working people to even get it.

The health insurance market is broken - it's time for the state of Idaho to step in and make sure we have access to affordable health care and coverage. NATALIE CHAVEZ Heyburn

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Families bury attack victims

Groups hold separate funerals for those slain in suicide bombing

MOSUL, Iraq (AP) — Weeping relatives gathered in small groups Friday to bury 50 people killed by a suicide bomber in this northern city, after canceling a mass funeral procession for fear of another attack.

As the mostly Shiite Muslim families mourned their dead, Iraq's main Shiite and Kurdish candidates agreed in Baghdad on a deal dividing up the top three posts in the new government, but differences remained over the deployment of Arab troops in ethnic Kurdish areas.

North of the capital, insurgents blew up an oil pipeline in the latest attack targeting the country's fragile economic infrastructure.

Families of the victims from Thursday's bombing at a funeral in a Mosul mosque held individual wakes and funeral services after agreeing with community and religious leaders not to hold a joint funeral procession.

Most relatives were motivated by fear of another attack like this one, said Hamid Zain al-Abidin, a spokesman for the Shi'ite Movement of Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, whose militants rose up against U.S. troops repeatedly last year. He said one man was killed and exploded Friday near the site of Thursday's bombing.

Insurgents led by Sunni Arabs, a minority who dominated under Saddam Hussein, are targeting Shiite funeral processions and ceremonies in an apparent campaign to spark a sectarian war. Last month, suicide bombers attacked Shiite funerals during the country's commemoration of Ashura, killing nearly 100 people.



Mohammed Han, left, clutches a picture of his dead father as he comforts his mother, left, and sister, Asmaa Han, in the northern town of Mosul in Iraq on Friday. Mohammed's father was killed when a suicide bomber blew himself up during a funeral Thursday.

Although leaders of the Shiite Arab majority have urged their people not to retaliate against Sunni Arabs, some at Friday's funerals demanded vengeance.

"I cannot describe the amount of despair I feel," said Sher Qassim Mohammed Ali. "I lost seven of my sons, brothers and cousins. I want to know who carried out this attack... we will avenge those who did it."

Others urged restraint.

"He who did this is a criminal

— he killed Muslims and wanted to ignite sectarian strife. But God willing, we'll not allow that," Ibrahim Moussa, 50, said from his bed at Mosul's main hospital, his hand wrapped in bandages after surgery. His brother was killed in the attack.

Mosul has been a hotbed of guerrilla activity, with bombings, drive-by shootings and assassinations targeting U.S. troops and the country's security services, Shiites and people thought to be

working with U.S.-led forces.

At Baghdad's Um al-Qura mosque, a Sunni Muslim cleric criticized the attacks, but blamed Iraqi and U.S. authorities for failing to provide security.

"We strongly denounce the bombings and assassinations that killed innocent people," Sheikh Mahmoud al-Sumaidi, a member of the Influential Association of Muslim Scholars, told worshippers. "Both the occupation and the Iraqi government shoulder the responsibility of this blood."

Meanwhile, the Shiite clergy-backed United Iraqi Alliance and Kurdish parties agreed on the makeup of the three-member Presidency Council to be chosen by Iraq's first democratically elected parliament in modern history.

It would include Jalal Talabani as Iraq's first Kurdish president and a Sunni Arab and a Shiite Arab as the two vice presidents, said Ali al-Dabbagh, a negotiator for the Shiite alliance. Names were not announced for those jobs.

The Kurds would receive one major Cabinet post — one fewer than they demanded — but they agreed to support the alliance's candidate for prime minister, Ibrahim al-Jaafari.

Although the Kurds agreed to disband their 100,000-man paramilitary militia and incorporate it into Iraq's army and security forces, they have opposed Arab troops being deployed in the north.

Al-Dabbagh said an agreement was reached to allow ethnically mixed units in the three Kurdish provinces of Sulaymaniyah, Irbil and Dahuk. But Massoud Barzani of the Kurdish Democratic Party said troops should be sent to Kurdistan only if there is a serious security threat, and only with the consent of the Kurd's regional legislature.

The disagreement was not expected to derail coverage of the National Assembly on Wednesday.

U.S. addresses Iraqis' losses with payments

Los Angeles Times

BAQUBAH, Iraq — Every other Wednesday and Thursday, a long line of the bereft and the aggrieved winds through the city's highway outside the fortified U.S. military compound here.

Iraqi men and women, and occasionally children, wait in building, sunbathing or leaning on the fence to present damage claims to the U.S. military. Their cases range from the tragic to the mundane.

A widow says her husband was killed during an American combat operation. A father reports his young son lost an arm in American gunfire. A farmer's cows were killed, a house destroyed and a car was wrecked, windows were broken.

A determined complainant with enough perseverance to fight several hours to be heard inside the compound inside the barbed wire and blast walls to speak to a military legal officer. In more than half the cases, military legal officers sign a cash transfer made up to \$2,500 for a death, \$1,500 for an injury and \$500 for property damage.

The informal "condoleance payments" program launched in mid-2003, the U.S. military does not claim to compensate Iraqis for their losses. It does not admit guilt or acknowledge liability or negligence. It is merely saying, in effect, "We sympathize with your loss," as one judge advocate general officer put it.

Military legal officers say a condolence payment is a gesture that expresses sympathy in concrete terms.

"The program is designed not to make up for anything but to acknowledge that there has been a tragedy or some sort of damage," said Capt. Emily Schaefer, chief of administrative law for the Army's 1st Cavalry Division. "It is an expression of sympathy and condolence to a family. Obviously, it's the right thing to do to kind of bring the gap between the two parties."

By its very nature, the program is arbitrary and uneven. Many Iraqis are not aware of it, and not all have the means to reach a U.S. claims processing area or to gather the necessary evidence. The burden of proof is on Iraqis, and the final decision is by a U.S. commander, and there is no appeal.

Suffering by civilians has been a sensitive and volatile issue for the United States in its operations in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Pentagon will send more Gitmo detainees home

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld wants the State Department to put more pressure on countries to take custody of some of their people who are held at the U.S. prison at Guantanamo Bay, a senior defense official said Friday.

The military has transferred 65 prisoners from the prison in Cuba to their home countries, but some nations — not identified — have largely ignored American requests for transfers, officials said. The senior official described Rumsfeld's effort, first reported Friday in The New York Times, on the condition of anonymity.

Spokesman Richard Boucher said the State Department is working with the Pentagon to identify detainees who no longer need to be held and work with other governments to ensure a smooth transfer.

Some 545 people from about 40 countries are held at Guantanamo Bay, many of them prisoners from the U.S.-led war in Afghanistan after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

Already, the military has released 211 detainees from Guantanamo, including 146 who were freed outright.

"We've said all along that we are committed to transferring detainees when we are able to determine that they no longer pose a threat to our nation, they are of no further intelligence value, and do not merit criminal

prosecution," said Lt. Cmdr. Flex Pinedo, a Pentagon spokesman, on Friday.

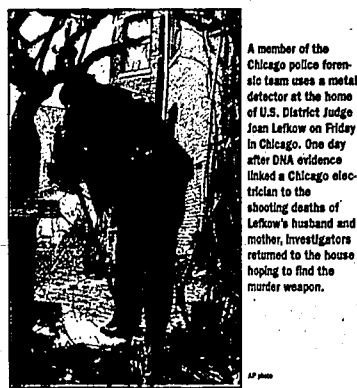
Of the 65 detainees transferred for further detention or prosecution, 29 have gone to Pakistan, nine to the United Kingdom, seven to Russia, six to France, five to Morocco, four to Saudi Arabia and one each to five other countries.

In making these transfers, the U.S. government sets conditions, such as requiring that the detainee be held by their home country, and, in some cases, seeking protections regarding their treatment while in prison there.

Boucher said that the department has a policy to "not transfer a person to a country if we determine that it is more likely than not that the prisoner will be tortured."

Not all detainees at Guantanamo are eligible for transfer, officials said. Some would remain a threat to U.S. interests.

Several already freed from Guantanamo have returned to terrorist groups, officials said.



DNA links suicide victim to killings

CHICAGO (AP) — A DNA match from a cigarette butt convinced police that a Chicago electrician was the killer of a federal judge's husband and mother, authorities said.

The cigarette butt found in Judge Joan Humphrey Lefkow's house was matched to the electrician, Ben Ross, who killed himself during a traffic stop in Wisconsin this week, and the evidence points to him as the lone killer, police spokesman David Bayless said.

Investigators returned to the judge's home Friday to search for the murder weapon, a 22-caliber gun that might have been thrown on the roof, police spokesman Dave Bayless said.

Ross, whose rambling lawsuit over his cancer treatment was dismissed by Lefkow, had claimed responsibility for the killings in a suicide note found in his minivan. He shot himself with a 9 mm handgun, officials said.

The DNA match, which all the other men, certainly not the witnesses who Ross is the

offender in the Lefkow family homicide," Bayless said Thursday night.

The judge had returned home from work on Feb. 28 to find her husband and 69-year-old mother fatally shot in the basement. She described Ross as "a very pathetic, tragic person." In an interview with The New York Times published in Friday's edition.

"I guess on one level I'm relieved that it didn't have anything to do with the white supremacy movement, because I feel my children are going to be safer," the judge said. "It's heartbreaking that my husband and mother had to die over something so trivial."

The judge and her daughters have been in protective custody since the slayings.

Authorities initially focused on associates of white supremacist Matt Hale, who was convicted last year of soliciting Judge Lefkow's murder. But a letter found Wednesday night after Ross's suicide instead tied him to the killings, police Superintendent Phil Cline said.

Orlando officials surrender in absentee-ballot fraud case

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Mayor Buddy Dyer, a judge and two campaign workers surrendered Friday on felony charges that they violated a state law banning payments for the collection of absentee ballots.

Defense attorneys quickly denied the allegation against Dyer, Judge Alan Apte, Dyer campaign manager Matt Sharp and Eddie Thomas, a campaign consultant to Dyer and Apte.

The indictments were issued a day earlier by a grand jury looking at whether Thomas illegally collected absentee ballots in predominantly black neighborhoods for Dyer's and Apte's campaigns before last year's election.

The successful campaign, which cleared the threshold that triggers a runoff by only 234 votes, has drawn accusations of fraud, and the runner-up is

seeking in court to have the results thrown out.

Dyer said he signed checks and approved invoices worth about \$10,000 for Thomas during his campaign to win his first full term in March 2004. The documents do not say what Thomas was being paid to do, and Dyer said he didn't know, either.

Thomas' attorney said the indictment doesn't guarantee Thomas will be prosecuted, and that both men were surprised by the indictment.

"You have to have intent to commit a crime," Dean Mosley said. "My client never had any intent to commit any crime."

The other three declined comment to reporters as they left the Orange County jail after booking, but Sharp's attorney, Bill Sweeney, said the defendants had committed no crime.

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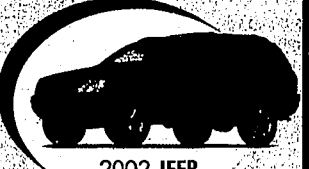


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Bud Muns and Sky Grant tied for the lead in the bareback riding competition, both earning 66-point scores.

Collegio Jose Buek took first in the night's final ride, blazing his way to a 16.76-second finish.

Friday's p.m. rodeo night at the Eldon Evans Expo Center on the College of Southern Idaho campus Friday night.

Results

Track and field results from Jerome girls' meet.

Softball

Jerome sweeps Bonville

JEROME — Jerome pitcher McKenzie Mangum started off the season quick and hot, throwing a no-hitter and coming up a walk short of a perfect game as the Tigers drilled Bonville 10-0 in six innings in Game 1 of a nonconference girls softball doubleheader.

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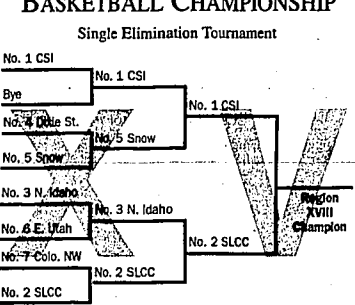
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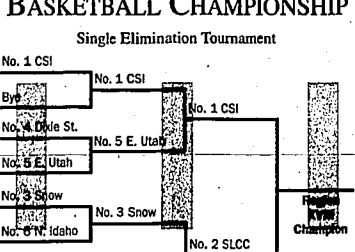
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TORONTO — Tyronn Lue had a season-high 29 points and Al Harrington scored 23 as the Atlanta Hawks ended their 23-game road losing streak.

Timberwolves 101, Magic 96

ORLANDO Fla. — Kevin Garnett scored five of his 25 points in the final minute.

76ers 112, Bobcats 60

PHILADELPHIA — Allen Iverson had 25 points and 12 assists and Kyle Korver added 17 points.

Rockets 127, Suns 107

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SOUTHERN IDAHO STATE GYMNASTICS

Results from Southern Idaho State Gymnastics meet.

SALE LAKE CO 76, NORTH IDAHO 72

Results from Sale Lake vs North Idaho basketball game.

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Miller wins super-G title as Austrians falter

LENZNERHELD, Switzerland (AP) — Bode Miller needed a top finish. He needed his Austrian rivals to have a bad day. He needed Friday — and he needed on the verge of becoming the first American to win the overall World Cup title in 22 years.

Miller won the super giant slalom by riving fellow American Daron Rahlves, capturing the season title in the discipline and opening an almost insurmountable lead over Austria's Benjamin Raich in the overall standings.

Miller's overall World Cup lead to 184 points over Raich, who finished 11th Friday. The American now leads 1,528 to 3,946.

Miller to lock up the super-G title. But the "Hermineator" managed only ninth.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Semi-pro baseball holds trials today

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Giants semi-pro baseball team of the Northwest Baseball League will hold tryout at 1 p.m. today at Harmon Park. Call 212-4044 for more information.

Jets sign Jay Fiedler as second quarterback

NEW YORK — The Jets signed Jay Fiedler on Friday, hoping the quarterback can provide experience and depth behind Chad Pennington.

Derby contender out with chipped knee

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Undeclared favorite Thursday is off the Kentucky Derby trail with a left knee injury and will be pulled from training for at least two months.

Player arrested in German soccer scandal

FRANKFURT, Germany — A third-division player suspected of helping to rig a game and threatening a witness was arrested Friday in Germany's game-fixing scandal.

Carlisle: O'Neal injury may be serious

INDIANAPOLIS — Jermaine O'Neal's right shoulder injury may be worse than the Indiana Pacers originally thought, coach Rick Carlisle said Friday.

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SCORES AND STATS

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For good times

- What: Jay Pice will do two shows tonight in Jackpot.
- Where: Cactus Pies Resort Casino.
- When: 8 and 10 p.m.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 821-1103.

Still nasty

- What: 2 Live Crew will perform tonight in Ketchum.
- Where: Whiskey Jacques.
- When: 10 p.m.
- How much: No cover charge.



Rockin' the boat

- What: The Oakley Valley Arts Council will present Frank Loesser's musical "Guys and Dolls."
- Where: Howells Opera House, Oakley.
- When: Today, 8 p.m. (the production continues Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday nights).
- How much: Tickets, which are \$9, can be reserved by phoning 577-2787.



Borne with a shrug

- What: The College of Southern Idaho Theater Department will present William Shakespeare's "A Merchant of Venice."
- Where: Room 119, CSI Fine Arts Center, Twin Falls.
- When: 8 p.m. tonight.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$8 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens, are available at the door.



Our living, dying

- What: St. Thomas Playhouse will present Thornton Wilder's "Our Town."
- Where: St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Ketchum.
- When: 7 p.m. today and Sunday.
- How much: Tickets, which are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students, can be reserved by phoning 728-5349, Ext. 13.

Cheese plants, county face off

By Matthew Dudley
Times-News writer

GOODING — Battles over what to do with wastewater from cheese-processing plants are nothing new in Gooding County.

However, the amount of progress made this week in two of the infamous disputes is new.

Earlier this week, Gooding County Commissioners and

Mayor Tom Zinn, together with the special-use permit from the Planning and Zoning Commission, granted Glanbia Gooding LLC, last December, Gooding Commissioner Carolyn Ekert, acting as a private citizen, appealed on the basis of public health concerns.

"Glanbia's waste is a health hazard to the surrounding community," said Ekert.

Since 1991, the cheese processor has applied its

treated wastewater in Gooding County.

After recently acquiring additional property, Glanbia and neighboring property owners finally reached an agreement that allows the company to apply untreated wastewater within determined distances until the company's treatment facility opens in November.

Glanbia will submit its request for a new permit in May for applying the treated

wastewater.

"A strongly contentious debate over Jerome Cheese Co.'s request for a special-use permit to pipe its wastewater 1.5 miles from the company's plant in Jerome to a 540-acre farm in Gooding County also moved forward this week.

On Friday, Gooding County and Jerome Cheese presented their opening statements to the

Lawmakers look toward Medicaid go-payments

By Julia Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE — With health care costs spiraling out of sight, some lawmakers want those for whom the government pays health care to cover some of the cost themselves.

Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, introduced legislation Thursday asking Medicaid recipients to pay \$1 as a co-payment for any prescription drug. The average cost of a Medicaid prescription is \$63, according to Department of Health and Welfare statistics. Children under 18 and people with certain disabilities would be excluded.

Forty-four states already have some sort of Medicaid co-payment, Block said. The Idaho plan, if approved, would save \$40 million.

Dirk Kempthorne has recommended a \$315 million Medicaid budget in 2006 coming from the general fund. On Friday, budget writers recommended \$331 million for Medicaid.

People who have health insurance already have a co-pay, Block noted.

"We would like to encourage responsibility among Medicaid recipients," Block said. "But it's low, so I won't discourage them from getting medical care."

But Democrat Wendy Jaquet of Ketchum voted against the bill, saying she's not so much against the concept as the lack of practicality of it.

"My problem is I think some people aren't going to have the \$1," Jaquet said, and as a result it could end up as an "administrative nightmare."

Pharmacists would be responsible for taking the \$1. If Medicaid patients refused to pay it, then the druggist would have to hand over the prescription but could refuse service the next time.

Jaquet maintains that studies show Medicaid patients aren't good about co-payments. So, where are they supposed to go to get their medication if a town clinic or pharmacist won't give it? she asked. The pharmacist would pay financing the \$1, she said.

Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee Co-chairmen Rep. Madeline Bell, R-Jerome, and Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, said they favor the legislation.

Lawmakers have been working for years to put forth a bill like Block's, Cameron said.

Bell said, "I think it gives them a sense of pride."

The bill will get a full hearing within a week.

COFFEE FOR CAMP



Sonya Nowland, family assistance coordinator with the National Guard in Twin Falls, places stars garland in Chelsea's hair before selling coffee at the rodeo in the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center Friday. Local children with parents serving in Iraq are selling coffee and Tahrits to help raise money for summer camp.

Children of 116th sell coffee to raise money

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — A pot of java can help send a local soldier's child to camp.

Children of soldiers with the 116th Brigade Combat Team stationed in Kirkuk, Iraq, are selling coffee to help them attend a four-day camp near Challis this summer. A \$1.50 donation will buy a one-pot package of coffee with the 116th's red, yellow and blue snake insignia.

Summer camp will cost parents \$100 per child. Money is tight in many families, especially those with a parent who went from weekend warrior to full-time soldier, leaving a good-paying full-time job behind. The summer camp will give these children a much-needed break, said Tanya Chin, state youth coordinator for the Idaho National Guard Youth Group.

"It gives kids a chance to escape from deployment and be a kid again," Chin said.

Chin said military children are helping share the load with one parent away. They're washing dishes, baby-sitting and moving lawns.

The sacrifices these kids make are absolute, endless," Chin said.

The Idaho National Guard Youth Group is open to children ages 10 to 18 with a parent in any branch of the military. The state group gets together twice a year, but smaller chapters gather more often. Children get together to go bowling or skiing. They hold movie nights. The state group recently held its annual "Snow Bash," a day of polar bowling, tubing and other winter fun. The group gets some funding from the National Guard, but it's limited, Chin said.

Ninety percent of the children in the group have a deployed family member.

It gives them an opportunity to be with other kids their ages who are going through the same thoughts, feelings and emotions they are, Chin said.

Chin said children in the group also take on community service projects that help them learn both life and

Fund-raiser for military children

Want to help send a soldier's child to summer camp? Children of soldiers with the 243rd Brigade Combat Team stationed in Kirkuk, Iraq, are selling packages of coffee, complete with the 116th's red, yellow and blue snake insignia, can be purchased for a \$1.50 donation. Those interested can call Sonya Nowland, family assistance coordinator at the local National Guard armory, at 733-2404.

Support group for military children

Nowland is trying to start a local chapter of the Idaho National Guard Youth Group so children with parents in the military can get together for activities and support. The group is open to children ages 10 to 18. For more information, call Nowland at 733-2404, ext. 7039.

leadership skills.

"This is an amazing group of kids," Chin said.

Sonya Nowland, whose husband, Kent, is stationed in Kirkuk, is trying to get a local group started for military children in Magic Valley. She's been asking local soldiers' children, including her own, what kinds of activities they'd like to do as a group. Favorites included camping, swimming and movie nights, said Nowland, who is the family assistance coordinator at the Family Readiness Center at the Twin Falls National Guard armory.

"Adults have a family readi-

ness program in place, but the kids need as much support as the adults do," Nowland said.

Nowland said the statewide group has been a real support for children with parents in the military.

"It builds camaraderie with the kids," Nowland said. "There's someone to talk to that's about their age. One of the parents commented that their kids talk about events for several days."

Sheriffs ask inmates to pay for their health care

By Julia Pence
Times-News writer

BOISE — The Idaho Sheriff's Association is pushing a bill that would increase the responsibility of people who are in jail for their own health care costs.

Those in county jails already have to pay \$3 toward a commissary bill, which can be used for such things as shaving and hair-care items and candy bars. The bill proposes to increase the amount to \$20, plus add to the law so the money could be used for health care. In addition, if someone is arrested and booked, the cash he or she has on hand will be put in the commissary said Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey. All that money would be put toward health care, too, if needed.

The main thing the legislation

Fairfield councilman submits his resignation

By Amy Ballard
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD — City Councilman Kenneth Lee resigned Thursday, citing family responsibilities.

"I just can't spend enough time here," Lee told the council.

Lee, who has served a recall election and served as council president, said his work and his family require him to move south.

"This is a hard move for me, but I promised my wife."

He continued, "I hope that whoever you get to fill my position, that you think hard, and that they have the benefit of the city in mind."

Lee said he enjoyed serving on the City Council. The council respectfully accepted Lee's resig-

WANTED

In the Magic Valley

Name: Kelly Joe Yost
Age: 33
Description: White, 5 feet 8 inches, 170 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes.
Wanted for: Felony possession of a controlled substance, failure to appear. Original charge: Felony possession of a controlled substance.
The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department asks anyone with information about Yost's whereabouts to call 735-1911 or Crime Stoppers at 732-5387, where you can remain anonymous and might be eligible for a cash reward.

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg. snowpack
Balmeron	52%
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Big Lost	53%
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Little Lost	53%
Little Lost	53%
Upper Snake Basin	59%
Oakley	62%
Snake Falls	62%

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OBITUARIES

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Margaret Graham McCreer

TWIN FALLS — Margaret Graham McCreer, 92, of Twin Falls, passed away Thursday, March 10, 2005, at the Twin Falls Care Center.

Margaret was born July 27, 1912, in Kansas City, Mo., the daughter of Phil and Maria Pearson. After graduating from high school, she moved to Idaho in 1931. Margaret married A.E. Graham and she preceded her in death. She married Darrell McCreer on June 21, 1970. He preceded her in death in 1955. She worked for Penney's, C.C. Anderson and the Idaho Dept. Store for many years.

Margaret is survived by two



stepdaughters, Carolyn (Bob)

Lamar Cornell Anderson

BURLEY — Lamar Cornell Anderson, a 71-year-old Burley resident, died Thursday, March 10, 2005, at his home in Burley.

He was born Oct. 17, 1933, in Mendon, Utah, the son of Sylvester C. and Arlene Larsen Anderson. Lamar served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War.

He married Sharon Call on Oct. 21, 1955, in the Logan Temple. Lamar received his teacher's degree in accounting from Utah State University. After graduating from college, Lamar and Sharon moved to Burley and started a family and an accounting business.

Lamar was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where he served as a Bishop, Bishop's Counselor, on the High Council, Webeho and Explorer Leader



and many other callings. He enjoyed spending time with his horses and with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Sharon of Burley; three sons, Dale (Julie), Alan (Linda) North, and Robert (Diane) North.

Wheeler of Alaska, and Sharon (Mike) Gaston of West Plains, Mo., and one stepbrother, Dick Pearson of Wichita, Kan.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two husbands and one sister.

A graveside services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 16, 2005, at Sunset Memorial Park with the Rev. Jerry Steele officiating. A viewing will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, March 13, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." Memorials may be given to the Crossroads United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 326, Kimberly, ID 83341.

decession of Burley and Lynn (Debbie) Anderson of Troy, Illinois; four brothers, Rodney, Clark, Milton and Arlo; and three sisters, LaRene Keller, Lorna Egglestone and Dora Johnson; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A funeral will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, March 14, 2005, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake and Ward Chapel, 1005 S. 200 N. in Burley with Bishop G. Chad Jones officiating.

Burial will be at 3 p.m. on Monday in the Millville, Utah, Cemetery. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. on Sunday at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley and from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. before the funeral on Monday at the church.

Benturo 'Ben' Zubizarreta

GOODING — Benturo "Ben" Zubizarreta, 88, resident of Gooding, Idaho, died Tuesday, March 8, 2005, at the Mercy Medical Center in Nampa.

Ben was born on Dec. 14, 1916, in Boise, Idaho, the son of Pedro Jose and Filomena Zubizarreta. When Ben was 5 years old, his family moved back to the Basque Country where he attended school. In 1933, Ben moved back to Idaho and worked for several years herding sheep near Bruneau.



Ben married Juanita Mendola on Oct. 9, 1944, in Gooding. He served his country during World War II with the U.S. Army, serving in the South Pacific.

Upon his discharge, Ben returned to Idaho. The couple was blessed with the birth of twin daughters, Rose and Ruth on Jan. 9, 1946. Ben worked for Custom Meat Packing in Garden City from 1947 to 1951. Ben and Juanita then moved to Gooding where Ben worked at Chlinger Cattle Meats for several years.

Juanita preceded him in death on Sept. 22, 1957. Ben

returned to work at Gem Pack (formerly Custom Meat Packing) from 1961 to 1976, when he retired.

Ben moved to Gooding where he has since resided. Ben traveled to the Basque Country several times over the years. In an interview for the Boise Basque Museum in May of 2002, Ben stated that he is Basque and American and that he liked both cultures very much.

Ben was a member of St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding and was also a member of the Basque Associations in Boise and in Gooding.

He is survived by his daughters, Rose (Joel McKinney) of Nampa and Ruth Zubizarreta of Albuquerque, N.M.; two granddaughters, Lisa and Amy McKinney; two great-grandchildren, Amaya and Dillon; three nieces, Juanita (Albert) Bilbao, Dolores (Rollie) Saylor and Joella (Matt) Reynolds; and a very close and dear friend, Effie Fisher of Gooding.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; his in-laws, John and Rita Mendiola; two brothers and one sister.

A rosary service was recited at 6:20 p.m. on Friday, March 11, 2005, at Demaray's Gooding Chapel in Gooding.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11 a.m. today, Saturday, March 12, 2005, at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding. Burial will be in the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding.

Memorial contributions may be made in Ben's name to St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church in Gooding or to the Gooding Basque Association.

Doris M. Power Lewis

TWIN FALLS — Doris M. Power Lewis, 85, of Twin Falls, passed away Friday, March 11, 2005, at her home with her family around her.

Doris was born Sept. 20, 1919, in Nampa, Idaho, the daughter of Ray and Maude Allen Power. She moved with her family to Buhl, Idaho, in 1933 and attended school there, graduating from Buhl High School in 1937.

She then received her teaching certificate from Alton Normal School and she taught school her last seven years before retirement in Filer, Idaho.

In 1940, Doris married the love of her life, Jack Lewis. They lived in many different places during World War II and then when Jack returned, he transferred and became a state patrolman for the state of Idaho and in 1947 they made their home in Buhl.



Doris was a member of the Buhl United Methodist Church in Buhl, Idaho. She and Jack were married for 49 years until Jack passed away in 1990.

Doris was always a loving, caring, optimistic and cheerful person. Even though she was often in a great deal of pain, her strength was an inspiration. She had a deep faith in the Lord, she delighted in her family and she will be

deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Doris had a special connection to her granddaughter, Holly, and her newest great-grandson, Cayden, who was born three months premature. Doris passed her strength onto Cayden and lived.

A special thank you is extended to her son-in-law, Marvin, for his exceptional care of her and for holding her when she needed to be held.

Surviving Doris is her son, Kelly Lewis of Kennewick, Wash.; daughter, Mary Jo (Marvin) Garner of Twin Falls, Idaho; two brothers, Alan Chambers of Caldwell, Idaho, and Ronald Chambers of Los Angeles, Calif.; one sister,

Maxine Carlson of Portland, Ore.; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Her parents, husband, Jack Lewis; and her daughter, Karla Lewis, preceded her in death.

A memorial service for Doris will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, 2005, at the Rock Creek Community Church, 131 Grandview Drive, Twin Falls, with Pastor Dale Metzger officiating. Cremation and private inurnment are under the direction of the Parkers Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

The family requests that memorials be given to the Cayden Garner Fund c/o Farmer's National Bank, any branch or to charity of one's choice.

OBITUARIES

Minerva (Minnie) Chastain

TWIN FALLS — Minerva (Minnie) Chastain, 79, passed away March 9, 2005, at the SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation Center in Twin Falls.

She was born April 6, 1925, in Guthrie, Okla.

Minnie is survived by her

brother, Doyle Dugger of Twin Falls; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sam; her parents, one sister and four brothers.

In honor of her request,

there will be no public service. Arrangements are under the direction of Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

The family would like to thank the staff at SunBridge for the kind and loving care they gave Minnie.

Edna M. Kastor

TWIN FALLS — Edna M. Kastor, 89, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, March 10, 2005, at SunBridge Care & Rehabilitation Center.

She was born Oct. 12, 1915, in American Falls, the daughter of Gottfried and Katherina Hofmeister.

She grew up and was educated in the Pleasant Valley area near American Falls, Idaho.

She married Herman Kastor on Nov. 27, 1937, in American Falls. They farmed in Buhl, Kimberly and Twin Falls. After

the death of her husband she moved into town where she has since resided.

Edna was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church, and upheld the faith throughout her life. Her passion was gardening and raising beautiful flowers. Having been a farm wife, she was always concerned about the plight of the farmer.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Kastor of Boise; two sisters, Christine Morris of Blackfoot, Idaho, and Martha Kopp of American

Falls, Idaho; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, infant son, four brothers and three sisters.

A funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday, March 14, 2005, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." Friends may call from noon until time of service on Monday at the mortuary.

Burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Family suggests memorials to the Idaho Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 6538, Boise, Idaho 83707-9921.

Proposed recreation district expansion moves forward

By Dixie Thomas Reale
Tribune-News Correspondent

JEROME — The Jerome Recreation District's \$2.4 million proposed facility expansion is progressing on schedule, Tom Kuntz, the district's director, told the Urban Renewal Agency on Thursday.

The recreation district plans to open bids from contractors on Monday. The final selection of the construction firm will be made Friday, March 18.

The Urban Renewal Agency has pledged \$2 million toward the proposed 19,000-square-foot facility expansion that will include a second gymnasium, running track, weight room,

cardiovascular equipment, a multi-use classroom, new entryway, lobby and gathering area. The recreation district will furnish the remaining \$400,000 of the expansion.

Kuntz has requested lending proposals from local banks for the \$400,000. The financial proposals are due to the recreation district by Friday, March 18.

The recreation district had a good response at a walk through of the facility last month. Kuntz said. Ten contractors from the Intermountain west attended.

District personnel felt the contractor selection process needed to be completed before the financing agreements were considered, said Mike Pepper, a

consultant for the recreation district.

The recreation district wants to start construction in May so the project can be completed by January.

Ryan Ambruster, an attorney with the Urban Renewal Agency, said he and the recreation district's legal counsel were drafting an agreement between the two agencies. The agreement should be ready for consideration by both agencies' boards in a couple of weeks.

The Urban Renewal Agency will spread payment of the \$2 million to the recreation district over a two- and a half-year period of time. Ralph Peters said the money for the first years payment is in the bank.

Bonds for highways pass first round

BOISE (AP) — A bill that would begin the bonding process for \$1.6 billion dollars in transportation projects cleared its first legislative hurdle Friday, following weeks of protests by the project's supporters.



But before the Senate State Affairs Committee voted 8-1 to send the legislation to the floor, numerous residents testified against the bill's largest and most controversial project — an new, four-lane extension of Highway 16 from Emmet north through more than 65 miles of important wildlife habitat that is heavily used by both big game, and upland game hunters.

Indian Valley resident Wendy Green said she didn't want to be labeled a "NIMBY" which stands for not-in-my-back-yard and is often used to describe people who oppose progress for selfish reasons. Green said she's more concerned about protecting and preserving one of the least developed large tracts of land for everyone in the state to enjoy.

"We're talking about destroy-

ing a riparian area along the Middle Fork river plus this vast open space in Indian Valley — this called big game habitat," she said. "I don't think the citizens of Idaho are ready to give that up in order to shave a few minutes off the travel time from the Boise Airport and Ada County to the Tamarack Resort," Green said.

Idaho Transportation Board Director Chuck Winder, who led Friday's presentation, tried to keep the focus of the discussion more on the funding mechanism instead of special projects.

"The people who have testified here today have talked about the sensitivity of the Indian Valley route. We understand that. We know it's a new area, a new alignment, and it would still have to go through all the NEPA (National Environmental Policy Act) process," he said, adding that he expected legal action.

"If it doesn't comply with all the federal standards and meet the NEPA process, it would not qualify for federal funds and the board would not bring it to the Legislature for funding."

Each of the 13 proposed projects would be funded with "Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle" bonding, a financing plan based on anticipated future federal highway dollars. The spread payment is controversial because it steers Idaho away from its traditional "pay as you go" road financing.

Senate Bill 1183 authorizes the Idaho Transportation Board to use federal-aid highway funds to pay the principal, interest, and other costs from bonds issued by the state.

Lawrence Walker does specifically list the project as the State Highway 16 Extension from Emmet to Mesa with connection to State Highway 55. Another controversial project associated with the "Indian Valley" highway would go east to the new Tamarack Resort, an all-season recreation development on the shores of Lake Cascade.

SERVICES

Terry Michael Barth of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls.

church (Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley).

Winifred Ellen Stombaugh of Boise and formerly of Buhl, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at Summit Funeral Chapel, Engle and Ustick, 3629 E. Ustick Road, Meridian.

Kathleen "Cass" Barta of Buhl, Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. today at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 1629 Poplar, Buhl (Barner Funeral Chapel, Buhl).

Fern E-Zell Vosburg Manning of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1:30 p.m. today at the Ascension Episcopal Church on Eastland Avenue in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls).

Laverie Walker Statzky of Murthaugh, service at 10 a.m. Monday at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 23709 U.S. Highway 30, Murthaugh; viewing from 4 to 6 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary, and 6:45 to 9:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Ethel Bolina Butler Coleman of Glenns Ferry, graveside service at 11:30 a.m. today at Hageman Cemetery, luncheon for family and friends at 2 p.m. at the Glenns Ferry Senior Center (Demaray's Funeral Chapel, 737 Main, Gooding).

LuVerle Walker Statzky of Murthaugh, service at 10 a.m. Monday at the church.

Claude Martin Kidd of Oakley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Oakley Stake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 301 N. Center Ave. Friends may call from 1 to 1:45 p.m. today at the

Funeral Chapel with Ross Drown officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 3 to 8 p.m. Monday with family greeting friends from 6 to 8 p.m. at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

A funeralary will appear in a later edition.

V. Ruth Knudson

BUHL — V. Ruth Knudson, 89, of Buhl, died Wednesday evening, March 9, 2005, at Woodland Living Center in Buhl.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 15, 2005, at Reynolds

Funice P. Holt

HAGERMAN — Funice P. Holt, 63, of Hagerman, died Thursday, March 10, 2005, at Gooding Hospital in Buhl.

Arrangements will be made by Demaray Funeral Chapel, Gooding.

DEATH NOTICES

Patricia Lee Elliott
BRIGHAM CITY, Utah — Patricia Lee Elliott, 69, of Brigham City, Utah, formerly of Twin Falls, died Friday, March 11, 2005, in Pinedale, Wyo.

Arrangements will be made by Parkers Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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Death of salmon restricts fishing

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A battle that went all the way to the White House four years ago over scarce water in the Klamath River will sharply restrict salmon fishing this year along the California and Oregon coasts, fisheries managers said Friday.

The curbs come despite a record projected return of chinook salmon to the Sacramento River system to the south, where improving conditions contrast with the low water levels and warm temperatures that have plagued the Klamath River along the Oregon border.

Poor Klamath conditions as a result of water diversions three and four years ago mean a minimal return of salmon this year, said Chuck Tracy, a salmon expert with the federal Pacific Fishery Management Council.

"It affects fishing all the way down the coast," said Eric Carlson, who manages ocean salmon fishing for the California Department of Fish and Game. "The impact ... is in the millions of dollars."



California Department of Fish and Game biologist Mark Hampton looks over a weir, a structure to divert river flow, during salmon counting operations on Nov. 12, 2004, on the Shasta River near Yreka, Calif. The Shasta flows into the Klamath River.

Limits along California's north coast could mean 200,000 fewer salmon that would have sold for \$30 to \$50 each at the dock, a loss of \$6 million to \$10 million, said Dave Bits, vice president of the Pacific Coast Federation of Fishermen's Associations.

"We're going to have about half the fishing opportunity that we had last year on the coast of California and Oregon," said Bits. "We're going to have about 56 million of Eureka, who has been salmon fishing for 30 years. I'm looking at probably a 50 percent reduction in my revenues, and I'd say for the whole fleet."

Besides a truncated season between Fort Bragg, Calif., and Newport, Ore., where the bulk of salmon fishing occurs, anglers who reach the ocean, shorter seasons are expected south of San Francisco and along the Oregon coast. Fewer fish also will be caught off Washington, which has a quota for recreational fishing also will be more restricted this year the length of the West Coast.

The federal fisheries council, meeting in Sacramento Friday, set official options for this year's

salmon seasons. After public hearings March 28 and 29 in Westport, Wash.; Coos Bay, Ore.; and Fort Bragg, Calif., the council will set the season at its meeting April 4-8 in Toconoma, Wash.

The restrictions are sparking a new fight between river and ocean fishermen over the few fish that are projected to return to the Klamath, site of an ongoing struggle between farmers who need the water for irrigation and fishermen and Indian tribes who want more sent downstream to nurture fish.

The season limits will be driven in part by a decision expected next week by the California Fish and Game Commission when it meets in Oakland.

Of the 239,700 chinook projected to return to the Klamath this year, fisheries managers say 35,000 salmon must survive to sustain the population there. But 3- and 4-year-old fish, the most prolific spawners, are at a

premium because of poor conditions as they traveled to the ocean after their birth, fishery managers said.

Once sustainable limits are set, tribes are allocated half the available catch. The remaining half is divided between commercial and recreational fishermen, in the river and in the ocean.

Traditionally, river fishermen get 4 percent — about 1,200 fish this year, given the poor return. But they're lobbying the California commission for 20 percent this year, arguing the economically poor region needs sportsmen's dollars.

The decision has a disproportionate rippling effect in the ocean, where sport and recreational fishermen must avoid catching even plentiful Sacramento River chinook to avoid also killing scarce Klamath River salmon.

Members of the federal fishery council countered Friday by

also advancing a plan that would limit river fishermen to 10 percent of the allocation, besides the 15 percent and 20 percent options.

"We're arguing over a few hundred fish in the river for tens of thousands of fish in the ocean for us," said Bits.

Poor returns also are frustrating Indian tribes who traditionally depend on the salmon for both physical and spiritual sustenance. For instance, the Yurok Tribe, which fishes at the Klamath's mouth, expects to be allowed to catch about half the 25,000 salmon it was allotted last year.

Members of the Karuk, Yurok, Hoopa and Klamath tribes plan to rally with fishermen and environmental groups Monday at the California Capitol, urging Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to become "Conan the Riparian" — a takeoff on one of his movie roles — to champion more water for Klamath salmon.

Engineers work to build suicide barrier

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Golden Gate Bridge officials gave the green light to move ahead with studies for a suicide barrier Friday, leaving engineers with the difficult task of designing a structure that can stop bridge jumpers without marring the world-famous span.

The board of directors of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District voted 15-1 to approve the Building and Operations Committee's decision last month to develop a design, conduct environmental reviews and fund to build the suicide deterrent.

Since the Golden Gate Bridge was built in 1937, an estimated 1,300 people have taken the deadly 220-foot plunge from many consider the world's leading site for suicides. An average of 20 people pitch themselves over the 4.5-foot-tall rail each year.

Golden Gate directors expressed concern about how the district would pay for the project. The cash-strapped agency is considering raising bridge tolls from \$5 to \$6 and a \$70 million budget shortfall.

The district plans to look for outside money to pay for the studies, which are expected to cost about \$2 million and take about two years, said spokeswoman Mary Currie. Building the barrier itself is estimated to cost between \$15 million and \$25 million.

While bridge officials figure out how to finance the project, engineers will confront the complex job of designing a barrier that can prevent suicides without compromising the bridge's appearance and safety.

The engineering challenge will be the balance of finding something that deters suicides while keeping the flavor of the bridge in its original art deco style," Currie said.

Since the early 1970s, bridge architects have drawn up more than a dozen different barrier designs, but all of them have been judged as either too ugly or ineffective at stopping suicides.

A wire barrier called a Z-Clip was rejected in the late 1990s because people could climb over the 40-foot high fence. A proposal to hang a net to catch jumpers was dismissed because it required the recovery of people who fall into the net and interfered with bridge repairs.

"All the designs have problems. There's no easy solution," said Donald MacDonald, a San Francisco architect who designed previous barriers for the Golden Gate Bridge.

One of the biggest challenges is creating a barrier that won't block the wind across a channel known for powerful gusts that have forced the closure of the 4,200-foot-long bridge, which connects San Francisco and Marin County.

In 1951, 70-mph winds caused the suspension bridge to sway so critically up and down and from side to side, pushing cars out of their lanes. Three years later, the bridge district spent \$3.5 million to strengthen the span. Any proposed design would have to pass rigorous aerodynamic tests in wind tunnels. Lining the walkway with clear fiberglass wouldn't work because the glare of the wind's passage and cause the bridge to shake uncontrollably.

Previous designs have been ruled out because were considered unsightly for the Northern California landmark, which is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Others were rejected because they obstructed scenic views of the Pacific Ocean and San Francisco Bay.

Judge delays hearing in murder trial

BLACKFOOT — Bingham County Judge Charles Ross delayed a preliminary hearing in the first-degree murder trial of Michael Charles Williams until April 1.

Williams is accused of fatally shooting Christopher Rick Adams three times outside a Blackfoot bar in late February.

Williams' lawyer, Douglas Nelson, said the postponements are pushed back until next month to allow the defense team more time to examine evidence.

In addition, Bingham County Sheriff in Scott Andrews told the court he's still waiting for autopsy and medical reports in the case. He hopes to have the additional documents within the week. Andrews told the court he intends to call up to seven witnesses and anticipates the April 7 hearing will conclude in a day.

Williams, shackled and wearing a gray striped jail uniform during the proceedings this week, told Judge Ross that he understood Nelson's hearing to postpone the hearing.

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Stockbrokers start work to help soldiers

LEWISTON — Stockbrokers at a Lewiston affiliate of D.A. Davidson have started "Operation Snowbox" for U.S. soldiers in Iraq, harkening back to the days when Americans sent care packages to soldiers fighting in Vietnam.

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One Saturday morning, Blakey said, a New Jersey soldier knocked on the door of his home.

"He spent the day with us, shared his experiences and said how important that box he got from us was and how he shared with his comrades," Blakey said.

Punishment clarification bill passes the Senate

LEWISTON — A bill to clarify punishments for Idaho public servants who benefit by unfairly awarding state contracts passed the Senate Thursday.

Now, the offense is a misdemeanor, punishable by a year in jail and \$1,000 fine.

Under the bill, such crimes would be considered a felony on the second offense.

The bill now moves on to the House.

Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, sponsored the ethics bill at a time when a Senate Ethics Committee was deciding the fate of former Sen. Jack Noble, R-Kuna.

Noble, who resigned Monday, had sponsored a bill to change state liquor laws and failed to disclose it may have benefited his convenience store.

He then lied to the ethics committee, which was convened to investigate his actions, — compiled from wire reports

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Waste

Archibald appealed the Planning and Zoning Commission's approval of Jerome Cheese's permit.

The company questions whether the Archibalds had the right — or standing — to appeal the decision. The issue surfaced again in the hearing on Friday, Meyer said.

"They seemed particularly interested in the issue of standing," Meyer said.

Former Gondi County Prosecutor Phil Brown, who continues to represent the county in this case, could not be reached for comment.

A decision in this case could be handed down in the next three months, Meyer said.

Jerome Cheese proposes to construct a wastewater treatment facility at the farm and the treated water to irrigate crops. The permit seemed to be resolved in 2002 until county residents William and Gloria

Bills

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need health care are promptly put on the county indigents fund.

"Then the county hires a private law firm to sue for compensation from the inmate," Tousey said.

"We've always tried to relieve the budget by seeking reimbursement," Tousey said.

"This days with the meth, there are so many inmates with all kinds of health problems that we often have to address those issues while they're in jail," he added.

If it turns out that someone is going to need serious care in a hospital, Tousey said he asks a judge to release the inmate on his own recognition and responsibility. That way, the county — or property tax payers — don't have to pay the inmate's medical bills.

Nonetheless, Tousey pointed out, "Federal law mandates that when they are in custody, we pretty much have to take care of them. What the law says is that when someone is in jail we have to take care of their pain."

House approves millions for Utah road projects

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah could get up to \$100 million in federal funds for state, highway and road projects if a bill passed by the U.S. House of Representatives Thursday gets similar approval in the Senate.

The funds are part of a six-year, \$28.9 billion highway spending bill, which some called "totally inadequate" to address the nation's infrastructure needs.

Critics say the bill will bust the federal budget and swell the deficit. A Senate committee is expected to consider the bill next week.

President Bush has threatened to veto the measure if the final price tag exceeds \$29.4 billion. The bill includes provisions allowing Congress to reauthorize state funding allocations until before 2005.

"We have to do something about our nation's infrastructure," said Rep. Chris Cannon, R-Utah. "Annually, congestion costs American drivers \$67 billion in lost productivity and wasted motor fuel.

More than 30 percent of our nation's roads are in poor or mediocre condition, and 29 percent of our bridges are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete."

Blaker and other Utah congressional members called the bill "years overdue" and said the projects are critical investments in communities that will help economic development efforts.

Among the projects set aside for Utah are:

- Combined \$14 million for the Southern Corridor access road to a proposed new St. George airport and for the Red Hills Parkway;
- \$7 million for Bingham Junction Boulevard in Midvale;
- \$7 million for 13th, East in Sandy to ease congestion;
- \$5.5 million for Highway 32 in Utah County between I-15 and Canyon Road;
- \$4 million for construction of a graded crossing at 200 North in Kayville.

Other bills include projects to expand Utah's light and com-

munications systems, including the Alton TRAX line, the Delta Center-Gateway TRAX extension, the Draper-to-Sandy TRAX line, the West Valley City TRAX extension, the West Jordan TRAX extension, TRAX capacity improvements and commuter rail from Provo to Ogden.

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Utility continues cloud seeding

Idaho Power started program three years ago

POCATELLO (AP) — Idaho Power officials have heard the word about cloud seeding before.

They have heard that cloud seeding projects send snow from other areas, a phenomenon they say is not proven.

Other than there's something with Mother Nature. With emissions from smokestacks, vehicles and elsewhere traveling into the atmosphere, Mother Nature is far from her own already, he said.

"Believe me, we fool with Mother Nature every day," Idaho Power Senior Meteorologist Gary Riley said.

For the past three years, Riley has led a cloud seeding pilot project for Idaho Power in the mountains of western Idaho. The project was designed to create more snow to sound runoff into the Clearwater and Snake rivers, Idaho Power's main sources of hydroelectricity.

The past few years of drought have been vicious for power production as well as for agriculture,

Riley said. According to the National Drought Mitigation Center, precipitation in the Pacific Northwest began in 1996 and 1997, but was discontinued after natural snowpack reached well-above normal levels.

2003, Idaho Power reinstated a pilot project. With each cloud seeding, the company releases non-toxic tracer chemicals so they can track how much snow is a result of cloud seeding. Sample snow from the target area is melted and run through a spectrometer to see if it contains the chemical.

From February 2003 to April 2003, Riley said analysts showed a 16 percent increase in precipitation, amounting to about \$1.7 million in additional electrical generation capacity. The extra snow generated was as much as the company's own hydroelectricity as Shoshone Falls generates in a year, he said.

From November 2003 to April 21, 2004, analysts indicated a 5 percent increase in precipitation. So far this season, early

results show a 10 percent increase. Cloud seeding is not snowmaking, but "snow augmentation," Riley said. Without a cloud, cloud seeding is worthless, he said. With this year's dry winter, there have been few chances to seed. Riley said he expects to increase precipitation by about 5 percent this year.

"If Mother Nature doesn't give us anything to work with, there's nothing we can do," Riley said. Riley believes the evidence collected over three years is enough to show that cloud seeding is cost-effective in western Idaho. After this season, he hopes to have enough evidence to warrant running a full-scale project.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission agrees that the project seems to be working. In December, it approved Idaho Power's application to include about \$550,000 in cloud seeding costs when the company applies for a rate adjustment this spring, ending the first two years of the program and agreeing that the utility will save money.

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Panel sends water deal to final legislative round

Committee approves tax breaks for Micron

BOISE (AP) — An Idaho House committee has unanimously approved legislation that would give a property tax break to Micron Technology and any other company wishing to invest \$800 million in Idaho.

"I think this is good sound public policy," Rep. Debbie Field, R-Boise. "I think they've met a really high bar."

House Bill 319 replaces an earlier bill that would have offered essentially the same tax breaks but with a lower investment threshold. The earlier bill was deleted at the committee level amid concerns that it would shrink Boise's existing tax revenue from Micron.

The new bill caps a company's property tax values at \$800 million — \$100 million more than the earlier bill required — as long as the business continues to invest at least \$25 million a year in property or equipment.

"In order to maintain our interest in not having this legislation provide an immediate tax shift to the community, we significantly increased the number," said Jason Krutzen.

beck, Micron's director of government affairs. "Not only would you have to get above the rate that anyone is paying today but you would have to get above that rate by \$100 million."

Krutzen urged committee members to vote for the bill, saying that Micron's operations account for 3.7 percent of Idaho's economy and that the company already provides an estimated \$11 million in tax revenues to local governments.

Boise city officials expressed concern about the first bill, fearing it would reduce current tax revenues from Micron, which already has property valued at about \$700 million. But none testified at the committee hearing for the new bill.

Shit Brezvia told the Idaho Economic Partnership local committee members that lawmakers should do what they can to keep the company in Idaho.

"Micron Technology is one of the crown jewels," Boyce said. "We're playing some big-stakes games here. It's absolutely imperative that we do not lose this company."

Melodious Mitchell gets the boot from court, again

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The man charged with kidnapping teenager Elizabeth Smart was kicked out of his mental competency hearing Friday after he began singing a hymn, the fourth time he has been removed from hearings for singing.

As Brian David Mitchell was led away, he sang "The Church's and scorns the son of God... You know I speak the truth. You know I speak the truth."

Defense lawyers were told to use frequent breaks in the hearing to keep Mitchell informed of the proceedings.

"He will start singing or yelling if we start talking to him," attorney William Throsson said, before quickly telling the judge that she does not believe he is doing it on purpose to create an impression of mental instability.

The hearing then resumed with defense expert Stephen Golding testifying that Mitchell has become increasingly disturbed and unfit for trial.

Golding said Mitchell has vowed to do everything possible to disrupt the trial and has said he will not allow Elizabeth — who he contends is his wife

— to be questioned on the witness stand.

"It will not permit you to question Miss Smart, because she is still his wife, and they will be reunited," Golding said.

Paraphrasing Mitchell's statements, prosecutors argue Mitchell is mentally fit to face trial.

"I believe he is competent," psychiatrist Noel Gardner testified Friday, adding that Mitchell has the cognitive ability to understand the issues at trial.

However, Gardner admitted that his diagnosis was based on interviews with Mitchell's family, documentation and Mitchell's taped interview with the 14-year-old Elizabeth in 2002, sexually assaulting her and keeping her as his second wife.

Mitchell, 51, a self-proclaimed messenger of God, is accused of kidnapping then-14-year-old Elizabeth in 2002, sexually assaulting her and keeping her as his second wife.

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During this week's previous hearings, McKenzie said, he was swayed by a handful of ranchers and local government officials who argued their rights were being trampled on.

"The issue for me is, do the benefits to the state outweigh the rights of the few? I think as a scenario we have ascertained, that we protect the rights of the few, even against the interest of society," said McKenzie.

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Massey Ferguson 180 diesel tractor, wide front, power steering, 13.6 x 36 tire, heavy duty high lift front loader, 3 pt. hitch. Internation 510, 2 1/2 horse grain drill, double disc, hydraulic lift, grass shredder. 1" John Deere 466 baler with hay saver wheel, P.T.O., hydraulic tensioner. 3-point 18' rotorator, 6 tines, 3 pt. hitch. 150 gallon sprayer with boom and hand gun, 3 pt. hitch. Case 7' disc on rubber, hydraulic lift. Home-made heavy duty log splitter, 3 pt. hitch, hydraulic controls. 32' belt pile with 12' extension, hydraulic lift, steering, 15' wheel drive, 240 volt, with belt. Better built seed tray on rubber. Milestone double belt seed tray on wheels. Approx 300 lbs. steel, 3 pt. hitch, 240 volt, on rubber. Oman P.T.O., portable generator, 110-240 volt.

GRAIN EQUIPMENT
IH 1680 Axial Flow Combines; 24 Header, 2925 Hrs. - Grain Header Trailer - Case/IH 6200 7' Disc Roll - 20' Wheel Dr Chilly, W/ Seeder.

POTATO EQUIPMENT
DILL 853 4 Row Potato Harvester, New Primary Chain, New Secondary Chain, Less Than 70 Cts, All Beltsed. - Spudnik Model 900 48" Dirt Indicator - Logan 900 Cup Potato Planter - Alloway 4 Row Vee Buster Belt - Row Packer Rollers - Row Seed Bed Cutter - Hammer Drill - 4 Row Littleton Rolling Cultivator - Rubber Tire Roller - Spudnik Conveyor

BEEF EQUIPMENT
1994 Farmall M-500 6 Row Tank Beet Harvester - Atsway 786A 6 Row Beet Defoliator, W/ All Utilities - Header 12 Row Beet Machine - John Deere 1730 Seed Star 12 Row Maximax Beet Planter - (2) 12 Row Band Sprayer, To Mount In ATV's - (2) Elmex 12 Row Rolling Cultivators - Rubber Tire Roller - Hammer Drill - Hrd. Beet Chalk Tanks - 12 Row Individual Caster Buggy W/ Candy's

BEEF STOCK
150 Acres Beef Stock

GROUND WORKING EQUIPMENT
2002 Schmeidler 16' Rollover Harrow - 12' Bar - 1996 Schmeidler 16' Rollover Harrow - 4 Bar, Leveling Bar - Case/IH 770 20' Offset Disk - Case/IH Spring Trip Hopper - 5 Shank - Case/IH 5700 14' Roll - 2003 Farmall M-500 6 Row Tank Beet Harvester - 4 Row Renovator - Case/IH 145 4 Bottom Hvy. Flow - Case/IH 6200 12' Press Wheel Grain Drill - W/ Seeder - 300' Stacking Long Tine Harrow - ACE 12' Row Cultivator - W/ Angle - 12' Header 12 Row Beet Machine - Broyley/Hill Sprayer; Foam Markers - John Deere Model 1000 Chisel Flow 12' Schulte 8' Snow Blower; Rear Mount - Muskin 14' Land Plane - 10' - 10' Pl. Blade - Hvy. Flow - 12' Header 12 Row Beet Harvester - 4 Row Cultivator - 2' Snow Gullion Demco Tanks; W/ Mounts - Pipe Trailer - 200 Gallon Wheel Burn

MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT
Portable Thermos - High Capacity Sprayer - (2) 5000 Gallon Steel Fuel Tanks w/ Piping & Pump - (2) 1000 Gallon Fuel Tanks w/ Elec. Pump - 100 Gallon Pickup Fuel Tank w/ Elec. Pump - 100 Gallon Overhaul Tank - 100 Gallon Overhaul Tank - 100 Gallon Fuel Trailer w/ 300 Gallon Fuel Tanks - (2) 250 Gallon Demco Side Tanks w/ Mounts - Porta Potty - 1" 14" 2" 3" 4" Siphon Tubes - 10' - 10' Pl. Blade - Hvy. Flow - 12' Header 12 Row Beet Harvester - 4 Row Renovator - New Schmeidler Roller Rides - Duck Feet - Electrical Parts - (15) Gate Valves, Various Sizes - (2) Sets of 22' Wheel Spacers for Case/IH 6200 12' Wheel Spacers - (2) Sets of 22' Wheel Spacers for Case/IH 6200 12' Wheel Spacers - (2) Sets of 19.9x45 Rear Duals - (2) Sets of 10.00x16 Single Rdr Front Tires - Misc. Tire Tires - Gauge

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Jackson stays home as attorneys battle

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) — Michael Jackson stayed home to recuperate from a back injury Friday while his attorneys waged a court-busting prosecution effort to expose financial records they say will show that the multimillionaire superstar is "on the precipice of bankruptcy."



Michael Jackson

\$300 million and has liabilities close to \$400 million."

He did not explain if he was talking about two different sums or including the debts in the sums of liabilities.

Auchincloss continued to rattle off allegations about Jackson's habits as what he called "a spend-a-holic" who has "an insatiable appetite for money." He said that in the years 1999 to 2001 Jackson was spending \$35 million a year while earning only \$11 million to \$12 million a year.

The judge responded: "I do not wish to extend this trial with a lot of emphasis on his finances, and Auchincloss finally agreed that 'all we are looking for is a concise snapshot of the defendant's financial condition.'"

Méville suggested that is all he will allow. He said he understood the prosecution theory that Jackson had reason to "take drastic actions to protect his image" after the airing of a damaging documentary called "Living With Michael Jackson."

But he urged lawyers to confer and reach an agreement by next Thursday on the issue of financial records.

Developer of video rental business idea dies at 69

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — George Atkinson, who opened the United Video first video-rental store in West Los Angeles in 1977 and laid the foundation for what is now an \$8-billion-a-year industry, has died. He was 69.

Atkinson died March 3 of complications from emphysema at his home in Los Angeles, said Betty Pasciello, his partner of 13 years.

Atkinson began renting videos out of his 600-square-foot Video Station store in late 1977 and began selling franchises a year later. At its peak, Video Station had more than 550 affiliated stores across the United States and Canada.

"From Atkinson's innovation, a tremendous industry has developed," Bo Anderson, president of the Video Software Dealers Association, said this week.

Model solves crater mystery

Los Angeles Times

Researchers have long wondered why there is not more melted rock at Arizona's Barringer Meteorite Crater between Flagstaff and Winslow.

An impact speed of 34,000 to 44,000 mph, the massive space rock should have melted substantial quantities of the white Coconino geological formation. One possible explanation has been that the meteor contained large amounts of water, which would have lessened the force of the impact that created the 570-foot-deep, 4,100-foot-wide crater.

But new calculations suggest that the rock, after having been broken up in the atmosphere, was simply going slower than previously believed.

The Barringer site "is probably the most studied impact crater on Earth," said astronomer H. Jay Melosh of the University of Arizona.

"We were astonished to discover something entirely unexpected about how it was formed."

"LOCAL BUSINESSES SELL-OUT TO OUT OF STATE CORPORATION"

Several business that have prided themselves of local ownership serving local customers have taken the opportunity to sell out their spray customers to the highest bidder during this past Winter.

Idaho Lawn Service, Kimberly Nursery, Z-Boys, Greenview Spray Services, formerly all locally owned companies proudly serving the Magic Valley, until this season. Now all owned by Tru-Green, based in Illinois, and answering to investors. How well does a company based in Illinois understand Twin Falls customers and Twin Falls conditions?

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A Public statement by Bill Manker, owner of Affordable Landscape Services.

Bush's Social Security events belie public's lukewarm support

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — In state after state along President Bush's Social Security road campaign, hand-picked audiences cheer him, leaving the impression that the nation wholeheartedly backs his ideas for reform.

The reality is different. While a majority of Americans approve of Bush's handling of terrorism and foreign policy just 37 percent like his approach to Social Security, an Associated Press poll found. "I've got a lot of educating to do to convince people not only that we have a problem, but we need to come together and come up with a solution to Social Security," Bush conceded at the end of a two-day swing through Kentucky, Alabama, Tennessee and Louisiana.

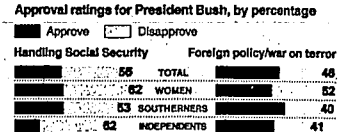
Bush has hosted Social Security events in 14 states since his Feb. 2 State of the Union address.

At each one, the audience lends supportive applause when he talks about the federal retirement system's solvency problems and his desire to let younger workers set up private retirement accounts.

Only when dissenters man-

Bush's Social Security gap

In his campaign to change Social Security, President Bush needs to win over people who are more likely to support him on terrorism and foreign policy but have doubts about his retirement program.



NOTE: Poll of 1,001 adults conducted between March 7-9; margin of error of +/- 3.1 percentage points, larger for subgroup

SOURCE: Ipsos-Public Affairs for AP

age to slip into the presidential events and voice their disapproval is there an inkling of what opinion polls clearly show: Not everyone is on board.

At a stop earlier in the day in Memphis, a young woman shouted "No" as Bush marketed his ideas onstage. The woman, one of four people who interrupted Bush's remarks, was escorted out of the

event. A man in the crowd later shook his head and muttered aloud, "There's no guarantee. There's no guarantee," apparently in disagreement with Bush's proposals.

"There is difference of opinion, and I've got mine," Bush said in Memphis, Tenn. "I'm going to continue traveling our country until it becomes abundantly clear to the American people we have a problem."

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COMMUNITY

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SWEET SELLING



Photo courtesy of Girl Scouts

If you have a sweet tooth, Twin Falls area Girl Scouts will be selling cookies now until Sunday at the Magic Valley Mall, Fred Meyers and Kmart. This year, eight varieties will be for sale — Thin Mints, Tre-felos, Do-si-dos, Tagalongs, All Abouts, Double Dutch, Lemon Coolers and Samosas. Sales support local Girl Scouts. If you can't make it to a Girl Scout booth sale, but want to purchase cookies, call the Girl Scouts office in Twin Falls at 733-9823 or 1-800-840-0079.

SOMEONE NEEDS YOU

Dining — The Twin Falls Care Center is in need of volunteers to help greet seniors as they enter the dining room and assist them with their requests. Call Lia Morlan at 734-4264.

Clothing — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is in need of clothing for men, women and children. Items may be dropped off between 8 to 4 p.m. (closed for lunch at noon) Monday through Friday at 1525 Addison Ave. E. Call Aleksandra at 736-2166.

Fund-raisers — Hospice Visions is in need of volunteers to help with fund-raising. People with experience, a drive to succeed and access to a computer are needed. Call Flo Slater at 733-0121.

Seniors — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program is in

This public service column is designed to match needs in the communities of the eight counties in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, call the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), at 738-2122, Ext. 320. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

Please submit your request before 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday for Saturday publication. Call Edith at 735-4764 or Kitty at 878-0722.

need of volunteers age 55 and older to help take seniors to medical appointments and grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and covered by excess insurance. Call Edith at 735-4764 or Kitty at 878-0722.

Volunteers — Idaho Home

Health and Hospice is in need of volunteers to visit with patients, relieve their caregivers and run errands for families. Office help is also needed. Hospice orientation and training is available. Volunteers are needed throughout the Magic Valley. Call Susan at 734-4064 or visit the office at 826 Eastland Drive.

Meal delivery — The Twin Falls Senior Center is in need of volunteer drivers to help deliver meals to homebound seniors. Call Karen at 734-5084.

Training — First Choice Hospice is offering a training program to provide volunteers with information to gain an understanding of patients and their families with life-threatening illnesses. Call Patti Fiscus at 736-0900.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Hospice holds registration for support group

BURLEY — Hospice of Intermountain Health Care will register for its Bereavement Support Group at 5 p.m. Tuesday through April 19 at its office at Cassia Regional Medical Center, 1501 Hilland Ave.

The group will offer emotional support, education about grieving, and an opportunity to become acquainted with other people who have suffered a loss. There is no fee, but donations are welcome.

Pre-registration is required by calling Dana Talbot at 678-8844.

Living center offers speakers at open house

BURLEY — Rosetta Assisted Living, 1919 Hilland Ave., will hold an open house this week. Guest speakers include, Monday: Dr. Margo Saunders on "Aging vs. Disease" at 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday: Maquel Wigley on "What is Assisted Living" at 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; and Wednesday: Linda Miller on Alzheimer's disease/dementia at 2 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Thursday will be tours with refreshments all day.

For more information or to reserve a place-in-one-of-the classes, call 677-5451.

Gospel quartet will perform Friday at church

GOODING — The Liberty Southern Gospel Quartet will perform at 7 p.m. Friday at the Gooding United Methodist Church, 805 Main St. A free-will offering will be accepted for the concert.

A dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. Admission and ticket is required. Call Mary Cluer at 934-9598 for tickets. The cost is \$12 per person. Reservations and payment must be made by Monday.

M.V. Astronomical Society views 'Deep Sky'

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Astronomical Society and the Herret Center will have a live viewing of Messier "Deep Sky" objects today.

Viewing will start at sun-

down, weather permitting.

Twin Falls Senior Center plays 'super bingo'

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Center will play "super bingo" from 1 to 3 p.m. today.

Cards cost four for \$3 or \$1 each. For more information, call 734-5084.

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club announced its weekly winners: Feb. 24: tied for first, second, Don Rahe and Sam Smutny with Lonnie and Beverly Burns; and third, Betty Grant and Ruth Rahe.

Feb. 26: first, Renee Bulcher and Beverly Burns; and tied for second/third, Wilma Driscoll and Mary Kleen with Herb Buggess and Don Rahe.

Feb. 28: first, Al Green and Bob Parish; second, Doris Finney and Betty Sabo; third, Steve Hale and Rueben Tschaekofski; and fourth, Sandy Sexton and Mary Tucker.

March 1: first, Emma Lou Andrews and Veeta Roberts; second, Betty Sabo and Madeline Saway; third, Doris Finney and Joyce Johnson; and fourth, Carmen Kevan and Norma Prestidge.

March 2: first, Beverly Burns and Bobette Plankey; second, Elaine Bowen and Polly Mulliner; third, Joyce Astorpin and Jessie Lingway; fourth, Ruby Grimes and Doris Watts; fifth, Harold Bulcher and Ruth Rahe; and sixth, Veeta Roberts and Madeline Saway.

The club meets at 7 p.m. every Monday and Thursday and 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Magic Valley Bridge Center, 248 Falls Ave. in Twin Falls. Refreshments are served.

For a partner, call 324-2000.

Fabric store announces March classes

HEYBURN — Carleen's Fabrics & Crafts etc., 450 21st St., announced classes for March: March 15, 22, 28: Finish a project day, 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Wednesday: Spring table runner, 2 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$15. Call for space availability.

March 18: Sitcher's Corner, 6 to 8 p.m. The class is free and refreshments are served. March 19: Almost Irish quilt, 1 to 4 p.m. Cost is \$30. A \$19.99 book also is needed. Class is limited to three people.

Upcoming classes include machine quilting, fabric painting with joyce, among others. For more information, call 679-3573.

Wood craftsmen seek club members

TWIN FALLS — Anyone interested in learning or in furthering their interest and skills in wood turning is invited to become part of a new club that's forming in the Magic Valley.

For more information, call Nick Peterson at 732-6671 or 733-3803.

Square dance clubs will meet at annual shuffle

SHOSHONE — The Buttons and Bows Square and Round Dance Club will meet with the Desert Sun Dancers Square Dance Club for its annual Shamrock Shuffle today.

Dancing begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Hall. The Desert Sun Dancers will serve Irish stew.

BJ Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

RUPERT — The BJ Duplicate Bridge Club has announced the results of American Contract Bridge League-sanctioned open pairs play for Tuesday.

North/south: first, Van McEntire and Warren McEntire; second, Steve Sams and Margarta Manning; and third, Barbara Carney and Eunice Merigan. East/west: first, Vera Mal and Nanette Woodland; second, Norma Goodman and Dot Creason; and third, Beth Thomas and Leola Karmichis.

The club plays bridge at 1 p.m. Tuesdays at the Rupert Elks. Refreshments are served. All duplicate players are welcome. For more information, call 878-3997.

STUDENT HELP



Photo courtesy of DEBBY STEFFEL

Members of the Filer High School FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America), from left, Sara Hamman, Courtney Babb and Hanna Mock presented Kristi Hill, a registered nurse in the pediatric department of Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, with 101 blankets and hats for toddlers and infants admitted to the hospital. Each blanket and hat comes with a label that reads, "A warm blanket and a toasty hat for a heart in need — A gift from Filer High School."

Wendell Middle School announces honor roll

WENDELL — Wendell Middle School has announced its second quarter honor roll:

- 4th grade: Cody Burns, Dakota Crocker, Justice Evers, David Henderson, Gabriella Ibarra, Caitlyn Johnson, Emily Kuka, Nicholas Mendes, Schuyler Nebezer, Dierdra Ringling and Robyn Smith.
- 5th: Dillon Benson, Hailee Bonowitz, Isamyn Bowers, Jesse Campbell, Brianna Dunn, Tyler Egbert, Desiree Finley, Amanda Gorman, Stephanie Henderson, Haley Hope, Jazmine Jimenez, Allie Kelsey, Morgan Locke, Vette Lopez, Alyssa Lynn, Kendall Mowery, Shelby Newlan, Rachel Pierce, Donovan Robbins, Charissa Sandoval, Nolan Stouder, Erica Swainston, Bodine Todd, Cody Wilhelm, Michael Wright and Ramona Zapata.
- Sixth: Alan Benson, Matthew Betteencourt, Natalie Briggs, John Campbell, Anne Francis, Joey Koopman, Clara Nebezer, Nathan Ormond and Aubrey Peterson.
- Eighth: William Casperson, Amber Husaker, Anneli Mendola, Keith Mowery, Mindi Sears and Kimberly Smith.
- Ninth: Sarah Hernandez, Paul Hernandez, Ceberah Harris and Jessica Camargo.

- Christopher Dorman, Megan Fields, Alex Hurtado, Spencer Johnson, Rhett Kelley, Tracee King, Martha Madena, Thomas Pettus, Austin Clark, Tyler Martin, Garrett Webb, Alexis Camargo, Sarah Cox, Alberto Lopez and Austin Poyer.
- Sixth: Javier Suenedo, Carol Costello, Cameron DeBaratto, Cody Prince, Rahab Vega, Brendon Windham, John Washington, Leather Baker, Kade Francis, Cheyenne Leach, Kiyota McClain, Jessica Pedraza, Melissa Rojas and Chelsea Grickland.
- Seventh: Mercedes Beltran, Andrea Hurtado, Nicholas Smith, Kristen Brundage, Amie Coyne, Charles Hansen, Caleb Reitzma, William Fien, Derek Giles, Brock Pompaeda, Melina Hernandez, Kassandra Donat, Deborah Goodright, Antonia Alvarez, Cynthia Calderon, Zella Hladova, Curtis Lowe, Elizabeth Miramontes, Michelle Arroyo, Justin Burns, Rebecca Cox, Ryan Slade and Nick Southwell.
- Eighth: Kyla Kroegeer, Kirsten Vanhooper, Kelsey Rodriguez, Luke Peterson, Julie Peck, Michael Lee, Jordan Lancaster, Amber Bowers, Cope Heath, Kimberly Rivera, Justin Brundage, Victoria Smith, Alexandria Herrera, Paul Hernandez, Ceberah Harris and Jessica Camargo.

FOCUS ON PEOPLE

Local student is finalist in scholarship program

David R. Beukers of Twin Falls was recognized by Light-house Christian School as a finalist for the 2005 National Merit Scholarship awards.

Beukers, 17, is the son of Dan and Lisa of Twin Falls. He directed a junior high drama for the school, is a student council representative, involved in the

music department at the Twin Falls Reformed Church, and leads the worship for the youth group. **Crossfire.** He composed the music for the 2004 Magical Valley Christmas pro-



David Beukers

gram sponsored by First Federal Bank.

He plans to study music composition at Chapman University in Orange, Calif., this fall.

Former local residents named to SPU dean's list

Michael Zachary Allen and Bethany Jane Krumm, both of Twin Falls, and Maria Elynn

DeKlotz of Filer have been named to the Seattle Pacific University 2004 autumn quarter dean's list in Seattle, Wash.

Gonzaga names Wendell pupil to president's list

Mary Hill, a sophomore from Wendell, was named to the Gonzaga University President's List in Spokane, Wash., for the fall semester.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Photo courtesy of Oakley High School

Students of the Month for September at Oakley Secondary School were, from left, back: Rocio Artega, Judy Gowen and Kelli Babbitt; front: Taja Hawkes, Timber Muhlestein and Bret Arnell.



Students of the Month for October were, from left, back: Dennette Moreno and Ruben Ortiz; front: Elise Marchant, Andrew Nilssen and Nate Pickett. Not pictured is Tom Walker.



Students of the Month for November were, from left, Cody Muhlestein, Cole Washburn, George Blairborne, Brian Babbitt and Tanesha Papp. Not pictured is Jessica Wooten.



Students of the Month for December were, from left, Will Ross, Elena Taylor, Cobie Taylor and Omar Bernal. Not pictured is Chloe Woodhouse and Marisol Barajas.

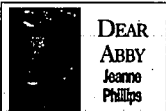
Escort who left business finds herself left behind

DEAR ABBY: I am an Independent VP escort - 48 years old, although I look 10 years younger than my age. I have grown kids who don't know who I am.

One of my clients, a married doctor, was very kind to me. He confided that he and his wife hadn't made love in 10 years and were only living parallel lives. We enjoyed each other so much we worked every other date. When I told him I wanted to get out of the business, he offered to help.

He leased a beautiful apartment for me not far from his office and gave me a small job I could do from home until I found work. I then saw his ex-wife, discussed marriage and I was shocked to see you looked for work, assuming that we would be together.

After four months, I convinced him to call his wife and she agreed to end our relationship, figuring she would be so angry she'd divorce him. Now he says he won't support me anymore and won't see me, either. They



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

are in counseling. I want to contact him. I know he wants me because we were so good together. But I'm afraid of rejection. What should I do?

-CAST AWAY IN PATERSON, N.J.

DEAR CAST AWAY: I have a short "to do" list for you:

1. Wake up and smell the coffee. The doctor has made his choice, and it's not you.
2. Find a legitimate job so you won't have to hide from your kids, because, Sister, you're on your own.

DEAR ABBY: All of my friends have a special pet that sticks to them like glue. I'm talking about a "waiting-at-the-door-until-they-get-home-from-school"

kind of pet.

I have two dogs and two cats. Buttons and Bamboo are my two dogs, and Jasmine and Midnight are my two cats. Buttons likes my granddaughter, and Bamboo likes my son, and my cats can't come inside.

I asked my parents if I could have another pet, a pet of my own that would stick only by my side. They looked at each other and said, "OK, if you get rid of the ones you have." But I love all of them. Abby, I can't bear to give any of them away. What should I do?

-LONELY GIRL IN FORT SMITH

DEAR LONELY GIRL: Instead of getting yet another pet, it's time for you to take a more active part in the lives of the ones you already have. Make it your job to feed them. When you return from school, make some special time to take the dogs out, exercise them and play with them. Once it becomes routine, they'll look forward to their special time with you and be excited when you get home.

DEAR ABBY: I just became engaged to my boyfriend of two years. We plan to be married in October. My boyfriend and I have agreed to have an old-fashioned church wedding and, of course, a white wedding dress. But our wedding will be in October and Labor Day is in September, and I never wear white after Labor Day.

My boyfriend insists I should wear white. He says there is an exception to every rule, but I disagree, and we don't want to change our wedding date. Can you tell me what to do?

-BRIDE WITH NO DRESS IN ILLINOIS

DEAR BRIDE: Please do not be concerned about breaking a fashion rule. A white wedding dress signifies that it is the bride's first marriage. Because you will not be married before you may wear a white bridal gown regardless of what time of year your wedding is held. The sales people at your local bridal shop will be happy to guide you in making your selection.

Common golf warning stemmed from warfare

"Beware before!" That's what many of the British artillery shouted at the infantry before shooting over their heads. In battle, that was a little wordy, so it became shortened to "fore!" Sometime around 1770, golfers adopted the custom of shouting the same thing when driving.



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

This day in history: Long available only in glasses at soda counters, Coke made its first appearance in bottles 101 years ago on March 12, 1894.

Cats in ancient Egypt were used as bird dogs of sorts. When hunters beamed their prey with a boomerang-like hunting stick, they'd let loose the cats to finish off their quarry.

Ernest and Julio Gallo learned to make wine from a pamphlet they picked up at the Modesto public library.

When Leti Enerson landed in America in 1900 A.D., he called it "Vinland the Good," based on a misconception that the entire continent was covered in grapes.

Accuracy by A.B. Palmer.

When President John Adams and family moved into the newly constructed White House in the early 1800s, Washington, D.C., wasn't the place of comfort and prestige it is today. It was, for the most part, wilder-than-wild, swamps, mosquitoes and roving bands of wild pigs.

The rate at which the sun is consuming life leads most scientists to theorize that it has about 5 to 6 billion more years before it fades away.

Writer Rita Mae Brown had an interesting career as a screenwriter before she became famous writing stories about her cats. She most notably helped pen Roger Carmon's 1982 slasher film, "Slumber Party Massacre."

Just doesn't seem fair: a breeding male cat is called a "tom," but a breeding female is called a "queen."

You can reach Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo at factmornings@times-news.com.

Cancer ought to avoid sudden new temptations

IF MARCH 12 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: It seems that only hard work and determined effort are the ways to gain recognition. Best as we can tell, however, that the planets have a treat in store for you in both April and September when lucrative doors will open, and help will be given your career.

People you meet during these times can bring you long-lasting security and wise guidance to improve your life on many levels. Don't let bright downturns in May undermine your confidence because in the year ahead you can make permanent improvements that will give you a chance to relax your vigilance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You might learn that you can't control everything and that micromanagement is counterproductive. Frustrating news will lessen ahead today, so plan to take things easier.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Intensely ambitious others can step on your toes in an effort to get ahead. Jealousy might raise its ugly head where a partner is concerned, so avoid clashes and remain levelheaded.

Students bike for education

CONCORD, N.H. - Two seniors at the University of New Hampshire are putting the marketing skills they learned in college to work to try and pay off the \$20,000 they each owe in student loans.

Josh Hutchins and Marc Hall, both 22, have requested bids of \$40,000 or more on eBay to bicycle from New Hampshire to Florida and back promoting the winning bidder's name or product.

"They'll do media interviews, and wear logos or company names on their clothes and on their bike helmets."

The two expect the ride to take as long as two months. Bidding on the offer ends at 3 p.m. Friday. They also promise to donate some of the proceeds to charity.

Tax becomes getaway car for bank robber

OGDEN, Utah - Police said it seemed more like a movie plot than real life when a taxi driver became the reluctant whiff for a suspected bank robber's getaway attempt.

The hunt for Donald Archambault, 53, who was suspected of robbing a Salt Lake City bank Wednesday, ended 30 miles north of Ogden. Archambault hopped out of the cab and was arrested by waiting police.

Cabbie Ali Ahmed didn't real-

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Jeraldine Saunders

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): That special someone may be so cherished that you aren't willing to share him or her with anyone else. Don't feel threatened by the attention of others or let the green-eyed monster spoil your day.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Opportunities in the air may have pumped ambitious juices and a new idea could grab your attention. It is probably best to bypass sudden new temptations, as they will be hard to obtain.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Avoid unhealthy temptations. Possessiveness could mar an otherwise pleasant day. Don't get caught up in new obsessions or become enslaved by intense desires that could prove troublesome.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Maintain congenial relationships by being especially generous and tolerant. Private matters may require confidentiality, and there could be

conflict over joint monies. Be patient - turmoil will pass quickly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Those close may be tough to please today, but minor aggravations will lessen soon. Your ability to make wise choices about decor and clothing is still in place, early in the day, but avoid credit purchases.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your desires could be thwarted. Don't let jealousy or possessiveness upset or perturb you and tranquility. Avoid stirring up animosity and controversy by being blinded to the feelings of others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Maintaining an air of mystery may be tantalizing and seductive to others. Seductions could prove disappointing, however. A temporary lack of funds could put a dampening effect on fun and games.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your pointed ambitions could raise the hackles of others and cause resentment, so curb your ambitions and give yourself today if you exercise patience.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Avoid power struggles with

those in close connection and try not to start anything important today. Even if totally innocent, others may perceive that you are employing subtle manipulations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Take a day off to pamper your partner and hold off on important business presentations. An air of suspicion may creep into negotiations and make it difficult to succeed in career moves.

Odds and Ends

ize his customer was wanted until he got a call on his cell phone from a police detective.

"I was very scared," Ahmed said later. "Oh, man, was I scared!"

Ahmed's fears escalated when the suspect allegedly told him "he would empty his gun" if Ahmed turned him in to police.

The suspect didn't know that Ahmed was talking to a detective throughout much of the Interstate 15 ride.

"I kept telling him it was my dispatcher wanting to know where we were going," he said.

Ahmed eventually pulled over and Archambault fled.

"There was an officer right by there, so I ran over and told him which way the guy went," Ahmed said. Archambault, 53, was charged Thursday with aggravated robbery.

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WORLD

Spaniards mourn bomb victims

Church bells, candles, silence mark anniversary of train attacks

MADRID, Spain (AP) — In rail stations, city streets and in the "Forest of the Absent" — a grove of olive and cypress trees planted to remember the dead — Spaniards fell silent for a five-minute vigil Friday on the anniversary of the Madrid train bombings, a panoply of violence that killed 191 people as suspected al-Qaida militants devastated a country that had been their haven.

King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia led government leaders and visiting dignitaries at the main memorial event — a vigil inaugurating the 192 trees, one for each person killed on the rush-hour commuter trains and a policeman who died when suspects seeking to avoid arrest blew themselves up.

"Who will give me back my will to live, which died here a year ago?" read a letter stuck to a wall at El Pozo, hardest-hit of the four rail stations targeted by backpack bombs filled with dynamite and shrapnel. It was signed by a woman who identified herself as Susana, among those wounded in Spain's worst terrorist attack.

The monarchs placed a wreath of white and purple chrysanthemums in Madrid's main park at the edge of the



Spain's King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia stand back after placing a wreath of flowers during a five-minute silent vigil for the train bomb victims at a site in Madrid's Retiro Park on Friday.

grove. They bowed their heads and listened to the mournful strains of a cello piece composed by Pablo Casals.

Around the country, Spaniards stopped what they were doing and poured into the streets for five minutes of quiet remembrance. Earlier, as dawn broke, hundreds of church bells in Madrid rang out at 7:37 a.m. — one year to the minute after the first of the 10 rapid-fire blasts.

The attack which wounded more than 1,500 people, shocked Spain into rethinking the way it deals with Islamic extremism and prompted Muslims in Spain to issue a fatwa, or Islamic edict, declaring Osama bin Laden an apostate unworthy of his faith.

At El Pozo, an emergency medical worker who had collected bodies and attended to the dying returned Friday wearing his yellow jumpsuit uniform to pay his respects.

"I will never forget the image of what happened here," said the 42-year-old worker, who identified himself only as Paco. "I still remember the smell of gunpowder. Finding pieces of bodies on the platform. The image of a boy's head on a bench."

Another man tossed red and white carnations and roses onto the railroad tracks. The blasts were claimed by militants who said they had acted on al-Qaida's behalf over the presence of Spanish troops

in U.S.-occupied Iraq. Conservatives were voted out of power three days after the bombings, with many voters accusing the prime minister at the time, Jose Maria Aznar, of making Spain a target. Aznar was in Mexico on Friday and did not attend the memorial events.

Spanish security officials and academics now say the Madrid bombings were probably less about Iraq than revenge for Spanish raids in November 2001 that broke up an al-Qaida cell accused of helping prepare the Sept. 11 attacks in the United States.

After the election, victorious socialists inherited a counterterrorism system woefully unequipped to tackle Muslim militants who had operated freely here for more than a decade. Police had their guard down because they focused on the armed Basque separatist group ETA.

U.S. ties to unity that Sept. 11 triggered among Americans. March 11 — 2.5 years to the day after the attacks on New York and Washington — caused deep, bitter divisions among Spain's parties and their supporters.

Aznar's Popular Party says the Socialists won only because of what it calls a surgical strike against his pro-U.S. government, and dismissed the new administration as ill but lacking a mandate. Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero has repeatedly accused Aznar and company of trying to ease the election by accusing ETA of the attack even as evidence of an Islamic link mounted.

Top chess player Kasparov will retire

MOSCOW (AP) — Garry Kasparov, the chess world's youngest-ever champion and undisputed king the last two decades, made a stunning move Friday shortly after winning a prestigious tournament in Spain: He retired from professional play.

The announcement by the Russian grandmaster — the world's No. 1 ranked chess player since 1984 who is considered by some the best in the history of the game — came shortly after he won the 14-match Linares tournament in Spain on Thursday, despite losing the final game.

"Before this tournament I made a conscious decision that Linares 2005 will be my last professional (tournament), and today I played my last professional game," Kasparov said at a news conference, according to a video posted on the online chess magazine chessbase.com.

He said his last games were "very difficult for me to play under such pressure, because I knew it was the end of the career which I could be proud of."

Kasparov, 41, became the youngest world champion ever at age 22, and quickly cut a swath through the chess world with an aggressive style that stunned settling for a draw. He said part of the reason he was retiring was "because he saw no real goals left to accomplish in



Garry Kasparov, the world's No. 1 chess player since 1984, speaks at a news conference in Moscow in this Jan. 2004 file photo.

professional chess. He said Friday he wanted to concentrate more on politics in Russia. He has emerged as an outspoken critic of President Vladimir Putin and is playing a leading role in the Committee 2008: Free Choice, a group formed by prominent liberal opposition leaders.

"As a chess player, I did everything I could, even more. Now I want to use my intellect and strategic thinking in Russian politics," Kasparov said Friday in a statement cited by the Interfax news agency.

Public hears pope speak for first time since surgery

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Giving reassurances that ailing Pope John Paul II is improving, the Vatican released a video Friday with the pontiff speaking a few words in a husky voice — the first time he has been heard publicly since a throat operation last month to help him breathe.

The two-minute video was taken of a meeting with Tanzanian prelates in the pope's 10th floor suite at Gemelli Polylinic. His photographer also was present and several doctors were nearby.

John Paul said a few words, including "a benediction" in Italian for "OK." As the prelates left, he said, "God bless you" in English.

The 84-year-old pontiff, in purple vestments, is shown seated during a Mass with the prelates in the small chapel in the Vatican.

His voice reciting a prayer to barely audible and he appears drawn.

The two — Cardinal Polycarp Pengo and Bishop Severino Nyirugamba — are shown telling him in English that Tanzanians are praying for him and love him. He responded with the two Italian words.

Until Friday, the pope has appeared three times at his hospital, a window but did not speak. Vatican concerns about his ability to communicate to the public. He has Parkinson's

disease, which makes speaking difficult because of muscle problems.

Several cardinals, however, have said the pope has spoken to them during working meetings at the hospital.

Friday's encounter with the African prelates was an indication that the frail pontiff was stepping up his activities before returning to the Vatican.

Doctors have extended his hospital stay "a few more days" but the Vatican said he still plans to return in time for the Start of Holy Week that begins on Palm Sunday, March 20.

The Vatican also released a message the pope handed to the bishops, urging them to resist programs linking economic aid to the promotion of sterilization and contraception and reaffirming the view that social abstinence outside marriage is the surest way to limit the spread of AIDS.

While I regret that I cannot receive you in the Vatican at this time, nevertheless I gladly welcome you," the message said. "I greet you all from the Gemelli hospital, where I offer my prayers and my suffering for you."

Syrian troops leave north Lebanon; intel officers stay

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The last Syrian troops left northern Lebanon on Friday but intelligence agents remained in the offices, while the U.N. peace envoy said Syria needs to produce a timetable for a full withdrawal from the rest of Lebanon.

Under international pressure, Syria this week began pulling its 14,000 forces back to the eastern Bekaa Valley. It is to negotiate with the government on their withdrawal from Lebanon at a later date.

Convoy of Syrian trucks,

some towing artillery pieces, were seen driving Thursday night toward northern Syria. Empty trucks and buses arrived in central Lebanon Thursday, apparently to pick up Syrian supplies and soldiers who are headed east.

Nine Syrian intelligence offices remain in northern Lebanon, including the towns of Tripoli, Akkar, Miniyeh and Anyoun. Plainclothes intelligence agents operate from the guarded offices in apartment buildings and deal directly with Lebanese.

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

PMT reports its financial position

RUPERT — Over 161 member customers attended Project Mutual's Telephone's annual meeting this week in Rupert. PMT reported modest growth in 2004 in the face of difficult economic challenges, the company said in a statement today. With an asset base of nearly \$35 million and member equity at nearly 40 percent, PMT has never been stronger financially.

Factors contributing to that success include investment in Syringa Networks, a regional fiber optic consortium; local number portability (the ability to keep an existing phone number while switching phone companies); and new market build-outs that include Twin Falls, where PMT has invested in high-bandwidth fiber optics for future growth.

"In a year of mergers and acquisitions for larger telecommunications companies, PMT has maintained steady growth by innovatively and by putting our customers first, Charlie Creason, PMT president, said in the statement. "Our customers, in turn, have rewarded us with solid support for new product and service offerings like DSL, long-distance service, our popular bundled packages and our new PMT Message Center."

Other news from the annual meeting included Employee of the Year honors for Dave Praeger and re-election of Dave Dennis Dickson to PMT's board of directors. Rupert-based PMT, established in 1916, offers telephone service and associated features, including long distance, cellular, internet, wireless internet, DSL, computer networking and cable television.

Potato growers' co-op chooses CEO

TWIN FALLS — A recently formed potato growers' cooperative chose Jerry Wright as its first chief executive.

The United Fresh Potato Growers of Idaho (UNITED), which formed last November, chose Jerry Wright of Idaho Falls as CEO. Wright is the former president of Mexican specialty food company Embasa Foods, now known as Authentic Specialty Foods.

"Jerry is going to be the unifying face for the Idaho potato growers. We've had structures like UNITED in place before, but hitting a man like Jerry Wright as CEO is a step that no one has ever taken before," UNITED board member Dave Beasley said in a statement. "This shows the Idaho industry that we are very serious in our commitment to succeed in lending the industry to a profitable future."

Made up of more than 100 potato growers — who provide about 65 percent of Idaho fresh potato shipments — UNITED seeks to bring together potato supplies and improve prices.

Idaho Travel Council will hold meeting

COEUR D'ALENE — The Idaho Travel Council will meet Wednesday at Coeur d'Alene Resort.

Agenda items include reports on creation of an Idaho Wild Bird and Fish Film Bureau, the Idaho Corps of Discovery Passport Program and Northwest Backroads, a tourism promotion segment presented by Northwest Cable News.

Carl Wilgus, administrator for the Tourism Development Division of Idaho Commerce and Labor, will attend council members on plans for the Annual Governor's Conference on Rural Development, Recreation and Tourism, scheduled for May 4-6 in Idaho Falls.

Idaho council members will meet with the board of directors from the North American Snowsports Journals Association, which is holding its annual spring conference at the Coeur d'Alene Resort March 16-20. Members of that association will visit Sun Valley's ski resort while there in Idaho. Idaho representatives on the Idaho Travel Council are John Webster of Best Western, Bursley Inn and Brent Gillette of Sun Valley Resort.

— compiled from staff and wire reports

Urban Renewal will discuss landmarks

By Megan Hinds Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The futures of two downtown landmarks will be on the table at Monday's meeting of Twin Falls' Urban Renewal Agency.

First, the agency again will discuss the historic Old Towne silos on Shoshone Street South. Russ Tremayne, a College of Southern Idaho history professor and a member of Twin Falls' historic preservation society, again will speak to the agency about restoring the structures.

The agency owns the silos and has had no plans for the structure since deciding against an expensive structural analysis more than a year ago.

If you go...

Twin Falls' Urban Renewal Agency will meet at noon Monday in the City Hall conference room, 321 Second Ave. E. The meeting is open to the public.

Tremayne and lawyer Paul Smith came before the agency at its last meeting in December to ask for \$15,000 for improvements and a structural analysis to be conducted on the silos and for the agency to turn over ownership of the property to Old Towne Corp. That group makes up part of Historic Downtown Twin Falls, downtown's business improvement district, and would be responsible for maintaining the structure.

Also on the agenda...

Urban Renewal will vote on authorizing its chairman to execute a right of way deed to the city on property in front of Jayco Inc.'s manufacturing plant, 621 Washington St. S. The deed would allow a stretch of the road in front of Jayco to be widened to 37 feet by September 2006, as stipulated in the company's special-use permit for occupancy approved in November.

Jayco will hold a grand opening and ribbon-cutting celebration at the plant at 2 p.m. Tuesday. The keys to the first travel trailer produced at the plant will be presented to Todd Jenkins of Bishop's RV Center in Idaho Falls. Gov. Dirk Kempthorne will attend.

The matter in its projects committee. Dave McAllindin, Twin Falls' economic development director, said Friday he didn't know whether the agency would take any action regarding the silos at Monday's meeting. In other Urban Renewal business meetings, McAllindin said, the agency will consider giving money to a fund to renovate the City Park band shell.

Last month, the Twin Falls City Council voted to pitch in \$12,380 in city funds to help pay for the band shell restoration.

An additional \$26,600 has been raised through fund-raising and donations. The total project is estimated at \$44,750.

City Parks and Recreation Director Dennis Bowyer will ask the agency to supply the short-fall, McAllindin said.

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ABOVE AND BEYOND



Jerome High School seniors Ullana Maciel, left, and Mayra Gonzalez, right reporters for El Puente school newspaper, put finishing touches on a photo caption in November. Just before the first copies hit newsstands, El Puente on Friday received honors from the Jerome Chamber of Commerce.

Jerome business group honors utility, newspaper

By Virginia S. Hutchins Times-News writer

JEROME — Magic Valley's predominant electrical utility has been funding and voters' leadership in regional economic development, tourism and education efforts for years, said Elizabeth Thomas, executive director of the Jerome Chamber of Commerce.

So the chamber on Friday evening honored Idaho Power Co. as its 2004 Business of the Year.

"It is an honor to be able to recognize an organization that is so dedicated to giving to our community and every community in the region," Idaho Power is truly the champion of organizations in their support of economic development, tourism, recreation and education," Thomas said. "They don't often get recognized for their efforts."

Local students shared the limelight at the Jerome cham-

ber's 83rd Annual Banquet and Board Installation Ceremonies at the Snake River Elks Lodge on Friday.

The chamber's 2004 New Horizon Award — meant to recognize a chamber member that is exceeding business expectations in the first year of business — went to Jerome High School's Spanish-language newspaper, El Puente.

The first two issues of the free student newspaper, whose name means "the bridge," were funded by a \$300 Governor's Innovative Grant. The first edition came out in November.

The bilingual print publication aims to better connect the community's two cultures, journalists, teacher David Quinley told The Times-News in November. About one-third of Jerome's students are Hispanic, so there is a large audience for writing in Spanish and in English about the Hispanic community.

On Friday, Thomas encouraged the students' continued efforts "in giving to the commu-

nity the news with a Spanish flair."

Several others took home awards Friday evening, too.

• The Jerome chamber's 2004 Ambassador of the Year is Betty Wu, a Jerome High School senior who joined the business organization as a junior ambassador two years ago. Chamber leaders thanked Wu for supporting chamber programs and for her efforts as the chamber's School To Work intern.

Wu and Kimberlee Ward, another active junior ambassador, each received a \$300 scholarship to the college of her choice.

• Mike Cooper, president of the chamber's board, received a Leadership in Excellence Award.

The evening gathering was also a chance to honor outgoing board members Cooper, of St. Benedict's Family Medical Center, made special mention of retiring board member Mike Pohanka of Idaho Power for his seven years' service on the board. Pohanka served two

terms and the remainder of another person's unfulfilled term. Cooper honored Pohanka, a past president, with the President's Excellence Award for his support during the 2004 term.

• Melinda Burns of Western Real Estate was honored for her six years on the board. Joining the chamber board are Sue Griesman of US Bank and Mike Schutz of Hiller Poly Co., both of Jerome, and Kathy Ream of D.L. Evans Bank's real estate department in Twin Falls. Cooper is ending a three-year term but will remain on the board as an ex officio member.

Incoming President Sylvia Moore-Futrell of Simply Serendipity chose a theme for the year — "Bridging the gap" and is urging businesses, communities and regions to band together in providing services, Thomas said.

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Investigators look into fire that destroyed local warehouse

TWIN FALLS — Investigators are working on a few theories as to the cause of an early-morning fire that destroyed Rarrhines and Appliances Outlet's warehouse in Twin Falls earlier this week.

The Twin Falls Police Department took over the investigation Monday just hours after the fire was put out.

Detective Sgt. Bill Hanchey, who is overseeing the investigation, said officers "are investigating the possibility of an electrical problem causing the blaze, as well as possible arson."

"At this point we're not ruling anything out," he said. "Hanchey is willing on lab reports to find out whether faulty wiring may have led to the fire. But he said he is also working several lines of suspicious activity around the time the blaze started. Hanchey said a burglary happened in the same neighborhood within an hour of the fire.

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Hanchey has gone through the burned-out warehouse on the corner of Idaho Street West and Sixth Avenue West three times, trying to piece together what might have happened.

Furniture and Appliance Outlet's warehouse caught fire sometime after midnight Monday. A call came in to Twin Falls firefighters around 12:54 a.m. No one was hurt in the fire, and the business owner, Leroy Scantlin, has called the fire a temporary setback, but not something that will hurt his business in the long term. All the merchandise in the facility was destroyed in the fire.

T.F. chamber needs more sponsors for baskets. TWIN FALLS — Spring is

quickly arriving, and that means the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce's hanging baskets soon will be hung downtown.

Along Shoshone Street and Washington Street South are spots for hanging flower baskets and signs. Each pole with a basket has a room for a sign.

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Each sponsor can opt to pay \$300 up front to cover lower-growing, watering and maintenance costs for five weeks. That's \$275 cheaper than what the chamber charged for a five-

year up-front pledge last year.

Or the sponsor can opt to pay \$350 in the first year and \$275 each year after. Either way, the chamber insists on a five-year pledge.

The baskets were designed and constructed by Moss Greenhouses and maintained by Kimberly Nurseries and Wills Toyota.

For information on the project or to sponsor a basket, call the chamber at 733-3974.

Northwest, American raise their airfares. FORT WORTH, Texas — American Airlines raised many of its leisure fares by as much as \$10 each way Friday, hoping to share more revenue to offset the high cost of fuel.

Northwest, which indicated the increase, raised fares by \$5 each way on routes less than 1,000 miles. Longer trips saw fares jump by \$10 each way.

But like many previous late-week fare hikes, it remains to be seen whether the higher prices will last through the weekend. United Airlines still had not matched the higher fares Friday afternoon.

Type-A fare hikes are rescheduled after a few days later or more major carriers fail to match.

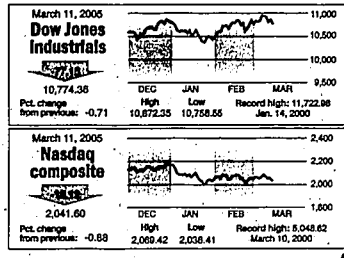
Fares were not raised in markets where airlines compete directly with the discount carriers Southwest Airlines or JetBlue Airways. Those airlines rarely match price increases.

"With the continuing high cost of fuel, we think it's appropriate to implement a small fare increase to help mitigate that expense," said Tim Wagner, an American spokesman. — Compiled from staff and wire reports.

MONEY

Stocks drop on trade deficit worries

NEW YORK (AP) — Investors preoccupied with inflation...



Wall Street was unnerved as the Commerce Department reported that the trade deficit widened to \$58.3 billion in January...

The economy is fairly good. Consumers are spending money. There's strength there, said Scott Wenn, equity strategist for First Securities.

The trade deficit sapped any momentum the market may have gained from Intel, a Dow Jones industrial, which reported late Thursday that sales for the quarter would be at the higher end of previous forecasts.

Consumer confidence moves higher

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer confidence, which had plunged sharply in February, jumped by the largest amount in seven months in early March as Americans were heartened by a big surge in hiring.

Job prospects and personal finances were the main drivers of the confidence gain, according to the survey.

But consumers were feeling better in March, according to the responses they gave to the latest survey.

The AP-Ipsos consumer confidence index rose to 84.2 in early March, a gain of 1.9 percent from a February reading of 79.1. It was the largest one-month gain since a 1.9 percent rise last August.

That plunge in confidence was blamed in part on worries about sluggish job growth that had persisted into the new year and worries about the viability of Social Security that had been generated by a new administration push to overhaul the government's giant pension program.

The view of current economic conditions had risen by 12.3 percent, the biggest percentage increase among all the four main components that make up the index.

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Punitive charges dog many consumers

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — For more than two years, special-education teacher Terri Hoselle worked a second job to keep up with the \$2,000 in monthly payments she collectively sent to five banks to try to pay off \$25,000 in credit-card debt.

say are abusive. House leaders say they will act soon, and President Bush has said he supports the bill.

Consumer groups and many Democrats say consumers who are hit by the bill will be able to sue banks for punitive charges.

That's because Hoselle's payments sometimes were triggering late fees ranging from \$25 to \$50, and higher interest rates, ranging from the 10 percent to nearly 30 percent. When the additional costs pushed her balance over her credit limit, the credit-card companies slapped on additional penalties.

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The U.S. Senate this week approved a bill that would make it harder for individuals to wipe out debt through bankruptcy. The Senate last week voted down several amendments to curb excessive fees and other practices that critics of the industry

Once President Clinton refused to sign it, saying it was unfair, and once the House reversed its vote after Democrats increased its support.

The problem is widespread enough to worry federal bank regulators, who say nearly all major credit card issuers engage in the practice.

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CompUSA settles fed's rebates complaint case

WASHINGTON (AP) - The nation's largest computer retailer, CompUSA Inc., has agreed to settle a government lawsuit charging the company with deceiving consumers who bought computers but failed to receive promised cash rebates from \$15 to \$100 each, the Federal Trade Commission said Friday.

The regulatory agency ordered Dallas-based CompUSA to overhaul its rebate programs to guarantee consumers will receive payments when they were promised. It also required CompUSA for the next 20 years to ensure all manufacturers of products sold in its stores pay rebates promptly.

Retailers often advertise a requirement for remarkably low prices and rebates, knowing that only a fraction of consumers apply for such payments. The settlement with CompUSA marked the first time the government held a retailer responsible for rebates offered by its manufacturers, the FTC said.

The FTC's settlement made CompUSA responsible for unpaid rebates for the next 20 years of its manufacturers, QPS Inc., which went out of business but made CD drives and other products sold in CompUSA stores.

FTC lawyer Kerry O'Brien said hundreds of customers could be eligible, amounting to rebates totaling hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The settlement required rebate payments for any eligible consumers that CompUSA could identify through its records, and for any eligible buyers who contact CompUSA or the FTC through its main telephone number, 877-382-4357, over the next 75 days.

"If you're a retailer and you're advertising someone else's rebate, you can't turn a blind eye to their problems fulfilling those rebates," O'Brien said.

A spokesman for CompUSA declined comment.

The FTC said CompUSA falsely represented to customers who bought QPS products that rebates would be paid within six to eight weeks, but it said some customers waited up to six months or never received money. It also accused CompUSA of continuing to advertise QPS rebates despite knowing about these serious delays, up until QPS filed for bankruptcy protection in August 2002.

The FTC said CompUSA also inappropriately delayed rebate payments on its own brand products.

Apple

Continued from D1 O'Grady and Jade divulge their sources. The reporters refused to cooperate, saying that identifying their sources would create a "chilling effect" that could erode the media's ability to report in the public's interest.

The online reporters could not immediately be reached for comment Friday but have said they would consider appealing a decision favoring Apple.

Apple Insider and PowerPage has hundreds of thousands of monthly visitors and generates revenue through advertisements, but they are a fraction of the more established publications covering the computer industry.

The journalists have said Apple is trying to curtail their First Amendment rights because they lack the legal and financial resources that mainstream publications have to

fight such information requests. Other trade publications wrote about the music technology after the reporters broke the story online.

"Apple is using this case as a desperate attempt to silence the masses of bloggers and online journalists who are reporting but feel it can intimidate," Jade, who has been writing about Apple for more than eight years, wrote in an e-mail earlier this week.

Online publications are typically not backed by commercially funded organizations - a weak spot Apple most certainly recognized prior to filing its suits. The company hopes that it can stop or chill the Apple-news industry with this week.

The Cupertino-based company has not immediately responded to calls for comment after Friday's ruling.

Coming soon... Bracket basketball... Play the game and WIN in The Times-News.

Something missing? To include it. Please call Ramona Jones at 733-0931, Ext. 262, with your suggestions.

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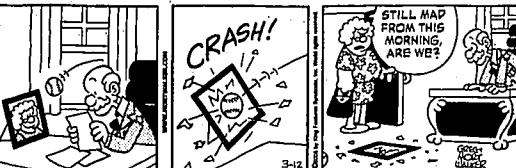
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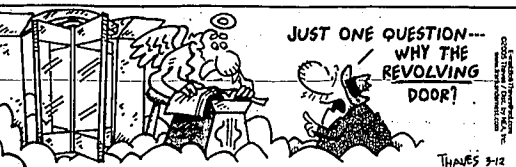
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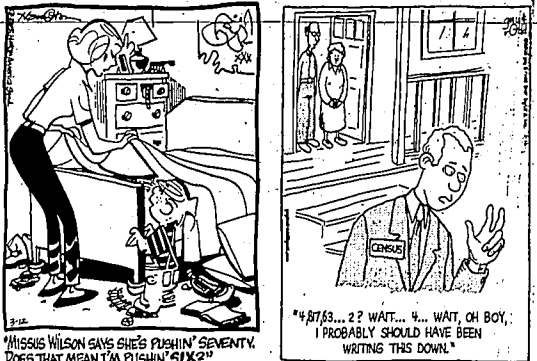


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Knowing who you can really trust

It was an unusually hectic Friday morning, and Anita and I were trying to make weekend plans on our way out the door. My suggestion was sleeping late, having brunch, sprawling out in front of the TV to watch college basketball and then going to a movie or something. Anita was thinking of something more along the lines of getting up early and going for an invigorating walk, doing some work in the yard, shopping for groceries and then going to a movie.



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Joseph Walker

Well, at least we agreed on the movie.

Which plan we were going to follow pretty much hinges on the weather. Inclement weather meant sleeping, eating and sprawling. Good weather meant — you know — work. We looked outside, where a clear spring morning was smiling on every unkempt corner of our yard. A wickedly triumphant glimmer sparkled in Anita's eyes. But I still had hope. We have a week around here this time of year. If you don't like the weather, wait a few minutes.

As if on cue, the weather guy bounded onto our TV screen. You know that he's the weather guy because he's not wearing a tie and he bounds (serious journalists wear ties and almost never bound). We lingered to see if the weather guy would see our weekend plans.

"Let's go to the radar to see what happened outside while you were sleeping..." "I don't care about the weather when we're sleeping," I said (yeah, I talk back to the TV — doesn't everybody?). "As long as there were no tornadoes or hurricanes that changed local topography, I'm OK with pretty much anything that happened during the night."

"Now let's look at our Super Duper Whopper Doppler to see what's going on now..." I said, my voice rising slightly. "I just want to know if I'm going to need a jacket today and what's it going to like tomorrow."

"Let's really crank up the Super Duper Whopper Doppler to see that a wispy cloud is casting a slight shadow on this compost pile in a back yard on Sunset Street."

"I was starting to fume now. 'Oh, for the love of...'" "I should know better than to let you watch the weather," Anita said.

"Tell me if I need a jacket today and what I can plan on tomorrow," I grouched. "That's all I want to know."

"Yes, dear," Anita said soothingly as she tugged me toward the garage.

"Save the technology for NASA and for people planning invasions and such," I fantasized. "I just want to know if I need a jacket."

"And now, here's our forecast..." We stopped and edged our way back toward the TV.

"Today... looks bright and balmy," the weather guy beamed, "but there's a cold front moving in, and it looks like winter will be returning for the weekend."

"I love this guy," I said, joyfully. "He, like, never wrong. In a nutshell, I mean, look at all the great technology, the Super Whopper Doppler and everything..."

"Grab your jacket," Anita said. "As a test tonight — you'll need it tomorrow."

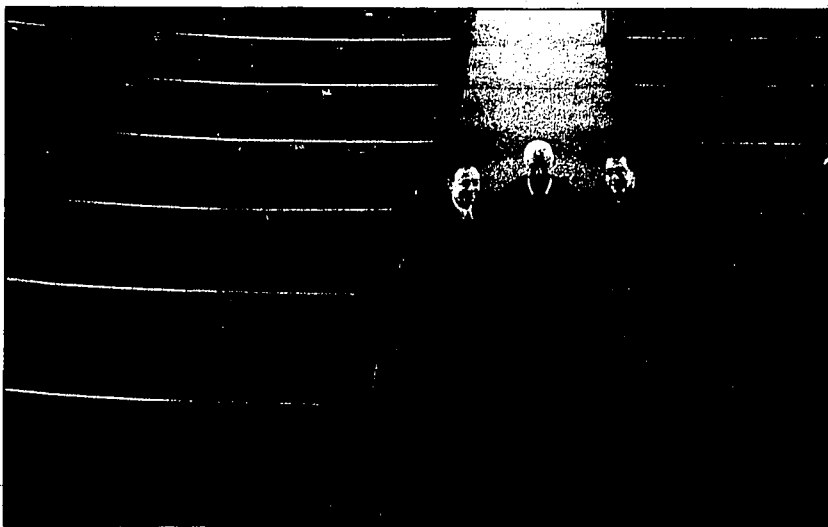
"But he said..." "Exactly."

"Turning out *did* need the jacket," I said. Anita is still recovering from working in the warm sun all day Saturday (I even got the Christmas lights down, close-up or no). But the very next day, winter was back for our little winter break.

"Super Duper Whopper Doppler, the shopping is done and we saw a pretty good movie."

It's amazing what can happen when you know who to trust.

Joseph Walker is a freelance writer from American Fork, Utah.



Brad Hobbs, left, a stake president with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints; the Rev. Al Fry of the First Presbyterian Church, and the Rev. Brian Thom of the Ascension Episcopal Church, stand in the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls.

'God has no favorites'

Whatever happened to ecumenism?

By Loretta Burkhardt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Here at the beginning of a new millennium, evangelism seems to be king in America.

The most influential religious figures in the country are Christian evangelicals, as is the president of the United States and nearly two-fifths of Congress.

And every Christian soldier worthy of a spot on radio or television, from James Dobson to Robert Schuller, seems to be marching as to war. Rightly or wrongly, evangelicals have a widespread reputation for being single-minded and intolerant of Christians who don't share their views. It's God's way, it often seems, or the highway.

So whatever happened to the great 20th century movement of Christian cooperation, championed most famously by Pope John XXIII? Whatever happened to ecumenism?

It's still alive — and healthier than you might think.

Under the banner of Christian unity, the Rev. Dan Rieke, pastor of Our Savior Lutheran Church; the Rev. Brian Thom, pastor of Ascension Episcopal Church, and the Rev. Al Fry,

interim pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Twin Falls, will share a platform at an evening worship service a week from Friday — Good Friday — with the theme, "There were Three Crosses on Golgotha."

According to Rieke, Christ didn't see the world through denominational eyes.

"He looked at the world through the spirit of God," and the power of ecumenism, he said, is Christ.

"Christ was the ecumenical presence of God on earth," Rieke said.

The years between 1948, when the World Council of Churches was organized, and 1962, when the Second Vatican Council was summoned by Pope John, were the golden age of ecumenism — a time when it seemed as if Christians had found more similarities than differences.

But political and theological disputes — and the rise of evangelism as a mass movement — intervened.

So much so that by 1996, Jane Dempsey Dou-

glass, then the president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, warned like-minded ecumenists of the urgency of entering "into a persistent, loving patient, and honest engagement with all those who preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and administer the sacraments, seeking visible unity."

That still makes sense to Rieke. "Christ was the ecumenical presence of God on earth," he said. "He looked at the world with the spirit of God."

Ecumenism has long thrived at the local level, even among those who don't embrace it as a theological movement.

According to Dr. Brad Hobbs, spokesman for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Twin Falls area, working toward "the betterment of the community" is one form of unity.

Mormons are evangelistic, but in an ongoing effort to help the needy, the LDS church joins communally efforts in support for others — including the recent effort to send aid to victims of the tsunami disaster in South Asia and in a "general effort to gather items (in support of) Valley House," Hobbs said.

"As we associate with those of other religions, I find that

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Go to church? You could save on your insurance

The Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Churchgoers and religious volunteers will receive special discounts on their home and car insurance under a new product line, launched by GuideOne Insurance.

The West Des Moines-based company, which specializes in insuring churches and private schools, said its new "FaithGuard" product line is a national extension of its coverage of 45,000 churches nationwide.

The Iowa Civil Liberties Union on Thursday criticized the line, saying it appears to "violate" laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of religious views. The group predicted a nonreligious customer would challenge the policies in court.

"They are making religious distinctions between our customers, and they are treating some customers better than others based on those distinctions," said Randall Wilson, the group's legal director. "How is that not religious discrimination?"

Under the policies, the faithful would not have to pay a deductible if they are in a car accident on the way to church activities, and they would receive double medical coverage in such accidents. Churchgoers would not have to pay a deductible if they lose personal property

while at church.

Both home and auto policies would provide up to \$750 to cover a policyholder's church donations, or tithing.

The policies will also give discounts to pastors, drivers who do not drink and homeowners who do not smoke. A nonsmoker, for instance, will get a 5 percent discount on home insurance.

The company says the coverage is non-denominational and that it will take the word of policyholders on whether they regularly attend church, which it considers as at least once every two weeks.

Temple, mosque, church — these benefits apply to any religion, said Jim Wallace, GuideOne's chief executive.

GuideOne said insurance regulators in 16 states had approved the policies without raising questions about discrimination. The company said the policies were launched in a pilot program in Kansas City, Mo., and Springfield, Mo., last August and had positive reviews.

The company said it insures people who are not churchgoers under other policies.

Jan Beckstrom, GuideOne's executive vice president, said of the FaithGuard policies: "We feel they are only appealing and of benefit to people who do attend church. Therefore, we do not feel that there is any discrimination at all."

For instance, she said, the policy will



Dave Bartemes, right, a volunteer from St. Plus X Catholic Church in Urbandale, Iowa, and Drake University junior Brett Larson work in the food pantry at the St. Mary Family Center in Des Moines, Iowa last month. GuideOne Insurance in West Des Moines, Iowa, which specializes in insuring churches and senior living centers, plans to offer churchgoers and church volunteers special rates and extra benefits.

cover church donations, or tithing, for people who become disabled and cannot meet their obligations. Only churchgoers would be interested in such a benefit, she said.

Larry Hershberger, director of the University of Iowa's Institute of Risk

Management and Insurance, said the plans are unusual. He said they are a smart move from a business perspective because the homeowners and motorists the company will target are likely to be low-risk.

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COURT BATTLE

ACLU sues U.S. over lease of historic site to Mormons

Los Angeles Times

A clash over the federal government's right to lease a national historic site in Wyoming to the Mormon Church moved to court Wednesday as the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit arguing that the government violated the constitutional bar against endorsing religion.

The battle — the latest over the presence of religion in national parks and national historic sites — centers on the Martin's Cove Historic Site, 55 miles southwest of Casper.

In 1856, 150 Mormon pioneers on their way to Salt Lake City camped in a blizzard near Martin's Cove, and the Mormon Church has sought control of the area for many years.

In recent years, the church has sponsored re-enactments and thousands of Mormons come yearly dressed in period costumes.

But the site has a broader relevance to American westward expansion as it is on a route where four major trails converged. A half million settlers traveled those trails between 1841 and 1868 in search of farmland in Oregon and gold in California as well as religious freedom in Utah. The trails are administered by the National Park Service, in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

After protests scuffled government plans to sell the area to the Mormon Church, Congress passed a law in 2003 requiring the BLM, a unit of the Interior Department, to negotiate a long-term deal with the church, which then received a 25-year lease for 933 acres of public land at \$16,000 a year.

The ACLU's suit charges that the law gives the church "complete and unfettered control over both an important federally owned historic site and the message that visitors to the site receive."

"The church has been given the go-ahead to create on federal property a Mormon shrine that incorporates the church's own historical and religious interpretations of the events that occurred in Martin's Cove," states the suit, filed on behalf of Western Land



A historic re-enactment at Martin's Cove Historic Site southwest of Casper, Wyo.

Exchange Project, an environmental advocacy group, and four Wyoming residents.

The suit names as defendants Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton and Kathleen Clark, Director of the Bureau of Land Management.

Neither the Mormon Church or any of its affiliates is a named defendant in the suit. However, Lloyd Charles Larsen, a Mormon official in Riverton, Wyo., said he regretted that the suit was filed.

"Martin's Cove is an integral part of this nation's treasured pioneer story and should be accessible and appreciated by all," Larsen said. "Without the church's willingness to make this remote area accessible to visitors and tell the story of those who died there, it would still be isolated and unappreciated."

About 100,000 people a year visit Martin's Cove. According to the suit, all visitors to the site must enter by way of the Mormon Visitor's Center located on a nearby ranch that is owned by the church. At the center, Mormon missionaries make a presentation describing hardships faced by Mormons who traveled there in the 19th century, including a video explaining

the religious significance of Martin's Cove. The lawsuit estimates that that approximately 85 percent to 90 percent of the visitors are members of the Mormon Church.

Trails to Martin's Cove and surrounding land are decorated with the logos of the Bureau of Land Management and the Mormon Church.

One of the plaintiffs in the suit, Susan M. Wozny, of Laramie, Wyo., who is not a Mormon, said that when she visited the site last August, she was repeatedly asked by Mormon guides about her religious affiliation and was barred from an area of the trail. She said she was told that Mormons had died there and it was "sacred" and "hallowed ground."

Another plaintiff, Kevin Holdsworth, a professor at Western Wyoming Community College, said that Mormon domination of the area meant that visitors were receiving a constricted presentation of the site's significance. "The history of western emigration does not belong exclusively to the (Mormon) Church, or to any other group," Holdsworth said that as the descendant of Mormon pioneers he was "offended and

troubled that their suffering and deaths will be co-opted and used for proselytizing purposes."

Holdsworth said the official Mormon explanation of the 1856 tragedy "does not tell the whole story" and "excludes any narratives or interpretations that are not consistent with or supportive of the church-approved message about the site."

The Land Exchange Project is a Seattle-based nonprofit organization that advocates more public participation in decision-making about federal lands.

The suit, before a federal district court judge in Cheyenne, Wyo., contends that the 2003 law violates the Establishment Clause and the Free Speech Clause of the First Amendment and seeks an injunction prohibiting the Department of the Interior or the BLM from implementing the lease.

Cindy Wertz, a spokeswoman for the BLM in Wyoming, said the agency is reviewing the lawsuit and would have no immediate comment.

Gibson tones down movie for new release

Actor edits 'The Passion of the Christ' for less violent, family-friendly version

The Hartford Courant

"The Passion of the Christ" is back. But Mel Gibson's epic about the final 12 hours of Jesus Christ's life will be a less gory, more family-friendly film this time.

"The Passion Recut" as it is now called, opened Friday — two weeks before Good Friday — in 500 theaters nationwide.

When the original version opened on Ash Wednesday last year, it had an R rating because of its graphic depiction of a bloody Christ, who is fayed by Roman soldiers after his capture, whipped as he carries his cross through the streets and then dies a slow and agonizing death when he is crucified.

The movie "is the same film in spirit," Gibson explained in a recent statement. "I have toned down some of the more brutal scenes without running them off or compromising the impact of the film. By softening some of its more wrenching aspects, I hope to make the film available to a wider audience."

After the film's first release, Gibson said, "I received numerous letters from people all across the country. Many told me they wanted to share the experience with loved ones but were concerned that the harsher images of the film would be too intense for them to bear."

Governor Christopher Church in Simsbury, Conn., purchased 600 tickets for the congregation to view the film last year, and Robert Cooley, the church outreach coordinator, believes the violence was necessary to the story.

"The violence depicted in 'The Passion of the Christ' is historically accurate and important in terms of understanding the sacrifice," Cooley



Mel Gibson Re-edits 'The Passion'

said. "Mel Gibson was under a lot of pressure the first time around to lessen the violence of movie, but I am glad he did not back off from it."

But Cooley acknowledged that less violence could bring a wider audience. "To the extent that he can broaden his audience, that would be a good thing."

Many church groups that sponsored theater showings for their members found the movie to be a powerful proselytizing tool but one that was not appropriate for children or sensitive viewers.

"The Passion Recut" is an excellent idea, said Tom Walsh, pastor of Crossroads Community Church in Vernon, Conn. "I'm looking forward to a kinder, gentler version, one that is more mainstream and acceptable," he said. "It's a powerful film, but one that could be off-putting to some who would not be offended by the message of film."

Walsh said the original film twice last year to prescreen it for his congregation, he said, "and to tell you the truth, it was difficult to sit through the second time."

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Evangelical leaders try to combat global warming

New York Times

A core group of influential evangelical leaders has put its considerable political power behind a cause that has barely registered on the evangelical agenda, fighting global warming.

These church leaders, scientists, writers and heads of international aid agencies argue that global warming is an urgent threat, a cause of poverty and a Christian issue because the Bible mandates stewardship of God's creation.

The Rev. Rich Cizik, vice president of governmental affairs for the National Association of Evangelicals and a significant voice in the debate, "I don't think God is going to ask us how he created the earth, but he will ask us what we did with what he created."

The association has scheduled two meetings on Capitol Hill and in the Washington suburbs on Thursday and Friday where more than 100 leaders were scheduled to discuss issuing a statement on global warming. The meetings were considered so pivotal that Sen. Joseph I. Lieberman, D-Conn., and officials of the Bush administration, who are on opposite sides on how to address global warming, were scheduled to speak.

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Because clean air, pure water and adequate resources are crucial to public health and civic order, government has an obligation to protect its citizens from the effects of environmental degradation," the statement said. It has been signed by close to 100 evangelical leaders.

But it is far from certain that a more focused statement on climate change would elicit a similar response. In recent years, however, whenever the association latched onto a new issue, Washington paid attention, on questions like religious persecution, violence in Sudan, AIDS in Africa and sex trafficking of young girls.

Environmentalists said they would welcome the evangelicals as allies. "They have good friendships in places where the rest of the environmental community doesn't," Larry J. Schweiger, president and chief executive of the National Wildlife Federation, said. "For instance, in less wealthy districts where there's a very conservative lawmaker who might not be predisposed to pay attention to what environmental groups might say, but may pay attention to what the local faith community is saying."

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Excellent home on a large lot, close to the school district, lovely AC, W/W floors, hardwood floors, tile in kitchen, stainless steel appliances, granite counter tops, double doors, carpet, tile, large patio, central air conditioning. **\$190,000** **MLS#91189438**
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1881 Canyon Park Cr. 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 car attached garage. \$339,900. Host: Jeff 539-4907

1610 Brookfield Court 5 Bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 car garage. New construction, near Mall. \$299,900. Hosts: Jennifer 308-6956

515 Golf Course Road, Jerome 6 Bedrooms, 3 bath on 29 Acres. 2 Car garage with heated shop. \$284,900. Hostess: Vicki 539-4997

1178 Eastridge Circle 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3-car garage, RV parking, beautiful landscaping. \$259,900. Hostess: Ubbay 880-5336

1110 Pshimero 4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 9 car garage. \$219,900. Hostess: Diana 880-5336

560 Wildrose Loop 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, 3-car garage. 9 story with bonus and family rooms. \$199,900. Hostess: Stacy 880-5336

3545 E 3195 N, Kimberly 4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 3 Car garage. Under construction, pick your colors. \$179,900. Hostess: Kim 404-8065

1981 Canyon Trail Way 3 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 3 car garage. Near new. \$178,900. Hostess: Jeanne 539-4061

452 Rosewood Drive E 4 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 Baths, cul-de-sac location off of Falls Avenue West. \$179,500. Hostess: Cathie 731-9900

175 Homestead, Jerome 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, central ac, 3 car garage. \$149,900. Hosts: Bob 539-4987

307 Wiseman Avenue 3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 3 car garage. Immaculate, remodeled home. \$144,900. Hostess: Krista, First Federal 880-5336

434 Crestview 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, many upgrades! \$124,900. Hosts: Olexana 308-4907

304 Pierce 2 bedroom, 1 bath, great starter home, ready to move into! \$90,000. Hostess: Betty 731-0393

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3 acres located on Highway 93, 2 bedroom home, 40x40 shop, 4 wheel lines 65 shares of water stock. \$630,000 MLS#111154 - Jerome
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Plenty of privacy!
Remarkable 27 acres in the heart of the Hagerman Valley with full share of Big Bend Spring water. Renovated ranch, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, wrap-around porch, custom fireplace, fully fenced. \$94,500 MLS#98188550 & 98185661 - Hagerman
Call Kitty 519-9501

Quiet neighborhood
Beautiful 5 bedroom in Kimberly. Large master suite plus office/Den, custom fireplace throughout. Mature landscaping, full fenced yard. \$139,900 MLS#98186762 - Kimberly
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Acreage in great area!
Shop & 3 BEDROOM 2 BATH HOME SW Of Jerome. Property features pressurized irrigation and 3 bay shop, plus attached garage. OK for animals. Only \$158,000 MLS#98186574 - Jerome
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Amazing!
The Best property available for development in Jerome. Across from the high school in prime 35 location approximately 307 acres presently being farmed. \$4,189,750 MLS#98191028 - Jerome
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Quality throughout!
Home is very sharp with many updates. 4 bedroom with fenced yard, and new vinyl windows throughout home. \$95,000 MLS#98183997 - Jerome
Call Dan Wade 519-7699

More bang for the buck!
Large 16,000 sq ft metal building, could be shop, equip storage or use your imagination. Located on Highway 93. Only \$108,000 MLS#102947 - Jerome
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Charming!
A wonderful older home with a fenced yard, covered patio & sprinkler system. It has a remodeled kitchen with newer appliances. \$74,900 MLS#98190559 - Jerome
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Fantastic home!
Newly built 2400 sq ft one level with 4 bedrooms 3 bath on 15 acre located close to Jerome. There are 60x120 ft out buildings. The home was built in 2001 & has a car garage, under ground sprinklers. \$266,000 MLS#98109244 - Jerome
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93 BUSINESS PARK
Located on Highway 93 north of freeway entrance. Close to Twin Falls on road to Sun Valley. Lots ranging from 2.2 acres and up. Fish & Game Regional Office complex in Park. A great location for your business. MLS#111159, 111162, 111161, 111167 & 111164
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NEED A PRIME LOCATION TO BUILD YOUR BUSINESS? Victory Park
South of Jerome across from WalMart, next to the freeway. Lots available starting at \$80,000. This location will assure you of visibility for your business and value increases on your property. MLS#98185917
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BUILDING LOTS
• Kimberly - \$17,000 - 25,000 - Call Wanda 731-4352
• MLS#98188794, 98188807, 98188802, 98188803, 98188801
• Kimberly - \$40,000 - Call Barry 320-1864 - MLS#110093
• Jerome - 3 acres - \$45,000 -
• Call BJ 539-0795, Chris 404-6322 - MLS#113067
• Jerome - \$24,500 - Call Sandra 539-3594 - MLS#106943
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• Call Joyce 358-0280 - MLS#128111, 128112, 128113.
• Richfield - \$34,900 - Call Bonny 539-0795 - MLS#109855
• Buhl - \$39,900 - Call Wanda 731-4352

REDUCED!
Nice store front office and Retail space. Currently leased. \$89,900 MLS#113184 - Twin Falls
Call Diane Pettie 478-6816

OPEN HOUSE
\$149,000 MLS#113299
Newly built Open House plan, one story, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1000 sq ft. Call Chris Barber 404-6322 or Kelly Barr 420-8143

OPEN HOUSE
\$1,300,000 MLS#113142
Indoor pool & spa. Over 6 bed, 4 bath, 60x60 home on 1100 sq ft. 2nd story with 2 1/2 acre view of Rock. Rich Whitescarver 731-7424 or Denise McCusky 420-8770

OPEN HOUSE
\$149,000 MLS#113020
4 bed, 2 bath brick home w/ central air. Tile bath, good kitchen, vinyl windows, & hardwood floors. 1 acre w/ machine shed. Denise 420-8770

OPEN HOUSE
\$276,000 MLS#113298
Business is accelerating for this MLV shop & 40x40 driveway home. Call Rich for details. Rich Whitescarver 731-7424

OPEN HOUSE
\$389,000 MLS#98185794
Great family low home on 2.5 acre. 3 bed 3 bath. Fire pit, hot tub, great room, family room & no stuch home. Gloria Bastian 420-5943

OPEN HOUSE
\$290,000 MLS#98191740
Single lot, Charles built w/ excellent home. 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. A great investment home. Call Chris Barber 420-8143

OPEN HOUSE
\$105,000 MLS#113180
Unusual townhome in West Hempton. Main room has it all & updates has elegant granite guest quarters. Kane George 280-4006

HARD TO FIND
\$204,900 MLS#98192679
Must see this darling 2000 SF home w/ 4 bed, 2.5 bath, fenced yard, auto sprinklers. Paul DeMeule 731-0448 or Doug Smith 410-0802

URGENT SCHEDULE
\$214,000 MLS#98193834
Has had complete remodel/updates. Expanded shop & det 2 car garage. Sit on 2.5 acre close to files. Kane George 280-4006

REDUCED
\$26,800 MLS#112111
2 bed, 2 bath, home in Elmerston. Large lot w/ lots of room for pool. Kane George 280-4006

OPEN HOUSE
\$261,000 MLS#98192622
2 bed 2 1/2 bath home. Fenced lot in LD, new carpet, new roof, sliding windows, etc. Paul DeMeule 731-0448 or Doug Smith 410-0802

FRANTIC CONDO
\$100,000 MLS#98111008
Many upgrades incl. Corian in the kitchen & master bath. Top of the line appliances. Amazing view of Rock. Cook Canyon from the new tree dock. Rich Whitescarver 731-7424

IMPROVED VISIB
\$169,000 MLS#113508
4 or 5 Bedrooms, immaculate and updated. Many upgrades & extras incl. Seamless all steel siding & roof. Lew Fort 731-4054

MAINTENANCE PROPERTY
\$89,900 MLS#98187884
Nice 3 bed, brick home with full basement partially finished. Call Lew Fort 731-4054

MUST SEE
\$112,000 MLS#112666
Home home, call 414, etc to this lovely 4 bed, 4 bath home. Lots of appreciation here. Gayle Hargreaves 731-4583

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408 SHADLHILL TRAIL
North on Washington St. near Peltola Rd. in Twin Falls. 2007 New custom home by Alexander Homes, 4 bed, 2 bath. Rich Whitescarver 731-7424

408 SHADLHIRE TRAIL
North on Washington St. near Peltola Rd. in Twin Falls. The Sunnyside by Nelson Homes, 4 bed, 2 bath, 1880 SF. Rich Whitescarver 731-7424

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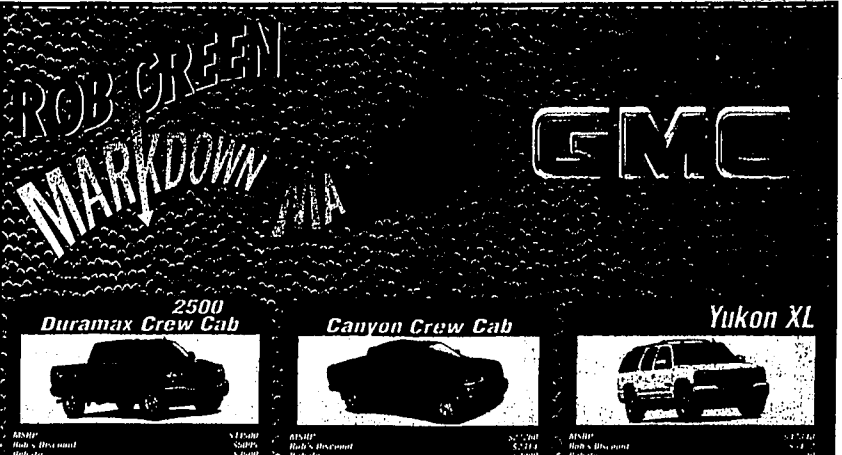
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