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Energy rebate gets mixed response

Democrats call Kempthorne's plan a 'gimmick'

By Kyle Arnold
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Democratic lawmakers on Tuesday called Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's plan to give every Idahoan a \$50 energy-rebate check a "gimmick," joining some Republicans who are skeptical about using \$63 million from the state's budget surplus to offset high power bills.

The rebate was introduced in the GOP governor's State of the State speech on Monday.

Last year, the average power and gas bill increased about \$21, as Intermountain Gas boosted rates by 27.6 percent and Idaho Power rates went up 7.8 percent. The average Idaho customer's combined power and gas bill is about \$165.

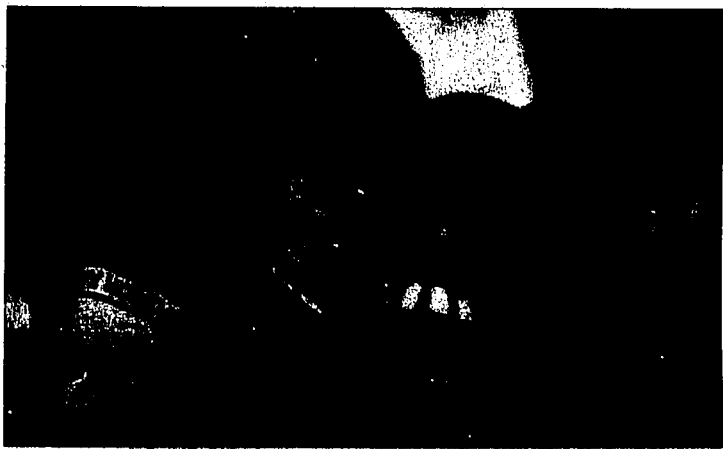
Democrats said the money would be better spent on community action agencies that can distribute it to Idahoans with the greatest financial need.

"The governor's so-called energy assistance is a gimmick," said Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Kelowna. Separately, some Republicans also criticized the proposal, saying the money could be used for just about anything.

"I have a great concern that we're calling this energy assistance as opposed to a tax rebate, because we're going to give this to everybody," said Rep. George Eskridge, R-Over. Brad Folman, the state's executive budget director, said the governor's plan to give the rebate to everybody — rather than trying to target it — will speed up the process and reduce costly bureaucracy. Folman said it will cost about \$400,000 to issue the checks.

Idaho Democrats also offered responses to other State of the State proposals and outlined their own agenda for the legislative session, including property tax reform, raising Idaho's minimum wage by \$1 to \$6.15 and stiffening ethics guidelines for elected officials and lobbyists. Democrats advocated doubling a popular homeowners exemption to \$100,000 — more than a recommendation of Please see REBATE, Page A2

RACHEL'S CHALLENGE



Kimberly Middle School sixth-grader Trepp Shiel, center, listens during an assembly Tuesday at the school as Anthony Cimino, right, looks on. The assembly was part of an event called Rachel's Challenge, which is an ongoing presentation about the life of Rachel Scott, who was killed during the Columbine school shooting in 1999.

Program teaches students respect for self, others

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — Students at Kimberly Middle School can barely remember the Columbine school shooting that stunned the nation more than six years ago. Most were still in the first grade, and some were even in kindergarten when news broke about the deadliest school shooting in the nation.

On Tuesday morning, students at Kimberly Middle School gathered to learn about the life of one student who was killed in the shooting — Rachel Scott, who was shot as she sat on the front steps of the school while eating her lunch. The program is called Rachel's Challenge, and it teaches students respect for themselves and others. It also asks them to live in a way that edifies other students in their school and community.

Rachel's Challenge

- Recognize that prejudice is wrong, and then change it through actions.
- Record personal goals in a journal, as well as personal lessons.
- Choose influences such as music, movies and other entertainment that are not destructive.
- Search for small acts of kindness that can be done for others.
- Look for ways to encourage others, who will in turn help others.

"Our program is not about Columbine," said Scott Dodge, one of the program's public speakers and a friend of the Scott family. "That is the setting, but the story is really about Rachel and what she stood for. The program encourages stu-

dents to take four challenges that Scott applied to herself and recorded in her journals. She referred to them as a "chain reaction," where one act of kindness would spread throughout a school or community.

Kimberly Middle School also held an assembly for parents and student leaders later in the day to teach them how to support student efforts.

Jeff Jones, Kimberly High School principal, requested the program for the middle school after he saw Rachel's father teach the program at a convention.

"It's a heavy topic because sometimes, when you have a story that is real, it touches close to home," Jones said. "This program inspires people to do more than they thought they ever could."

Many schools have been skeptical about the program's content, which includes surveillance camera footage of the

school's library where the majority of the shooting occurred. However, the program is now receiving strong support from schools after President George W. Bush endorsed the program.

While students appeared stunned by news footage of Columbine students fleeing the school, many teachers were brought to tears by the memory. "It was very moving," said Tashina Robinson, an eighth-grader at Kimberly Middle School. "Some of the things that were said about Rachel have totally made me want to reach out to others."

Other students admired how driven Scott was to make things better for the community around her.

"It was breathtaking how she kept her goals to help others," said Mallia Rio Chico, also from Kimberly Middle School. "I want our school to be known for our character, and for how we treat each other."

Idaho won't be tracking wolves via helicopter

Forest Service punts on decision regarding wilderness area

By Christopher Smith
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The U.S. Forest Service has put off a decision on Idaho's request to land helicopters in the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness to attach radio collars on wolves, a delay that could prompt state wildlife managers to try to capture the animals in traps.

Idaho officials, who only last week took over management responsibilities of the packs reintroduced into the state in 1995 by the federal government, said the Forest Service deferral announced Tuesday likely triggers a lengthy environmental impact examination. And by the time the study is completed, it will be harder for state officials to know how many wolves are roaming the rugged 2.4 million-acre wilderness in the middle of the state.

"It really is an unfortunate turn of events," said Jim Caswell, administrator of the state's Office of Species Conservation. "It doesn't take away our ability to manage wolves, but it does mean counting noses determining den sites and keeping up with trends in the wilderness area more complicated."

Caswell said the state is studying other options for identifying wolves in the wilderness, and is considering the more labor-intensive approach of having biologists enter the wilderness area on foot and live-trap the wolves to attach collars.

"We can do this by trapping on the ground and the department may well do that," he said. Idaho game managers had asked the Forest Service to Please see WOLVES, Page A2

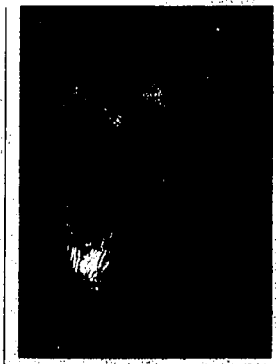
The sociology of spitting

By Linton Weeks
The Washington Post

You got your good spittle. Soldiers use it to shine their shoes. Dentists encourage an after-rinse spurt. A hand-shake deal really means something if it's sealed with it.

And you got your bad spittle like the loogie allegedly hawked by Sean Taylor in Tampa Bay's Michael Pittman in Saturday's Redskins-Bucs game. Didn't do it, said Taylor, did too, said the ref, who was so appalled he kicked Taylor out of the game. (Taylor was fined \$17,000 this week by the National Football League.)

Moral of the story: "Spitting your bodily fluids at someone is seen as more offensive than hitting them," Ross Coomber, a British sociologist who has written on the meaning of spit, told the Guardian back in 2003. "It's obviously a form of violence, very confrontational. Hawking a loogie, spewing, splutter. Please see SPITTING, Page A2



Clemens P. Work stands in front of pictures of Martin Wehinger, left, and Fred Rodewald, right, from the Montana Historical Society's Montana State Prison Collection.

WAR OF WORDS

Law students seek pardons for World War I seditionists

By Sarah Cooke
Associated Press writer

HELENA, Mont. — It took just two words to land Polish immigrant Ben Kahn in prison for nearly three years during World War I.

The 38-year-old traveling liquor salesman called verbatim food regulations in the United States a "big joke" while talking with a Montana hotel owner as he waited for breakfast in March 1918.

By lunchtime, Kahn had been arrested for violating Montana's Sedition Act. Less than a month later, he was in prison in Deer Lodge, sentenced to 7.5 to 20 years.

Nearly 90 years later, law students at the University of Montana are combing old court records and archive collections across the state

to clear Kahn and 73 other Montanans convicted of sedition in 1918 and 1919.

The effort, known as the "Montana Sedition Project," was sparked by University of Montana journalism professor Clem Work's new book, "Darkest Before Dawn: Sedition and Free Speech in the American West." Seven law students are taking another look at the cases and hope to prepare pardon petitions for Gov. Brian Schweitzer this spring.

"The sedition law has no place in our society today," said Jason Lazzari. Please see SEDITIONISTS, Page A2

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Windy with widespread rain showers. Highs low 40s. Tonight: A rain/snow mix likely. Lows upper 20s. Tomorrow: A full in shower activity expected. Highs low 30s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Includes weather icons and temperature forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, High/Low. Lists temperatures for Boise, Coeur d'Alene, Jerome, and other locations.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Very windy with scattered rain showers. Highs 40s. Tonight: Early rain turning to snow overnight. Still windy. Lows 20s. Tomorrow: Breezy and chilly with a full in shower activity emerging. Highs 30s.

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SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Scattered snow shower activity will be common for the next several days. Along with heavy roadways. A snow cover may develop. Areas of blowing snow are expected. Winter driving conditions will exist.

BOISE Widespread rainfall will continue today. Meteorologists should be prepared for wet and slippery roadways. A full in shower activity is expected on Thursday.

NORTHERN UTAH Today is going to be a day with emulating of mixed rain and snow showers. Snow is likely tonight.

Regional forecast table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. Lists cities like Bonanza Ferry, Challis, etc.

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Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Thursday and Friday.

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Table showing U.V. index for today and tomorrow.

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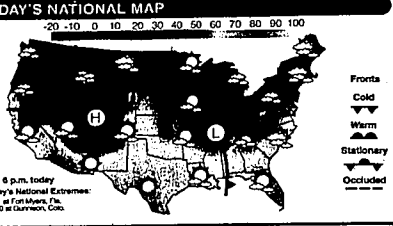
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WORLD FORECAST

World forecast table with columns for City, Today, Tomorrow, Friday, Saturday, Sunday.



GREG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It is not the straining for great things that is most effective; it is the doing of the little things, the common duties, a little better and better."

CANADIAN FORECAST

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Wolves

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Seditionists

Continued from A1. 28, a law student from Sebastopol, Calif. "It's unconstitutional and was found to be that way. People who were convicted under that statute should be vindicated."

Spitting

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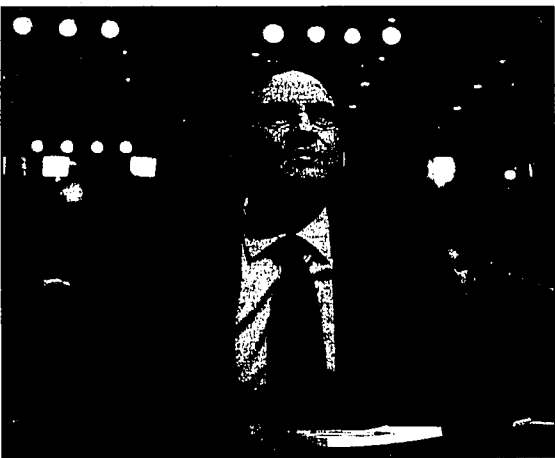
Alito walks tightrope on abortion

His answers please GOP senators, but not Democrats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court nominee Samuel Alito picked his words carefully Tuesday through the issues of abortion and warrantless wiretapping, satisfying Senate Republicans at his confirmation hearings but provoking Democratic expressions of displeasure.

He asserted that the Bill of Rights still applied "in times of war and in times of national crisis," but he declined to say whether President Bush acted properly in ordering wiretaps without warrants as part of the war on terror.

During nearly 10 hours in the Senate Judiciary Committee witness chair, Alito was asked repeatedly about abortion. He assured Democratic senators he would take previous rulings into account if confronted as a justice with cases involving abortion rights.



Supreme Court nominee Samuel Alito takes his seat prior to the start of his confirmation hearing Tuesday before the Senate Judiciary Committee on Capitol Hill.

He stressed that precedent alone does not bind the high court, however. Beyond that, "I would approach the question with an open mind and I would listen to the arguments that were made," said Alito, who wrote two decades ago that he did not believe the Constitution includes the right to an abortion.

The 55-year-old appeals court judge distanced himself at times during the day from some of the conservative views he expressed as a younger man, saying he had been a "line attorney" in the Reagan administration at the time.

Under pressure from Sen. Russ Feingold, D-Wis., Alito admitted he did not know whether he had ever followed through on a promise he made to the Senate at the time of his confirmation to the appeals court in 1990.

At the time, he said he would avoid cases involving Vanguard, which he had money invested. But he told Feingold he did not know whether he had ever told appeals court officials about his

pledge. And discarding an earlier explanation, he said "it was not a computer glitch," that led to his participation in a 2002 case involving Vanguard.

Bush picked Alito last fall to succeed retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor on the court, and her record of casting the tie-breaking vote on issues such as abortion, affirmative action and the death penalty has heightened the political stakes for his nomination.

Bush's first pick, Harriet Miers, withdrew in the face of implacable opposition from abortion opponents and other conservatives, and Democrats have repeatedly questioned why the same groups have cleared Alito's appointment when they could not abide hers.

Alito also has been criticized by some as too likely to favor those in authority, including the president.

When asked by Sen. Patrick Leahy on Tuesday whether a chief executive could "override the laws and immunize illegal conduct," he responded: "No person in this country is above the law. And that includes the president and it includes the Supreme Court."

Alito sidestepped a follow-up question about the recent disclosure that Bush authorized some wiretaps without warrants as part of the war on terror. The issue "is very likely to result in litigation in the federal courts. It could be in my court. It certainly could get to the Supreme Court," he said.

Shiites, Sunnis appeal for unity in Iraq

Country enjoys rare day without reported violence

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Shiites and Sunni Arabs gaped at mosques and markets brimming with sweets, while children laughed as they tilted up and down on a ride at an amusement park in a run-down Baghdad neighborhood.

Sheep, meanwhile, were slaughtered and hung by their hind legs and food was distributed to the poor Tuesday as Iraqis celebrated the Islamic feast of sacrifice, Eid al-Adha, on a rare day with no reports of violence.

"We are coming to market for shopping on this happy Eid, wishing you and the whole world peace and prosperity," said Ubu Usama, a shopper in Baghdad's Shorja food market.

The holiday also prompted conciliatory words as Muslims from both sects called for an end to the bloodshed that has wracked Iraq since last month's elections. But Sunni Arabs tempered their appeals with renewed calls for the withdrawal of U.S. troops.

The celebrations also were marred as they came less than a week after more than 120 people were killed in suicide bombings in the Shiite holy city of Karbala and at a police recruitment center in Ramadi. Suicide bombers also infiltrated the heavily fortified Interior Ministry compound Monday in Baghdad and killed 29 Iraqis — an attack claimed by al-

Qaida in Iraq, a group with an avowed aim of starting a sectarian war.

"This Eid is a happy day for all Muslims, especially Iraqis. But it comes after painful events that happened in Karbala and Ramadi," said Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari, a Shiite.

At least 498 Iraqis and 54 U.S. forces have been killed following the Dec. 15 elections, but no attacks were reported Tuesday.

Al-Jaafari said despite the violence, Iraq had made significant advances in 2005, citing a large turnout in Dec. 15 elections as one of the biggest achievements.

About 70 percent of Iraq's 15 million voters, including large numbers of Sunni Arabs, participated in the elections, although some Sunni Arab groups complained the vote was tainted by fraud — delaying the release of results.

"The wide participation of the majority I also consider to be an Eid celebration," al-Jaafari told Cabinet ministers visiting him. "Even in counties where security and stability are established, it is rare to reach such a rate of 70 percent which Iraq reached."

Eid al-Adha — one of Iraq's biggest holidays — concludes the pilgrimage to Mecca and is celebrated by Muslims worldwide. It commemorates Abraham's readiness to sacrifice his son in God's test of the patriarch's faith. At the last moment, God substituted a sheep for the son. The story is shared by all the great monotheistic religions — Islam, Judaism and Christianity.

Ashcroft breaks with tradition by lobbying

Former AG has earned \$269,000

Chicago Tribune



Ashcroft

WASHINGTON — Less than three months after registering as a lobbyist, former Attorney General John Ashcroft has banked at least \$269,000 from just four clients and appears to be developing a practice centered on firms that want to capitalize on a government demand for homeland security technology that boomed under sometimes controversial policies he promoted while in office.

Three clients of Ashcroft's lobbying firm want his help in selling data or software with homeland security applications, according to government filings.

Fourth, Israel Aircraft Industries International, is competing with Chicago's Boeing Co. to sell the government of South Korea a billion-dollar airborne early warning system.

While Ashcroft's lobbying is

among the oldest and most prestigious in the president's Cabinet.

"One would have thought that a former attorney general wouldn't be doing that," said John Schmidt, a former associate attorney general in the Clinton administration, who is now a lawyer at Mayer Brown.

"To take the kind of prestige and stature of the attorney general (and lobby) ... It seems a little demeaning of the office, honestly."

Attorneys general, while not always apolitical, have tended to avoid the role of "a hired gun selling his connections," said Charles Tiefer, a former deputy general counsel to the U.S. House of Representatives and author of "Veering Right, How the Bush Administration Subverts the Law for Conservative Causes."

In year-end filings, Ashcroft's firm, The Ashcroft Group, LLC, reported collecting \$269,000, including \$200,000 from Oracle Corp., which won Justice Department approval of a multi-billion acquisition less

than a month after hiring Ashcroft in October.

One of the world's biggest software companies, Oracle makes large databases, including some used by intelligence services, and plans to use Ashcroft as a consultant for business opportunities on homeland security issues, according to a company spokesman.

As attorney general, Ashcroft sued Oracle in 2004 to try to block an earlier acquisition by the company.

Ashcroft's clients also include ChoicePoint, a data broker that sells credit reports and other personal information to the FBI and other federal agencies, and LITU Technologies Inc., a Washington and Paris-based maker of software for analyzing large batches of video and other visual images.

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Wal-Mart fighting health care legislation

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Maryland House Speaker Michael Busch is a beefy ex-football coach who understands that politics, like sports, can turn brutal.

But Busch says he hasn't witnessed a lobbying crush like Maryland is experiencing during the climax of legislation that would force Wal-Mart to provide better health care benefits for its workers.

"In my 20 years here, there has never been this much lobbying on any single issue," said Busch, a Democrat.

In a public policy battle with national implications, Wal-Mart is fighting to uphold Maryland Gov. Robert Ehrlich's veto of legislation requiring companies with more than 10,000 employees to provide 65 percent of their payroll to health care benefits.

Labor unions have vowed to sponsor similar legislation in 31 states this year in a display of growing activism targeting the retail giant.

In the Maryland General Assembly, where Democrats hold state majorities, the issue likely will be decided by a vote of two either way. The Senate plans to take up the override by Ehrlich, a Republican, on Thursday and the House as soon as Friday.

Separate polls released on Tuesday showed that a solid majority of Maryland residents — 66 percent in one poll and 55

percent in another — support the so-called Fair Share Health Care Act.

Wary of the precedent the measure would set, as well as its growing public appeal, Wal-Mart is working vigorously to kill it. The Bentonville, Ark.-based company hired at least eight Maryland lobbyists who, like the bill's proponents, are pressuring legislative leaders.

Indeed, Annapolis, a historic town on the Chesapeake Bay that is home to the U.S. Naval Academy, has the air of a political campaign with dueling rallies, news conferences and broadcast ads in the run-up to the vote.

On Tuesday, labor unions and other proponents allied in a campaign called Wake-Up Wal-Mart began airing television ads asserting that nearly half of the children of Wal-Mart workers have no health care or rely on taxpayer programs.

Wal-Mart has its own heavy buy of radio ads in which an announcer accuses "party bosses and special interests" of pressing their own agenda.

"This isn't about insuring the three-quarters of a million Marylanders who are uninsured. It's about playing politics with a single company," a woman in a Wal-Mart ad asserts.

Wal-Mart threatens in another ad to cancel construction of a distribution center that will provide 800 jobs in one of Maryland's depressed areas.

Wal-Mart already has 17,000 Maryland employees.

Nate Hurst, a Wal-Mart spokesman, said in an interview that "we have to factor into our equation whether Maryland is a state in which we want to grow."

A now infamous Internal Wal-Mart memo further inflamed the Maryland debate. The memo, written in October by the company's executive vice president for benefits to its board of directors, asserted that Wal-Mart critics "are correct in some of their observations. Specifically, our coverage is expensive for low-income families, and Wal-Mart has a significant percentage of associates and their children on public assistance."

Hurst said, "The most important thing about that memo is that, like a lot of businesses across the country, we are struggling with health care and trying to find sensible solutions," he said, adding that the company

recently made coverage more affordable and accessible for its workers.

Hurst asserted that two of the labor unions involved in the Maryland legislation, the United Food and Commercial Workers and the Service Employees International Union, are upset because of their failure to organize Wal-Mart workers.

"It's really just part of a larger political agenda," he said.

The company faces a tough battle in Maryland, largely due to the formidable clout of Speaker Busch, who single-handedly frustrated lobbyists seeking to legalize gambling in Maryland. He's given no indication of giving in to Wal-Mart.

"This is a debate about providing benefits like a good corporate citizen. And when a large employer like Wal-Mart doesn't do that, it puts a burden on the entire system," he said Tuesday outside Maryland's 234-year-old Statehouse.

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Report: IRS freezes refunds without telling

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service freezes tens of thousands of tax refunds it deems questionable without telling people that they're suspected of fraud, the nation's taxpayer advocates said Tuesday.

Taxpayer Advocate Nina Olson detailed the program, called the Questionable Refund Program, in her annual list of the worst problems facing taxpayers. "It is a central tenet of American law that the govern-

ment must notify an accused person of the offense it suspects he committed and must give the accused person an opportunity to present exculpatory evidence to show his innocence," Olson said in her report.

Richard Speier, acting chief of the IRS Criminal Investigation office, said the tax agency is "very comfortable" that when it determines that someone committed a fraudulent act that "we do have that correctly identified."

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Iran removes U.N. seals on nuke facility

TEHRAN, Iran (AP) — Iran broke U.N. seals on its nuclear enrichment facility Tuesday, pledging only to conduct research, but the international nuclear watchdog said Tehran also planned small-scale enrichment of uranium — a process that can produce fuel for nuclear weapons.

The reopening of the Natanz facility drew an outcry from the U.S., Europe and Japan as the United States has called for demands that Iran maintain a freeze on its nuclear program and could provide justification for it to be halted before the U.N. Security Council for possible sanctions.

"If the regime in Iran continues on the current course and fails to abide by its international obligations, there is no other choice but to refer the matter to the Security Council," said White House press secretary Scott McClellan Saturday.

While U.S. and European criticism of Iran's nuclear moves is common, Russia and China — which have blocked past efforts to have Iran referred to Security Council — have indicated growing frustration with Tehran as well. International Atomic Energy Agency chief Mohamed ElBaradei also voiced exasperation, telling Britain's Sky News: "I am running out of patience."

All of that leaves the prospect of referral to the Security Council more likely now than at any point in the more than three-year IAEA probe of Iran — a process marked by deepening suspicions that Iran is using what it claims is a peaceful nuclear program as a cover for atomic weapons.

Enriched uranium can be used as fuel in nuclear reactors in electricity generation or for nuclear bombs, depending on the level of processing.

In announcing it would reopen its Natanz enrichment center last week and as the seals were broken Tuesday, Tehran claimed enrichment was not planned.



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Cannibal who ate willing victim will face a new trial

Newsday

BERLIN — A self-confessed cannibal who killed and ate a willing victim faces a retrial Thursday after German courts deemed his original 1 1/2-year sentence to be too lenient. Armin Meiwes, 44, made world headlines at his first trial in late 2003 because of the bizarre nature of the case, which presented the German legal system with an unprecedented dilemma: Does killing a man who wants to be eaten constitute murder?

The Federal Criminal Court overturned his original manslaughter conviction and ordered a retrial on murder charges, and legal experts say the case could go as high as Germany's Supreme Court. Meiwes, a computer repairman who said he had been obsessed with cannibalism since puberty, said he met Berlin computer engineer Bernd-Juergen Brandes via the Internet when he was seeking someone to kill and eat, and Brandes volunteered. In March 2001, Meiwes invited Brandes to his home in Rotenburg, central Germany, stabbed him, cut up his body on a butcher's bench and captured it all on video.

The gory details shocked and fascinated the public and highlighted what experts said was extreme, Internet-fueled sadomasochism. Police estimated 8,000 to 10,000 people in Germany alone use Internet chat rooms to share fantasies about eating a person or being eaten. Psychiatrists at his first trial described Meiwes as sane but deeply disturbed. Meiwes told the court he had fantasized about consuming a man to fill the void caused by the sudden departure of his father. He had been in touch with hundreds of people on the Internet, where he

posted ads seeking fit men, and had built a "slaughter room" in the sprawling, half-timber-style house left him by his late mother, whom he described as domineering. Britain's Sunday Times quoted Meiwes this week as saying, "I understand and regret deeply what I did but the victim wanted me to do it. Otherwise, I would never have touched him."

Meiwes said he ate 44 pounds of his victim's remains in the months after he killed him, defrosting pieces portion by portion. He kept the skull in his freezer and buried other parts in his garden. And he continued to advertise for other victims. In December 2002, an Austrian student reported him to the police and he was arrested.

"This is unique, even compared with all other cases of cannibalism," said Arthur Kreuzer, a criminology professor at Glissen University.



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EDITORIAL

Kempthorne's finale leaves open ends on bigger issues

Seven years as governor of Idaho have taught Gov. Dirk Kempthorne some valuable lessons in dealing with the Legislature.

In his final State of the State address from Boise, the governor used subtlety, stirring emotion, and some bold initiative — all rhetorical fashions used in years past — to deliver his budget and legislative proposals Monday night.

But for legislators, the most notable message Monday may be what Kempthorne didn't say.

When the applause was complete from Kempthorne's speech and his inspiring salute to Idaho troops fighting overseas, some issues remained unresolved.

Kempthorne left peanut shells for the elephant sitting in the living room of the 2006 Legislature — the issue of property tax reform. Kempthorne acknowledged the problem and threw out minor recommendations. But his brief remarks did little to address the rising dissatisfaction from those corners of Idaho experiencing rising property tax assessments.

While critics will say that's a top-out for the state's chief leader, Kempthorne's reticence speaks volumes. Kempthorne says property tax reform isn't a state issue, nor is it a statewide issue, and therefore, it's up to the Legislature to tackle the task.

That point notwithstanding, Kempthorne brewed up a sizeable, and yet not overwhelming, package of initiatives for his final year as governor. Some of the most intriguing ideas already have Idahoans buzzing and wondering.

A chicken in every pot

Kempthorne led off with a proposal to give each Idaho citizen \$50 to assist in energy costs. That would amount to \$63 million of this year's \$214 million surplus. But giving that sum to every Idahoan, regardless of need, may be seen as a tad bit generous considering the hungry mouths of state government. Some of the Legislature be just as charitable?

Kempthorne also wants to give state workers a 3 percent raise and make it effective this month. Teacher salaries would also go up, with starting salaries starting at \$30,000 a year. State public schools would receive \$1.35 billion in appropriations, a 4.89 percent increase over last year's budget.

Almost five years of salary

freezes in districts could force this issue to move ahead. Higher education would likewise see more money (4.8 percent spending increase), and his vision for a statewide community college system would take root with a \$5 million appropriation.

Public safety and prisons

Kempthorne's move for a 400-bed drug-treatment facility, 300 new beds at the Idaho Correctional Center, and a 24-bed mental health treatment center for juveniles would require about \$22 million from the state. That's only a drop in the bucket for Idaho's booming prisons.

He's also pushing tougher penalties for sex offenders who recommit crimes, and taking aim at gang crimes.

But the other public safety issue is school facilities. The Idaho Supreme Court told legislators to create new mechanisms to help districts pass bond levies for safer schools. Kempthorne again advocates reducing the supermajority voting requirement down to 60 percent, then giving voters the chance to approve it.

But beyond that, he's not giving much direction, which means the school lawsuit drama remains in the hands of legislators and plaintiff districts.

Beyond the speech

The governor's recommendations for Medicaid reform were also given relatively short shrift. In November, Kempthorne reauthorized a plan to transfer Medicaid into three parts for poor children, the disabled and the elderly. Big questions are hiding behind this plan, particularly in how the savings are created, and whether services are changed.

Kempthorne's community college plan notes the success of the College of Southern Idaho, but doesn't give much detail on where the personnel for a statewide system will come from. Is there a wholesale change for local community college support in the works?

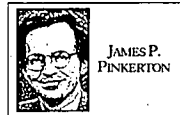
And Kempthorne did not mention anything about water issues that are still looming over Idaho legislators and state agencies. Upcoming events in the courts may change that.

On that and many other issues, we still don't know a lot. The 2006 session looks to be a swirling work in progress right from the start.

Democrats can't touch Alito

"Judge Alito Must Not Be Confirmed." That's the headline atop the Web site of People for the American Way.

"Oppose Alito," proclaims Americans United for the Separation of Church and State. And The New York Times editorial page worries, "Judge Alito's record appears extreme." Yes, you read that right: The Times, the bastion of Manhattan ideology, which never met a social-engineering program it didn't like, is now delivering lectures to Americans on what should be considered centrist.



JAMES P. PINKERTON

But a strange thing has happened on Alito's way to the Supreme Court: nothing. After his Friday Senate hearings, he is still moving. In the two months since his nomination was announced, Judge Samuel Alito has been relentlessly attacked and bludgeoned by the left, and yet his support is still solid. According to a Washington Post poll this week, the public supports his nomination by 53 percent to 27 percent.

All of which suggests that the left, and the Democrats who follow the left's lead, will fall in their bid to stop Alito. Just as they failed to block John Roberts last year.

Why this likely double failure? One reason is the conservative pro-confirmation machinery is more effective than it was two decades ago, when conservative Robert Bork was defeated.

But, even so, a causal glance through the newspaper headlines and op-ed pages shows, once again, how hostile is the public judicial nominee.



Alito is increasingly being painted by his liberal foes as a conservative. To a degree, that should alarm his detractors. Alito represents America. He represents the mainstream of American opinion, which has shifted from Democratic to Republican in the decades since Alito was born in 1950.

An Italian-American — which is to say, an "ethnic" in political parlance — Alito is from a middle middle-class family in New Jersey. In the last century, such folks were overwhelmingly New Deal Democrats. (Think Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman)

— and they formed the big majority.

So what happened? As Ronald Reagan, another Democrat of Catholic heritage, born about the same time as Alito's parents, always said, "I did not see the Democratic Party — the Democratic Party left me." By that he meant that the party of FDR and "Give 'Em Hell Harry" had, in a substantially working-class in its values, changed enormously in the '50s and even more in the '60s.

How did the Democratic Party change? Most obviously, it changed on social issues, exactly the category of issues that brought Alito to Capitol Hill. The old Democratic Party was conservative on social issues because it was dominated by Northern Catholics and Southern white Protestants — the folks who like Alito, were mostly Republicans.

Social issues, as we think of them now, rarely came up back in the New Deal days when such as abortion and homosexuality were barely

discussed in national politics; they were local concerns, the province of vice squads, not professional civil libertarians. And oh, by the way, it never occurred to anybody to sue to eliminate school prayer or force the removal of Christmas decorations from town squares.

In other words, on social issues after social issues, today's Democrats have used litigation to overturn the status quo that was upheld by the Democrats of a couple of generations ago — when, by the way, the Democrats controlled the White House and Congress.

That's the choice today's Democrats face: After throwing away their majority in the name of a left-liberal litigation vision, do they wish to oppose, once again, the natural conservatism of the undominated politics then — and dominates politics now, albeit under the banner of a different party?

James Pinkerton is a columnist for Newsday.

LETTERS

Act now on Sempra or lose Idaho air

Every once in awhile in Idaho, a development project comes along that threatens our environment and people here gather together to reject it. We have been lucky in the past because many of these people and their organizations have saved us from some pretty objectionable development proposals. If you are like me, you read the paper and thank those people for their efforts while vowing to take more action next time a threat arises.

Well, here it is, and it is called the Sempra coal plant. We are the ones on watch while this plan is being hatched. I won't describe the details about the proposed plant but urge you all to go to HealthyIdaho.org to read up on the facts. If you act immediately, we will lose the thing we value most about Idaho — clean air and water. The Web site makes it very easy to express your concerns to everyone involved in the decision making and explains the entire issue.

This is the time to be one of "these people" who are willing to take a few minutes to save their environment. It seems that big business from out of state is that we Idahoans are too stupid to pass up a few dollars in Jerome in exchange for our natural resources. Let's prove them wrong! Please act now!

Writing is happening this month!

CAROLYN PARKER
Halley

Know reasons for coal firms' interest in Idaho

To Bill Block, J-U-B Engineers Inc.

I'm writing you to point out the possible hazard and financial burden of the coal power plant in Jerome County.

At this time, there is adequate transmission lines out of Idaho to the Northwest and Southwest to handle the new wind farms that are proposed in Jerome.

2. Idaho has water for farming now, but these farms can

be purchased for their water rights. Very inexpensive relating to power plant production. (Example: Bell Rapids Mutual Irrigation Project.)

3. The reasons that out-of-state investors are looking at Idaho is one or all of the following:

A. They want to locate close to transmission line substations in Jerome County. These transmission lines are empty going out of Idaho but loaded coming into Idaho.

B. There is water to buy.

C. Idaho residents are not environmentally wild like California residents — yet.

D. Their coal supply is close to their proposed power plant (a lot closer than California).

E. It is a lot cheaper to haul coal than build power lines.

4. In my opinion, the downsides are one or all of the following:

A. The coal-fired power plant will load up the transmission lines leaving Idaho.

B. This will stop wind farm development, which is a renewable energy resource and a lot cheaper per kilowatt hour than coal-powered energy power in Idaho.

C. There are more wind farms for energy production being proposed than Idaho Power Co. produces, which will load up all transmission lines leaving Idaho.

D. These wind farms will produce a lot of income for the residents of Idaho (millions and millions of dollars). The Leader Wind Farm only will pay about \$9 million per year to ranchers.

E. I hope the residents of Idaho do not sell their souls to the devil to produce a short, quick return. This power as planned is to be sold outside of Idaho.

F. Last, but not least, is the smell and the coughing that it will produce.

5. The coal-fired power plant was reported in Laughlin, Nev., as of Jan. 1, 2006, because of complaints by environmentalists.

I'm requesting you use your influence and let the public know about the facts before it is too late. I have known you for 30-plus years and am dis-

pending on you to do your very best to let the general public know about the facts.

WARREN P. CHAPMAN
Twin Falls

Library expansion deserves T.F. support

Support the library expansion!

We encourage the community to support the library expansion proposal which will come before the voters on Feb. 7.

Twin Falls has supported the library over the years, allowing us to have a great facility. It is time to once again give our record of supporting the library by approving the increase in space and facilities to match the growth of our community.

Please vote "yes" on Feb. 7.

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Start weeding out real threats to marriage

Regarding the renewed brouhaha from the efforts of the so-called super-naturalists, political psychopaths and dabbling anti-nomians to "protect marriage" by making it constitutionally impossible for gay couples to get married, please note: Why should gays and lesbians be denied marriage when just about anybody else can marry?

Wouldn't those self-appointed regulators of marriage do all of us a great service by reworking the almost non-existent requirements for heterosexuals to marry?

Don't they realize that every state in the union gives marriage licenses to convicted murderers, rapists, molesters of both sexes, drug dealers and users, drunks, pimps, priests and prostitutes, among others?

Deadbeat dads, admitted spouse-beaters, serial polygamists, reported drunk drivers, forgers, arsonists, burglars and muggers, and persons with really questionable IQs can get marriage licenses.

People considered sexually deviant also routinely get marriage licenses: Pedophiles,

transvestites, transsexuals, sadists, masochists and sodomites can get marriage licenses — so long as they are heterosexual or at least willing to say that they are.

Even necrophiliacs, narcissists, masturbators and pederasts can get marriage licenses. And, perhaps marriage is viewed as such a civilizing thing, persons in prison can get married to persons not in prison and even have conjugal visitations.

I propose that we deny marriage to all teens, felons, persons who have been twice divorced, and to anybody who has been convicted of violent or sexually exploitive with a human or with an animal before we exclude gays.

JOHN WALSH
Burley

ESA is an excessive fix for bull trout

An Associate Press article printed Jan. 7 reported that a couple of environmental groups were filing a lawsuit against the government to enlarge a protected habitat for the Endangered Species Act listed bull trout in Montana.

That is probably newsworthy; however, the three-column article went on to say bull trout habitat conflicts with mining, logging and continued with other questionable opinions. In reality, bull trout have been listed by the Montana Fish and Game as a trash fish for most of the 20th century. Boundaries were paid for their restoration; extensive poisoning of habitat waters was carried out to eradicate this fish. Since the bull trout has been taken off the trash fish eradication program by the Montana Fish and Game, its recovery has been remarkable.

To use the Endangered Species Act to try to punish people who live or recreate in these areas is at least mean spirited. Even more disturbing is the AP's one-sided, biased reporting.

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OPINION

Reach out and touch no one

Doing the math, you've got to figure that the 12 wise men and one wise woman had about 30 seconds apiece to say their piece to the president about Iraq, where vicious assaults this week have killed almost 200 and raised U.S. troop fatalities to at least 2,189.

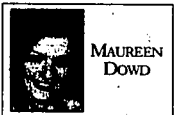
It must have been like a performance by the Reduced Shakespeare Company, which boils down the great plays and books to their essence. Proutis is "I like cookies." O'h-cillo raps that he left Desdemona "all alone, didn't telephona." "The Illad" and "The Odyssey" condense into "Henry Y" is "A king's gotta do what a king's gotta do," and "Antony and Cleopatra" is "Never get involved in Middle Eastern affairs."

Beyond taking a class picture ringed around Bush's bizarrely empty desk — a mesmerizing bit of "Sunset Boulevard," "The Last Supper" and a "Soprano" — the former secretary of state and defense had to make the most of their brief colloquy with W.

The spectral Robert McNamara might have enlightened on Vietnam: "Didn't understand the culture. Misjudged the opposition. Didn't know when to get out." If he was a fast talker, he could have added: "It's the dominoes, if Iraq falls, then Syria falls, then Lebanon falls, and before you know it, all of Southeast Asia — I mean, the Middle East — will fall."

Al Hail's summation would have been a cinch: "I resign. I'm in charge here. I resign — again."

Instead of his good-soldier silence, Colin Powell could



MAUREEN DOWD

have redeemed himself with four words: "I should have resigned."

Madeleine Albright might have wisely imparted some discernment from Somalia and Rwanda: "Didn't understand the culture. Misjudged the threat. Didn't know when to get in."

James Baker, Svengali and Sphinx, must have been thinking: "I told you dad not to let you in here. I could tell you how to get out of Iraq in 10 minutes, but you're too under the sway of that nutball Cheney to listen."

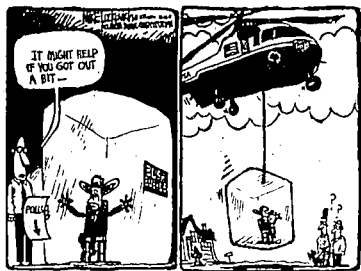
George Shultz only needed to say: "I have a tiger tattooed on my fanny," and Lawrence Eagleburger could have abridged his thoughts to "I need a smoke. Real."

It may seem disturbing at first, that with several hundreds of years' worth of foreign policy at his elbows, and a bloody, thorny mess in Iraq, Bush would devote more moments to letting some fresh air into his House of Pain.

Sure, he has attention deficit disorder. But he just spent six consecutive days mountain-biking and brush clearing in Crawford, Texas. Couldn't he devote 60 minutes to getting our kids home rather than just a few for a "Message: I Care" photo-op-faking sincerity?

"We all went into the bubble and came out," one of the wise men noted.

Eagleburger explained their role as props, saying it was



hard to volubly express yourself with a president. "There was some criticism, but it was basically 'You haven't talked to the American people enough.'" Lighting a cigarette on the way out — he'd thrown one in the bushes on the way in — he added the world-weary coda: "We're all has-beens anyway."

Eagleburger knows the truth. If W. had wanted to really reach out, rather than just pretend to reach out so that his poll numbers would go up, he would have sought advice outside his warped inner circle long ago — including from his own father.

Because W.'s mind is so closed to anybody except yes-men who tell him his policies and wars are slam-dunks, uneasy seasoned mandarins are forced to make a noisy stink. Brent Scowcroft, one of Bush Senior's closest friends, had to resort to the pages of The New Yorker to voice his objections. He ominously said Dick Cheney, his old colleague, was someone he no longer recognized.

You wonder whether the other contemporaries of Ch-

eney and Rummy from Ford, Reagan and Bush 1 days were thinking the same thing at Thursday's meeting: Why have these guys gone so kooky?

W. is drunk on Cheney Kool-Aid. So he got testy when Albright pointed out that North Korea and Iran were going nuclear while the U.S. was bogged down in Baghdad. Then, after a quick photo in the Oval, he shook the old-timers out, letting anyone who wanted to stay talk to the security factotum Stephen Hadley.

Still busy spreading fog over the war, W., Cheney, Rummy and Condi had no time to hear McNamara expound on the fog of war. In the picture, as Albright cringes, McNamara looks haunted, unable to escape second-guessing over Vietnam.

The only thing that would have made the photo even more utterly phony was the presence of that vintage war-monger, Henry the K.

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Pets would never take advantage

What can it harm to let one dog sleep on the bed?

I actually asked that question of my fiancée before we were married. Now, months later, she repeats it to me — at full volume — every night.

"YOU were the one who let the dogs up on the bed ...," she thunders. "Now get Annie off my head!"

I'm afraid it's true. One dog on the bed has somehow escalated into three dogs on the bed, and they're all engaged in a turf battle over prime bed-top real estate.



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

It has to do with canine psychology — the study of which can only lead to madness. But suffice it to say that the closer to the headboard, the better. The best spots of all are about where the pillows normally go.

So when Carmen, our 9-year-old heeler, gets too close, Annie, the 7-year-old Wheaton terrier, thinks nothing of sitting on whom ever's face is convenient.

That's usually Victoria's, which for some reason makes my wife mad.

Which in turn causes her to accuse me of transforming our house into a zoo, run by the four-legged inmates.

That's simply not true. You could ask Sophie.

Sophie is a 4-year old gray cat who lives in the garage along with her sleekie, Callie. They're garage dwellers because my youngest stepdaughter is both a cat-owner and allergic to them.

So Sophie's horizons are somewhat circumscribed. A good day is when she gets to warm her paws in the hood-scoop of my Subaru Outback.

There are few corners of the garage where Sophie doesn't have a hangout, but her very favorite is the inside of a car.

I spent Sunday night in Boise, and at about 0-dark-30 took my suitcase out to the garage and put it in the back of my car. I had a couple of other things to load as well, so I left the rear hatch open.

About an hour later I was driving between Boise and Mountain Home when I chanced to look into the rearview mirror. Guess who was looking back?

So I turned around and retraced the 30 miles to Boise. By the time I got to the home, my wife was laid for work. I put Sophie back in the garage and went into the house to use the bathroom. When I got there, all three dogs — Annie, Carmen and Petunia, my 11-year-old Lhasa apso — were covering behind the toilet.

Outside the bathroom door, the in-house parakeet, Sam, was flying around triumphantly, chirping about an obviously successful surprise aerial assault.

Clearly, she wanted to tell someone about it, so she perched on my head.

Now parakeets come equipped with very impressive talons — long enough that it's difficult to dislodge the bird until the bird is ready to be dislodged.

Sam did not choose to move along for quite some time

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Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% of Peak
Salmon	143%	68%
Big Wood	143%	68%
Little Wood	148%	68%
Big Lost	140%	63%
Little Lost	105%	62%
Henry's Fork/Teton	124%	59%
Upper Snake Basin	122%	59%
Oakley	140%	62%
Salmon Falls	133%	61%

As of Jan. 10

*A comparison of basin snowpack on the same date with the 1998-99 season. The 1998-99 season was the lowest on record.

Mercury matters: Ag committee questions EPA

Legislators want to know about regulating plant

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE — Concerns over mercury and emissions from coal-fired power plants seem to cross not only party lines but also legislative committee borders these days.

When representatives of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency came to the Idaho Legislature on Tuesday, they wanted to talk about confined-

animal feeding operations and cooperation with the state. They were greeted, instead, with senators' questions about regulating the coal-fired power plant proposed for Jerome and monitoring the state's mercury levels — topics that are likely to come up at Resources and Environment committee meetings.

Sen. Chuck Colner, R-Twin Falls, pointed to monitoring existing mercury levels in Idaho as an ongoing problem in need of EPA attention and funding. A neurotoxin, mercury is especially dangerous to children and pregnant women.

The EPA and Idaho Department of Environmental Quality have been working together on a yearlong mercury testing pro-

gram at the Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir near the Nevada border. Preliminary reports from that testing have suggested that emissions from Nevada gold mines might be depositing mercury in southern Idaho. However, officials from both agencies maintain that it's too early to tell.

"There is a huge amount of research that's going on right now," said Jim Wertz, state EPA director.

But, funding from the EPA remains in the air for programs such as mercury monitoring. The EPA doesn't have firm numbers on how the agency's budget cuts will affect programs in states like Idaho, said Michael Bogert, regional director.

Committee members also asked about regulations for proposed coal-fired power plants, including the status of the EPA's Clean Air Mercury Rule, which would reduce mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants nationwide. Last fall, the EPA re-opened portions of the rule for comment. Environmentalists have criticized the regulation because it allows states to buy emission credits from other regions.

EPA's Rick Abright said the rule has not been pulled back. However, Idaho has not begun its process to adopt or modify that federal rule. Martin Baur with the DEQ air quality department told *The Times-News*. EPA officials did report on the

agency's efforts to regulate beef cattle operations in the state for water quality. In the past five years, in 2005, the former EPA regional director voiced concerns about the Ag Department's efforts and vowed to ratchet his agency's role in inspections.

The Ag Department welcomes the EPA's inspections and is confident that EPA officials will like what they see, said Wayne Hoffman, spokesman for the Ag Department. "We want them to see the job we're doing," he said.

LESSONS OF WAR



Sgt. Chris Webb, left, and Capt. Corey Dahlquist, both of the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team, talk Thursday afternoon about their experiences in Iraq and what it's like to be home again.

Soldiers tell what it's like to serve in Iraq

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was a cold, dark morning the day after Thanksgiving 2004, and the 275 soldiers that make up the 2nd Battalion of the Headquarters and Headquarters Company of the 116th Brigade Combat Team had just boarded one of three chartered airliners sitting on a Louisiana runway.

1st Sgt. Martin Rodriguez stood on the steps of the airliner, turned and saluted Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and Brig. Gen. Larry Lutz, and then joined his soldiers on the plane headed for Kuwait, the last stop before Iraq.

Rodriguez had promised his soldiers' families he'd look out for them. And he did.

"I started with 275 and I came back with 275," Rodriguez said last week, now back at his desk at the local National Guard armory.

But where they were going, survival was not only a matter of skill, but a case of luck of the draw. And the 2-116th was very lucky, losing just one soldier — Sgt. Travis Arndt of Echo Company out of Montana. He was one of eleven soldiers of the 116th Brigade Combat Team —

4,300 strong, including 2,000 soldiers from Idaho — who didn't come home. And although the other 10 soldiers who lost their lives weren't with the 2nd Battalion, its soldiers mourned them just the same.

"We didn't know them as well as our own soldiers, but they were part of our family," said Capt. Corey Dahlquist.

The 2-116th is a light-infantry group. During the deployment, the 2nd Battalion included the 275 soldiers with HHC, 145 soldiers in Echo Company, 140 soldiers in Bravo Company and 125 soldiers in Alpha Company. Eleven of those soldiers were wounded in action during their year in Iraq. Spec. James Donaldson suffered the most serious injuries, losing both legs last July in an IED attack. The 20-year-old soldier was originally with the Army's 145th Support Battalion, but he didn't finish basic training in time to fly over with them. So he caught a ride with the 2-116th and ended up staying.

Donaldson could have worked in logistics, one of the safer positions for a soldier. But Donaldson volunteered to be a driver, one of the riskiest jobs.

Sgt. Chris Webb was in Iraq Army headquarters when he found out about

Donaldson that evening. "It was just shocking," Webb said. "It's a lot more real when you know someone."

The road to Kirkuk

The 2-116th convoy from Kuwait to its post in the northern Iraqi city of Kirkuk was one of the most potentially dangerous parts of their mission. A long line of vehicles moving through open desert and small Iraqi villages was an easy target for insurgents. No one volunteered to drive the fuel truck, which would turn into a fireball should someone intentionally blow into it. So Rodriguez stepped up to the plate.

"I finally said, 'Give me the keys,'" Rodriguez said. "I had 200 gallons on my back."

The convoy arrived safely in Kirkuk, and soldiers got settled in their temporary home — a Forward Operating Base called Warrior. Bravo Company was stationed at a base inside the city. With no fixed schedules, the soldiers soon lost track of time.

"Every day was different," Dahlquist said. "There was no routine. You did

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City officials and firefighters reach contract agreement

By Terry Smith Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — City officials and the International Association of Firefighters wrapped up contract negotiations this week without the threat of walkouts, pickets or lawsuits that sometimes characterize union negotiations.

The agreement ended several months of negotiations that city officials and representatives of Twin Falls Firefighters Local 1559, the city's only union, described as amicable.

"There's been a very positive working relationship between the firefighters' union and the city," said Fire Chief Ron Clark.

"These aren't head-butting wars — negotiations go pretty smoothly."

The agreement was approved by the City Council on Monday. Mark Petruzzello, a fire department captain who's also president of the Twin Falls firefighters' local, said union members have already mailed the agreement.

"Now, I just have to sign it," he said.

A final version of the contract was printed Tuesday. City Personnel Administrator Susan Harris said union and city officials will sign the document within the next week.

The contract does not cover salaries, annual raises or bene-

fits. Firefighters are treated the same as other city employees on these issues. Like all city employees, they receive performance evaluations each year. Annual raises are based on performance, not longevity.

Covered under the contract are provisions to determine when overtime pay kicks in, provisions governing pay increases for promotion, a grievance procedure, a layoff procedure and a clause that says how much firefighters will be paid when called on a state emergency.

The contract is for fiscal 2006, which started Oct. 1, 2005, and

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Twin Falls Fire Department budget comparisons

Category	FY2005	FY2006
Department budget	\$2.8 million	\$3 million
Total wages	\$1.74 million	\$1.85 million
Retirement fund	\$471,000	\$523,000
Health benefits	\$270,000	\$302,000

Source: City of Twin Falls

Salary grades and monthly wages for Twin Falls firefighters

Rank	Grade	Minimum	Maximum
Firefighter	8	\$2,620	\$3,721
Tanker Driver	8a	\$2,545	\$3,759
Relief Driver	8b	\$2,570	\$3,796
Engineer	9	\$2,728	\$4,022
Paramedic	9a	\$2,778	\$4,102
Captain	11	\$3,174	\$4,888
Relief Battalion Chief	11a	\$3,238	\$4,782

Source: City of Twin Falls

MAGIC VALLEY

DEATH NOTICES

Tommy J. Miller
RUPERT — Tommy Joe Miller, 69, of Rupert, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at the Burley Care Center. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

Bill Ramsey
HEYBURN — William Ray "Bill" Ramsey, 76, of Heyburn, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at his home.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at the Heyburn 1st and 2nd Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 530 Villa Drive in Heyburn, with Bishop Frank Peterson officiating. Burial will be in the Marston Cemetery near Oakley. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Russell D. Callen
BUHL — Russell D. Callen, 52, of Buhl, died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at the Buhl First Christian Church, with burial to follow at the West End Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Purke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Gary Gerber
TWIN FALLS — Gary "Craig" Gerber, 53, of Salt Lake City, Utah, died Sunday, Jan. 8, 2006, in Salt Lake City. At his request, no service will be held. Cremation is under the direction of Purke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

Kolby Hendrickson
HENDRICKSON FALLS — Kolby Scott Hendrickson, infant son of Justin and Jackie Hendrickson of Twin Falls, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah. The funeral will be conducted at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2006, at White Mortuary. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary.

Richard Calvert
TWIN FALLS — Richard "Dick" Charles Calvert, 84, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Norman Hintze

JEROME — Norman Lund Hintze, 92, of Jerome, died Thursday, Nov. 24, 2005, at his home in Jerome. A memorial service will be conducted at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2006, at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Cremation took place under the direction of the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Emma A. Coleman

WENDELL — Emma A. Coleman, 89, of Wendell, died Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2006, at St. Benedict's Long Term Care Unit in Jerome. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by DeMarney's Funeral Chapel in Wendell.

The family of Zella Fillmore wishes to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all our friends, neighbors and relatives for the cards, flowers, food, visits and all other acts of kindness that were so graciously extended to us during our recent loss. They were deeply appreciated.
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Betty Vert
 July of 1977 and serving for numerous years. Betty enjoyed helping with Bellevue's annual Labor Day celebration. She worked as a real estate broker and worked with her husband in the auto body business for 28 years. Following Betty's retirement in 1999, they moved to Gooding, Idaho, where she enjoyed working in her garden during

the summer months: Winters were spent in Arizona fishing and bowling.
 Preceding her in death is her daughter, Kathy; her father, Cecil Johnston; and a grandson, Wyatt Porter. Betty is survived by her husband, Gordon; sons, Jeff (Correne) Bellevue and Wes (Mary) of Nampa; a daughter, Lisa (Jack) Porter of Twin Falls; her mother, Freida Johnston of Buhl; a twin brother, Bill (Sharon) Johnston; and sister, Joanne (Jerry) Craner, also of Buhl; eight grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family suggests that donations in Betty's name be made to Hospice Visions Inc., 308 Shoshone St. E., Suite 1, Twin Falls, ID 83301. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at the Hope-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Burley, Idaho. Following the services, a reception will be held at approximately noon at the Buhl Senior Center.



Kerna Young
 In 1959, Kerna moved with his family to Paul, Idaho, where he continued to farm. After his retirement, Kerna and his wife moved to Coleville, Wash., in 1988. Four years later, they moved to Bonney Lake, Wash., to be closer to

their sons. In 1999, they returned to the Burley area. Kerna was a member of the First Baptist Church in Burley. During his 30 years with the church, he filled various positions as a deacon. For a short time, he and his wife also attended the Rupert Baptist Church.
 He is survived by his wife, Lula Young of Burley, Idaho; two sons, Elwayne Young of Bonney Lake, Wash., and Rick Young of Heyburn, Idaho; four grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2006, at the Buhl First Baptist Church, 2262 Hilland Ave. in Burley. Burial, with military rites, will follow at the Paul Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

BURLEY — Kerna Young, a 90-year-old resident of Burley, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at Parke View Care & Rehabilitation Center.
 He was born Feb. 25, 1915, in Quail, Texas, the son of William Oscar Young and Mary Elizabeth Irwin. He grew up and attended schools in Quail. On June 3, 1939, he married Lula May Peady in Post, Texas. Together, they had two sons. Kerna served in the United States Marine Air Corps during World War II. Following his military service, he returned to Texas and worked as a roughneck on an oil drilling company. Work took him to various parts of western Texas. In the later 1940s, he began working as a welder and a tractor mechanic in Post, Texas. By the early 1950s, he began farming and raising cotton in LaMesas and Seminole, Texas.



Lucile Olsen
 Lucile was a caregiver all of her life. From her mid-teens of being a live-in companion to an elderly lady in Salt Lake City, Utah, to caring for her mother-in-law and her own parents in her later life, she was always there to offer her help. In her later years, she and her sisters took a trip together each spring. They all loved to travel and looked forward each year to spending time together traveling. Next to her sisters, she loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. Her home was always open for drop-in visits, and a meal was always on the

RUPERT — Lucile Williams Olsen was born Feb. 1, 1914, in Malad, Idaho. She passed away Sunday, Jan. 8, 2006, at CountySide Care & Rehabilitation in Rupert at the age of 91.
 She was the third child born to Arthur and Nora Williams. She eventually had eight sisters and one brother. She grew up and attended school in Malad, Idaho. She liked to be outside, and during her growing up years helping her father herd sheep and cattle on horseback. She married Bill Olsen on June 8, 1934, in Pocatello. They then made their home southwest of Jerome. They raised pigs for several years, then switched to cattle, along with farming the land. Lucile liked helping with the cattle, and Bill relied on her judgment when calving time came. She always had a large garden and did a lot of canning each fall.
 She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in her sisters' ward. She loved working in the library and served there for many years. She went to the Boise Temple in May of 1995.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at the Rupert West-Slake Center of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 26 S. 100 W., with Bishop Roger Bagley officiating. Entombment will follow at 3 p.m. in the Mausoleum at the Jerome Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be held one hour before the funeral Saturday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Deer herd becoming road kill

POCATELLO — A Pocatello man says at least 15 deer in 10 days have been struck by traffic while crossing Bonanza Highway. Steve Leaman, has served as the self-appointed guardian of the herd for two years. He often parks along the highway and flashes his headlights to warn cars of the herd milling along the highway. He posted handmade signs warning drivers of the danger, but they were taken down because they were official highway signs.
 During the winter, deer move from the hills to forage in the valleys, forcing them to cross the highway, Leaman said.

Idaho's gasoline prices on the increase again
 BOISE — Idaho's pump prices are on the march upwards again, after dropping from the ranks of the nation's most expensive states for gas prices to among the lowest. Officials at the American Automobile Association's Idaho chapter say the state's average gas prices are still the second lowest in the nation at about \$2.13 for a gallon of unleaded fuel. That's still 5 cents higher than a week ago and 26 cents higher than last year at this time.
 "Higher crude oil prices and other factors mean consumers are in for another year of price volatility," AAA Idaho spokesman Dave Carlson said. — compiled from wire reports

The Family of **Frank Udell Robinson** would like to thank everyone for their acts of kindness, prayers, condolences, food, cards and flowers during this difficult time. We are very grateful for the help from the Richfield Quick Response, Pastor Lewis Rier, Susannah Rieker, Jay Ward, Ronnie Galloway, Cotton Riley, the Richfield City Crew and the Ladies of Richfield for the delicious dinner. May God Bless each of you!
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Jim A. "Sonny" Lee

TWIN FALLS — Jim A. "Sonny" Lee, 74, of Twin Falls, Idaho, passed away Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, in Twin Falls.

Jim was born Feb. 7, 1931, in Gordon, Neb., the third of four children and the oldest son of Raymond and Irene I. Lee. He attended schools in Nebraska before moving to Idaho. As a youth, he loved being outdoors. He was a great hand with horses and enjoyed driving a team whenever there was work to be done.

Jim served his country in the Army from 1951-1953 in the Korean War. He was injured while serving and received an honorable discharge. Upon returning home, he attended the Scottsbluff, Neb., community college. This is where he met his first wife, Grace Ann Rice. They were married on Feb. 10, 1955, in Scottsbluff. They were blessed with four children, Janna, Joy, Jimmy and Eric. They moved from Nebraska to Bozeman, Mont., while he was a district manager for American Oil Co. The family then moved to Wendell and then Twin Falls, Idaho, where Jim owned and operated Cook Pest Control until his retirement. Jim and



Grace was married until her death in 1987.

Jim loved the outdoors. He loved to share this passion with his family, taking them wherever possible. He also passed his knowledge of hunting and fishing onto his sons, spending many years on annual elk and deer hunting trips. In his later years, Jim's passion was golf. He loved spending time on the course improving his game. He always said a "bad day on the golf course was better than a good day at work." This is where he met his second wife, Nona Bodkin. They were married

with his death. Jim and Nona spent many a day on the golf course enjoying each other's time together. He taught her how to play and enjoy the game. Jim and Nona were best friends that were blessed to have found each other. Jim was a member of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Elks Lodge.

"Dad you will be missed by all that have loved you"

Survivors include his wife, Nona Lee; daughters, Janna Berry, Joy (Curtis) Ward, Lorette Fairchild, Teresa Bodkin; sons, Jim E. Lee, Eric (JoAnn) Lee, Von (Lynne) Bodkin, Stuart (Sharon) Bodkin; a sister, Janet (Lamar) Williams; 21 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his first wife, one brother, one sister and one grandchild.

A visitation for Jim will be held at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 13, 2006, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, with a funeral following at 11 a.m. at the funeral home, with Bishop Ken Steinhilber officiating. Interment will be held following the service at the Twin Falls Cemetery in Twin Falls, Idaho.

TWIN FALLS — Lauretta Christian passed away peacefully Thursday, Jan. 5, 2006, at her daughter, Janine Chapman's home, with her daughter, granddaughter and hospice by her side.

Lauretta E. Chapman was born March 12, 1910, to Dorothy and Guy Chapman in Montpelier, Ohio. She was the middle child of a family of seven children. When Lauretta was 7, her father, Guy, died, leaving Dorothy and the children to carry on. Dorothy and the children operated a popcorn machine to make money during those times. Lauretta graduated from Montpelier High School in Montpelier, Ohio, in 1928. After graduation, she and her mother moved to Jackson, Mich., where she attended business college. She then worked for Mr. Ford as his personal secretary at Conroe's Furniture Co.

At 25 years of age, she married Forrest Wenger on April 27, 1935, in Erie, Pa. Lauretta and Forrest honeymooned in Niagara Falls. Reid Wenger was born to Forrest and Lauretta on Nov. 7, 1939, and Janine Wenger on Nov. 4, 1943. Forrest and Lauretta were later divorced. Lauretta and Reid Wenger moved to Rupert, Idaho, in 1952 to live with Lauretta's mother, Dorothy Chapman, and aunt,

Lauretta Christian



Clara Burton. Lauretta purchased her own home and worked for the Minidoka County agent as a secretary, then owned and operated the Rupert Cab Co. for some time. After that, she settled into being a homemaker, living in Rupert and Burley. She looked after Janine's daughters, Lisa and LeAnn, when they were small. She taught Lisa and two neighborhood children to read when they were under 5 years of age and took care of her mother until her mother's death. She came to live with her daughter, Janine, in 1990. She lived at Woodstone Retirement Home from 1995 to 1999, then had surgery in 1999 and has since lived in her daughter's home in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Lauretta was preceded in death by her father and mother; her brothers and sisters, Aletha, Albert, Red,

Bert, Ernest and Cernabelle. She is survived by her son, Reid Wenger of Jackson, Mich.; her daughter, Janine Chapman of Twin Falls, Idaho; grandchildren, Lisa (Scott) Volmer of Las Vegas, Nev., and LeAnn Morgan of Twin Falls, Idaho; great-granddaughter, Jazmin Morgan of Las Vegas, Nev.; one sister-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.

Lauretta enjoyed being with her family, young-at-heart individuals and sunsets. One of her most cherished belongings is a letter from Idaho State Gov. Dirk Kempthorne congratulating her on her 90th birthday.

Lauretta's family expresses much thanks to Idaho Home Health and Hospice, College of Southern Idaho's Office, an Acting-Intergovernmental and all individuals who volunteered to assist with her care and for all your loving help and assistance during her last years. A special thank you goes to her friends and family.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at White Mortuary, 214 S. Roosevelt, with Pastor Paul Thompson officiating. Cremation was under the direction of White Mortuary.

SERVICES

Ruth L. Finch of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Burley LDS 2nd, 4th and 10th Ward Chapel, 515 E. 16th St.; friends may call from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today at the church (Payne Mortuary).

Patricia Ann Birrell of Inkom and formerly of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. today at St. Edwards Catholic Church, 152 Seventh Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Colonial Funeral Home in Pocatello).

Vernice DeNaught of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Park Ave.; friends may call from 1 to 1:45 p.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home).

Michael Phillip Glover of Meridian, funeral at 11 a.m. today and friends from 3 to 6 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel; arrangements for cremation will follow.

Iva L. Burgess McCoy of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Opal Pearl Kirtland of Hagerman, graveside service at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hagerman Cemetery (Denman's Funeral Chapel in Gooding).

Elda Bigelow Bruvold of Burley, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave. (Rasmussen Funeral Home).

Fumiko Kusaba Tanaka of Spokane, Wash., funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 237 N. Water Ave., in Idaho Falls (White Funeral Home in Idaho Falls).

Floyd Donald Schwab of Las Vegas, Nev., and formerly of Eden, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Lauretta E. Christian of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Crump

Continued from B1 — long enough (gosh, how to put this?) ... Well, panckets are not housebroken.

The Book of Genesis tells us about history's first reconnaissance mission: Noah dispatched a dove from the ark during the Flood, looking for dry land.

The dove didn't come back and the ark finally fetched up on Mount Ararat, 17,000 God-forsaken feet above the arid plains of what's now eastern Turkey.

On the other hand, scientists tell us that doves flourished along the balmy coast of what's now Lebanon and Israel — the Asian Riviera.

Sombody in Noah's ark let one of those damn birds up on the bed.

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223 or scump@magicvalley.com.

Alvin J. Hepworth

JEROME — Alvin J. "Junior" Hepworth, 80, of Jerome, died Monday, Jan. 9, 2006, at the VA Hospital in Boise, Idaho.

He was born March 4, 1925, at Malta, the son of John A. and Martha Lloyd Hepworth, the third of 11 children. He was reared and educated at Malta and later moved to Jerome. He married Mildred, the love of his life, on Oct. 1, 1947, at Winnemucca, Nev., and they continued to make Jerome their home. Alvin served in the Army during World War II and saw action in the Okinawa Campaign.

He was a farmer for many years but a carpenter by trade. Alvin worked for Magic Valley Wood Products for 25 years, building many homes around the valley. He had also worked for Northside Lumber and in the Army where he worked as the former County building inspector, Planning and Zoning administrator and safety director for 13 years.

Alvin made friends with everyone he came across and enjoyed hunting and fishing trips with his sons and brother. Dennis was with him to make a place for him just 10 days before. He adored his two grandchildren, Holly and Justin, and great-grandson, Christian.

Surviving Alvin are two sons, Jamie and Johnnie; and a daughter, Judy. Also surviving are two grandchildren, one great-grandchild; and one baby sister, Beth (Cecil) Abbott. He was preceded in death by his wife in 1997, his parents, six sisters and three brothers.

The funeral for Alvin J. Hepworth will be conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 12, 2006, at Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, with Bishop LaVar Butts officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral chapel.

Firefighters

Continued from B1. One of the most modified in 2003. Under provisions of the agreement, the contract is automatically renewed at the start of the fiscal year unless either party wants to negotiate changes.

Such was the case this year, however, there are only three changes over the previous contract: firefighters will make more money if called to a state emergency; they are guaranteed an additional 5 percent pay increase if promoted, and the department will have an additional firefighter on duty to respond to emergencies.

Under the new contract, firefighters who are on the Idaho Hazardous Materials Response Team will be paid wages closer to an industry standard when called out on a state emergency. Although wages and costs for a Idaho emergency are reimbursed by the state, Petruzzelli said that in the past city hazmat-trained firefighters were often paid less than half what firemen from other jurisdictions were paid in a state-called emergency.

Under the new contract, Twin Falls firefighters can earn \$60 per hour as a hazmat-team leader, \$50 per hour as a hazmat-team member or \$40 per hour as an operations team member. Under the previous contract,

city firefighters called to a state emergency would be paid overtime wages at their city wage rate. Harris said wage rates vary with each firefighter, but department-wide, firefighters are paid \$24.60 per hour when on overtime status and drivers about \$17.34.

Another provision of the new contract increases the pay rate firefighters receive when promoted. Ordinary firemen who are promoted to drivers can receive a pay increase of 4.5 percent. Drivers promoted to captains can receive a 7.5 percent increase rather than 7 percent.

The final contract change increases minimum on-duty staffing from 10 to 11 firefighters. Clark said this provision will improve the fire department response to emergencies.

The contract covers 33 of the fire department's total staff of 38. Clark, his administrative assistant and three battalion chiefs are not union members. Firefighters are divided into three companies. Teams of 12 work 24 hours on duty, followed by 48 hours off duty. Their work schedules average about 56 hours per week.

The on-duty company staffs the main station at 945 Second Ave. E. and auxiliary stations on Falls Avenue and Washington Street South.

SODA SPRINGS — Marvin Lee Daniels, 63, of Soda Springs, passed away Sunday, Jan. 8, 2006, at home.

He was born Jan. 9, 1942, at Richmond, Calif., the son of Eugene D. and Margie E. Stenson Daniels. Marvin was raised and educated in Twin Falls, Idaho, and moved to Soda Springs in 1966. He married Patricia Leora Leonard in 1961 in Twin Falls. They were later divorced. He married Lonnie Sant; they were later divorced. He married Kathy Reagle; they were later divorced. He married Marsha West; they were later divorced. Marvin was a co-owner of M.D. Construction. He had also worked with the Soda Springs Police Department in the early 1970s. Only those that knew Dad really knew what a big heart he had. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and horses. Marvin also served in the Army National Guard from 1960 to 1964. Marvin is survived by one

Marvin L. Daniels



son and two daughters and their spouses, Ken and Diane Daniels of Soda Springs, Kerry and Bruce Hixson and Tricia and Desmond Wilestead, all of Salt Lake City, Utah. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, Britanee, Kylene, Zach, Taylor, Caleb, Hobbes and Marissa.

along with three nieces; one nephew; eight stepchildren; his father of Twin Falls, Idaho; and one sister, Deanne "Dee" and Jerry Packer of Twin Falls, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his mother and a step-brother, Paul Diaz.

The family would like to thank all those who have helped and supported the family through this time of sickness. A special thanks to Jerry Beus and Rex Daniels, who stayed by his side.

A memorial service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2006, at the Sims Funeral Home in Soda Springs. Family will meet with friends from 10 to 11 a.m. before the service Saturday at the funeral home. A cremation service will be held Monday, Jan. 9, in lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to a charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements are under the direction of the Sims Funeral Home.

Glen D. Depew



Bonnie Jones Depew, his children, Tracy (Britt) Woolley of

Stanley, Shawna (Vince) Trent of Buhl and Lisa (Michael) Kury of Frisco, Texas; his siblings, Linda (Francis) Mender of Portland, Ore., and Ray Depew of Hagerman; grandchildren, Dusty Brooks and Brittany and Tiffini Woolley of Stanley, Joshua and Ethan Sauer of Caldwell, Casey Trent of Weiser, and Karoline and Brandon Kury of Frisco, Texas.

A service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 13, at the Wendell American Legion Hall. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Glen Depew's name online to PanCan.org or mailed to PanCan, 214 S. Roosevelt Ave., Suite 7000, El Segundo, CA 90245.

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Kemphorne proposes buying land next to gov's mansion

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kemphorne's proposed \$2.91 billion budget for fiscal 2007 includes \$2 million he wants to spend on land adjacent to the new governor's mansion. Billionaire potato magnate J.R. Simplot donated the hilltop estate, valued at about \$2.1 million, to Idaho in December 2004 to be used as an official residence.

Now, Simplot wants to sell an

additional 30 to 40 acres next door, including a riding arena and stable for horses.

Together, the property totals about 70 acres.

Some lawmakers said they're concerned the state would be giving out money for a project that initially appeared to be a gift. They hadn't expected the house would come with additional expenses.

Kemphorne aides said acquiring the estate would protect it from development — and also enhance security for

the state's top elected official and any high-ranking guests staying at the home.

"If the state does not purchase it, it's very likely to be developed into a highly concentrated residential development," said Brian Whitlock, Kemphorne's chief of staff. "It's not part of what

was currently given to the state for the governor's residence."

A separate, private fundraising effort is currently under way to raise more than \$3 million to remodel Simplot's 1980s-era home, an effort that could stretch into 2007, lawmakers have said.

About 4,600 square feet are being added to the existing 7,400-square-foot home. It will have 12-foot ceilings, a "porte cochere"-style entrance large enough for a carriage or car to pass through, four to five guest

bedrooms and a grand hall with 12-foot ceilings and dining space for 150 people.

Some of the rooms are to be named for donors to the refurbishing project, including businesses.

Sen. Monty Pearce, R-New Plymouth, will lead Monday night at Kemphorne's proposal to buy the adjacent land, said a concerned aide on the cost.

"I don't think Idaho should be in the land investment business," Pearce said.

By the time the price tag for remodeling Simplot's house and for purchasing the adjacent property are tallied up, Pearce said, "we could have built a pretty nice governor's mansion for what it's costing us."

Idaho is one of just six states without a governor's mansion, including California and Vermont. The state hasn't had one since the former residence was sold in 1990 after it had become dilapidated and past governors refused to live in it.

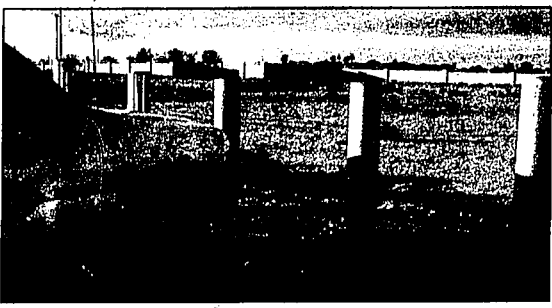


Kemphorne

Feds installing barriers on border

Structures meant to stop smuggling of drugs, migrants

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Federal officials will begin installing steel pole barriers this month to stop drug and migrant smuggling from driving through what have been high-speed thoroughfares along sections of the Mexican border in Arizona and New Mexico.



This image provided by the U.S. Border Patrol shows steel-pole barriers, spaced four foot apart, on Dec. 15. The poles, designed to deter smugglers' vehicles from crossing illegally into the United States from Mexico, will be installed along a two-mile stretch of the border east of San Luis, Ariz., and along a one-mile stretch west of Columbus, N.M.

The barriers are expected to be able to withstand crashes of up to 40 mph without damage, said Michael Granley, a spokesman for the Border Patrol's Yuma sector, which includes San Luis in southwestern Arizona.

"This particular design has been put through many different tests, and it appears that it will be effective in preventing vehicles from being able to cross the international boundary and will be very durable if someone is attempting to vandalize them," Granley said.

During the 2005 fiscal year, more than 2,700 vehicles, a record, crossed the border illegally through the Yuma sector, he said.

Agents have seized large amounts of marijuana and apprehended large numbers of illegal immigrants in the area where the Arizona barriers will be erected, Granley said.

There are no paved roads where the smuggling vehicles typically drive north across the border. But the high volume of traffic has created rutted tracks in the sandy terrain, said Granley and Doug Mosley, a spokesman for the Border Patrol's El Paso sector, which includes western New Mexico.

Granley said the Arizona barriers won't impede the

movement of wildlife, a concern for conservationists.

An environmental specialist will be on site during installation to ensure that the endangered Sonoran pronghorn that roams the area isn't harmed, Granley said.

The fleet, elusive animals, which have managed to survive some of the harshest terrain and heat in the western hemisphere, have been cut off from some traditional water sources by highways, canals and railroads.

Granley said it will cost about \$1.1 million per mile to install the barriers in the Yuma sector.

Tobacco settlement fund becomes a point of contention

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. Dirk Kemphorne's plan to pay medical bills of uninsured Idaho residents funded by the state's share of a 1998 tobacco settlement is drawing fire from Republicans and Democrats who say it would take money from other causes.

Meeting with lawmakers Tuesday, Kemphorne's fiscal aides outlined their proposal to shift indigent funding to Idaho's so-called "Millennium Fund" starting next year.

Idaho currently gets about \$24 million annually from the smoking settlement with the five largest tobacco companies, including Philip Morris and R.J. Reynolds.

The money for indigent care now comes from the general fund. In fiscal year 2006, it's expected to cost the state some \$20 million.

Early critics of Kemphorne's plan say it would drain the tobacco fund, leaving it too insignificant to cover things such as Department of Health and Welfare anti-smoking advertising, state-funded cigarette stings, and smoking cessation programs. They say the shift also undermines his claims of a balanced budget.

"I don't think it was ever the intention to use the Millennium Fund for general fund purposes," said Rep. Dennis Latta, R-Blackfoot and chairman of the committee that does out tobacco-settlement cash every year. "Maybe you have to make

some choices elsewhere."

Republican and Democrat lawmakers on the Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee will get more details on Kemphorne's plan Friday morning.

Currently, 5 percent of the tobacco fund's market value is made available annually for appropriation by the Legislature. Lake says lawmakers should stick with this.

He suggested some of the state's \$2.4 billion surplus — which the governor has earmarked for \$50-a-person energy rebates, a rainy-day budget reserve and an ambitious \$33 million state park improvements plan — could be tapped to cover indigent hospital bills. Counties currently pick up the first \$100 of an indigent person's medical bill.

The 44 Idaho counties' total share amounts to about \$20 million annually, according to the Idaho Association of Counties.

The state's responsibility begins with the state's \$2.4 billion surplus — which the governor has earmarked for \$50-a-person energy rebates, a rainy-day budget reserve, and an ambitious \$33 million state park improvements plan — could be tapped to cover indigent hospital bills. Counties currently pick up the first \$100 of an indigent person's medical bill.

"We view the shift (plan) as consistent with the spirit and intent of the fund, which was to use it for a portion of the population that has no other alternatives," Folman said.

Western oil shale put back on front burner

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A hearing Tuesday on federal plans to unlock oil shale reserves in the Intermountain West was packed by small-time speculators, some of whom questioned whether the state's technology will ever squeeze oil out of rock profitably.

The Bureau of Land Management is expected within weeks to award experimental leases on 10-acre parcels of oil shale development while it studies a broader program for commercial operations by late 2007.

Tuesday's public hearing was the first in a series on the larger plan to unlock the world's largest oil shale reserves, which stretch across parts of Colorado, Utah and Wyoming.

But even among some people who applied for experimental leases there was skepticism that technology had advanced enough since 1982, when Exxon abandoned the last commercial effort.

"Thirty years later, it's the same old piece of gum," said

Brent Fryer, a retired mechanical engineer who worked on Exxon's \$1 billion western Colorado project and said refining waxy shale oil was still a problem.

Fryer claimed in an interview that Exxon never perfected a process of baking shale oil using a retort, or stack of furnaces. He is among 20 players who have applied for experimental oil shale leases.

Tuesday's hearing was packed with small Utah players looking to ride oil shale's resurgence, but

others urged caution: State water quality officials warned of polluted runoff, and Jim Cullin of the Wild Utah Project urged BLM officials to carefully weigh the impact of mining and road-building on wildlife in remote areas of northeastern Utah.

"This is a fool's errand," said Steve Bloch, a staff attorney for the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance. "It doesn't make sense to embark on a process that costs more energy than it can produce."

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Soldiers

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what you did until something happened."

"Looking back, it seems it went fast," said Sgt. Jacob Schwabedissen. "But it seemed like time dragged over there."

Dahlquist added the title of assistant operations officer in addition to his role as a personnel officer, assisting the operations officer plan and execute operations. Webb helped train the Iraqi Army and police force.

"They're coming a long way," Webb said. "There's a lot of progress."

A 'thankless job'

The soldiers of HHC rarely had any downtime. They did everything from mess hall duty to operating as escorts for Iraqi Nationals on the base. Some drove trucks to support missions to offer forward operating bases. HHC's mechanics often went out at night to the clock to keep the military fleet going.

"Day and night, these guys would be turning wheels to keep things going," Rodriguez said. They didn't get outside and it was a thankless job. The glory is in the gunfighters — the guys out in the streets."

As for Rodriguez, he not only

had to oversee the day-to-day operations of his unit, but he had to tend to the emotional needs of his soldiers as well.

"You play mom and dad and good cop and bad cop," he said.

That could be especially difficult when there were problems on the homefront. Rodriguez said that in one two-week stretch, a dozen soldiers were getting divorced.

Dahlquist agreed that marriages are sometimes the first casualties of war.

"These are the tragedies of this war — the hardships on the family," Dahlquist said.

1st Sgt. Steven Woodall headed up the 2nd Battalion's Bravo Company.

"My biggest concern was their psyche," Woodall said of his soldiers. "What if their mind was on something at home?"

But even though it's dangerous, they had to go out again the next day.

"An I.A. cop gets killed one a week," Woodall said. "What if they all decided to not go back to work?"

Changes

Dahlquist said war does change a person.

"As a lot of people experienced a better understanding of the

freedom," Dahlquist said. "The world you have when you come back home to do what you want, go where you want without fear of getting killed — it's a great feeling."

And he said he respects even more a person's right to disagree.

"That's what U.S. democracy stands for," Dahlquist said. "You have more respect for freedom and democracy and the process that allows people to disagree. Over there, you'd get assassinated."

Webb said he'd like to think he didn't change all that much.

"You learn a little more about yourself, but I'm still the same old Chris that left," he said.

The soldiers have only been home a couple of months and are still getting used to life outside a war zone.

"I had some problems sleeping," Rodriguez said. "I'm used to it being fast-paced."

His daughter got engaged on New Year's Day. His 10-year-old son is going to college.

"I'm transitioning back to being a dad," Rodriguez said.

Woodall quit smoking the day he flew back into Boise. He said he ran out of cigarettes and just never bought another pack. He still finds himself waking up at 3 in the morning.

"I don't know what I'm wor-

ried about, which worries me."

The soldiers still think of themselves as "2nd Tank" even though the Army took their tanks away and made them infantry when they were deployed.

"Once you become 2nd Tank, you're 2nd Tank forever regardless of where you go," Rodriguez said. "It's a mindset — a way of life for us."

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Chili burger
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The house specialty is the chili burger, and it's easy to see why. The dish's grand presentation is worthy of an upscale restaurant, even though it costs only \$6.99.

They start with the bottom half of a hamburger bun. Then comes a hefty grilled beef patty. Instead of stacking the top half of the bun next, they slice the bread down the middle and

place it on either side of the hamburger. The whole thing is drowned in chili sauce (with lots of beans) and buried under lettuce and a mixture of shredded cheeses. Chunky salsa is served on the side.

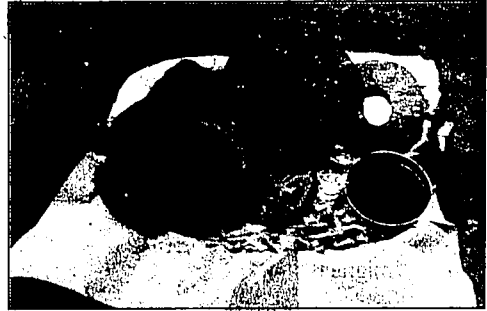
One man walked in, looked at my plate, and told the waitress, "I'll have what he's having," before he even sat down.

Now that is presentation.

And, yes, it tastes good, too. I was in and out in under 25 minutes — including the time it took to down three cups of piping-hot coffee, for \$1.

—Matt Christensen

Teriyaki burger
PRICE: \$6.49



I'm not sure I'd go for the teriyaki burger again, but I'm down with the onion rings with whatever I order on my next

visit to Grandstands. Even, Jill, if it's salad.

—Steve Crump

I'm constantly amazed by the variety of food served in restaurants that bears the adjective "teriyaki."

Real teriyaki (the term comes from the Japanese words for "flame" and "broil") is beef or chicken that has been marinated in a mixture of soy sauce, sake, sugar and seasonings, or a sauce made from those ingredients.

The latter was contained in a small plastic cup that was served on my plate at Grandstands in Buhl. The accompanying Teriyaki Burger consisted of a beef patty on a bun, garnished with melted cheese and a slice of pineapple and accompanied by a tomato slice and dill pickles.

It was tasty enough, but I'm not much for mixed metaphors for lunch.

The real treat — my deepest apologies to my friend, the nutritionist Jill Sherman Skeem — was the homemade onion rings that accompanied the burger.

Cooked properly, an onion ring will leave almost no grease on your fingertips when you pick it up. The deep-fried batter is supposed to seal all of the flavor — and yes, quite a bit of fat — inside.

Grandstands does onion rings superbly, served up — as Idaho hotpot demands — with your choice of ketchup or fry sauce.

Eat cheap

Hagerman & Buhl

Hungry on the West End? Perhaps you'll want a tasty meal that won't overtax your budget — and won't leave fast food crumbs in your car.

So three *Times-News* feature writers sought out a few of the restaurant meals around Buhl and Hagerman priced at under \$7, not including tax or tip. And we ate during the lunch rush to gauge how compatible these meals are with busy schedules.

But cheap and quick aren't the only things on a diner's mind. So we asked a local health counselor, Jill Sherman Skeem, to rate our choices — and to offer insight on getting a bigger nutrition bang for the restaurant buck.

You can nominate your favorite under-\$7 restaurant lunches — anywhere in Magic Valley — for future "Eat Cheap" features. E-mail your suggestions to virginia.hutchins@lee.net (with "Eat Cheap" in the subject line), or place a quick call to 735-3242.



Chicken sandwich
PRICE: \$6.95

Don't be fooled by the country music, the park-style booth benches or the wall decor (decays, anders, tafiderny) at Hagerman's Snake River Grill.

There's wine in the cooler by the cash register, and the chef who comes out of the kitchen to chat with the customers is Le Cordon Bleu-educated Kirt Martin.

Sure, you can order a burger at Snake River Grill, but Kirt makes alligator hors d'oeuvres, too — and five-course meals with French techniques. His restaurant rates a mention in most travel writing on southern Idaho.

Still, the grill's small-town familiarity is evident. A posted sign solicits used Christmas trees for fish habitat; drop them off at Kirt's house or put them in

the back of the Brat, the sign says. (Hagerman folks know the Brat is parked outside the restaurant. A house address apparently isn't needed.)

And it's certainly possible to eat for under \$7. I chose a \$6.95 charbroiled chicken sandwich, and instead of fries, I asked for the sauteed vegetables normally served with dinner, entrees. No problem.

That chicken sandwich on its toast bun was great, but it's the vegetables that I really relished. Carrots, zucchini, edamame beans, tomatoes and others, in a succulent saute that I'd have no idea how to reproduce at home.

I'd make a meal of those veggies any day.

—Virginia S. Hutchins

At Home Town Cookin' in Buhl the slogan is, "Food so good, you'd think we stole your mom."

I almost believed them.

I chose the \$4.99 club sandwich — from an extensive menu that includes burgers, grilled sandwiches, salads and meat loaf.

Layers of bacon, tomato, let-

tuce, turkey and mayo packed between three thick slices of toasted white bread. Mmm, good.

Not a mayonnaise lover, I worried the villainous substance would be seeping from the sandwich — often the case with clubs at other restaurants. Lucky for me, there was just enough mayo to give my meal a nice kick.

Nearly every lunch choice is a la carte, and I opted for the \$1.79 chili soup instead of fries, onion rings, tots or chips. I should have gone with onion rings.

Expecting the chili soup to be a savory Mexican dish, I was disappointed in the watered-down chili that arrived in the cup. Similar to chili, minus the heartiness.

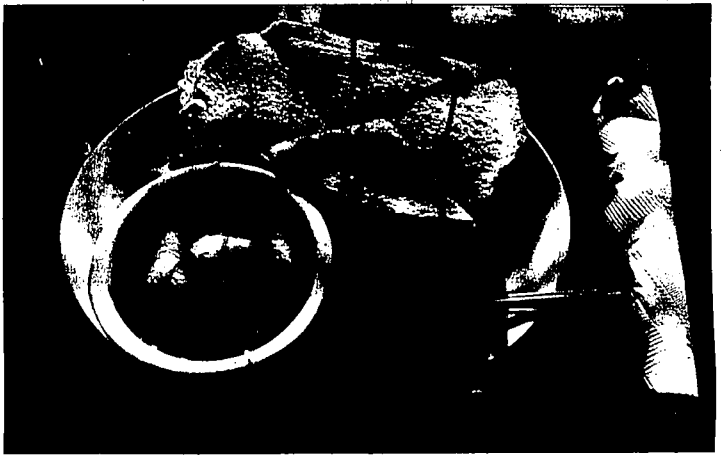
No matter, the sandwich more than made up for it, and I got plenty full.

Not a club lover? Don't worry: There are plenty of regulars on hand during the lunch hour to recommend another meal.

You're sure to find a lunch that'll give Mom a run for her money.

—Matt Christensen

Club sandwich and chili soup
PRICE: \$6.78



Trout filets
PRICE: \$6.95

From the gas pumps, convenience store and postcard rack, it's clear that Jackson's Country Korner caters to a traveling clientele.

Still, it's the kind of place — homey, clean and friendly — to keep the locals coming back. Alongside U.S. Highway 50 on the north side of Buhl, Jackson's puts on a cheerful face with sparkly red booths and '50s-style tables and chairs.

On my first visit to the diner, I wanted a taste of Buhl's famous fish. So I ordered the \$6.95 offering of Clear Springs Foods trout filets; they're served with fries, but Jackson's readily substituted green salad.

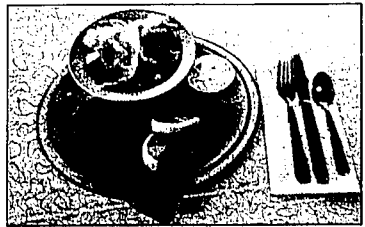
The "green" salad was mighty

pale for my liking, with only token tidbits of carrot and cabbage. With no other vinaigrette option, I settled for a fat-free Italian dressing but didn't like it.

The filets, however, I found plenty tasty. They were breaded, but leaving the skin behind eliminated half the breading. (That ought to earn me points with Jill Sherman Skeem, our "Eat Cheap" nutritionist, though she'll probably say I should have saved one of the filets for another meal. But the iceberg salad didn't appeal much, Jill, and I was hungry.)

Buhl trout seldom disappoints, and it lived up to its reputation this time.

—Virginia S. Hutchins



Sandwich with veggie saute is the best pick

Weight gain from the holiday season seems to be a common complaint, making January the biggest month for the diet and fitness industry. Remember: Diets do not work, but making healthier choices does.

With Americans eating out more than ever and childhood obesity on the rise, the choices we make are not just for ourselves but for our children. So instead of ordering from the kid's menu — which usually consists of hot dogs and fries, chicken fingers and fries, burg-

ers and fries, pizza or mac 'n' cheese — why not order a healthier entree from the adult menu? Either split it with them or among your children.

Feeding our children the same foods at every meal only increases their desire to eat

those foods, and the preference will continue into adulthood. Instead, think about the foods you choose to nourish yourself and your family every day and see if there are better choices you can make. Perhaps this will be the year you get healthier!

These suggestions regarding lunch choices are featured in *Times-News* reporters' featured lunches should help you make healthier choices the next time you dine out.

Chili burger

Matt Christensen, I can't believe you ate the whole thing!

Haven't I seen this on an Alka-Seltzer commercial? When I first saw this chili burger I was not sure what it was, so I hope the man who ordered it solely on presentation was a happy camper when he finished.

But how could you go wrong with beef, cheese, chili, bread, beans, salsa and lettuce to help cool things off?

This is the type of meal we crave in the winter. Eating longer-cooked and heartier dishes such as stews, chili or burgers keeps our internal

FOOD & HOME

Crockery slow cookers offer no-stir ease

I've already written several articles about the ease of use, the richness of flavor, and the forgiving nature of this type of cooking. But there may be some confusion about the kind of system to which I'm referring.

Recently a friend asked me the difference between a Crock-Pot and the cooker that has a rectangular-shaped pot on a heating base. Just so there isn't any confusion, I'd like to refer to the name of Crock-Pot. I refer to it and other removable-crockery cookers as slow cookers.

West Bend came out years ago with a flat heating base and a thinner metal pan with a non-stick finish. The convenience of this type of slow cooker is that the pan can be used on the stove, and a crockery pot cannot. I have both, and I like them both.

When I refer to a slow cooker, however, I'm usually thinking about the crockery one, not the flat heating base. I've had to be specific with the West Bend cooker, since it has a tendency to stick and cook a little unevenly. I often need the crockery cooker because I can't stir the contents.

As you will see here, the variety of dishes you can create is limited only by the ingredients you have on hand. So put the slow cooker on your wish list and discover just how easy this method can be.

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EASY BEEF CHILI

1 pound boneless beef round steak, trimmed of all fat and cut into 1/2-inch cubes
 1 1/2 tablespoons ground cumin
 2 tablespoons chili powder
 1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt
 3 garlic cloves, crushed through a press

1 (7-ounce) can diced green chilies
 1 medium onion, chopped
 1 (8-ounce) can chili beans, undrained

2 (15-ounce) cans black beans, rinsed and drained

1 (14 1/2-ounce) can diced peeled tomatoes

1 (12-ounce) can or 2 (6-ounce) cans tomato paste

In a 4- or 5-quart slow cooker, mix together the beef, cumin, chili powder, seasoned salt, garlic, chilies and onion. Add the chili beans, black beans, tomatoes with their liquid, and tomato paste.

Mix gently to avoid smashing the beans.

Cover and cook on the low heat setting about 5 hours, or until the beef is tender.

SLOW-COOKER ROASTED CHICKEN

1 (4-pound) chicken
 1/2 teaspoon paprika
 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme leaves
 1/2 teaspoon dried basil
 1/2 teaspoon Beut Monde seasoning
 1/2 teaspoon seasoned salt
 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
 1 tablespoon olive oil

Remove the giblets from the chicken. Remove as much fat and skin as possible. Rinse and drain the chicken; pat dry inside and out with paper towels. Mix all the seasonings with the olive oil to make a paste. Spread a little of the paste inside the cavity. Place the chicken, breast side up, in a 3 1/2- or 4-quart slow cooker. Spread the remaining seasoning over the top of the chicken.

Cover and cook 3 to 3 1/2 hours on the high heat setting or 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 hours on the low setting, until the chicken is cooked through and the juices run clear. Cut into pieces and serve immediately. Or cool slightly, remove the chicken from the bones, and use in pastas, salads or casseroles. If not using the broiled chicken immediately, refrigerate and use within a day or two. Reserve the juices in the bottom of the slow cooker. If desired, chop and move the fat, then use in making soup and sauces.

GROUND BEEF AND SAUSAGE WITH PASTA IN TOMATO CREAM SAUCE

1 pound lean ground beef
 3/4 pound milk and/or hot Italian sausages, casing removed
 2 medium onions, chopped
 2 large garlic cloves, minced
 1 (25-ounce) jar tomato and basil pasta sauce or spaghetti sauce with mushrooms
 1 (14 1/2-ounce) can diced peeled tomatoes
 1 1/2 tablespoons dried basil
 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil
 1/2 cup heavy cream
 3/4 pound tagliatelle or fettuccine noodles, cooked according to package directions and drained

Crumble the beef and sausages into a large, heavy skillet on top of the stove. Add the onions and cook over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally, until the meat is well browned, about 8 minutes. Drain off excess fat.

Transfer the meat mixture to a 3 1/2-quart slow cooker. Stir in the garlic, pasta sauce, tomatoes with their liquid, and dried basil. Cover and cook on the low heat setting, 4 to 4 1/2 hours. Stir in the fresh basil and cream. Spoon the sauce over the noodles and toss. Serve at once.

From "The Best Slow Cooker Cookbook Ever" by Natalie Haughton

Frittata makes a quick meal anytime

By Carole Kottlin Knight Rider News Service

Eggs are not served just for breakfast. In fact they often appear at my dinner table in an Italian dish called a frittata.

The frittata is often translated as "omelet," but it is actually quite different. An omelet is made quickly on top of the stove with eggs and seasonings, and then filled with a variety of ingredients before it is folded. A frittata incorporates the ingredients in the egg mixture and is finished in the oven. The omelet puffs and set into a golden cake that is cut into wedges and served hot or cold.

A frittata can be flavored with an assortment of vegetables and cheeses, even with meat or pasta. The filling is cooked first, and then the pan usually is wiped out before adding the eggs and filling combination. While the filling is cooking, prepare the eggs and grate the cheese. By the time the filling is cooked, the eggs are ready. Since temperature of the frittata doesn't matter, you can make it ahead of time.

Dinner doesn't get any easier than this. Frittatas are easy, but not without pitfalls. Follow these simple tips:

- Place the oven rack in the middle of your oven and pre-heat the oven to 400 degrees.
- Beat the eggs and season with the salt and pepper. Pour the egg mixture over the onion-potato mixture in the skillet and stir gently to combine.
- Reduce the heat to low, cover the skillet, and cook until the eggs are nearly set, about 5 minutes. Remove the cover and place the skillet under a broiler to brown the eggs lightly. Cut the frittata into wedges and serve immediately. Serves 8.
- Source: Adapted from "Culinary Institute of America: Breakfast and Brunches" by LeBar-Friedman Books, 2005, \$35.

FRIITATA WITH BACON AND POTATOES

12 ounces lean bacon, diced
 2 cups minced onions
 2 cups diced Yukon Gold potatoes (about 4)
 16 large eggs
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper to taste

Preheat the broiler. Cook the bacon in a large skillet over medium heat until crisp, 10-15 minutes. Pour off any excess fat. Leaving about 1 tablespoon of fat in the skillet, add the onions and saute them for 1 minute. Add the potatoes and continue to saute them until they are lightly brown, 12-15 minutes.

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body temperature warm to help us survive cold weather.

It is not natural to crave a hot, cold salad this time of year. So, Matt, at least your body is on the right track. However, downing three cups of coffee during this meal could cause you to wash down this behemoth burger instead of chewing it well. Are you taking a page out of our hamper's menu?

All I can say is, Matt, good thing you are still young!

Teriyaki burger

Steve, I think you would be surprised to learn that you are about your choice of onion rings.

Like tempura, the batter actually steams the onion, and deep-frying uses less oil than sauteing when done properly. We all need good-quality oil in our diet, because it helps produce our hormones and keeps us active. Deep-frying from time to time is a great way to get that oil. Not only is it very satisfying, but it provides good energy for physical and mental work such as writing weekly columns.

It is always better to make your own onion rings or tempura because you can control the oil that is used. Some restaurants still use oil that contains trans fatty acids. These acids are synthetic saturated fats known to contribute to cardiovascular disease and are linked to in-

flammation, diabetes, obesity, hypertension and even cancer.

Teriyaki sauce, original or not, can be very salty and leave you craving sweets, although the sweetness from the pineapple could help balance the salt. Instead of dipping the onion rings in ketchup or fry sauce, I would recommend the teriyaki sauce. The salt in the sauce will aid in the digestion of the oil in the onion rings.

Club sandwich and chili soup

Matt, since you are not a mayonnaise lover, you can substitute another condiment such as mustard for your club sandwich. It would be a healthier alternative because it does not contain saturated fat.

If there is an option regarding the bread for your sandwich, whole-wheat or whole-grain are always better than white bread because of the fiber they contain. Another way to improve this sandwich would be to leave off the bacon, but then it would be just a triple-decker turkey sandwich.

Soup normally is a good choice as a starter or side dish because it aids with digestion, and with this sandwich you would need all the help you can get. An easy way to lighten up a soup is to refuse the cheese garnish and stick with broth-based soups. Matt, I think with the size of this sandwich, you were

lucky the soup was on the lighter side.

Trout fillets

Virginia Hutchins, you must be reading my column! Requesting a salad instead of fries is always a better choice, although I agree that this salad was far from green.

Without a vinaigrette option, most restaurants do have oil and vinegar available as a dressing. I can understand why you did not like the fat-free dressing. Fat-free options contain so many chemicals and additives that they no longer taste like food.

I am a true believer in eating real food over fat-free, low-fat food. Your body knows how to utilize milk, cream, eggs, sugar, etc. (the contents of ice cream) but has no idea what to do with the chemicals and preservatives listed in so-called "healthy" foods. Real food will satisfy you, and you will eat less than you would of the "healthy" alternative.

Virginia, you were correct about our trout fillet being a good portion size. A side dish of rice or even a whole-grain roll would have helped balance the fish and fill you up. Then you could have taken the second fillet home for another meal.

Remember, lemon wedges are not just a garnish for fish. Lemon juice aids in the digestion of the fish and the oil. So squeeze a little bit on each piece.

Chicken sandwich

Virginia, substituting sauteed vegetables for fries was a much healthier option for this meal. Vegetables sauteed in oil is a great way to get oil into our diet and give us quick energy. When we deny ourselves fat, we eventually crave it and then eat bad fats such as potato chips, pizza or chocolate to satisfy the craving.

I noticed this sandwich came with mayo, so again choosing a healthier condiment such as mustard would have been a better option.

I think this meal was the most balanced and therefore the best pick of the bunch. The Snake River Grill, like most restaurants, is very accommodating about making substitutions. So don't be bashful, and request healthier choices when you dine out this year.

Now if only Steve and Matt would do the same!

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Can you use old nuts?

Knight Rider News Service

Question: We just moved into a new house and found several unopened packages of shelled pecans and walnuts in the freezer. I don't have any idea how old they are. Are they safe to use? I hate to throw out such a bonanza.

Answer: Sure, they're safe to use. Whether they taste good is the issue. To find out whether the nuts have freezer burn — which affects the quality but is not a safety issue — thaw some and taste. A slight case of freezer burn may be remedied by toasting the nuts at 350 degrees for 5 to 10 minutes, until they just begin to brown.

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THE FOOD FORECAST

What could be in store for us in 2006

The Washington Post

Just when you thought there wasn't room for any more information on those crowded food labels, guess again. The new year is bringing a slew of additional facts. The 11 million Americans with food allergies will gain plain-language labeling. Products with trans fat will be clearly marked. And the government is thinking

about having calories listed in larger print and requiring that nutritional information be included for an entire package, not just one serving.

Along with these changes, food forecasters are predicting some provocative trends, including such possibilities as Christian-raised chicken, and diet and beauty advice from experts as you shop for groceries.

Trend expert Faith Popcorn, keynote speaker at the recent Future of Food conference in Washington, and the person who predicted the "cocooning" craze of the 1990s, sees faith-friendly food showing up in the marketplace, an outgrowth of what her company calls "dinning," or the desire to belong to groups with common ideas.

Tyson Foods, which makes chicken, beef and pork products, already has begun offering free downloadable prayer booklets on its Web site. The booklets provide mealtime prayers in a variety of faiths.

Popcorn also told food executives at the conference, which was sponsored by the supermarket industry, that it's a myth women love

to grocery shop — they really hate it. They'd like a lot more, Popcorn said, if it were "an experience" in which they could participate, such as by talking to a nutritionist or beauty expert about new products.

Whether these predictions become reality, 2006 is bringing big changes for consumers. If you eat, you'll want to read about what's in store for you in the coming year.

The allergy aware: Specificity in labels

**By Carole Sugarman
Special to The Washington Post**

When Courtney Mulherin of Leesburg, Va., was a toddler, one of her parents' worst nightmares came true. Courtney, who has a milk allergy, had a severe allergic reaction at her day-care center after eating some food she was served that contained dairy, said her mother, Kim. The staff didn't realize that the "cereal" on the label was derived from milk.

Soon, kids with serious allergies like Courtney, now 11, may be spared some of the dangers of products that were labeled but were before Jan. 1, in the new year some changes will be noticeable on the grocery shelves:

• Common allergens labeled. If there are any egg, peanut, nut, fish, shellfish, wheat or soy in a product, the

label will have to say so. • Ingredients specified. The type of tree nut (such as almond, walnut), fish (bass, flounder, cod) or shellfish (crab, lobster, shrimp) will have to be listed.

• No more catchall phrases. Goodbye to non-descriptive words such as "artificial" or "natural" flavors, colors or additives. Labels with those ingredients also will have to specify which allergens they contain.

• The exceptions. The law applies only to food regulated by the Food and Drug Administration. Meat and poultry are

the domain of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and it plans to issue similar rules sometime this year. In the meantime, the USDA is encouraging meat and poultry companies to comply voluntarily, and some are doing so.

As for food sold in restaurants, don't expect to see allergen labeling. The same goes for fresh fruits and vegetables.

• Gluten rules coming. The estimated 3 million people who can't tolerate gluten, a protein found in wheat, barley and rye, will have their turn. The FDA is working on a regulation that would allow the voluntary use of the term "gluten-free" by 2008 if a product met certain standards. In the meantime, companies, using their own definition of gluten-free, are coming out with more such products.

• Common allergens labeled. If there are any egg, peanut, nut, fish, shellfish, wheat or soy in a product, the

Soon, kids with serious allergies may be spared some of the dangers of inadvertently eating something that can make them sick.

One-bite food is in

**By Candy Sagon
The Washington Post**

Corey Schuster, 27, of Washington, is a busy lawyer at Dickstein Shapiro Morin & Oschinsky with little time to cook. He eats dinner out with clients three or four times a week. Such is the life of a lawyer for dinner, but he also likes Kinkead's and Clydes. He buys lunch every day. Chains such as Panera, Potbelly and Subway are the choice for lunch at his desk.

The percentage of Americans like Schuster who dine out frequently is expected to grow in 2006, according to the National Restaurant Association. Some of the trends they'll be seeing on menus this year:

• Little is big. Baby burgers, teeny paninis, little lobster rolls — one-bite food is a trend, says Robin Ulter, senior vice president for food and beverage for the 2,700 Marriott International properties. Expect to see the smaller bites on lounge menus, at catered affairs, as appetizers. The "small plates" craze will also continue. "We've finally learned how to share," Ulter says.

• Buttercoats it back. Fast-food fans are rediscovering this old-time fave and turning it

into pot de creme, bourbon-spiked sauce and the ultimate American classic — butter-coated chicken pie.

• Eastern European comfort food. Sauerkraut, Hungarian goulash, stuffed cabbage — those long-ago dishes are making a trendy comeback, especially after a study touted sauerkraut's health properties in fighting off avian flu.

• Free samples. Just like the food samples at Costco, chefs will be sending out bite-size tastes of items on their menus to help you decide what to order.

• Fancier food in casual places. Bold flavors such as lemon grass and coconut, arisal goat cheese and blue cheese, different kinds of pestos — in other words, ingredients that were upscale a few years ago — are trickling down to the quick-serve and casual menus, says Maria Caranfil, an analyst with Market Research Group, which surveyed 350 restaurants including 350 chains and 50 of the country's top chefs for upcoming trends.

• Nutrition information on all wrappers of McDonald's food. More than you might want to know.

Trans fat on the wane

**By Carole Sugarman
Special to The Washington Post**

For years, Martha Solt never worried about her cholesterol level. "Then all of a sudden, boom! It went higher," says Solt, a 46-year-old economist at the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

The Bethesda, Md., resident's doctor suggested that she lose weight to see if that would help. It did. In six months she shed 30 pounds, and her cholesterol has dropped into the healthy range. And she did it by shopping carefully, reading labels and eating fresh, healthful foods — all of them boring strategies that work.

Solt's supermarket search is likely to get easier. In the coming year, health and weight-conscious shoppers like her will be able to find:

• Trans fat reduction. All food labels, effective Jan. 1, will list the amount of trans fat in products. The new law has spurred many food companies to reduce or eliminate trans fats, which are formed when liquid oils are made into solid fats and are responsible for raising the amount of bad cholesterol in the blood.

• Whole grains in unexpected

places. They'll be turning up in soups and pretzels and even in cookies, cakes and scones. The number of new whole-grain products doubled last year; you can expect more of the same in 2006. Look for the Whole Grains Council logo on products.

• Fattened foods for digestive health. Tropicana is introducing orange juice with extra fiber, for example. An eight-ounce glass has as much fiber as a medium-sized orange. Dannon is introducing Activia, a "probiotic yogurt" designed to help reduce "intestinal transit time" — in other words, constipation.

• Snacks in portion-controlled packages. Lots of 100-calorie packs from Nabisco (Oreo Thin Crisps, Ritz Snack Mix), Kellogg's and Kraft, plus Quaker Chewy Bars are slimming down from 120 calories to 90.

• Even more packaged products. Packaged salads such as Ready Pac's mixes of spinach and lettuce, will proliferate, as well as pre-washed and cut-up fruits and veggies and other convenient fresh products.

• Logos identifying healthier products. More companies will use logos to promote their healthier products, such as Kraft's Sensible Solution and Pepsi's Smart Spot lines.

More organic choices

**By Candy Sagon
The Washington Post**

Deirdra Speight, 32, is a former teacher, now a stay-at-home mom with four children, ages 9 to 4 months. She usually shops once or twice a week for groceries at a chain supermarket near her Laurel, Md., home.

What does she look for when shopping? Price is important, she says, but more important is high-quality, healthy food for her kids. Although she cooks most of the family's meals — including a hot breakfast every morning — she wants to be able to buy prepared food a couple of times a week when the kids' activities leave little time to prepare dinner.

Here's what she and others shopping for a family can expect to see at the supermarket in the coming year:

• More organics. Ragu, Orville Redenbacher and Ocean Spray added organic items in 2005. Expect to see more mainstream brands follow their lead in 2006. Supermarkets are developing their own organic house brands. Organic sales growth is huge, says Perry Abbene, the national grocery buyer for the Whole Foods chain. Expect to see more organic chocolate (important because the cocoa plant is one of the most heavily sprayed with pesticides, he says), organic cotton in paper products (such as swabs, cotton balls and tampons) — there's even been talk of organic water.

• Acai is the new pomegranate. First it was blueberries that were full of anti-aging antioxidants, then pomegranate juice became the health drink sensation of 2005 (introduced in

2003, sales hit \$50 million last year). It appears the next super-good-for-you fruit will be the Brazilian acai (ah-SHAY-ee). It's already showing up in Boston Nova Acai Juice and in smoothies.

• Dinner already prepared. The Grocery Manufacturing Association says more than 50 percent of Americans consider a "homemade" dinner one that combines fresh and convenience foods, so expect to see more dinner-ready items at your supermarket (add a salad and you've "made" dinner). What kind of prepared food do we like? Three out of four Americans eat Chinese, Italian and Mexican food both at restaurants and at home, according to a 2005 survey by Parade magazine.

• Chocolate is hot. Dark chocolate, boutique-brand chocolate, gourmet chocolate — it's going to be a sweet year for chocoholics. Why else would behemoth Hershey buy the tiny Berkeley, Calif., chocolatier Scharffen Berger? Expect to see even more traditional milk chocolate products going "dark" with labels that list the percentage of cocoa (semisweet is about 40 percent, bittersweet is 60 percent or above). Also, more "drinking chocolate" products are made with gourmet chocolate.

• Building on the boomers. Americans ages 41 to 59 represent more than \$2 trillion in spending power. In the supermarket, that will translate to bigger print on labels, more sit-down areas, smaller packages for empty nesters, more nutritional information and lower shelves, says David Orgel, editor in chief of Supermarket News.

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Some fireplaces make homes feel colder

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—Thomas M.
DEAR THOMAS: If you have a standard open masonry fireplace, your house may actually be colder than if you did not burn a fire. Although the room with the fireplace may be very warm when a fire is burning, overall, more heat is being drawn from the rest of your house and lost up the chimney.



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Decorative cast iron fireback is placed in the rear of an open fireplace to radiate more heat out into the room.

What makes things worse is most chimneys dampers do not seal well and already heated room air is sucked up your chimney 24 hours each day. When you are not using your fireplace, insert an inflatable chimney balloon (also called chimney pillow) into the top to seal it. Battic Door makes an easy-to-install one. There are also chimney-top dampers which operate from inside the house. When your fire is burning, your goals are to minimize the amount of heated room air lost up the chimney and to maximize the amount of heat that goes into the room. You will always lose some heated room air be-

cause the fire does need combustion air. If you reduce the combustion air too much, this will hinder the combustion process and create excessive creosote deposits.

Tight-sealing fireplace glass doors are one way to improve your fireplace efficiency. If you do not have an air circulation blower in your fireplace, the only heat you get from it is radiant heat. A large glass area will transfer the most radiant heat to the room. Good-quality fireplace doors have adjustable slots to control the amount of

combustion air. If you burn your fireplace often, it makes economic sense to invest in a heat-circulating grate. These are add-on devices which circulate room air through pipes in the fire. Models with a built-in thermostat and variable-speed fan provide the best heat control and efficiency. The fronts of some are less than 1.5 inches high, so they fit neatly under tight-sealing glass doors.

If you have access from a crawl space or basement beneath the fireplace, run a duct

from outdoors to the front of the fireplace. Install a tight-sealing adjustable register cover over it. When burning a fire, open the register so outdoor air will be drawn in for combustion. This reduces the amount of heated room air being drawn from your home.

If someone seldom uses his fireplace, but particularly likes having the glass doors open, crack open a window in that room for combustion air. Placing a heavy cast iron plate (fireback) in the back of the fireplace radiates more heat out into the room. Firebacks have decorative patterns in the face.

DEAR JIM: I can feel a lot of heat coming from the dishwasher, but the kitchen is plenty warm. Is there a good way to duct this heat to other rooms in my house where the heat is needed more?

—Miles T.
DEAR MILES: I don't know of a good way to duct that dishwasher heat throughout your home. If you do your dishwashing and clothes washing at the same time, you might run your furnace blower to distribute all the warm air.

The best way to save energy when using your dishwasher is to wait until you have a full load and set it for the shortest cycle which is effective. Also, open the door and let the dishes air dry instead of using the heating element.

Send inquiries to James Dullea, 6306 Royalgreen Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45234 or visit www.dullea.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Taste of Home Cooking School comes to Twin Falls

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Comfort food. That certain dish that makes you feel warm and safe or reminds you of a sweet memory.

Special meals can be the foundation of many a family tradition. The *Times-News* and the Taste of Home Cooking School are mixing up a batch of recipes sure to become family favorites. The April 27 event at Roper Auditorium in Twin Falls will

feature home economist Sunni Renshaw, a nationally recognized member of the Taste of Home Cooking School staff.

The school will offer recipes, cooking tips, product information and coupons. Organizers are also planning a trade show for that date to offer local resources for area cooks.

Details are coming. Watch for updates on our Web site and cooking club Web-log at www.magicvalley.com — just click on the blue "blog" icon.

How to cook up some vegetarian love

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A class next week can teach you how to assemble a five-course meal full of local and seasonal offerings sure to delight the senses of the ones you love, organizers say.

And in plenty of time for you to plan that special day. The "Vegetarian Valentine's Cooking Class" is set for 6 to 9 p.m. Jan. 10 at Plum Natural Or-

ganic Market, at 149 Main Ave. E., Suite C (in the Rogerson Plaza), in Twin Falls. Valerie Metzger and LuAnn Sites will instruct.

Cost is \$25 per person. The evening's menu: tempah-stuffed mushrooms; savory squash soup; cabbage-beet salad; armpis with winter greens and almond sauce; and chocolate petit fours with raspberry sauce.

To register, call 837-6462.

Soup-making class will help ward off the cold

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Spring is a long way off, but a class next week is sure to ward off winter's chill.

Kirt Martin — chef of Hagerman's Snake River Grill — will teach "Soup to Warm the Soul" from 7 to 9 p.m. Jan. 18 at Rudy's — A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W. in Twin Falls. Cost is \$35.

Martin will teach a variety of soups that you'll be able to recreate easily at home, organ-

izers say. The class menu: roasted butternut squash and sweet potato and garlic soup; Gulf Coast seafood gumbo; chicken and five-cheese tortellini minestrone; and cheese and vegetable powder.

A third-generation chef, Martin graduated from a Le Cordon Bleu school in Ontario, Canada, and is known for his wild game dishes prepared in a classic French style.

To sign up, call Rudy's at 733-5477.

Rambling Colorado a beautiful bungalow

Associated Designs

Craftsman-style bungalows reached their peak of popularity in the early 1900s. The Colorado is such an attractive update of that style that it's hard to stop looking at it.

Decorative wooden corbels accent gable peaks and lower rooflines. Simple stickwork highlights the vaulted porch. The shingles fill the upper sections of front gables, and Craftsman-style windows sparkle across a front facade underscored by stone veneer wainscoting.

Constructing this home on land that slopes down at the back creates the space needed for a daylight basement and covered patio below the wrap-around suspended deck on the main floor.

Cañing spaces and a master suite fill the rambling main floor. Atrium doors in the bright, vaulted living room access the suspended deck as do similar doors in the master suite and screened porch. This home is clearly designed for easy access to outdoor living. The living room has a masonry fireplace and large home entertainment center. A two-sided fireplace can be enjoyed from both the den and the kitchen.

Range and oven are built into the large work island at the center of this spacious kitchen. A raised conversation bar rims one edge. Other notable features include two built-in desks, sinks in two areas, and a sunny nook with a long window seat nestled into its bay window.

A vaulted ceiling expands the well-appointed owner's suite. It boasts two walk-in closets, one much larger than the other. Even more impressive, it has two interconnected owners' bathrooms, each with its own shower, vanity and toilet!

Two more bedrooms are upstairs, an either side of the Colorado's vaulted loft. Each has its own bathroom.

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Houseplants can even be 'trendy'

By Denise Cowie
Knight Ridder News Service

Like her royal namesake, Victoria is an imposing presence. When she moves into Lynn Cook and Trey Ray's house in Penn Valley each fall, there's no ignoring her.

With a six-foot floor span, she takes up most of the space. She may have her own traveling coat and a blue ribbon from the Philadelphia Flower Show, but Victoria (more officially known as *Polypodium aureum* Mandaniana) is a tropical fern who spends her winters inside. In other words, a houseplant.

And as such, this 31-year-old grande dame could add "trendy" to her list of attributes. Because as the lines between decorating indoors and outdoors continue to blur, houseplants are back in vogue.

New books about them pop up in stores. And a trends report done for the Garden Writers Association Foundation shows that 37 percent of "households with a lawn or garden" (or about four in five) are growing houseplants, up a couple of percentage points over last year.

"We gave them as holiday gifts, too, the researchers say — to family, friends, or business as-

Tips and tomes

Is there a houseplant in your future? Gardening expert Ellen Zachos, who has written books on growing orchids and tropical plants, offers a few tips to make that first experience successful.

- **Assess the available light** in your home before you buy plants. Turn off all the electric lights and see how much natural light comes in on a sunny day. Choose plants that need that light level.
- **Select plants that fit your schedule.** If a plant is intended for a weekend home, for instance, choose something that needs attention only once every week or two.
- **Don't overwater.** The No. 1 killer of houseplants in America, says Zachos, who devotes a chapter to watering in her book, "Tempting Tropics."

- **Buy boyas,** which are drought-tolerant, almost succulents. Not only do they flower, but there are many different kinds with attractive

leaves.

- **Learn as much as you can** about the plants you grow. "People say to me, 'Oh, I kill everything.' I have no patience with that," says Zachos. "It's like a recipe — just follow the directions, and you'll be fine."

More details about growing houseplants are available in these new books:

- **"The Complete Houseplant Survival Manual: Essential Know-How for Keeping (Not Killing) More Than 360 Indoor Plants"** by Barbara Pleasant (Storey Publishing, \$24.95).
- **"Complete Houseplant Handbook"** by Peter McHoy (Southwest, \$19.99).
- **"The Indoor Plant Bible: The Essential Guide to Choosing and Caring for Indoor, Greenhouse, and Patio Plants"** by Dorie Nissen (Barrons Educational Series, \$22.95).

who splits her time between a studio in New York and a house outside Milford, Pa., that she shares with her husband and more than 300 houseplants.

"And it all ties in with the Internet, too, because channels of communication have improved," she says. "If you go online and type in houseplants, you get all these special-interest groups and chat rooms."

Some of the plants she profiles in her book "are really wild-looking (things) I don't think you would have found even five years ago," Zachos says. But others, like the so-called east-tan plant (also known as nepenthes), are old favorites that are enjoying a renaissance.

People start growing houseplants not only because they're beautiful "but because it's an easy way to start decorating an apartment if you don't have a lot of money," she says. "It softens a line, it brings something alive into your home, and it improves the air quality."

"And it is nurturing. As life gets more mechanized, people's hobbies tend to be more home-spun... It's a balance. Growing plants is low-tech. It's grounded. It's natural — all you need is a bag of dirt, a pot and a plant."

Curry powder makes pot pie interesting

By Linda Gassenheimer
Knight Ridder News Service

Roasted or other cooked chicken breast is used for quick and easy curried chicken pot pie. Pot pies are warm and inviting. Curry powder added to the sauce gives this one an intriguing flavor. Using prepared ingredients from the supermarket, you can put it together in minutes. It's a one-pot meal that only takes 30 minutes to make.

To shorten the cooking time, sprinkle seasoned bread crumbs over the ingredients instead of a pie crust and bake 10 minutes. If you like, open a washed, ready-to-eat bag of salad to go with it.

Wine suggestion: This spicy dish needs a rich white chardonnay.

CURRIED CHICKEN POT PIE

- 1 tablespoon canola oil
- 1/2 tablespoon mild curry powder
- 1 1/2 cups frozen diced onion
- 1 1/2 cups frozen diced green bell pepper

- 1/4 pound dried baby bella mushrooms (about 1 1/2 cups)
- 2 tablespoons flour
- 1 cup fat-free, low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 cup frozen peas
- Salt and freshly ground pepper

3/4 pound cooked chicken breast meat, cut into bite-size pieces (about 3 1/2 cups)

1 ready-to-bake pie crust

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Heat the oil in a large nonstick skillet over medium-high. Add the curry powder, onion, green pepper and mushrooms. Sauté 5 minutes. Stir in the flour and then the chicken broth. Simmer to thicken, about 1 minute. Stir in the peas and salt and pepper to taste.

Place chicken in a deep pie dish) or a soufflé dish about 6 inches in diameter. Pour the sauce over the chicken and mix well. Place the pie crust over the top, cutting away and discarding any excess. Prick it with a fork in several places. Bake 20 minutes. Serve immediately. Makes 2 servings.

sociates.

None of this surprises Ellen Zachos, whose book "Tempting Tropics: 175 Irresistible Indoor Plants" (Timber Press, \$29.95) will be published in October. Zachos, who runs a boutique horticultural-services company in New York and is coordinator of the gardening program in continuing education at the New York Botanical

Garden, thinks interest has increased as the availability of more interesting and unusual plants has burgeoned.

"People can mail-order whatever they want — they don't have to rely on whatever is available (locally)," says Zachos.

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Citrus packs a punch of healthful vitamin C

By Jill Wendholt Silva
Knight Ridder News Service

When winter skies turn gray and cold, citrus shines.

Even school-age children know that oranges, bursting with tangy juice, supply a whopping dose of vitamin C. But few adults know that a single orange contains 170 phytonutrients, including zeaxanthin and lutein, which prevent macular degeneration, a leading cause of blindness after age 65.

Drinking juice is a convenient way to ingest all these good-for-you nutrients, and the Star's Winter Citrus Salad adds another way to enjoy the bounty of citrus fruits. We've paired oranges with red grapefruit segments, which contain lycopene, a phytonutrient that protects against prostate and lung cancer.

The citrus embellishes richly colored lettuce varieties, such as the sweet and tender Bibb and the slightly bitter endive. Next we added straws of jicama, a sweet, crunchy vegetable with creamy white flesh and an apple-like texture that is low in calories and sodium, contains no fat or cholesterol, provides fiber and is also a good source of vitamin C and potassium.

As any dieter knows, a pristine salad can quickly become less than a health food if calorie-high dressings are drizzled over the top. Instead, we opted for a splash of orange juice to echo the salad's star garnish, then melted it with an apricot fruit spread for a flavor-packed yet low-calorie vinaigrette.

Shopping tip: Jicama (pronounced HEE-kama) is shaped like a turnip. Known as the Mexican potato, it is found in Latin markets and most supermarket produce departments. It should be peeled before using. Raw jicama strips are frequently available on salad bars.

Cooking tip: To segment an orange or grapefruit, slice off the bottom and top so it rests flat on the cutting board. Using a sharp paring knife, follow the contour

of the fruit and slice off all the rind, including the bitter white pith. Working over a bowl, slip the blade between two membranes between each section and separate the flesh, allowing it to fall into the bowl.

Storage tip: Oranges and grapefruits should be refrigerated, but they will keep for up to two weeks. Jicama can be stored in a plastic bag in the vegetable bin for up to two weeks.

Pump it up: Freshly squeezed orange juice is more nutritious than frozen or bottled juices. One medium orange should yield 1/3 to 1/2 cup juice.

WINTER CITRUS SALAD

- Makes 8 servings
- 1/3 cup apricot all-fruit spread
 - 3 tablespoons orange juice
 - 1 tablespoon tarragon-flavored white wine vinegar
 - 1 teaspoon olive oil
 - 1 teaspoon honey
 - Salt and pepper to taste
 - 6 cups torn Bibb lettuce
 - 2 cups torn curly endive
 - 2 oranges, peeled and cut into segments
 - 1 red grapefruit, peeled and cut into segments
 - 1 cup peeled jicama-sliced jicama

Whisk together apricot fruit spread, orange juice, vinegar, olive oil and honey. Season to taste with salt and pepper; set aside.

Place torn lettuce in large salad bowl. Add oranges, grapefruit and jicama; toss to combine. Drizzle with dressing and toss to coat.

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B.C. By Johnny Hart

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A DEMOCRACY AND AN AUTOCRACY?

YES, JOHNNY...

IN AN AUTOCRACY ONLY ONE MAN IS PICKING YOUR POCKET.

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

WAAAAAAAAAAAAA!

WAAAAAAAAAAAAA!

YOU'D BETTER GO SEE HANK'S WIFE. THE SAND IS BACK!

OKAY

HEY!

Baldo By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

HEY, GALEY, IT'S BALDO. DO YOU CALL?

I DON'T LIKE IT WHEN PEOPLE DON'T ANSWER THEIR PHONE.

WELL, I'M NOT TOO GOOD ABOUT HANG-UPS.

THIS RELATIONSHIP HAS SERIOUS PHONE ISSUES.

Brevity By Guy & Rodd

MAN, THESE RUINS ARE SPECTACULAR!

HEY, THAT'S MY HOUSE... I BUILT IT MYSELF!

Didert By Scott Adams

I'LL SHOW YOU HOW TO SPEND YOUR GOLDEN YEARS ON THE GOLF COURSE.

GET A JOB CADDYING FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BETTER JOBS THAN YOU.

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Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau

SO WHY DIDN'T YOU ASK ME TO BE YOUR HOUSE NUMBER 1, AM I?

BECAUSE HE'S GOT A PATENTED DEVICE TO GET INTO.

LIED ABOUT IT!

OH, MY! YOU'RE RIGHT!

AND YOU'D BETTER BELIEVE I DON'T WANT THEM!

THESE AREN'T YOURS TO TAKE CARE OF!

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Troise

The Elderberry Gossip Club is proud to announce that the winner of the "Most Rumors in a Year" category is Murie! Paris!

I object!

She made use of email to spread her rumors instead of telephone or word-of-mouth!

She used an anti-rumor technological advantage!

Your objection is noted, Ethyl!

It defeats the air form!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

WHO'D YOU WANT TO DATE? I'D LIKE TO DATE YOU!

I CAN'T MATCH THIS! I GOT TOO MUCH TO DO!

ALL HELP CLEAN UP UP BOYS GO TO THE TUBS!

YOU'RE GOING TO WHOPPER TOO, GARDEN? I'M IN THE BAGGAGE!

DEANNA ASKED ME TO GET WITH HER. DO YOU POLITE?

YOU LEAVING?

GUESS SHE'S NOT TOO SHY!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

I'M HOME-SCHOOLING HIM.

Your objection is noted, Ethyl!

Luann By Greg Evans

GOOD MORNING! WHAT A GLORIOUS DAY! IT'S WONDERFUL TO BE ALIVE!

I'M TRYING TO GET OUT OF YOUR GLORIOUS OPTIMISM PERSONA? HOW'S IT COMING?

WELL, IT'S BEEN 27 MINUTES AND I'M ALREADY EXHAUSTED. NO WAY CAN I KEEP THIS UP!

I'M GREAT! EVERYTHING'S LOOKING UP! UP UP UP! HA HA!

I'M STARTING TO FEEL A BIT EQUALIZED AGAIN!

Millard Fillmore By Bruce Tinsley

I'LL CONTINUE TO ACT MORE CONSERVATIVE... AND "DANCE WITH THE GIBS WHO BRING ME," RATHER THAN PLACATING FOLKS WHO GIVEN THE CHANCE, WOULD'VE HUNG ME.

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

GEE, TERRA, I LOVE THE PLASTIC FLAMINGO YOU PUT ON YOUR LAWN.

WHY WOULD SOMEONE DO THAT?

NO IDEA... THEY'RE WORTH PRACTICALLY NOTHING.

WAY TO GO LARRY! WAY TO GO!!

Me can taste already.

Pickles By Brian Crane

SO DAD, DID YOU HELP DAD SELL HIS OLD NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MAGAZINES ON EBAY?

WELL, YES AND NO. I HELPED HIM SELL THEM, BUT NOT ON EBAY.

NOT ON EBAY? THEN HOW?

OH, I BOUGHT THEM.

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

CORKY! WHAT'S UP?

HOW DOES IT HANDLE TURNING?

GEORGETT! GEORGETT!

DID YOU GET TO BRELIV?

ABOUT HIS NEW SHIN BLOWER?

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

IT'S BEING WRONG FOR YOU TO HAVE GIBS OF HONORARY EVERY NIGHT SERVING

IT'S NOT JUST ME, NICK EVERYBODY HAS IT.

THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT IS

AND THE AP CLASSES ONLY MAKE IT WORSE

THEN IT'S GOING TO BE LIKE THIS ALL THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL?

YEAH, MOST OF US ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO STARTING COLLEGE SO WE CAN GET SOME REST

Non Sequitur By Wiley

OK...MISTAKES WERE MADE. BUT IF I KNEW THEN WHAT I KNOW NOW, I'D DO THE SAME THING. AS I STILL BELIEVE IT WAS THE RIGHT COURSE...

WHEN THE CHOICE IS MADE ON WHO GETS EATEN FIRST

Strange Brew By John Deering

I WAS UP AND DOWN ALL NIGHT.

Speak up but listen, too, Taurus

IF JAN. 11 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: In the year ahead you will find that projects and initiatives already put into motion will tend to remain in motion and you can bank on past success being repeated. You may experience startling insights in May when you are open to new ideas and willing to make changes or circumstances force you to alter your current work patterns. Enjoy some well-deserved rewards in August — take a vacation or launch a new business project while optimism, fearlessness and opportunity link hands in early October avoid making crucial decisions that may weigh you down.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): When we plant one seed with care and attention, watch over it and nurture it, that seed is more likely to grow and flourish than the many seeds scattered to the winds for chance to tend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Speak your mind. Get to the root of any matter by being willing to listen, as well. Those in close association may be in the mood to confide in you or entrust you with private information.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): A chance conversation can light a fire under your moneymaking abilities or kindle the flames of spending.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Think deeply. Love always boils in the mind. Whatever excites your passion will first planted by a thought. If your desire is to make money, concentrate on the details of earning.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Tend your garden. Everything of value requires careful attention and devoted attention or it becomes neglected. If you wish to be loved, find ways to be more lovable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You have heard the old adage that to move a mountain one must start by carrying small stones. Whatever goals you have set are entirely possible if you begin with the small things.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Work your way to the top. It doesn't take a stroke of genius to see that those who succeed usually put a lot of effort and determination into getting there. Stick to whatever you are doing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your true talents will shine just as brightly without grabbing someone by the arm and forcing them to notice. True talent is always recognized at the right time and in the right place.

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desire. Mysteries and secrets can grab hold of your imagination and stir your interest.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): The stars may cause you to ponder the interconnectedness of people, places and things. Paint a picture drawn from light conversations and take a hint from the synchronicity of events.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): While the sun shines in Capricorn, you may be more determined than ever to succeed and anxious to excel at your career or business. Remember that you are happiest doing what you do well.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Investigating the secrets of life may hold your attention. It might be a scientific breakthrough that provokes your thought processes or just the local gossip that sets your antennae tingling.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Apply brain power and overcome financial inertia. Scrutinize your bank account and research ways to make your dollars have more cents. A passing fancy may lure you into

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

1. GIZMO SAYS YOU REFUSE TO GO OUT WITH HIM. 2. RIGHT! 3. NOT UNLESS YOU CUT OFF ALL COMMUNICATION WITH THE OUTSIDE WORLD! 4. GREENE! 5. MOORE! 6. WALKER!

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

1. THE NCAA SAID THE FIRESTORMS HAVE TO CHANGE THEIR MASCOT NEXT SEASON. 2. HOW COME? 3. THEY'VE RECEIVED SEVERAL COMPLAINTS FROM ASSISTS. 4. BOY, OH BOY... THE TIMES SURE ARE A-CHANGIN'. 5. YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

1. HOW RICH DO YOU THINK VEEBLEFESTER IS? 2. HE'S SO RICH... 3. MY CHOLESTEROL GOES UP JUST BEING IN THE SAME ROOM WITH HIM!

Garfield By Jim Davis

1. DINNER WILL BE A LITTLE LATE. 2. "ROAST PUMPKIN" TAKES TIME TO PREPARE.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

1. YOU'LL LIKE THIS PLACE! 2. IT'S VERY SOPHISTICATED! 3. GOOD MORNING, GENTLEMEN... 4. WILL YOU HAVE A COFFEE WITH BEFORE BREAKFAST? 5. SEE?

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

1. TRINIE! IT'S LIKE A ZOO IN HERE! DO YOU LIKE LIVING IN A PIG STY? 2. WELL, I ALWAYS HAVE BEEN FOND OF ANIMALS!

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

1. SCHROEDER DO YOU LIKE DOGS? 2. OH YES... I'M A GREAT DOG LOVER! 3. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THIS IS A BETTER WORLD BECAUSE OF THE PRESENCE OF DOGS. 4. FREE!

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

1. DO YOU FEEL THE KING IS DOING A BAD JOB, TERRIBLE JOB OR ROTTEN JOB? 2. WHAT KIND OF POLL IS THAT? 3. A MINORITY PARTY POLL.

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketcham

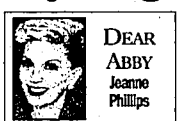
1. HOW MUCH MORE DO I NEED TO HAVE A MILLION DOLLARS?

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keane

1. "Are we gonna add color or just leave him black and white?"

Perplexed boss is at a loss over friendly forger on staff

DEAR ABBY: I have owned a business for 13 years. Recently one of my employees forged a customer's check in the amount of \$1,000. I have tried to talk to him and ask why, and I have threatened to go to the police. I have more than just a working relationship. We did a lot of things together outside of work, but never had a social relationship. This man worked for me for more than two years and, other than this crime, was a perfect employee. He insists that he did not forget that he had cashed at the customer's bank and tries to justify it by saying he felt he "deserved" the "extra" money. I always paid him on time and gave him many extra perks. Please help me.



restaurant for dinner. We were to meet in the lobby of the restaurant at 7 p.m. We arrived a couple of minutes before the appointed time.

Checking with the hostess, we found that a table for four had been reserved, and she offered to seat us even though our friends had not yet arrived.

My date said we should have been seated so we could wait for our friends, who were 10 minutes late. I disagreed, pointing out that for us to be seated would have been a breach of etiquette because it emphasized that our friends were late.

TOIM IN TENNESSEE
DEAR TOM: It appears you were more concerned about the comfort of your hosts than the comfort of your date. As hosts, the couple who invited you should have been on hand to greet you. How long did you intend to stand around? After all, you had no idea if they'd be held up for 10 minutes or for 30 minutes — and your date was

probably standing there in high heels.

To have taken the hostess up on her kind offer would not have been a breach of etiquette; it would have shown consideration for your date.

DEAR ABBY: My fiancée, "Thornton," and I are being married in two months. This is a second (and final) marriage for both of us. We dated for several years and went to counseling so that this marriage would last and our love would stay strong. We both have children from our first marriages who are excited about the wedding.

"Thornton and I are in disagreement, however, about whether or not to invite our ex-spouses — although we remain friendly with them. Please tell me the appropriate thing to do.

—**ABOUT TO BE WED**
IN HOUSTON
DEAR ABOUT TO BE WED: Generally speaking, if the relationship between the ex-spouses is cordial — and emotionally disconnected enough — I see nothing wrong with inviting them to the wedding. However, in your case, because there is disagreement on the subject, it would be the better part of wisdom to set sail on the sea of matrimony without the exes standing on the dock.

—LOST BIG-TIME
DEAR LOST BIG-TIME: Wake up! Your "perfect employee" is a thief, a forger and a sociopath. He may be a charmer — aren't they all? — but that what has enabled him to reach the point he has. For your own emotional well-being and for the sake of your business, please tell the police what you have learned. If you don't, the next person to be bumped will be you. Bank on it!

DEAR ABBY: A couple invited my date and me to an expensive

Man stuck in washing machine gets rescued by fire department

SYDNEY, Australia — A man had to be rescued after becoming wedged in a washing machine while playing a game with his children, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

A fire officer pulled Robin Toom, 39, out of the machine after Toom became trapped while playing hide-and-seek, according to Sydney's Daily Telegraph.

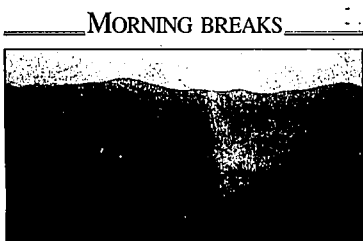
Toom hopped in there and couldn't even get the lid down and the kids came in and said, 'Ha, ha! We found you.' Toom told the newspaper.

Toom, of the Queensland City of Townsville, waited for an hour with his knees pressed to his chest before being rescued by local fire and rescue member Dave Dillon, the paper reported.

Rather than dismantling the washer, Dillon reached into the machine and pulled out Toom's wedged foot.

Toom said he planned to change the rules of hide-and-seek for his children.

"I hope they don't go hiding in any washing machines now," he said.



The sun rises over the mountains, through the fog, Tuesday, in Bakersfield, Calif., off Highway 178.

MORNING BREAKS

Odds & Ends

Police said the robber gave the clerk a bag and demanded money while holding one hand in his pocket as if he had a weapon. The clerk pushed an alarm that summoned police.

Officers used a video surveillance system to identify Harris as a suspect, and a witness told them he saw a man from the store to a car, according to a criminal complaint.

Police saw a car matching the description, stopped it and found Harris inside, along with cigarettes and cash from the store, authorities said.

Harris remains in jail in lieu of \$10,000 bail.

Repeat offender gets caught offending again

GREEN BAY, Wis. — A man already on probation after robbing the same place multiple times is accused of doing it again.

Christopher Harris, 19, of Green Bay, was charged with armed robbery Monday in the holdups at the Astor Park Mini Mart.

Harris was serving five years' probation after spending about a year in jail on two counts of armed robbery. That case involved stickups at the East Mason Shell station three times over six days in July 2004.

In the latest case, police said they apprehended Harris after a robbery Sunday night. Clerks told officers the same man also robbed the store around 6 a.m.

City will plant maples in residents' yards for free

CHARDON, Ohio — Here's a sweet deal for residents: The city will plant sugar maples on some lawns for free.

City Council members voted last week to spend \$3,000 in local tax dollars to plant trees in hopes of halting the decline of

the community's sugar maples. "We're hoping people will see the value in this and agree to let the city plant a sugar maple in their yard," said Ken Hill, chairman of the city's Shad Tree Commission. "We all benefit from the beauty of these trees. It's part of the ambience of this town, and that's not something we want to lose."

Over the past 15 years, this community has 25 miles east of Cleveland lost some of the number of sugar maples along streets dwindled by about 200, to just under 100 trees.

The city has tried to plant replacement trees on public land but the maples' roots were confined by the surrounding pavement, and salt that splashed up from icy roads damaged tree trunks.

Miller said.

The city plans to plant about two dozen trees this summer and provide follow-up care for at least two years before turning responsibility over to the homeowner.

— compiled from wire reports

Muscatel — it's an interesting word

In Italian, muscatel means "wine with flies in it."

This day in history: On Jan. 11, 1935, Amelia Earhart took off from Honolulu with the goal of being the first woman to fly solo from Hawaii to the mainland. The next day, she and her plane successfully landed in Oakland, Calif.

If you work in a typical large corporation, count out 431 of your fellow workers and combine their salaries. The figure you get will just about equal your chief executive officer's salary.

Let us take a moment to think sweet thoughts of Ruth Wakefield. She's the person who, in the 1930s, accidentally invented the chocolate chip cookie. She had thought the chocolate chunks would blend into the cookie dough when they melted. They didn't, but nobody who tasted the "defective" chocolate cookies



complicated.

Many familiar with her sultry voice don't know that actress Marlene Dietrich was very musically talented. She was proficient with the piano, violin, mandolin and the musical saw.

Early American natives began building pyramids near the end of the period when Egyptians were constructing theirs. The American ones, though, were flat on top and were built for cultural and religious ceremonies, not as tombs.

Soda water was once thought

to be intoxicating, which is why in the 1890s some municipalities forbid its consumption on Sundays. A creative soda jerk decided to serve flavored syrups on ice cream without the soda water, and thus gave birth to the "ice-cream Sunday." The dish got popular on any day, and the name became "Sunday."

In ancient Egypt, pet owners decorated their cats with gold earrings.

One story has it that the prototype lifesaver candles were made at a pill-making factory. The machines there unexpectedly punched holes in the mixture, which is how they got their unique shape.

The original thimble token in the game of Monopoly had "For a Good Girl" engraved on its side.

Erin Barrett and Jack Mingo can be reached at factmatters@mingo-barrett.com.

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Fred Meyer 4-Day Coupon

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2 for \$4

Your First 2 • With This Coupon Additional at Everyday Low Price 14.1 oz. Go Lean Slim or 15 oz. Go Lean Crunch.

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Fred Meyer 4-Day Coupon

Aquafresh Toothpaste

99¢ Ea.

Your First 2 • With This Coupon Additional at Everyday Low Price 6.4 oz. Regular, Tartar Control or Extra Fresh.

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Coming Thursday

A Buhl woman has seen a lot
in 50 years at the scorers table.

The Times-News

Wednesday, January 11, 2006

SPORTS

Shut down

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

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You better run
like pantyhoose.

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— Boxer Hasim Rahman
to March 18 WBA
heavyweight title
opponent James Toney

TRIVIA

QUESTION:

Where is soccer's World Cup kept?

.....answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School

BOWLING

Deelo at Burley, 4 p.m.

Kimberly at Wendell, 4 p.m.

Minico at Filer, 4 p.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Richfield at Butte County, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Minico at Idaho Falls, 7:30 p.m.

Twin Falls at Burley, 7:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

Wendell/Wood River at Filer, 5:30 p.m.

Burley at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Gym dedication
in Buhl is Jan. 21

BUHL — Buhl High School will be holding an official dedication ceremony for its new gymnasium during halftime of the Saturday, Jan. 21 boys basketball home game against Deelo.

During the ceremony, teams from 1950-1954 will be introduced and honored.

For more information, contact Lynn Poppelwell at 543-8494.

CSI men fall out
of NJCAA top 20

TWIN FALLS —

Losses to Dixie State last weekend and to Mesa (Ariz.) Community College last month dropped the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team out of Tuesday's NJCAA Division I poll.

Local dodgeball
tournaments slated

TWIN FALLS —

On Saturday, Jan. 14, the first of two dodgeball tournaments will be held at the Boys and Girls Club, 899 Frontier Road in Twin Falls.

The second tournament is slated for Saturday, Jan. 28 at Filer High School.

The cost is \$50 per team of six or more players for all boys, girls or co-ed.

Liability waivers must be signed by all players.

For those players under the age of 18, a parent or guardian must sign prior to individuals being allowed to play.

Players need to come 30 minutes prior to playing to pay fees and warm up.

The tournament schedule is as follows: Grades 5-6, 9-11 a.m.; Grades 7-8, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; High School, 2-4 p.m.; Adult, 4:30 p.m. until finished.

For more information, contact Joe Maloney (208) 731-4332.

Vandals scholarship
fundraiser planned

TWIN FALLS —

The 2006 Winter celebration is set for Feb. 3 at the Turf Club in Twin Falls with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner starting at 7 p.m.

The event is a fundraiser for the Vandal Scholarship Fund.

The dinner is steak, Idaho trout, Idaho baked potatoes, mixed veggies and salad.

Dessert will be auctioned off after dinner.

The following guests are expected: President Tim White, Athletic Director Rob Spear, Vandal Scholarship Fund Director Rich Darnell, and Coordinator Mahmood Sleikh.

Cost is \$25 per person and tickets can be purchased by contacting Jeff Beck at 208-208-2800.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:

In Zurich, Switzerland.

Filer turns up defense
to beat rival KimberlyBy Nathaniel Garrastrand
Times-News writer

FILER — It was simple math: a few more rebounds, a few less turnovers and a lot more defense added up to a big Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference win for Filer Tuesday, 49-30, over the visiting Kimberly Bulldogs.

The Wildcats held a 21-19 lead at the break but threw the clamps on in the second half, limiting the Bulldogs to just three in the fourth quarter.

"It was a big win for our program," said Filer head coach Jim Annala. "Right now we're tied with Kimberly at 3-3 and we needed this win. So the girls just played extremely hard tonight and we wore them down a little bit."

Kimberly (5-9, 3-3) had played an even game up through the second quarter, but suffered a critical setback with 3:19 left in the second quarter when sophomore guard Kayla Hutcherson went down with an apparent knee injury after coming down hard on a lay-in attempt.

Hutcherson had been snagging boards like crazy, finishing with nine on the night in two quarters of play, half her team's totals for the night. She was able to return briefly at the beginning of the third quarter, but was forced to sit out most of the second half.

The Wildcats took immediate advantage of Hutcherson's absence, parlaying a pair of defensive rebounds to go up 21-15.

"Our rebounding helped us out a lot," said Filer guard Sarah Haney, the Wildcats' line senior.

Filer took control for good with two minutes left in the third, going on a 12-1 run, holding their guests scoreless for a six minute period to go up 43-27.

"We just made a few adjustments, made them speed it up a little bit, and they just weren't hitting their shots," said Annala. "We got out our match-up zone and went to our man-to-man and so we could put a body on them and that really worked. I really thought that Kylee White, Haley Ramseyer, and Jill Haney really stepped up tonight."

Kimberly was unable to handle the Wildcats' pressure over the course of the game, committing 19 turnovers to Filer's 14.

Ramseyer posted a game-high 12 points, while Jill Haney put up seven thanks to a 5-of-6 performance from the stripe. White went 4-for-4 at the line.

"I thought we picked it up from the beginning," said White. "Because usually we don't really come out so enthusiastic. Now we're tied with Kimberly, so hopefully that will get us started and get us on a streak."

The Bulldogs tried to slow things down in the fourth, putting Filer at the line four times late in the game. But the hosts went 6-



Filer sophomore post Emily Hughes attempts to pass the ball Tuesday night during the Wildcats' Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference home game against Kimberly.

for-8, while Kimberly was unable to generate any offense in response.

Senior forward Stacy Walters paced Kimberly with eight points and a pair of steals. Filer also won the junior varsity game, 35-26.

The Wildcats travel to Glenns Ferry on Thursday. Kimberly hosts Buhl next, also on Thursday.

What a relief!

Sutter elected to Hall of Fame

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — Bruce Sutter is reminded every day of his former job. The sore shoulder. The tender elbow. The creaky knees.

The aching back.

"I can't even change a light bulb," Sutter said.

And he wouldn't change a thing.

Sutter, the guy who finished what other people started, was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame on Tuesday, finally gaining the sports most cherished honor after being denied a dozen times.

He was only the fourth relief pitcher to get into the Hall, and the first one ever elected without making even one major league start. The right-hander appeared in 661 games, all of

them out of the bullpen.

Sutter had a new pitch, his dazzled hitters with a new pitch, or rather, a wrinkle on an old one.

The split-fingered fastball was his old pitch, a close relative of the old-fashioned forkball, all dressed up like a fastball and delivered with a spin that caused it to drop dramatically when it reached the plate.

"I had no chance if I didn't have that pitch," Sutter said. "I wouldn't have made it to the big leagues. I wouldn't have gotten out of Double-A."

Armed with his new pitch, Sutter became one of baseball's premier closers. He had 300 saves, was just the second reliever to claim the Cy Young Award and helped the St. Louis Cardinals win the 1982 World Series.

What's in a name? A lot if you're an Angel

The Associated Press

Angels with an identity crisis

The team currently known as the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim plays in Orange County, far from the metropolis whose name it now bears.

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Charles Richter mots for the Angels. Not the Anaheim Angels, not the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, not the California Angels. Just the Angels.

For Richter, that's the easiest way to keep ahead of a game that took a strange twist last year. That's when owner Arte Moreno renamed the 2002 World Series champions the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim — and the city slapped the team with a lawsuit, claiming tens of millions in lost publicity.

"It's the players, the team, it's the Angels we root for. Not what's behind the word 'Angels' or in front of it," said Richter, 35, who runs the popular fan site www.angelswin.com.

But many fans do care, and say the war of words obscures what the debate is really about: A general failure to recognize that Orange County, population 3 million, is a strong community with its own identity that doesn't need LA's cachet.

"You can sell 'The OC' or you can sell 'Beverly Hills 90210.' Well, one of them's kind of outdated," said John Ward, an Angels fan who sold his season tickets after the name change.

"It's this 1960s mentality of Orange County. It's a suburb of Los Angeles. That's slip in the face."

Opening statements could come as soon as Friday.

The Angels began play in 1961 as the Los Angeles Angels, then changed their name to the California Angels when they



St. Louis Cardinals relief pitcher Bruce Sutter is seen warming up in a photo from early in the 1981 baseball season in St. Louis. Sutter was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame on Tuesday.

The strain of throwing all those splitters may have cut short his career. Sutter signed a six-year contract with the Atlanta Braves before the 1986 season, a deal worth about \$10 million, but his shoulder began

hurting just six weeks into the season. He pitched through the pain and saved 23 games, but he wasn't nearly as dominating.

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'Glory Road' looks at team trying to win, not make statement

Don Haskins didn't realize the impact of what he had done until a few days later.

That's when the letters started arriving. Thousands of them, mostly from the South.

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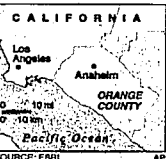
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SOURCE: EBRI

U.S. ski coach wonders if Miller should stay on team

WENGEN, Switzerland (AP) — U.S. ski coach Phil McNicholl questions whether Bode Miller should remain with the team following his comments about racing and drinking.

The overall World Cup champion said during a "60 Minutes" profile on CBS that it's not "easy" to "ad when you're wasted."

The United States Ski and Snowboard Association has been swamped with angry phone calls from team doctors and corporate sponsors since those remarks, and president and CEO Bill Marolt traveled to Wenigen to meet with Miller.

McNicholl said Tuesday that Miller has been testing the team limits the last two years with his contentious statements, late-night habits and refusal to compromise with staff.

"I don't know what the answer is. First we have to call the

question: Can we still do this together?" McNicholl told The Associated Press. "I think the question Bode has to answer is: Do you still want to be a part of the United States ski team?"

"His always tried to be a rebel, which was OK because it was fun sometimes and actually brought a lot of thinking outside the box and pushed the boundaries," he added. "However, it's grown to a place where it's no longer about being opinionated and outspoken. It's about how much do I really want to be here?"

Miller, who travels the world independently in his own RV, could race separately from the U.S. team. Kristina Koznick left the women's team in 2000 to train and race autonomously with boyfriend and coach Dan Strupp.

Such a move could require Miller to handle his own logistic and administrative responsibilities and pay for his own coach.

Miller, who last season became the first U.S. skier to win the overall World Cup title in 22 years, told the CBS program in a broadcast after the Sunday that "there's been times when I've been in really tough shape at the top of the course."

"I think he's had challenges right there," Miller said. "It's like driving drunk only there's no rules about it in racing."

Asked if the risk meant he would never ski drunk again, the 28-year-old Miller replied, "No, I'm not saying that."

McNicholl said this was only the latest in a string of problems Miller caused the team, which has long disapproved of his self-portrayal as a wild partyer who likes to drink.

Miller's problems online edition of Maxim magazine, Miller said he has arrived at races drunk from the night before, where

I'm just sobering up by the first round of drinks.

"We've been pretty busy cleaning up after our one-outspoken cowboy," McNicholl said. "When important people start to ask what kind of organization you are you guys running, it's going to get the boss' attention."

"Miller definitely feels entitlement. His impression is that he's really got a lot of respect for us because he's not around much, but he's bar-none twice the work of any other athlete in the program."

Earlier this season, Miller angered ski officials by calling for liberalized anti-doping rules. Reamunants say they are now targeted for increased drug testing.

Miller, who gapes about his sponsor and media obligations and often talks of a deep lack of motivation, last week attempted to skip the Olympics and launch a rebel ski tour.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Alumnus donates \$185 million to Okla. State

STILLWATER, Okla. — Billionaire alumnus Boone Pickens will donate \$185 million to Oklahoma State, the largest single gift given to an educational program.

"This isn't just about football or basketball or our major sports," athletic director Mike Holder said Tuesday. "It's about every sport, giving every coach here and every athlete here the opportunity to strive for excellence."

The amount surpasses the \$100 million Las Vegas casino owner Ralph Engelstad gave the University of North Dakota in 1998. Only half that sum was initially intended to build a hockey arena, but the project eventually consumed the entire gift.

Pickens' donation is aimed at creating an athletic village north of the football stadium that already bears the name of the 77-year-old Texas oil tycoon. The money will be used toward completing the upgrade of Boone Pickens Stadium and fund changes in a 20-year master plan yet to be adopted by university regents.

The plan, with an estimated cost exceeding \$700 million, includes an indoor practice facility for football, basketball, track and other sports as well as upgraded facilities for track, tennis and soccer. There also will be projects for a new university research building and new classroom building and improvements to other academic facilities.

Pickens' grand game in the 1980s by attempting takeovers of several major oil companies and is now the chairman of BP Capital, an investment group. He was listed in the top 10 on Forbes' list of the 400 richest Americans last year with a net worth of \$1.5 billion.

Safin, Nadal out of Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia — Defending champion Marat Safin and French Open winner Rafael Nadal are out of the Australian Open, joining Andre Agassi on the sidelines for the first Grand Slam of the year.

Rafin, who won the title in 2000, he played in only one tournament in the last five months of 2005.

Nadal, the world's second-ranked player, said on Tuesday he was pulling out because of the left foot he injured in October by the Madrid Masters, the last of the four Grand Slams toward completing the year's "clay court" season.

The Australian Open begins Monday.

Agassi, a four-time champion at Melbourne Park, pulled out last week with an ankle injury.

Nardello's plea denied by New York court

NEW YORK — U.S. skeleton coach Tim Nardello lost his bid Tuesday to have his suspension from the U.S. Olympic team search buildings and new classroom building and improvements to other academic facilities.

Nardello's grand game in the 1980s by attempting takeovers of several major oil companies and is now the chairman of BP Capital, an investment group. He was listed in the top 10 on Forbes' list of the 400 richest Americans last year with a net worth of \$1.5 billion.

Nardello, placed on paid administrative leave Dec. 31 by the U.S. Bobsled and Skeleton Federation after two sexual harassment complaints were made against him, is expected to continue appealing with hopes of coaching the U.S. team at the Turin Olympics next month.

He's scheduled to be interviewed by the Olympic Committee officials last week. The USOC has the final say on which athletes and coaches compose its delegation to the Turin Games.

Cyclist Hamilton appeals doping ban

DENVER — Olympic champion cyclist Tyler Hamilton appeals doping ban.

Hamilton and his lawyer, Howard Jacobs, argued their case at the Brown Palace hotel in downtown Denver in their final appearance before the panel, which will decide his fate later in the next few weeks.

The hearing before the Swiss-based CAS, the highest court for sports cases in the world, was expected to last into the evening.

Hamilton declined to comment after a lunch break other than to again assert his innocence.

Considered a possible successor to retired seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong, Hamilton has denied any doping violation and has criticized the testing methods of cycling's international governing body.

He was suspended for two years on April 18 by the independent American Arbitration Association.

His is the first case based on a test designed to detect the presence of someone else's red blood cells in a sample.

A blood transfusion can increase endurance by providing extra oxygen-carrying red blood cells to muscles.

If Hamilton's two-year ban is upheld, he won't be able to race competitively until April 2007, by which time he'd be 36 years old.

Compiled from wire reports

SCORES AND STATS

Area ski report

Boone Pickens — Men 10-11; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Men 10-11; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Women 10-11; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 10-11; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 12-13; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 14-15; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 16-17; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 18-19; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 20-21; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 22-23; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 24-25; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 26-27; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 28-29; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 30-31; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 32-33; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 34-35; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 36-37; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 38-39; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 40-41; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

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World Cup — Mixed 50-51; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 52-53; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

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World Cup — Mixed 56-57; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

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World Cup — Mixed 70-71; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

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World Cup — Mixed 98-99; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 100-101; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 102-103; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 104-105; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 106-107; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 108-109; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

World Cup — Mixed 110-111; podium finishers: 1st, 2nd, 3rd; 4th, 5th, 6th; 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th.

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SPORTS

Newer helmets could reduce concussions

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Newer helmet technology could reduce the risk of high school football players getting concussions, but not the severity of the injury, according to new research.

A three-year study by the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center found that athletes who wore a helmet with more protection for the temple area of the head and jaw had fewer concussions than those wearing a standard helmet, said university neuropathologist Mick Collins, the study's principal investigator.

The study, published in the February edition of the scientific journal *Neurosurgery*, looked at 1,141 high school football players from 2002 to 2004. Of the 1,141 who wore the improved helmet and 968 who wore standard helmets through both the pre- and regular seasons.

The study, funded by helmet

maker Riddell, is the first to look at whether helmet technology can reduce the severity or number of concussions, Collins said.

The study showed the annual concussion rate was 5.3 percent in athletes wearing the new Revolution helmet and 7.9 percent in the older version. Revolution helmets were 31 percent less likely to sustain the an injury compared with wearers of standard helmets, the study showed. The Revolution helmet was introduced in 2002.

However, helmet type made no difference in the recovery time of athletes suffering from concussions, Collins said.

Investigators used a test developed by UPMC to check the athletes' reaction and memory skills before and after concussions.

Collins said 50 percent of the athletes who had concussions did not recover within one week.

30 percent did not recover within two weeks and 15 percent did not recover within three weeks.

This is crucial because reduced cognitive skills also hurt the athletes in the classroom, Collins said.

There's no such thing as a concussion-proof helmet," Collins warned. "The biggest mistake anyone can make is saying, 'This kid has a concussion. Put him in this helmet and send him out there.' Any athlete who has a concussion and goes back to play too soon, that's when the risk levels are high."

Experts studying sports-related brain injuries welcomed the study.

"It supports what we have anecdotally been discovering over the past few years," said Kevin Guskiewicz, chairman of the Department of Exercise and Sport Science at North Carolina.

Relief

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because of shoulder problems. Then, after one more season with the Braves, he was done.

The splitter was a devastating pitch and it came naturally to Sutter, whose large hands and long fingers made it easy for him to snap the ball as he delivered it. Also, he had always used his index finger to put spin on the ball instead of the middle finger that most pitchers relied on — a trait that worked perfectly for the splitter.

He developed the splitter — not to be confused with a splitter but just as difficult to hit — with the help of Chicago Cubs pitching coach Mike Rouse.

After Sutter was signed by the Cubs in 1971 for \$500, he hurt his elbow in his first minor league season. He secretly had surgery — paying for it himself because he didn't want the Cubs to know — and looked for an alternative to throwing sliders that might further damage his arm.

By 1976, he was in the majors and posted six wins and 10 saves in 52 games.

He won the NL Cy Young Award in 1979 with 37 saves and a 2.22 ERA.

2006 Hall of Fame Voting

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x Bruce Sutter 400 (78.9%), Jim Rice 337 (64.8%), Rich "Goose" Gosage 336 (64.6%), Andre Dawson 317 (61.0%), Bert Blyleven 277 (53.3%), Lee Smith 234 (45.0%), Jack Morris 214 (41.2%), Tommy John 154 (29.6%), Steve Garvey 135 (26.0%), Alan Trammell 92 (17.7%), Dave Parker 76 (14.4%), Dave Concepcion 65 (12.5%), Don Metzinger 64 (12.3%), Orel Hershiser 58 (11.2%), Dale Murphy 58 (10.8%), Albert Belle 40 (7.7%).

Name

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biggest backers. Filed shortly after the name change became official last January, the suit claims the team violated a 1996 contract that required "Anahelm" be featured prominently in all team-related merchandise and advertisements.

The city spent \$20 million fixing up the stadium and leased valuable land to the team, without the understanding Anahelm

would get International name recognition out of the deal, said Alvaro Saldívar, the city's counsel. The city wants the name change reversed and is seeking damages, arguing that lost income from the leased land and publicity the city would otherwise get each time the Angels play — so-called "impressions" — is worth at least \$100 million.

Fans such as Ward see broad implications for Orange

County, whose residents account for two-thirds of the team's ticket sales.

"Arie Moreno has said that one of Orange County's highest profile things — the Angels — aren't a part of Orange County," Ward said, who hopes a jury can set things right. "Who is this team and who are they playing for? The only thing I can hope for is that 12 anonymous people in Orange County can fix this problem."

Glory

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ing move of a lifetime for Haskins, whose team played tenacious defense and frustrated Kentucky at every turn. The final score showed only a seven-point margin, but the Miners were in control all the way.

Riley, newspaper accounts said, cried on the bench afterward but then went to the Texas Western locker room to congratulate the winners.

Interestingly, there was never a word in the papers about the color of anyone's skin. Haskins swears he never said anything about race, either, though center David "Big Daddy" Latta says Haskins told the team he was starting all black players be-

cause he had heard Rupp say five blacks couldn't beat five whites.

Depending on who you ask, Rupp was either a racist who wouldn't allow blacks on his team until his final years, or himself a victim of the times and circumstances in the South.

Those times were already changing long before Texas Western took the court for the final game. Blacks had been playing pro ball for more than a decade, and most universities outside the South had several blacks on their teams.

In a lot of ways, the 1956 national championship game was just that — a game. More than

changing the way basketball was played, it simply reflected the way the country itself was changing.

Still, the sight of five blacks starting the biggest college game of the year was jarring for some, stirring for others.

That's not what Haskins had in mind when he filled out the lineup card. He simply wanted to win a basketball game, not make a statement for social justice.

Almost inadvertently, he ended up doing both.

Tim Dahlberg is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at tdahlberg@ap.org.

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Commodities

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(Feb., light sweet crude)		
Live cattle	\$96.55	▲ .07
Gold (April)	\$547.8	▼ 4.9

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Regis to buy Sally Beauty

DALLAS — Sally Beauty Co. will be spun off from Alberto-Culver Co. and merged with beauty salon giant Regis Corp. Denton, Texas-based Sally Beauty is the biggest salon supply retailer with more than 3,200 stores, and Minneapolis-based Regis is the largest U.S. operator of hair salons with 11,000 locations, one of which is in the Magic Valley Mall in Irwin Falls. The deal is valued at \$2.6 billion. The combined company will be a \$5 billion business.

Murdoch to speed up satellite Internet

The next piece of News Corp.'s Internet strategy is likely to be providing high-speed Internet access through its DirecTV units. Chairman Rupert Murdoch is willing to spend as much as \$1 billion to offer consumers two-way service, the Financial Times reports. Currently, the company's Direcway unit offers only one-way Net service via satellite. DirecTV had said it was considering entering the wireless market, possibly using WiMax technology, which is under development.

Home Depot to buy Hughes Supply

Stock for Home Depot Inc., the nation's largest home improvement store chain, rose \$1 to \$41.82 after the company said it will buy Hughes Supply Inc., a distributor of construction repair and maintenance products, for about \$3.2 billion. The deal would double the size of the Home Depot Supply division. Hughes Supply rose \$6.59 to \$45.54.

Rethinking FedEx Kinko's chief has no plans

DALLAS — Guy Kustin is ready for his next challenge: doing nothing. "I've had a long list of things in my career, but that's one box I haven't checked off," said the 54-year-old chief executive of FedEx Kinko's Office and Print Services, who's quitting at the end of the month.

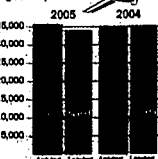
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Coming Tomorrow

Young consumers pushing more retailers to accept plastic

Coming and going

Annual tallies of passengers getting onto and off of planes at Irwin Falls Field, Magic Valley Regional Airport.



Car of future may prevent crashes

Automakers move forward with new safety features

By Ken Thomas
Associated Press writer

DETROIT — Every day across America, cars rear-end the vehicle in front. Drowsy drivers drift into the wrong lane. Motorists are tossed from an open window in a rollover. Most motorists on the road are protected by safety belts, air bags, and brakes. But new safety innovations on display at the North American International Auto Show — radar systems, cameras, not-both software and improved designs — will soon become more widespread.

"Safety is a competitive issue," said Fred Webber, president and chief executive of The Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers. "And when it becomes a competitive issue in the automobile industry, that means the companies are going to do bigger and better things."

More than 42,000 people die annually on the nation's highways, a number pushing automakers, safety advocates and others to make driving safer. While wearing a seat belt

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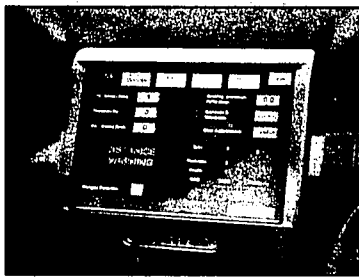
remains the best way to survive a crash, the technology could add more tools to make vehicles safer.

Some of the advances deal with what automakers call "active safety," which involves technology used to keep drivers out of danger and help them anticipate problems. The upgrades are mostly limited to expensive luxury models for now but could offer a glimpse of the future, much the same way that airbags evolved in the marketplace.

"It's like having two brains in the vehicle," said Dean McCannell, Continental Automotive System's director of occupant safety and driver assistance systems.

Continental has worked with several automakers on "intelligent" systems that use radars to assess the potential danger of a crash, allowing a car to detect how quickly it's coming up on the vehicle in front of it and adjust its speed to avoid rearing-end it.

In the event of a potential crash, a signal or beep might warn a motorist, tighten the seat belt to put the person in a safer position, ready the brakes and instantly close the sunroof



This is an Active Passive Integration Approach System in a BMW test vehicle at the Continental headquarters in Auburn Hills, Mich. Continental has worked with several automakers on "intelligent" systems that use radars to assess the potential danger of a crash, allowing a car to detect how quickly it's coming up on the vehicle in front of it and adjust its speed to avoid rearing-end it.

or windows to prevent someone from being thrown from the vehicle.

The technology is only an aid to drivers and doesn't take away a motorist's control of the vehicle, the company said during a recent demonstration at its Auburn Hills, Mich., facility.

Much of the technology builds upon antilock brakes

and electronic stability control, an anti-rollover system in which brakes are automatically applied when they feel the vehicle skidding off course.

Government studies found stability control reduced single-vehicle sport utility crashes by 67 percent and one-car crashes by 35 percent compared to the same models sold

in previous years without the technology.

Mercedes-Benz has implemented many of the advanced features in its S-Class models, which start at more than \$55,000. New versions available in the coming months offer a night-vision system that will detect any object 500 feet ahead and help drivers sense the speed of vehicles surrounding it.

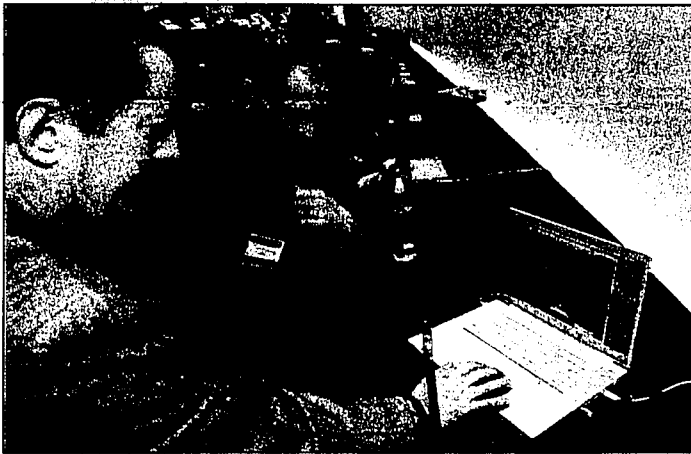
Previous models have had adaptive cruise control, allowing a driver to maintain a safe distance behind a car in front of it and adjust its speed accordingly. New models will have the feature even at speeds below 25 miles per hour.

Some of the top safety features are available on the Acura RL in a \$3,800 option that also includes tires that won't deflate if they're punctured.

Nissan Motor Co. has a lane departure warning system, first introduced on Infiniti vehicles, that addresses the high number of fatalities when cars drift off the road or into other lanes. The automaker is expected to implement a brake-assist system in future models.

Robert Yakush, Nissan North America Inc.'s director of product safety, regulatory and accessory quality, said the upgrades represented "a shift from just focusing all on crash protection to going towards preventing a crash."

MACWORLD



Intel Corp. CEO Paul Otellini, left, and Apple Computer Inc. CEO Steve Jobs, center, look at the new MacBook Pro laptop Tuesday at the MacWorld conference in San Francisco. Apple's historic shift to Intel microprocessors came months earlier than expected Tuesday as Jobs unveiled desktop and notebook computers based on new two-brained chips from the world's largest semiconductor

Jobs unveils new Macs using Intel chips

By May Wong
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Apple Computer Inc. on Tuesday unleashed its strongest weapons yet to chip away at Microsoft Corp.'s dominance of the PC market.

In unveiling computers and laptops with Intel Corp.'s microprocessors, Apple is tapping not only the latest chip technologies that rival makers of Windows-based PCs will use but also the vast marketing power that Intel, the world's largest semiconductor company, delivers.

With the success of its iPod players and flashy retail stores, Apple has already begun stealing customers from the Windows camp. After years of hovering around 3 percent, Apple last year cracked 4 percent of the U.S. PC market.

The move to Intel chips will only boost Apple's sales and will instantly erase the perception that Macintosh computers lag behind Windows-based PCs in performance, analysts say. "Now consumers can buy a

Mac that is three times faster and for the same price," said Nathan Brookwood, analyst with Insight 64 research firm.

Apple's processors came months earlier than expected as CEO Steve Jobs debuted an iMac desktop and a notebook based on the chip makers' new two-brained processor, the Intel Core Duo.

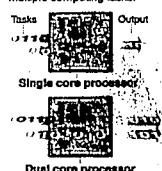
When it first announced plans to switch in June, Apple said it expected to begin making the transition by mid-2006. On Tuesday, Jobs was joined at the Macworld Expo by Intel CEO Paul Otellini to unveil the new jointly designed computers.

Jobs said his entire Mac line will be converted to Intel by the end of this calendar year. "Companies don't typically under promise and over deliver, and that's exactly what Apple has done," Sam Bhavani, analyst with Current Analysis, said of the early launch.

The shift comes as Apple's hugely popular iPod continues to enthrall the public. Apple brought in a record \$5.7 billion in sales during the

Two-brain chip

Intel's dual core processors have two digital engines on one piece of silicon, enabling faster multiple computing tasks.



SOURCE: INTEL

holiday quarter as it sold 14 million iPods, said Jobs. That's nearly three times as many units as it did in the same period a year ago.

But Tuesday's focus was on computers. For years, Apple shunned Intel, which has provided chips that power a majority of the world's PCs, along with

Late card payments at record levels

Quarterly figures may be a sign of problems to come

By Martin Crutinger
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The proportion of consumers behind on their credit card bills remained near record-high levels in the July-September period as high gasoline prices and rising interest rates continued to put stress on personal budgets.

The American Bankers Association reported Tuesday that the percentage of credit card accounts 30 or more days past due dipped slightly to 4.74 percent in the July-September quarter after having hit an all-time high of 4.81 percent in the spring.

Even with the slight decline, consumer card delinquencies in the late summer and early fall were at the third-highest level on record, prompting concerns about more problems to come.

"Signs of financial stress still are present," said Robert Chessen, ABA's chief economist. "The persistent interest rate increases by the Federal Reserve and record high gas prices in the third quarter provided a one-two punch that continued to inflict pain on personal budgets."

The Federal Reserve has increased interest rates 13 times since June 2004 with many economists believing that rates will be boosted by another quarter. The point when the Fed next meets on Jan. 31.

That would push the Fed's target for the federal funds rate, the interest that banks charge to make loans to other banks, to 4.5 percent.

Commercial banks' prime lending rate, the benchmark for millions of consumer and business loans including credit card debt and home equity loans, now stands at 7.25 percent and would rise to 7.5 percent with another Fed rate increase. That would put the prime rate at its highest level in nearly five years.

Economists said there were some factors that could help to dampen the impact of rising interest rates. "Continued strong economic growth and falling gas prices in the fourth quarter leaves me hopeful that delinquencies will continue to fall," Chessen said.

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MONEY

Stocks close nearly flat one day after Dow tops the 11,000 mark

By Ellen Simon Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Stocks closed almost flat Tuesday, as the day's early declines faded to a steady rise in the Dow Jones industrial average closed above 11,000 for the first time since June 2001.

Disappointing earnings from Alcoa Inc., the first of the 30 Dow industrials to report, disturbed investors. The Dow fell more than 44 points in opening trading, but rebounded in the afternoon to close nearly even. The Nasdaq composite rose slightly after Apple Computer Inc. hit a 52-week high.

Crude oil futures fell after rising on concerns that Iran was restarting its nuclear program and would further destabilize the Middle East. A barrel of light crude settled at \$63.37, down 13 cents, on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Tuesday's only meaningful economic data was the Commerce Department's November wholesale inventory report, which, excluding petroleum products, was nearly flat.

The Xerox trading pattern was the reverse of one seen often in the past year's sell-off. Losses narrowed in the afternoon and were largely erased by gains caught up with declines in December.

well below previous expectations, with higher copper prices, shortfalls in production and sales, and one-time costs dragging down profits.

Credit

Continued from E1 But not expected that the adverse impacts of a string of devastating Gulf Coast hurricanes have yet to be fully felt on consumers' pocketbooks.

October. It marked the first time borrowing had dropped for two consecutive months since May and June of 1992.

Apple

Continued from E1 Microsoft's Windows software. In the late 1990s, Apple even ran TV ads with a Pentium II glued to a snail.

MacBooks. Though the change to Intel has occurred faster than expected, it still poses some risks.

signed for at full speed. Though Windows sales could benefit, Microsoft risks losing ground unless its operating systems keep up with the Mac OS X.

screens for \$1,299 and \$1,699. Jobs claimed the new models are two to three times faster than the iMac G5, based on an 15.4-inch display — start at \$1,999. Jobs touted it as the thinnest and lightest operating laptop on the market.

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Delta Kappa Gamma meets with Jaquet

KETCHUM — The Delta Kappa Gamma Theta Chapter met at the home of Wendy Jaquet in Ketchum on Nov. 12. Jaquet, a state representative, is an honorary member of Theta because of her support of education. Donna Pence, a retired teacher and current state representative, was also present. The speaker was Stephen Poklamba, a teacher in Ketchum. Poklamba led the teachers in a discussion forum. He explained that some of the concepts Poklamba spoke on were matters regarding middle school students, including providing opportunities for students to develop abilities necessary for scientific inquiry and its understanding. "They begin with a question, do an investigation, gather evidence, formulate an answer and communicate the process and result," according to a press release by Hatmaker. Poklamba also emphasized the importance of earth science. "The best place to investigate and learn is outdoors," Hatmaker said. "Then what is learned can be correlated with indoor studies."



The Delta Kappa Gamma Theta Chapter met recently. From left, Danell Wolf, first vice president of Fairfield; Stephen Poklamba, speaker from Ketchum; and Cindy Glavin, president from Gooding.

After the program, the group observed the scenery at Jaquet's home and ate chili, salad and pie. The proceeds from donations will go to the scholarship fund.

Tyler enjoys being outdoors, with family

"My name is Tyler and I'm 16 years old. Some of the things I want you to know about me are that I like to skateboard, I like to dance and listen to music, and I love cooking. I also like animals and hope to have pets. "I like to work outdoors and help. I'd like to have a job and work while I'm in high school. I've worked on a ranch, ridden horses and worked as a cowboy. I've also spent time farm equipment and driven a car. I would like to move in the country or in the city. I'm at home in both environments. "I might enjoy being the only kid in a family because I like to be by myself. I also look forward to doing things with a family, like camping, sports, going to plays, hiking and just about anything outdoors. I want a family that hangs out together, but not all the time — one that respects individual time, too. I especially enjoy teaching type people who talk things over and who also respect my decisions. I

work, his strengths are his helpfulness and an ability to persevere in life. The death of his family created a vacuum in his support system and, not surprisingly, led to choices that are not uncommon for foster youth struggling with trauma and loss. His ambitions have led to his way toward realizing worthwhile goals. "Tyler is fully involved in the search for a single father or a couple. If you have good communication skills and are willing to share them with this charming teen, call the Idaho CareLine and Family Tyler with Project YES. They will connect you directly to his case manager."

Tyler is available for adoption through the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare. To find out more about adoption, call the Idaho CareLine at 1-800-926-5358 or visit Idaho at 2-1-1. You may wish to read this reference number: 30181.



Tyler Age 16

know I'll make mistakes some times, but I will also learn. "I'd like a dad who is into sports and working on cars. We could do those things together. I would love to go to NBA basketball games and NFL football games. I would maybe, maybe with my dad. I would also like to have a mom. We can talk to each other."

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Relay for Life team holds garage sale

TWIN FALLS — The Chevrolet Cadillac of Twin Falls Relay for Life team is sponsoring a garage sale from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Import Center, 1310 Pole Line Road. Proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. Donations are welcome. For more information, call Lori at 308-1842.

Historical society meets on Thursday

JEROME — The Jerome County Historical Society will meet for a general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the new Fish and Game building on Highway 93, one mile north of the Interstate 84 junction. First Lt. Aaron Houston, a Jerome native who recently served with the 116th Battalion Medical Corps, will present a photo documentary of the civilian life in Iraq. Light refreshments will be provided. There is no charge. For more information, call 324-5641.

Jerome committee sells items for centennial

JEROME — The Jerome City Centennial 2007 planning committee meets at 8 a.m. the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at the chamber office. The centennial cookbook will be ready by Christmas, organizers report. All funds will be used for a monument. Calendars with historical images of Jerome for 2006 are available at the museum, the North Side News and the Eden Senior Citizen Center. The cost is \$5 each. All previous year centennial items include coffee mugs, Christmas tree ornament glass balls and more are also available.

Filter Library plays host to scavenger hunt

FILER — The Filter Library, 219 Main St., is having a scavenger hunt for children age 11 to 18 from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the library. The hunt will have teams of three to four people. Participants can bring friends. For more information, call the library at 326-4143.

Class teaches how to use make puppets

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office and the Creative Arts Center is offering a Paper Mache Hand-Puppets Class. Registration is by Thursday at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office, 136 Maxwell Ave. The cost is \$25 and includes supplies. Registration is due by Thursday at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office, 136 Maxwell Ave. The cost is \$25 and includes supplies. For more information, call 736-2265.

Wendell schools hold parent conferences

WENDELL — Wendell High School, 750 E. Main St., and Wendell Middle School, 800 E. Main St., are holding parent/teacher conferences from 5 to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 9 a.m. to noon Friday. Parents can pickup report cards and meet with teachers. Report cards not picked up by

M.V. Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its weekly winners: Jan 8: First, Sam Smutny and Riley Burton; second, Herb Burgess and Lonnie Burns; third, Wilma Driscoll and Elaine Bowen; fourth, Ruby Grimes and Joyce Astorula; fifth Betty Sabo and Vesta Roberts; and sixth, Dorothy Miller and Mary Lee Pfeiffer.

Games are held at 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Wednesdays at the Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave.

A Thursday game starts at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays, Jan. 14, 21 and 28, at the Twin Falls Creative Arts Center, 249 Main Ave. W. The cost is \$25 and includes supplies. Registration is due by Thursday at the Twin Falls Parks and Recreation office, 136 Maxwell Ave. The cost is \$25 and includes supplies. For more information, call 736-2265.

Twin Falls Senior Center plays host to bingo

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Center is having a bingo game from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the center, 530 S. 2nd St. Cards are four for \$3 or 15 each. The public is welcome. For more information, call the center at 734-5084.

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Burley - noon Tuesdays at the Burley Elks Lodge
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Harrison - 7:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Blaine Lions
Idaho Falls - 7:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Idaho Falls Elks
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Visiting a patient in the hospital can be difficult — it is often tough to keep up a bright and breezy conversation. This is less of a problem, though, when one is visiting a bridge player. There is usually enough of interest from the previous day's bridge session alone to keep both parties entertained for at least an hour, thereby avoiding those awkward pauses in the conversation that seem to materialize so often in these circumstances.

On the following deal it was actually the patient who thrust the problem in front of my nose, just giving the North and South cards. Against four hearts West led the spade king, then shifted to the diamond 10. Put yourself in declarer's position. In which hand does one win the trick, and what should you do next?

This is a trick question, of course. You should let the diamond 10 hold. You do not mind losing a diamond trick, even if the queen is onside, so long as you can keep East off play. On a diamond continuation, best for the defense is to win in hand and play a heart to dummy, ruff the low spade, draw the last trump, play a diamond to the ace, and exit with the spade queen, discarding your low club from hand. West must either give you a ruff and discard, or lead into your club tenace. Either way, you avoid a club loser altogether.

With the patient in such good form, I was reassured that he would make a full recovery.

NORTH	011-A
♠ Q 7 6	
♥ 10 8 7 2	
♦ A 3 7	
♣ 8 5 2	
WEST	
♠ K 10 9 4	
♥ 10 9 6	
♦ K 9 7	
♣ K 9 7	
EAST	
♠ 8 5 2	
♥ 6 4	
♦ 8 2 4	
♣ J 10 6 3	
SOUTH	
♠ 3	
♥ A K Q J 9 5	
♦ K 5 3	
♣ A 4	

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: West

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass
3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠ Pass

Opening lead: Spade King

BID WITH THE ACES

011-B

South holds:	♠ Q 7 6			
	♥ 10 8 7 2			
	♦ A 3 7			
	♣ 8 5 2			
South	West	North	East	
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass	

ANSWER: Jump to four spades. You may have a minimum balanced hand, but every card in it is working overtime. Partner's three-diamond bid is a game-try, suggesting he needs help in diamonds — and you have a beautifully fitting hand if that is the case.

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