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Power plant bill advances

Legislature stops short of moratorium

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE — Sometimes you win, and sometimes you lose. So found out Mingie Valley legislators working on bills that potentially impact the coal-fired power plant proposed for Jerome County.

residents in counties adjacent to a proposed thermal power plant site receive notification. Property owners in those counties could voice their concerns at a public hearing.

megawatt coal-fired power plant that Semptra Generation wants to build northeast of Jerome just miles from the Lincoln County line.



Stennett

be impacted by the bill. Should the Semptra application be heard in Jerome County today, residents in Lincoln, Twin Falls, Gooding, Cassia and Minidoka counties would not necessarily have the right to voice their opinions at the public hearing.

County Commissioners — something Stennett would like to see changed via a statewide siting committee. "Senate Bill 1276 is not as valuable as a statewide siting authority would be," Stennett said.

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IDWR budget hinders progress

By Michelle Dunlop Times-News writer

BOISE — In the middle of a war over water, does the agency charged with administering water rights have enough funds to do its job? The answer is no, or at least, not without significant consequences, the director of the Idaho Department of Water Resources told a joint legislative committee on Wednesday.

Dreher suggested to the Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee at the Legislature on Wednesday that the governor's budget recommendation for his department falls short.

One drawback to underfunding Water Resources is that it creates a backlog in evaluating the transfer of water rights in the state.

Retaining qualified staff is one problem Dreher's department faces. Dreher said his employees make about 33 percent less than if they were to take a job in the private sector, based on calculations prepared by the Division of Human Resources.

The department may be able to move some employees over from the Snake River Basin Adjudicator to the management side to deal with transfers and ongoing litigation between ground and surface water users.

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Cancer deaths decline

It's the first time in 70 years

The Associated Press

ATLANTA — For the first time in more than 70 years, annual cancer deaths in the United States have fallen, a turning point in the war on cancer likely achieved by declines in smoking and better tumor detection and treatment.

The number of cancer deaths dropped to 556,902 in 2003, down from 557,271 the year before, according to a recently completed review of U.S. death certificates by the National Center for Health Statistics.

"Even though it's a small amount, it's an important milestone," said Dr. Michael Thun, who directs epidemiological research for the American Cancer Society.

It's the first annual decrease in total cancer deaths since 1930, according to a cancer society analysis of federal death data. For more than a decade, health statisticians have charted annual drops of about 1 percent in the cancer death rate — the calculated number of deaths per 100,000 people. But the actual number of cancer deaths still rose each year because the growth in total population outpaced the falling death rates.

"Finally, the declining rates have surpassed the increasing size of the population," said Rebecca Siegel, a Cancer Society epidemiologist. Experts are attributing the success to declines in smoking, the earlier detection and more effective treatment of tumors.

Those are the four most common cancers, which together account for 51 percent of all U.S. cancer deaths.

The breast cancer death rate has been declining about 2 percent annually since 1990, a decline attributed to earlier detection and better treatment. The colon and rectum cancer death rate, shrinking by 2 percent each year since 1984, is also attributed to better screening.

A Day in the Life: Demands on a dairy

Living a dairyman's dream at West Point Farms

Story and photos by Karma Metzler Fitzgerald Times-News writer

WENDELL — It's 6:30 on a Monday morning and already a busy day at West Point Farms in Wendell.

Tony Vander Hulst is loading cows into a long truck and verbally sparring with Nelvin Eggink, a longtime friend and cattle hauler.

Eggink used to own a dairy but in recent years has switched to hauling cattle. He and Vander Hulst coax the animals through the chute and into the truck.

The 23 cows in this load are headed for the sale yard. These are called "cull" cows. West Point Farms is a 5,000-cow dairy west of Wendell. Vander Hulst is one of four owners and a full-time manager here. Mondays are shipping days. When he got into the dairy office just after 6, his partner and co-owner Jesse Koopman had already printed out the list of the cows that needed to be separated and shipped.

The determination is made based on a variety of factors including each cow's general health, ability to reproduce well and the amount of milk produced. The decision to send a cow to the sale or slaughter is made by a team — made up of managers and herdsmen — and not one they take lightly.

Checking in

The day crew has been here since 4, but most of the managers are not in and out.

"We like to get things done instead of dragging things out through the day," Vander Hulst said.

Koopman is the detail guy — he keeps track of the herd, the overall production numbers and the various "to-do" lists for each day. As members of the management team arrive, they pick up a clipboard in Koopman's office listing what needs to be done and what cows need to be checked for the day.

After Eggink leaves, Vander Hulst checks in with the various crew chiefs around the dairy.

Jason Bishop is a staff mechanic. He stops Vander Hulst and the two go over the shipping list through open pickup trucks. Bishop will head for Jerome and get what's needed to fix a feed truck and a loader.



Cows gaze out of a truck on West Point Farms in Wendell.

Welcome to A Day in the Life of the Magic Valley. Through Sunday, we'll share the lives of five area residents who allowed us to observe their days.

COMING UP Friday: Twin Falls cheese maker Max Schaeffer. It's hot, tedious and there's no room for error. One slip and millions of gallons

of milk are wasted. When everything goes right, 300,000 pounds of cheese leave Glanville's gates each day.

Saturday: Sun Valley skier Danny Walton. When Walton commutes to work, he straps on some skis and heads for the mountain. Before he clocks in, he's tasted what every skier craves, fresh

powder and bliss. Sunday: Cowboy legislator Bert Brackett: From the sagebrush covered ground of his Three Creeks Ranch to the hallowed marble hallways of Idaho's statehouse, share the first day on the job with the area's newest lawmaker.

It's 8:40. The dairy's repair guy, Gerben Vander Zee, pulls in. He'll be hard to reach today because his combination radio/cell phone is broken. He'll be in employee housing most of the day, where frozen pipes need to be thawed.

In the commodity yard, where various feeds are stored, a hay hauler's bale loader is dead. Koopman is there to help,

but the loader isn't starting. Vander Hulst suggests a different set of jumper cables and quickly grabs his out the silver tool box in the back of his red pickup. That does the trick. Koopman heads back over to the barns where he'll finish vaccinating cows.

Vander Hulst travels through the barns as well — checking each corral for signs of prob-

lems. He and Koopman try to make sure each manager looks at each cow each day. Behind them, crews of four to five herdsmen and breeders will check the cows close up. After that — milkers will see the cows again, at least twice.

At 9:15, Vander Hulst is back at the office. A representative Please see DAIRY, Page A2

U2 steals spotlight from Carey

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Mariah Carey ended her 16-year

"Grammy drought, but rock gods U2 snatched her comeback queen dreams by snatching five trophies Wednesday, including song and album of the year. Carey, one of the best-selling artists of all time, hadn't Please see GRAMMYS, Page A4



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Dairy

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BRIEFLY

Three convicted in smuggling deaths

HOUSTON — Three more people were convicted Wednesday in the nation's deadliest human smuggling attempt, a journey that ended in the deaths of 19 illegal immigrants who were packed into a stifling tractor-trailer.

The defendants, all U.S. citizens from South Texas, were convicted of conspiracy and harboring, and transporting illegal immigrants. All could get life in prison at sentencing May 1. Prosecutors said Victor Sanchez Rodriguez, 50, his wife, Imma Sapata Rodriguez, 59, and her half-sister, Rosa Sarraza Gonzalez, hid the immigrants in their home and moved them to other houses before they were loaded into an airtight tractor-trailer for transport from South Texas to Houston in 2003.

"It's time to send a message to those three that their days of making money on the pain, desperation of others has come to an end," federal prosecutor Daniel Rodriguez told the jury. More than 70 illegal immigrants from the tractor-trailer.

Alarm proves false in Senate building

WASHINGTON — Eight senators were among 200 people who were held in a Capitol parking garage Wednesday at night after a security sensor indicated the presence of a nerve agent in their office building. Later tests proved negative.

Test results have been cleared and all test results are negative, so that's very good news," said Capitol Police Sgt. Kimberly Schneider. The all-clear came three hours after an air-monitoring sensor indicated a suspicious substance in the second floor of the Russell Senate Office Building. It initially tested positive as a nerve agent.

Lawmakers, aides and other personnel were evacuated to the nearby West Legislative Garage shortly after 3:45 p.m. MSF as police conducted several other tests before concluding that it was a false alarm.

"We had this warning system," said Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., one of those in the garage. "People in the building followed the directions promptly. There was no panic, no running, no upset or anything like that."

Bird flu strain reported in Africa

LAGOS, Nigeria — Africa's first outbreak of the deadly bird flu virus was reported Wednesday in a large commercial farm in Nigeria that raised chickens, geese and ducks, and 4,000 birds were slaughtered.

International health officials called for help to prevent the spread of the disease on the world's poorest continent, where governments are ill-equipped to combat it.

Nigeria said the outbreak was on a farm in Jaji, a village in the northern state of Kaduna. Agriculture Minister Adamu Bello said reporters the deadly H5N1 strain of the virus was detected in samples taken Jan. 16 from birds on the farm.

— compiled from wire reports

U.S. officials reported to be contacting insurgent figures

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. officials have met figures from some Sunni Arab insurgent groups but have so far not received any commitment for them to lay down their arms, Western diplomats in Baghdad and neighboring Jordan said Wednesday.

Three more U.S. troops were killed in Iraq — two of them in roadside bombings, the U.S. command said.

The meetings, described as being in the initial stage, have not included members of al-Qaida in Iraq or like-minded religious extremists, the diplomats said on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the subject.

Meetings have taken place in western Iraq, Lebanon and the United Arab Emirates, according to two diplomats based in the Jordanian capital, Amman. One of them said talks might

shift to Egypt "at some point."

U.S. officials have said establishing a dialogue with the insurgents was difficult because of the lack of a unified command, structure among the various groups and the absence of a leadership capable of speaking for most of them.

Lt. Col. Barry Johnson, a U.S. military spokesman in Baghdad, said the United States is involved in talks on promoting Iraq's political process with "all sorts of groups," but declined to say if any insurgents were among them.

However, a Western diplomat in Baghdad who is familiar with the dialogue said the U.S. was reaching out to "Sunni Arab nationalists" and "some Islamists from the Shiite and Sunni sides," many of whom have grievances about jobs and reconstruction money.

"We hear all the time that

they are interested in coming in but we haven't seen signs," the diplomat said. "We want to see attacks stopped. The question is, can they help end the violence if they want to join."

The United States is promoting efforts to form a national unity government in which Iraq's Shiite and Kurdish leaders would offer Sunni Arab figures key positions to try to curb the insurgency.

Talks on a new government are due to begin in earnest after the results of the Dec. 15 parliamentary elections. Shiite religious parties won 128 of the 275 seats — but not enough to govern without partners.

Sunni Arabs have insisted that the Shiites give up control of the police in the new government because of alleged human rights abuses by the Shiite-run security services.

Bush urges violence over cartoons to stop

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice accused Iran and Syria on Wednesday of instigating Muslim protests triggered by drawings of the Prophet Muhammad, and President Bush pleaded for an end to violence.

"I have no doubt that Iran and Syria have gone out of their way to inflame sentiments and have used this for their own purposes," Rice said. "The world ought to call them on it."

She did not offer specifics during a brief State Department news conference with Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni. The United States accuses Iran and Syria of funding terrorism and has tried to unite world opinion against both Middle Eastern nations.

"I call upon the governments

around the world to stop the violence, to be respectful, to protect property, protect the lives of innocent diplomats who are serving their countries overseas," Bush had said earlier at the White House.

"We reject violence as a way to express discontent with what may be printed in a free press."

Bush also said that Americans believe in a free press, and added, "With freedom comes the responsibility to be thoughtful about others."

Bush made his comments after a meeting in the Oval Office with King Abdullah II of Jordan. "With all respect to press freedoms, obviously anything that vilifies the Prophet Muhammad, peace be upon him, or attacks Muslim sensibilities, I believe, needs to be condemned," the king said.

PARENTS VS. TEACHERS

Groups don't agree on education

WASHINGTON (AP) — Considering they share responsibility for 60 million children, parents and teachers sure have some different views about what goes on in school.

From discipline to standardized tests to the quality of high schools, parents and teachers disagree on basic aspects of education, an AP-AOL Learning Services Poll shows that children, parents and teachers have different views about what goes on at school.

Parents and teachers literally see children differently. The setting at home is often not at all like the one at school, where kids hang out in groups and social pressures climb.

In the poll, for example, less than half of parents say student discipline is a serious concern at school. Teachers scoff at that. Two in three of them call children's misbehavior a major problem.

Over 14 years of teaching, Carol Sue Nix has watched discipline problems trickle down from the fifth grade to pre-kindergarten. A parent-teacher conference usually follows.

"Some parents will work with us. If you talk to them, you see a change in the child," said Nix, who teaches second grade in Tuscaloosa, Ala. And the rest of the parents? "They say, 'We'll deal with it.' Nix laments, "and nothing changes."

Jeff Gillette, a retired respiratory therapist with two children in school, couldn't mind if teachers had more power to take charge of unruly students.



Julie Cone quizzes her son Mason, 7, on his homework at their South Kittery, Wash., home before he heads off to school on Oct. 8. An AP-AOL Learning Services Poll shows that children, parents and teachers have different views about what goes on at school.

"When I went to school, they could actually paddle you or put you in detention," recalled Gillette, 50, of Phoenix, Ariz. "Teachers can't do that anymore. It's a loss of control."

The survey also found: • 73 percent of teachers say they know more than their students about learning tools available on the Internet. On this topic, 57 of parents say they know more than their kids.

• 79 percent of teachers say class work and homework is the best way to measure academic success; 63 percent of parents say the same. A minority of both groups favored test scores.

On testing, the poll found teachers are much more likely than parents to say standardized exams get too much

emphasis. Yet most parents and teachers agree testing has weakened the ability of educators to give individual attention to students.

Dottie Hungerford is one of those parents.

"I don't see where the testing is going to come in handy for 90 percent of students down the line," said Hungerford, a truck loader from Syracuse, N.Y. "For science-minded kids taking English tests, I don't think they care where the period goes when you are up in space."

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NATION

Bush gets cool reception on Social Security



Bush

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans on Wednesday shunned President Bush's call to cut Social Security benefits, and one committee chairman asked the administration of seeking to end "a pittance for widows and widowers."

"I have no plans to pursue these proposals," said GOP Sen. Charles Grassley of Iowa, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee.

The budget that Bush submitted to Congress on Monday proposes eliminating a \$255 lump-sum death benefit that has been part of Social Security for more than 50 years. It also urges Congress to cut off monthly survivor benefits to 16- and 17-year-old high school dropouts.

If approved, the two proposals would save a combined \$3.4 billion over the next decade, according to administration estimates.

Based on early reaction, or lack of it, prospects for congressional passage seemed remote. Democrats hastened to criti-

cize the proposals on Tuesday and continued their attack into a second day.

Both Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., were quick to

applaud Bush's overall budget proposals on Monday, but their aides declined repeated requests over two days for comments on the president's suggested change in Social Security.

Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, also offered no reaction.

Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., a member of the Senate GOP leadership, said, "I haven't

looked at that," adding he was unable to offer an opinion.

As the Finance Committee chairman, Grassley has jurisdiction over Social Security, and he made clear the administration's proposals would not be on the year's agenda.

"The administration didn't consult with me on these proposals. Even if someone had, I'd be hard-pressed to give them a second look," he said in a statement.

Grammys

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won a Grammy since her first two as a fresh-faced ingenue in 1994. This year, she was nominated for a leading eight and won three in the pre-telecast ceremony. No woman had ever won more than five in one night.

But Carey was shut out through the entire televised portion, losing twice to U2, once to Green Day for record of the year and once to former American Idol Kelly Clarkson for best female pop vocal performance.

"If you think this is going to go to our head, it's too late," U2 frontman Bono said after the group won song of the year.

After winning the night's big award, album of the year, Bono told Carey, "You sing like an angel."

John Legend won three awards: best new artist, best R&B album for his debut, "Get Lifted," and best male R&B vocal for the piano ballad "Ordinary People." His mentor, Kanye West, also won three.

Clarkson won two, including best pop album.

"I'm sorry I'm crying again on national television," said Clarkson, tearful and shaking as she held her first Grammy. "Thank you so much, you have no idea what this means to me."

The highlight of the show was the appearance of Sly Stone, the mercurial, psychedelic pioneer who disappeared from the music scene decades ago and hadn't performed in public since 1983.

Toward the end of a sizzling all-star tribute, Stone emerged sporting a pale Mohawk against his 61-year-old brown scalp and made his way through one of his biggest smashes, "I Want To Take You Higher." Though the tribute was planned, many didn't expect Stone — who hasn't performed in public in years — to show up.

Keith Urban was answering questions backstage when his performance began playing on a nearby monitor, and he had to stop talking.

"I think we just got upstaged," Urban said in amazement. "Everything pales in comparison."

Aside from winning the most awards, U2 provided one of the more rousing performances in the jam-packed show as they sang their hit Vertigo, then collaborated with R&B queen Mary J. Blige's gospel-inflected fervor for their classic "One."

West's three Grammys matched his total for last year. The brash rapper/producer played up (or lived up to) his egotistical reputation as he won best rap album for "Late Registration."

"I had no idea, I had no idea," West said in mock shock as he pulled a huge sheet of paper that read "Thank You List."

Alison Krauss & Union Station also had three awards, including for best country album, while Stevie Wonder, who released his first album in ten years last year.

The show started off on a two-dimensional note as the cartoon-fronted rock group Gorillaz performed their record of the year contender, "Feel Good Inc." with the help of animation, a blue screen and guest rappers De La Soul. The performance then segued into a Madonna moment, as the pop queen — who was not nominated for any awards — slithered through the Gorillaz' virtual space while singing her latest hit, "Hung Up."

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Power

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R-Pingree, viewed Stennett's bill as "raising the bar" too high for energy companies and feared that one day the state would look back and wonder why no power plants had come to Idaho.

"The siting of this facility will be a historical event," said Sen. Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home, who co-sponsored the bill on the floor. "I'm not sure that raising the bar is a bad thing."

Jerome County commissioners Joe Davidson and Charlie Howell were on hand for the vote along with many commissioners from the region. Howell said he was not in opposition to Stennett's legislation.

Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, didn't see her proposed coal-fired power plant moratorium fare so well in the House Environment, Energy and Technology committee.

Wednesday afternoon, Block requested that the committee print her draft legislation, but the committee voted to have Block make revisions to her bill and present it again at a later date.

"The people of Idaho are concerned," Block said. "They are concerned about how a coal-fired power plant will affect our way of life."

Block's legislation would have put a two-year moratorium on the building, permitting and application process for coal-fired power plants of 250-megawatt capacity and greater in size. Her bill, however, does not apply to some coal-gasification technology.

Committee members expressed concerns about two items in Block's bill. First, Block suggested in her legislation that the state work on an energy plan and a siting plan while the moratorium would be in place.

Second, the representative made it a felony to be engaged in activities surrounding getting a coal-fired facility permitted or built.

Rep. Jack Barraclough, R-Idaho Falls, warned that residents and legislators should take a hard look what pollutant concentrations and levels mean before blocking power plants.

"Just because you can measure mercury in a lake doesn't mean it's harmful," Barraclough said.

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How they voted

Vote record for the "Good Neighbor" bill, Senate Bill 1276: Magic Valley senators are in bold.

- Ayes: Sens. Andreason, Bunderson, Burkett, Cameron, Colner, Compton, Corder, Darrington, Davis, Fulcher, Gannon, Goodie, Hill, Kelly, Knaugh, Langhorst, Little, Lodge, Malpeal, Marley, McGee, McKenzie, Schroeder, Stegner, Stennett, Work.
- Nays: Sens. Broadsword, Burtnashaw, Goodies, Jorgensen, Pearce, Richardson, Sweet, Williams.
- Absent: Sen. Brandt.

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will straighten out roughly 160,000 claims to water in the basin, are already behind schedule. And, the department and Legislature must consider when the state wants to take on a similar process in north Idaho.

Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, expressed concern about keeping into north Idaho before the claims in the Snake River Basin are settled.

"I'm hesitant to try to finish what we're trying to do here and start a new project," she said. Sen. Melvin Richardson, R-Idaho Falls, questioned whether the SRBA, which is said to be the largest adjudication of water rights in the West, has been worth the time and money.

"You can't unrange or administer that which you have not defined," Dreher replied.

For instance, Dreher said, if Anheuser-Busch wanted to expand a facility in Idaho, would company executives want to do so

IDWR budget request

- The governor recommended a budget of \$22,976,600 for Water Resources.
- Water Resources Director Karl Dreher says the Department pays its employees an average 33 percent less than market.
- Water Resources has a backlog for water rights transfers of 247 applications.

without knowing how their water rights compared with others?

Dreher acknowledged, however, that currently some water users involved in the battle in southern Idaho between ground and surface water users might dispute how their water rights have been administered.

Yet, attorney Tom Arkoosh with the Surface Water Coalition was on the same page with the

Director in at least one regard: funding for the department. "We're supportive of the Director's request for appropriate funding," Arkoosh said.

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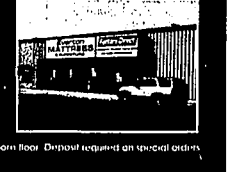
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Adventurer lifts off in effort to break flight distance record

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — After a white-knuckle takeoff, millionaire adventurer Steve Fossett soared out over the Atlantic in a honey-looking experimental airplane Wednesday on a quest to break the world's longest aircraft flight.

Fossett squeezed into the tiny cockpit, kissed his wife goodbye and set out on the planned, 35-day nonstop journey, taking off from the Kennedy Space Center on a nearly three-mile runway that is normally used by space shuttles when they return to Earth.

His plane, the Virgin Atlantic Global Flyer, is made of lightweight carbon fiber and has a super fuel-efficient turbofan jet engine with a very high thrust-to-weight ratio.

The takeoff was free of technical problems like the major fuel



Fossett

leaks that had plagued Fossett's nonstop solo flight around the globe last year and prevented him from taking off on Tuesday. Still, there were some hair-raising

moments. Two scabbards hit his plane during takeoff but caused no damage and the aircraft lifted off about 1,500 feet farther down the runway than expected. The temperature in the cockpit reached 130 degrees at one point, causing instruments to temporarily stop working, before it cooled off.

"Takeoff was a bit scary, to say

the least," Fossett, 61, said hours later in a statement issued by his flight team. "I had to use most of the runway to get off the ground. This was particularly hairy, as I couldn't have aborted even if I had wanted to."

The birds apparently hit the leading edge of a wing and the nose of one of the fuel tanks, but those spots are well reinforced, said Jon Karkow, flight engineer. Fossett's goal is a nearly 27,000-mile trip, once around the world and then across the Atlantic again, with a landing Saturday outside London.

The 60-hour voyage would break the airplane distance record of 24,987 miles set in 1996 by the lightweight Voyager aircraft piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeanna Yeager, as well as the balloon record of 25,361 miles set by the Breiting Orbiter 3 in 1999.

Bush trims Medicaid and Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed a measure Wednesday that trims Medicaid and Medicare spending over the next five years, but he said Congress must make bigger changes as baby boomers retire.

Bush said programs such as Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security are the biggest long-term challenge to the budget. Even after the cuts he signed into law, the growth rates projected for the programs are unsustainable, he said.

"By 2030, spending for Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security alone will be almost 60 percent of the entire federal budget," Bush said just before signing the Deficit Reduction Act in the East Room of the White House.

"That will leave future generations with impossible choices — staggering tax increases, immense deficits, or deep cuts in every category of spending," the president said.

He defended his budget blueprint for the coming fiscal year in the face of critics from both parties who say he is shaving too much from Medicare and other programs. He said his critics are "thinking like free-spending Europeans."

"There are some that, frankly, look more like Europe than we should, and that is kind of a centralization of power," Bush said in a visit Wednesday to tax-averse New Hampshire. "The surest way to centralize power is to take more of your own money to Washington."

Bush's proposal for the budget year that begins Oct. 1 asks Congress to trim Medicare spending by \$35.9 billion over five years, allowing the program to grow at a rate of 7.7 percent instead of 8.1 percent currently projected.

"It is the difference between slowing your car down to the speed limit, or putting your car

into reverse," Bush said both at the White House and before the Business and Industry Association in Manchester, N.H.

The bill he signed is a leftover measure from his 2005 agenda. The measure aims to trim \$39 billion out of the budget over five years, partly through small cuts to Medicaid, Medicare and student loan subsidies.

The bill also:

- Renews the 1996 welfare overhaul bill.
- Cuts \$11.9 billion in student loan subsidies.
- Aims to raise \$10 billion in new revenues from auctioning television airwaves to wireless companies.

- Includes \$1 billion in new spending to extend an income subsidy program for dairy farmers.

The \$39 billion in cuts in the bill are generally small — a 0.4 percent cut in total Medicaid money and 0.3 percent cut from Medicare over five years.

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THE SOUNDS OF LIFE

Twin Falls man makes business of recording

By Esteban Gonzalez
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — In a newly-modeled professional recording studio, a man in a chair sits in front of a massive control board. This is the daily routine of Luis Vargas, while being surrounded by an endless amount of knobs, dials, green and red lights and computer monitors. With a growing smile and a look of satisfaction on Vargas' face, the final adjustments to a metallic knob are set to perfection.

Originally from the South American country of Venezuela, Vargas, 35, first stepped foot in the United States back in 1977. Vargas is a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints religious community. It wasn't until after he returned from his LDS mission in Washington, D.C., that Vargas made Twin Falls, Idaho, his permanent home.

After being inspired by his uncle, Alejo Portal, who is a sound engineer in Venezuela, Vargas focused on furthering his education in this career.

"My uncle was a great inspiration to why I chose sound engineering as a life-long career," Vargas says. "After learning more about it, my goal was to understand the different sounds and to determine why and how they mix together."

Vargas studied the aspects of sound engineering for five years at the Studio of Recording and



Luis Vargas, of Midnight Productions of Twin Falls, has been working as a sound engineer for more than 13 years. Vargas also puts his visual and audio skills to use as the manager for Roper Auditorium.

To learn more

Luis Vargas can be reached at 1-800-676-8636

Audio Film in Caracas, Venezuela. However, it was on-the-field job training at the College of Southern Idaho for five years that helped him succeed.

"Sound engineering is more complex than it seems. To enter a career, like such, you need to have a knowledge in math and physics," Vargas says. "Think about when you hear a police siren. You will notice how the frequency or pitch changes as the siren gets further away from where you are. The waves diminish in power as they travel further from their source of sound."

As an educated sound engineer, he is determined to

provide services to the Magic Valley community. However, his primary focus is to provide for his family as a loving husband and father and is very grateful that the Magic Valley has provided such an opportunity.

Owned and operated by Vargas, Midnight Productions is a multimedia production company. In addition to sound engineering services, the company offers services in live performance, lighting, mobile disc jockey services, audio/video recording and repair and production of all types of audio and video media.

In addition, he has provided sound and lighting for names such as Bill Haley & the Comets, Blind Boys of Alabama, Ricardo Montalán, La Onda, Grupo Control, Miami Sound Machine (before Gloria Estefan dominated the group) and The Standards.

"I have worked with some interesting names," Vargas says. "Among them was Suzanne Jett, a local composer who I had the opportunity of working with and recording (in my recording studio) prior to her passing."

Vargas spends a huge amount of time working at the Roper Auditorium, which he manages. It has been an intricate part of all the productions put on by JIVE, JUMP Co. and the many other events that come to auditorium. Its Midnight Productions is also the executive producer for "Cowboy Country," a local television show that can be seen on K2AW at 9:30 a.m. Sundays.

Out of all the different areas of training, Vargas has a great passion for Spanish translation for all types of media productions. He says he hopes to become a link with the growing Spanish community.

Hispanic Business network meets to hear about housing

TWIN FALLS — A lawyer from Idaho's Capital City will discuss housing at a meeting of the Hispanic Business and Professionals Network at noon Monday at the Azfán Restaurant on Blue Lakes Boulevard. Karen McCarthy will speak at the no-host lunch. Anyone interested is invited.

For more information, call Pat Marcantonio or Leticia Coronado at 733-9831.

LCSC to hold Minority Internship Symposium

LEWISTON — The College Assistance Migrant Program at Lewis-Clark State College is holding the Northwest Minority Internship Symposium for minority college students on Feb. 10-11 at the Red Lion Hotel in Lewiston.

The symposium will combine workshops and job interviews for summer internships, helping students receive training and experience in the business world. CAMP students from LCSC and the University

of Idaho, along with minority students from LCSC, UI and Washington State University will participate in the symposium.

CAMP is a federally-funded program for students from migrant and seasonal farm working backgrounds. The program helps students, many of them the first generation in their family to attend college, make a successful transition to college with essential financial and academic support and then helps them succeed in college.

The symposium will feature both student and corporate panels, which will discuss various services provided by business.

The LCSC Business Division and LCSC Student Services have chipped to help with expenses.

Documentary receives plaudits

The Record

TEANECK, N.J. — Mercedes Jimenez-Ramirez didn't set out to make a documentary. But on a vacation to the Dominican Republic, a barefoot boy who cleaned shoes to feed his family tugged at her heart.

"Sometimes we go to ... other countries and we see these kids wiping car windows, selling flowers and little trinkets," said Jimenez-Ramirez, a freelance writer born in Cuba. "But we never stop and talk to them."

Moved by the struggles of the boy, called Alfredo, the Teaneck, N.J., resident promised herself that she would return to the Boca Chica beach resort and film a documentary.

On her return trip, Jimenez-Ramirez and her husband,

Jessie, didn't find Alfredo. Their search, however, led them to other poor children: children who slept under bridges, who found their meals in garbage cans, and who spent most of their day sniffing solvents.

Jimenez-Ramirez, who had never made a film, set out to tell their stories. The result was a 29-minute documentary called "Palomos: Hijos de la Calle" ("Palomos: Children of the Street").

Since its 2003 debut, the film and Jimenez-Ramirez have received several awards and accolades. Last week, the National Association of Latina Leaders, its magazine, Catalina, and Volvo Cars honored Jimenez-Ramirez as the "Groundbreaking Latina in Community Leadership."

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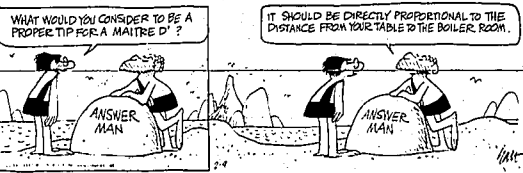
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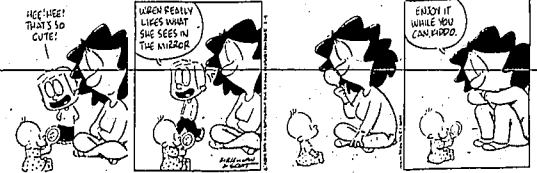
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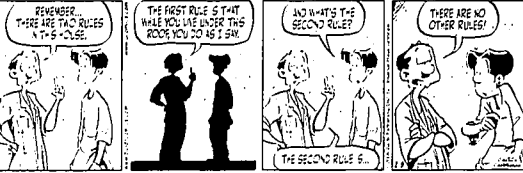
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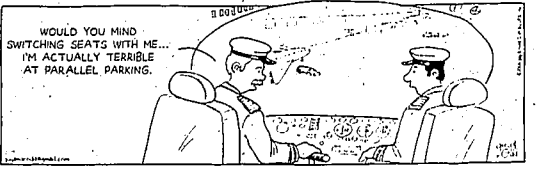
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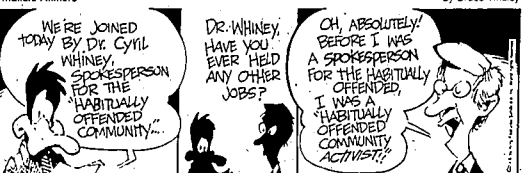
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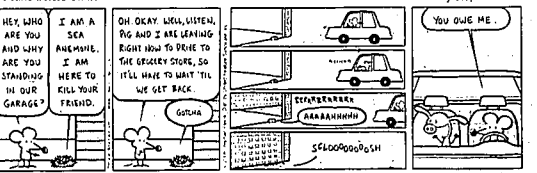
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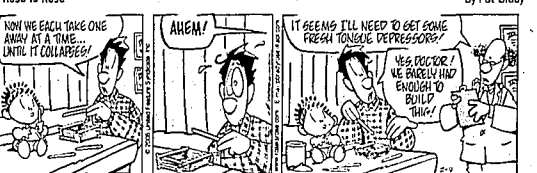
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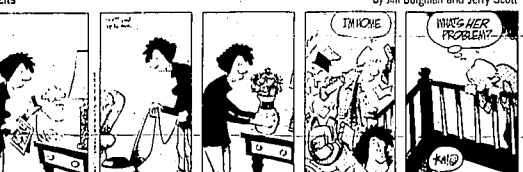
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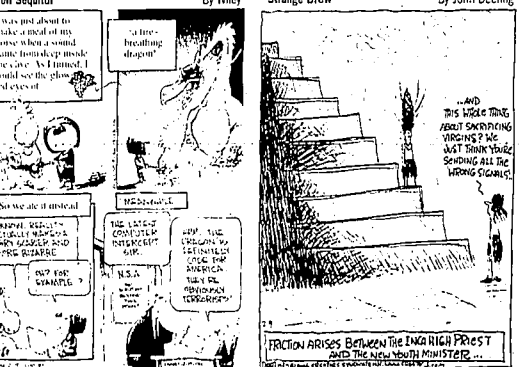


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By John Deering



Cancer: You're a real live wire

IF FEB. 9 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY... In mid-May and August, life can take a turn for the better if you look for opportunities to improve some facet of your existence. People are more likely to grant your wishes and give you the benefit of the doubt. Look in on these favors: But don't preen your feathers and forget to honor commitments in July. Be cautious about new relationships in September and follow all the rules, as others seem inclined to penalize you for mistakes and errors. Bounce back in October with healthy optimism and enjoy happier conditions. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Light up a room. Your glowing warmth and vitality can be contagious. You are a bit wiser than usual where money and love is concerned and can count on cooperation when needed. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may be the recipient of a whimsical gift or a pat on the back. Accept the worship of an adoring playmate. It is a good time for buying clothing or other personal items of good taste. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Whether in the workplace or gadding about on the social scene, be tactful. Gentle ways and peacemaking efforts will add to your reputation. Make a

HOROSCOPE Jeraline Saunders good impression on important people. CANCER (June 21-July 22): An attraction for the exotic or unusual makes you a fire wire around the water cooler. Enjoy friends, play with new software programs and tackle programming the VCR. Send money to save the whales. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Glide through the day. Those you interact with will know how to grease the wheels of commerce and get things done. Follow their example and don't be anxious to start off in new directions. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Where love or money is concerned trust your heart instead of your mind. You may be emotionally attracted to that special someone and instinctively reach for the phone at the perfect time. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can accomplish much by acting in harmony with others. Love and romance are on an upswing this week so be ready for a heady amorous adventure or

just smooth sailing at the office. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Temptations can make your mouth water. Many a box of chocolates is your downfall. You are apt to run into the perfect outfit at the mall or an attractive stranger in the checkout lane. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Speak your mind. Some times, however, it is the words left unsaid that make relationships thrive. Bonds of love can draw tighter — especially if you are sensitive to the needs of others. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Although talent and business savvy can help you fatten up the piggy bank, intuition and a sense of the dramatic give you the best advantage. Seal the best deals by being flexible. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You aren't just another pretty face. Your kindness attracts adoring friends and warm glances. Hook up with a congenial companion and shop for clothing or precious possessions. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The wheels are turning. Those who agree with your principles will work behind the scenes to promote your interests. You might not be aware of helpful activity going on in the background.

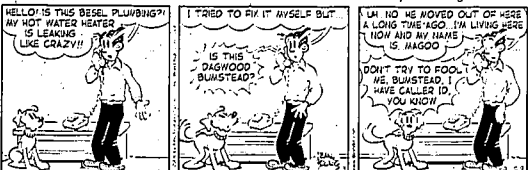
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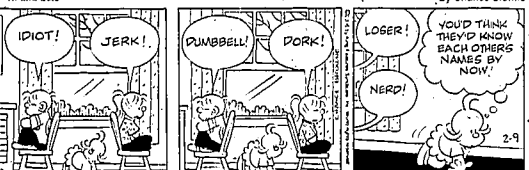
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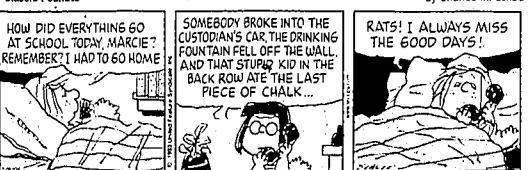
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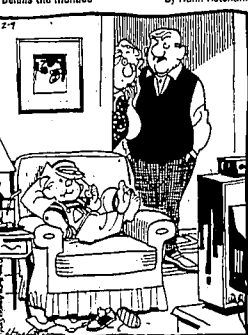
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Generous grandmother expects thank you to come with love



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a widow who lives independently. I do my own cooking, shopping and housework. I have grandkids, play cards, go to movies and, in general, enjoy life.

I recently gave my only granddaughter, Wendy, a sizable sum of money. After 30 days and no acknowledgment, I mailed her a thank-you card. Iters the response I got: "Grandmother, Thank you for the money. It couldn't have come at a better time, and my family is very grateful. I have always appreciated everything you have done for me. All I'd like to realize that 'family' had to thank one another for every gesture of kindness. I always believed that love was thanks enough."

"I love you very much and want to be a part of your life and have you be a part of my life and my family's lives — but it's up to you. It's your decision, because we have a lot of love to give and share together with no thanks required or necessary. Love, Wendy."

Abby, this is a girl with a good education and a job she has held for 12 years. The only time I see Wendy is at family gatherings; I used to take her shopping

and to lunch. I stopped that when she never reciprocated or invited me to lunch. From infancy through college I have given Wendy toys, clothing, furniture, money — but no more! My grandsons never ask for anything and are loving and respectful. I feel foolish and used.

—GRANDMOTHER IN IDAHO

DEAR GRANDMOTHER: For someone with a "good" education, your granddaughter seems ignorant of basic good manners. Her parents should have taught her by example from earliest childhood to say thank you when a kindness was extended, and the importance of a prompt thank-you note. (And "family" is no exception!)

If Wendy "loves" you, she has a strange and self-serving way of showing it. She owes you an apology, and if it is not forth-

coming, you have every right to direct your attention — as well as your estate — to the grand-son who has been both loving and respectful.

DEAR ABBY: I have been with my significant other for 15 years, and I would like a suggestion as to what I can do for this special occasion. We have always seen eye to eye, and she's the best thing that has ever happened to me.

In recent years we have been fortunate enough to travel our great country from coast to coast. We have done pretty much everything you can imagine, going out to eat, going to movies. I just don't have a clue about what to do for our 15th year of being together. Any ideas? Please respond soon.

—CHRISTOPHER IN MICHIGAN

DEAR CHRIS: I have a novel idea. Because she's the best thing that ever happened to you, why not propose marriage? And here's how: Tell her that since you have already traveled this great country from coast to coast, you think it's time you meet someone you can imagine of matrimony. I'll bet she'll be surprised.

Horsepower: It's all about a number



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINNES
Jack Mingo
Erin Barrett

A reader asks: "Do they harness horses to a car to determine its horsepower?" We can just imagine a pulling contest between a Hyundai Accent and a team of 104 horses. But no, horsepower was invented James Watt's mathematical approximation of how much power a horse can exert. One horsepower is calculated as the force required to lift 550 pounds 60 feet in one minute.

A followed by 27 zeros is an octillion. Don't confuse it with an octodecillion — that's a 1 followed by 57 zeros.

This day in history: A small group of French colonists, Canadian backwoodsmen, prospectors, slaves, prisoners, and prostitutes landed in mosquito-infested swamps on Feb. 9, 1718, under orders from the French government to found a settlement at the mouth of the Mississippi. They called their new port Nouvelle-Orleans; we now call it New Orleans.

Does the name Emma Nutt

fever per square mile.

Want to compare the hotness of chili peppers? So did Wilbur Scoville, which is why in 1912, he invented the Scoville Scale. Starting at a bell pepper's baseline of 0 Scoville Units, a jalapeno pepper measures 2,500 to 5,000, but that's comparatively weak — a Scotch bonnet habanero burns up the scale at 80,000 to 300,000 Scoville Units.

Tired of that quick brown fox who keeps jumping over a lazy dog? Try "jackdaws love my big sphinx of quartz." It also gives you all the letters of the alphabet.

Mushrooms, of course, have neither mush nor rooms. The name comes from a pitiful attempt by English speakers to pronounce the Old French word for the fungus: "moisereon."

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Woman saves chicken, mouth-to-beak

ARSADELPHIA, Ark. (AP) — This chicken had lips, just not her own.

A retired nurse saved her brother's chicken, Hon Hon, by administering mouth-to-beak resuscitation last week after the fowl was found floating face down in the family's pond.

Marian Morris said she hadn't had any practice with CPR in 40 years, but she was interested to see if she "still had it."

"I breathed into its beak, and its dazed eyes popped open," Morris said. "I breathed into its beak again, and its eyes popped open again. I said, 'I think this chicken's alive now. Keep it warm.'"

She said she did not know how to find a pulse on a chicken.

Odds & Ends

Boo Boo's owners, Jackie and Becky Callman, put her in a horse cardboard box containing a grain feeder and water. They also placed a heater nearby.

'God' signer may have to surrender driver's license

READING, Pa. — A man who signs his name as "God" may have to surrender his driver's license.

The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation told Paul Sewell in a letter last week that he would have to turn over the license if he didn't provide the agency his birth certificate and Social Security

card by Feb. 14.

The letter came less than a week after the Berks County Elections Board questioned Sewell's signature on a voter registration form.

Sewell on Friday asked a court to intervene in the PENN-DOT matter. The department's letter does not cite a reason for the order and a spokeswoman's declined comment.

State law requires a driver to write his usual signature on the license.

Sewell, a bail enforcement agent, has said he signs documents as "God" because fugitives always preface their comments with "Oh, God," when he captures them.

He signed his name "God" — compiled from wire reports

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EDITORIAL

Buried waste battle will require all Idaho's effort

It's almost as if you can hear President Clinton purring from the past, "it depends on what your meaning of the word 'all' is."

Another chapter was added this week to the long dispute over Idaho's 1995 waste removal agreement with the Department of Energy. That deal's language over transuranic waste at the Idaho National Laboratory remains a far point of legal contention between the state and the feds.

White Idaho still has reason on its side for removing "all" transuranic waste from the site, semantics under the law make it a troubling case.

Two former Idaho governors who were at the forefront of the atomic waste battle, Cecil Andrus and Phil Batt, testified before U.S. District Judge Edward Lodge on Monday that the federal government is backtracking from a pledge to remove all transuranic waste, both above and in the ground at INL by 2018. The waste sits in unlined pits above the Snake River Plain Aquifer — southern Idaho's primary source of water for homes and farms.

The U.S. Department of Justice says that's revisionist history. It argues digging up buried waste in leaking barrels and crates was never part of the deal. In 2002, Lodge ruled in favor of Idaho's analysis of the pact. But the 9th Circuit Court sent it back for additional testimony. This time, an appeal is likely again.

The case revolves around one key paragraph of the 1995 deal made by Batt and the department.

"DOE shall ship all transuranic waste now located at (INL), currently estimated at 65,000 cubic meters in volume to the Hanford and Savannah River sites in New Mexico or at other

such facility designated by DOE by a target date of December 31, 2015, and in no event later than December 31, 2018."

Read the words "all transuranic waste" and it seems obvious. Transuranic describes material with atomic measure greater than uranium. Thus, if there's any INL waste with that quality, this deal assures its disposal.

But the Energy Department has raised issues with the language, starting with the estimate of 65,000 cubic meters of waste, as well as the difference between "buried" waste and "stored" waste. The Batt administration once had a fact sheet saying INL had 65,000 cubic meters stored at the site, with another 62,000 cm "buried." The figures were later revised to show a total of 65,000 cm, both above and below ground.

In his 1996 State of the State address, Batt also said "we have a federal court order that calls for removal of nearly all nuclear waste from the state of Idaho — all the high-level and stored transuranic waste accumulated under my predecessor."

The feds will use those sentences to build their case that the pact has a shifting definition. But the actual agreement had simply an estimate for the total volume, and it didn't differentiate between stored and buried waste — it just said "all."

That's what frustrates Andrus, Batt and all Idahoans who backed the 1995 agreement at the polls. To see the federal government risk leaving atomic waste above the Snake River Plain aquifer is a threat to an entire region, not to mention an insult to Idahoans' intelligence.

It will be a long battle to clarify one word of a legal agreement. But Idaho can't afford to drop the fight.

Our view: The legal fight over transuranic waste at INL is a fight over one word that Idaho can't afford to lose.

What do you think?

We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Verdict on Sempra stories: stay in Texas

I've read Ms. Dunlop's series about Sempra and have drawn one conclusion: Texas would be a fine place for more coal plants.

RICHARD A. CARLSON
Filer

Iraq war killing far more than American soldiers

Bravo, Mr. Hartley, for questions regarding actual soldier and civilian deaths in Iraq. I, too, have written Sen. Craig in the past inquiring whether there was any truth to a national political cartoon that inferred only deaths on Iraq soil were counted as fatalities. Those airified out who died later were not included. He repeated the Department of Defense statistics.

There have been more than 25,000 soldiers medically evacuated from Iraq, yet the Department of Defense reports 16,400 injured. Some estimates indicate that one out of four serving in Iraq will have post-traumatic stress disorder.

In early 2005, a group of Johns Hopkins researchers estimated that in the first 14 months of war, about 100,000 Iraqi civilians died. They attributed 60,000 of the deaths to the United States and its allies. Since that time, the United States has implemented air attacks with precision-guided munitions or "smart bombs." Unfortunately, the smart bombs are about as smart as our president and kill far more civilians than insurgents.

We will never know how many civilians were killed in the bombing during Bush Sr.'s Gulf War. However, the subsequent air attacks are estimated to have resulted in the deaths of 1 million to 1.3 million civilians, including 500,000 children under 5 years of age due to malnutrition, lack of clean water, etc.

With GWB's 2003 war, even more numerous rained down in Iraq destroying much of what infrastructure survived. These bombs and missiles have been saturating and depleted uranium. In "Oil Simply Oil," Manuel Delgado writes "...the cradle of civilization is being contaminated by the ultimate weapon of mass destruction, poisoned, since 1991, by radiation equivalent to between 250,000 and 400,000 Nagasaki bombs."

And so, those deaths will be followed by years and years of whatever mutations and slow agonies the uranium will visit on individuals, not just Iraqis, but those serving there too.

The 9/11 tragedy cannot be forgotten, but until all Americans realize it had absolutely nothing to do with this wholesale carnage, Bush will continue to use it as an excuse for his imperialism.

This is not just on terrorism. It is a corporate and administration-sponsored race to take over resources belonging to others. How many more are they willing to sacrifice for their greed (GWB continues to say the war is "worth it.") To whom? **SHARON METCALF**
Gooding

Iraq war killing far more than American soldiers

off the cliff, unhearsed, he is one leaded cannon. The guy just flat out ain't got it. He assured Roberts as a chief justice, the second he picked his call mate, Harriet Myers. Was this a plan? Hell no. He really thought in his pea brain he could pull it off.

Judge Alito is a fine person. No doubt an excellent judge. If you, the serving president of the USA, flushed our democratic views and said you won't support the democratic vote in Palestine, you are not representative of our democratic system, period, You picked him. That's the only trouble.

Lamas is a people's choice in a land we are trying to make democratic or implement our democratic views. Bush says the voters are wrong? They had a democratic election. Hey, egghead, where you been when they passed out brains?

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CSI should rein in request for Bolse

I agree with your headline, "Not so fast, CSI," on its ambitions to go into Boise State University territory.

First, I want to state that I am a firm supporter of the College of Southern Idaho. I received my registered nursing degree from CSI. I am very pleased with the nursing department and the level of learning I received.

The CSI administration was going to work with the returning adult, as well as the traditional student.

The thought of CSI entering into the Boise higher education market after recently obscuring the hole that the University of Idaho dug for itself makes me fearful of any such attempt.

Please, CSI, keep your focus on the Magic Valley and improving the existing facility to serve all who desire to come here to participate in an increasingly great trade and junior college — CSI.

DALLAS
Rupert

Where do our leaders stand on Sempra?

It is no secret there is widespread opposition in the south-central Idaho region to California-based Sempra Energy's proposal to construct a coal-fired plant in Jerome County.

There is something, however, that does seem to remain a secret — and that is where lawmakers from this region stand on bills currently being introduced to address the problems that come with these kinds of proposals.

Legislators from District 25 have come out publicly against the Sempra proposal and in support of several bills that Sen. Clint Stennett of Ketchum introduced. Rep. Sharon Block of Twin Falls, a Republican, is planning to cosponsor legislation with Rep. Wendy Jaquez of Ketchum, who is a Democrat. And most recently, Tom Cooney, R-Boise, stated in a letter to *The Times-News* that he supports a moratorium on the permitting processes for power plants like the Sempra proposal that are not regulated by



the state of Idaho.

But we're not hearing what the rest of our lawmakers think about this issue. How do they feel about a law that would allow people in neighboring counties to have some say about the effects of a coal-fired plant next door or a law that would at least put a moratorium on construction of mercury-emitting plants until all the people of Idaho better understand the long-range consequences of this kind of development?

In addition, in order to make an informed decision for whom to vote for our next governor, the people must know where gubernatorial candidates Jerry Brady and Congressman C.L. "Butch" Otter stand. Are you in favor or against this kind of development? It is your responsibility to tell us.

The most important thing our lawmakers must remember, though, is that the Sempra proposal or others like it are not party issues. The public sentiment clearly indicates the vast majority of both Democrats and Republicans from this region who have studied the issue do not want a coal-fired plant in Jerome County.

Magic Valley cannot afford for this issue to become political. The decisions that south-central Idaho lawmakers make will affect the natural resources, economy and people of this region for many, many generations.

LEW PENCE
Gooding

Sempra in Magic Valley? Not on our watch

Since Sempra Energy proposed its coal-fired plant east of Jerome, I have been studying the overall ramifications of building a plant of this kind in Idaho's Magic Valley and have concluded that to have a coal-fired plant here is not in the best interests of Idaho citizens. We obviously do not need the air and water pollution that this plant would create.

Almost 30 years ago, Idaho Power proposed building a coal-fired plant in Elmore County between Boise and Mountain Home, and the people of Idaho came out in strong opposition to the plan. Gov. Cecil Andrus and I, while I was lieutenant governor, opposed the project and said, "Not on our watch!"

Sempra is saying a new coal-fired plant's technology is improved over the older plants, but many other serious problems of air and water pollution from a plant of this kind still exist.

I appreciated the Dec. 9, 2005, *Times-News* article announcing the Future Gen plant — a billion-dollar, low-emission project sponsored by Secretary of Energy Samuel Bodman and the Future Gen industrial alliance consisting of six U.S. power companies and two from Australia and China.

Future Gen will use coal-gasification technologies, which turn coal into a highly enriched hydrogen gas, which can be used to "power" fuel cells to produce clean electricity or be fed to refineries to upgrade petroleum products to be used in hy-

drogen-powered cars and trucks.

The obvious answer for Sempra is to join the Future Gen project to develop the new gasification process and fudge building its dirty coal-fired plant in Jerome.

All of us should join the citizens group, "Keep Magic Valley Magic," and again say, "Not on our watch!"

JOHN W. EVANS SR.
Butley
(Editor's note: John W. Evans Sr. is a former governor of Idaho.)

Debates of war boil down to petty politics

Is there anything going on in Washington, D.C., that's good for our country? The main goal seems to be get re-elected and block anything the other party proposes, whether it is good or bad.

Whatever happened to integrity and ethics? Can you imagine that pompous ass from Massachusetts questioning the ethics of anyone, Gavel, what gall. And now that same bunch is telling us that President Bush should not authorize wiretaps on suspected terrorists without a warrant first. We should warn the president of the No. 2 al Qaeda honcho told us they are going to hit us again on our own soil!

And then there's Katrina. President Bush is somehow responsible because all the money appropriated to improve the levees over the last 20 or so years wasn't used for that purpose. Blame Bush! (Sounds like Maureen Dowd.) I don't read her columns anymore because they're all the same. She hasn't come up with a new idea in years. Editor, why do you pay for that garbage?

As well as face it, folks, Iran will soon have an atomic bomb, along with North Korea, Russia, England, France, Pakistan, Israel and, of course, the good guys — us. I think our only defense is a bigger, better bomb and a security system that is absolutely foolproof, which will probably have cameras and wire taps of suspect behavior. Be we will watch them first.

How many people do we know that have been hurt by the so-called nuclear test reactors that have operated over our aquifer for the last 50 years? Nuclear power plants are a safe and nonpolluting and a much better, cleaner source of power than the coal-fired plants proposed for Jerome County. And they can adapt to produce clean-burning hydrogen to power our combustion engines that now burn gas and diesel fuel and cause most of our pollution. With enough of them generating electricity and hydrogen, we would never have to suck up to some dictator, pollute our air or clean up oil spills ever again. Sure makes sense to me.

Hope I live long enough to see it finally become apparent to the powers that be.

And then there's this: What's cool about wearing baggy pants down around your butt with the cuffs dragging in the dirt? It can't be comfortable and looks sloppy. It's not a pretty sight.

LARRY PARKIE
Twin Falls

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LETTER

Senior lunch issue needs attention in District 23

To Sen. Tom Gannon of Huhl and Reps. Bert Brackett and Tom Cooney of the Grand View (District 23).

This open letter to your three elected representatives is based on the assumption that you will keep abreast of current events in this state and have read the *Oxychre* Avaneche of Jan. 25, as well as page 14 and read other statewide newspapers.

As such, an aspect of the current problem receiving news coverage on the funding of the Senior Citizen Lunch Program? I have to say that I find it more than passing curious that at a time when our nation can come up with emergency funding for the Iraq war of some \$30 billion, that our state can generate a \$200 million surplus and that the private sector can spend more than \$100 billion a year on professional sports, that we as a state cannot fund a nearly \$3 billion for these elderly citizens when, when it was their turn at bat, worked hard, raised families, paid their taxes and helped make this great state what it is today.

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I have eaten lunch at the Marsing and Nampa senior citizen centers and have to compliment the staff on the excellent meals, especially the turkey beef lunch in Marsing. I would suggest that if you, the elected officials representing these senior citizens, have never taken a meal at any of these centers, that you should do so if, for no other reason, as an exercise of your legislative investigative duty.

I would respectfully request of each of you your stand on this issue as well as what you intend to do about it. A failure to respond will be taken as an intent to do nothing about it.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

DR. RAY HEIDT
Marsing

Bush's intellect doing more harm to U.S.

Democracy means the majority rules — duh! There he goes again, remember?

President Bush decides to adhere one time to the long-used statement that it's better to be silent and thought to be ignorant than to speak and prove it. He is mouthing about Hillary Clinton and he mouthed off about I Lamas.

There isn't a Republican in the USA who doesn't want Hillary Clinton to run for president, period.

The free and democratic elections in Palestine, the people picked, elected the Hamas Party to power.

Wouldn't it be nice if the Democrats would have all walked out of Congress when Bush got elected?

What in the world runs through Bush's "pea" brain? I tell you — nothing. If he talks

Demand soars for newly approved diet pill

Public has 12 hours to get free pills that were the subject of ConsumerLab test featured on NBC, Today Show, CNN, Oprah Magazine

BY MARK STODDARD
 Universal Media Syndicate

Regional Health Hotline operators are dishing out a full month's supply of free diet pills to dieters from all across the country.

Today, for just 12 hours only, consumers will flood Regional Health Hotlines that have been set up for each time zone.

They'll be trying to beat the clock in order to get a free supply of a diet pill that is newly approved for quality.

This massive support effort is being coordinated to provide a free full month's supply of PatentLEAN™ to every adult over age 18 who calls the toll free hotline. They will only be asked to cover the cost for just the second month.

This effort was launched to make sure consumers can get PatentLEAN™ now until new shipments are able to reach over 22,000 pharmacies nationwide.

The generous program provides the first month free for those who beat the deadline. But, the free program faces possible cuts due to supply chain shortages.

It all started when a highly publicized ConsumerLab.com report appeared last month approving the quality of the diet pill called PatentLEAN™.

All the publicity following the feature stories about ConsumerLab's Tests on NBC, Today Show, CNN, and in "O" the Oprah Magazine is expected to totally deplete national pharmacy supplies of PatentLEAN™.

The well respected report showed that PatentLEAN™ is the only diet pill "approved" with "the dose found to be effective," and without health-risk stimulants.

With 4 U.S. Patents pertaining to weight loss, clinical studies and now this new ConsumerLab quality approval, PatentLEAN™ gives readers the assurance that this product is safe and effective.

Two clinical studies showed, that with PatentLEAN™, proper diet and exercise people lost up to 3 times more weight than those who tried diet and exercise alone. Remarkably, 80% of the

average weight lost was from body fat in just 8 weeks.

Now, this massive national stop-gap effort has been organized to dispense remaining supplies of the newly approved diet pills direct to the general public for free.

A company spokesman confirmed that extraordinary steps were required. By the time pharmacies could place new orders through normal distribution channels, it would take months before shelves could be restocked.

"Even though it was not my fault, now it's my problem," said Matthew Woods, Chief of Health Supply Services. "No one saw it coming. So we had to take these steps to make sure everyone gets their supply of the recently approved diet pills. We are still providing the first of a two month's supply free, even though a sudden national shortage exists," Woods confirmed.

"Some may be lucky enough to find a pharmacy with a supply still on hand. We urge readers to go to their pharmacy first. We've heard reports that Rite Aid still had some stock. If you find it there, by all means buy it and then send us the receipt so we can send you your free additional month supply," Woods said.

"Chances are they will be sold out. That's why we're bracing for all the calls. But those who call must use the designated phone number set up for their time zone to get the free supply. If the lines are busy, please tell them to keep trying," he added.

"We'll do whatever it takes to be sure everyone gets through, but we can't help you after the phone lines close. We can only guarantee stock for twelve hours. After that, when its gone, its gone, and callers will be turned away until our labs can produce new supplies," Woods said.

Everyone wants to get the full 8 week supply, because that's what the clinical trials used to achieve the remarkable weight loss results.

The phone lines will be open for 12 full hours with extra operators brought in to support all the calls.

"Now, there's going to be a lot of excited people shedding pounds," said Woods. "We're pulling out all the stops to keep up with demand."

That's why the next 12 hours are so critical. It is important that readers use the special telephone number for their time zone to beat the deadline. ■

You can take the weight loss test

Circle "True" or "False" after each question. If you answer TRUE to 3 or more, you could achieve good results with newly approved PatentLEAN™.

QUESTION	TRUE	FALSE
1. As I age, it is harder for me to lose weight.	T	F
2. I have failed at dieting more than once.	T	F
3. I want to lose at least 12 pounds.	T	F
4. I want visible results that will be noticed.	T	F
5. I made a resolution to lose but it was too hard to keep with it.	T	F
6. I don't want stimulants like caffeine, green tea or ephedrine.	T	F
7. I am a victim of Yo-Yo dieting.	T	F
8. I am concerned about the health risks of being overweight.	T	F
9. I want to see good results in less than 8 weeks.	T	F
10. I would rather eat five times a day than 'starve.'	T	F

Doctors tell us how to lose weight and help keep it off

Clinical studies back safe and effective, quality approved diet pill that has now been awarded four United States Government Patents

BY MARY BETH ANDREWS
 Universal Media Syndicate

After reading ConsumerLab.com's report approving the quality of PatentLEAN, I was intrigued to find out why diet failure may not be the dieter's fault. So I sat down with two distinguished medical researchers, Dr. John L. Zenk and Dr. Joseph C. Dietz, to understand how to help lose weight and keep it off.

Question: What is PatentLEAN?

Answer: Dr. Zenk PatentLEAN is an effective and trusted dietary supplement that has been clinically tested as a method of losing weight primarily through the reduction of body fat.

Question: Does PatentLEAN contain any stimulants?

Answer: Dr. Dietz No. PatentLEAN contains absolutely no stimulants or vasoconstrictors such as Ephedrine, Caffeine, Green Tea or PPA (phenylpropanolamine).

Question: What is the active ingredient in PatentLEAN capsules? Does it have any negative side effects?

Answer: Dr. Zenk The active ingredient in PatentLEAN is called 3-Acetyl-7-Oxo-Dehydroandrosterone. Clinical results show no serious adverse side effects when used as directed.

Question: What is it?

Answer: Dr. Dietz This complex compound is a natural substance which is produced by the body.

Question: Is PatentLEAN natural?

Answer: Dr. Zenk Yes. PatentLEAN begins as natural organic plant material. It is manufactured to a very high level of purity. Its potency was approved by ConsumerLab.com's report.

Question: Why do I need to take PatentLEAN if my body makes it naturally?

Answer: Dr. Dietz As we age, our natural production of this complex compound declines. This decline is most dramatic after the age of 30. By age 40, we produce only half as much of the material needed to make 3-Acetyl-7-Oxo-Dehydroandrosterone as we did at age 20. By taking PatentLEAN, you are simply putting back something that declines as we age.

Question: How long until PatentLEAN starts working?

Answer: Dr. Zenk It starts working immediately, however it is important that you use PatentLEAN for the full eight weeks. This is a realistic time frame to see good weight loss results. The clinical studies were conducted over an eight week period. Once you have achieved your desired weight loss, we recommend PatentLEAN to help maintain your new weight.

Question: Will I have to starve myself while using PatentLEAN?

Answer: Dr. Dietz Absolutely not. We actually recommend 5 balanced, reduced calorie meals a day. What most of us don't understand is that diets by themselves often stall our metabolism. The body goes into a physical response of being starved and over time resists losing more weight as a defense mechanism. It is not uncommon to see Resting Metabolism drop by 3% or more as a result of this response. But the participants in one double blind clinical study who took PatentLEAN on a calorie restricted diet without exercise actually experienced an average of a 5.3% increase to their resting metabolism. That is why it can be important to continue taking PatentLEAN even if you slip off your diet for a while. It may help combat the effects of decreased metabolism from past Yo-Yo dieting.

Question: What about exercise?

Answer: Dr. Zenk Even a simple exercise plan with PatentLEAN is the most effective way to keep the body from going into a physical response to being starved. In clinical studies of PatentLEAN participants diet included one thousand eight hundred calories and one hundred eighty minutes exercise per week including warm up and cool down, so consult your physician to develop your program.

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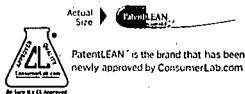
Well, I have to admit that even I was impressed with these doctors and their easy to understand explanations in simple laymen's terms on how PatentLEAN can work and help lose weight and keep it off. And it's a really good bargain since covering the second month gets you the full first month's supply free. ■

By Mary Beth Andrews

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PatentLEAN is the brand that has been newly approved by ConsumerLab.com

When to call to get Free Supply

To assure the orderly movement of the supplies of PatentLEAN until drug stores are able to restock their shelves, a Regional Health Hotline has been set up.

You can now call during the times that are listed in your time zone. Simply call the number to get your full month's supply free, you will only be asked to cover the cost of the second month's supply with shipping so you'll have it immediately.

1. Begin calling at the exact time using the designated telephone line shown below for your time zone.
2. It has been reported that a supply of PatentLEAN exists at Rite Aid. If you can find a pharmacy that has PatentLEAN, just pick up 2 bottles and then send your sales receipt to the address provided and you'll receive another full month's supply. Call the Regional Health Hotline to get an authorization code to write on your receipt.

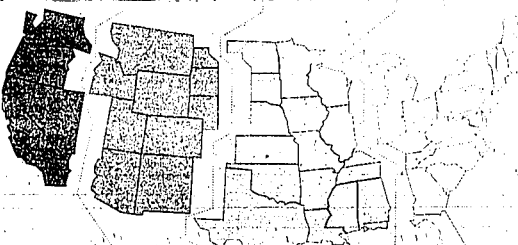
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Safe Harbor

meeting Monday
TWIN FALLS — Safe Harbor will hold its monthly board meeting at 8 p.m. Monday in Room 304 at the First Christian Church, 601 Shawnee St. N.
Updates on opening an emergency homeless shelter and this year's free Saturday lunch schedule will be provided.

The public is invited.
For more information, call Phyllis at 735-8787.

Air quality meeting at CSI on Monday

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will host a public informational meeting on regional haze and air quality from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday, Feb. 13 at the College of Southern Idaho, Shields Building, Room 118.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide an open forum for citizens to learn about regional haze in Idaho and negotiated rule making that DEQ is conducting to devise a plan for controlling haze-causing pollution.
Under the Regional Haze Rule adopted by the Environmental Protection Agency in 1999, states are required to develop and implement air quality reduction plans to reduce human-caused pollution that impairs visibility in national parks and wilderness areas.

Affected areas of local interest include Craters of the Moon National Monument and Sawtooth National Recreation Area.
For more information, please call (208)-373-0438.

Energy teleconference at CSI on March 9

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Community Education Center will host a broadcast of the satellite teleconference "Industrial Efficiency Initiative: Save Energy, Maximize Profits," from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 9, in Room 276 of the Taylor building at the CSI campus.

Speakers and presenters that will share how they have saved energy and reduced costs at their facilities include Al Halverson, group manager of energy/utilities at Frito Lay; Glen Lewis, director of energy and indirect procurement at Ted Monte Foods; Patrick Healy, environmental manager at Fetzer Vineyards; Pat Avery, vice president of agrbiusiness at J.R. Simplot Co.; and Garrett Smith of Cognatech Inc.

Jeff Bush, vice president of Semptra Energy Solutions, will give an overview of the U.S. energy picture.

Cost is \$60 per person.
To register for more information, go to www.fhvphoto.com, contact NAWETA at (503) 327-2200 or the CSI Community Education Center at 732-6288.

Recording artist to sign copies of his CD

TWIN FALLS — Nashville recording artist and Cowboy Country star Johnny U will sign copies of his double CD's, Volume 1 and 2, from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at Gary Stone Gallery, 132 Main Ave. S.

Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	Season pack**
Salmon	129%	85%
Blaine	142%	87%
Little Wood	135%	85%
Big Lost	131%	82%
Little Lost	112%	70%
Henneka/Fenton	112%	87%
Upper Snake Basin	125%	83%
Oakley	163%	114%
Salmon Falls	148%	100%

* A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 20-year average.
** An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.

Lawmakers kill local tax vote options

Proposals would have allowed local governments to put tax increases on the ballot

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE, Idaho — Idaho lawmakers on Wednesday killed two proposals that would have expanded local option taxes, arguing the bills were ill-suited in a year when dozens of property

tax reform measures are being considered.
"They were a distraction," said Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot, a member of the House Tax and Revenue Commission who voted against sending the local-option bills to the full House.
The first proposal, from

House Minority Leader Wendy Louette, D-Ketchum, required two-thirds support of voters before boosting a county sales tax by up to 0.5 percent, with the proceeds going toward capital projects such as affordable housing.
The second, similar measure,

sponsored by Sens. John Good and Dick Comm, both Coeur d'Alene Republicans, required votes on such measures to be held on primary and general election dates. It added an additional hurdle: 40 percent of the registered voters would have had to vote to validate the

outcome.
After seven days of hearings since last Monday on more than 30 property tax-related bills, Wednesday morning's session was the first time lawmakers had a chance to winnow down their choices.
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TWO WEEKS IN CUBA



Raquel Arenz stands in front of a typical Cuban vehicle. After Fidel Castro installed a communist government in 1959, auto imports from any country besides the former Soviet Union were banned. As a result, most vehicles in Cuba are left over from the country's last days in democracy.

Travel abroad strengthened appreciation for home

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Sometimes we don't realize how much we have until we see others who are living without it.
Raquel Arenz always had the dream to visit Cuba, so when her 19-year-old son, Chris, became interested in the life of Che Guevara — a key political figure in the Cuban revolution

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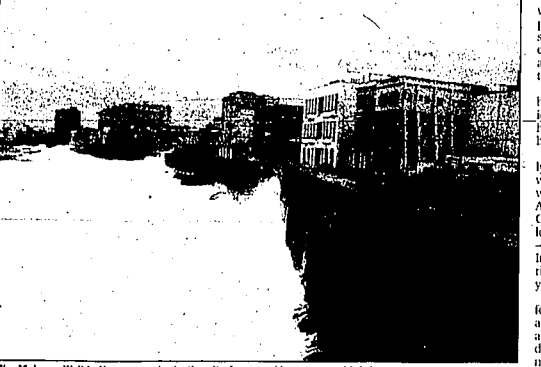
— she decided it was time to fulfill that dream.
Arenz, a professor at the College of Southern Idaho, was presented with the Magic Valley Human Rights Leader Award during the recent

Human Rights Celebration at CSI. As a bilingual coordinator and a Spanish language professor, she has learned to see people for who they are — regardless of their nationality.
For two weeks they visited with the people of Cuba and learned about the mysterious nation that has been under an embargo by the U.S. since 1960, the year after Fidel Castro took power.
Although tourists are wel-

comed by the impoverished nation, the U.S. does not permit travel to or from Cuba. However, that has not stopped people such as Arenz, who always wanted to visit the island that has been lost but not forgotten.
"I feel like I came back so refreshed," Arenz said. "It gave me an appreciation for this country, and the rights that I was feeling very apathetic about."

She said the biggest struggle was to reserve a light and a passport to Cuba, but after shopping around at different countries in Europe, they were able to obtain a light reservation and passport in Mexico.
"I have a dual citizenship, but I wanted to go as an American because I had always heard how about how they had American," Arenz said.

But Arenz and her son quickly found out that the travel was a myth, and that Cubans were simply curious about America and the world outside Castro's Cuba. They also learned that Cuba was as safe — if not safer — than the U.S. in Cuba, robbing a tourist carries an automatic penalty of 30 years in prison.
But the country was very different. Even when they first arrived, Chris Arenz said it was apparent that things worked differently in the communist nation.



The Malecon Wall in Havana protects the city from crashing waves, which frequently splash over the wall during winter months.

In his own words

Marine posts own entry on Web site

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The people who have followed Marine Cpl. Travis Greene during his recovery got a pleasant surprise when they looked at his Web site Sunday.

"This is Travis himself," the Marine wrote on the family's CaringBridge Web site. "This is the third time I've been in a wheelchair since I've been here, which is no small task as much as my muscles have disappeared."

It was the day of the Super Bowl, and Greene was about to watch his favorite Pittsburgh Steelers defeat the Seattle Seahawks.
Super Bowl is today and I am going for the Steelers, but everyone keeps sending me Seahawks stuff, which is fine. I don't mind them, but write.

Greene, 21, a 1999 Twin Falls High School graduate and a star on the basketball and field team, lost both of his legs in an explosion Dec. 7 in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, just west of Baghdad. One Marine was killed and three other Marines and one Navy corpsman were injured. They transferred to Walter Reed Army Medical Center in nearby Washington, D.C., several weeks ago and Greene is expected to join them Monday. Once there, he will begin another long journey of intensive physical therapy and learning to walk again on prostheses.

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Keeping in touch

As Marine Cpl. Travis Greene recovers at the National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., friends and strangers alike have written messages of support in his guestbook on the family's CaringBridge Web site. Greene's parents also provide daily updates on their son's condition. To read more, or to leave a message, go to the Web site at <http://www.caringbridge.org> and click on "visit." In the first box, type "transgreene" and click again on "visit."

Library bond measures defeated in three Idaho cities

The Associated Press
BOISE — Twin Falls wasn't alone in rejecting improvements to the local library.
Measures in Boise and Lewiston also fell short of the required two-thirds majority needed to pass in Tuesday's election.
In Boise, about 57 percent of voters supported the \$37.8 million bond proposal to build three branch libraries in south-east, west and northwest Boise.

"It's hard to feel bad about 57 percent of the voters wanting libraries," said Boise Mayor Dave Bleter.
"We'll be back in some way either one main library or one (branch) by one."
Jim Auld opposed the measure as part of Friends of Ada County Property Owners.
"People were not in the mood to raise their taxes," Auld said. "Two-thirds is a high hurdle, but it's a legitimate require-

ment."
About 16 percent of Boise's 109,000 registered voters cast ballots.
In Twin Falls, voters turned down a \$5.2 million bond referendum to pay for a 20,000-square-foot addition to the library.
Only about 35 percent of voters approved the bond for the library, while 65 percent opposed it. About 13.9 percent of registered voters participated.

Opponents said the city needed to spend tax dollars on other projects, including curbs and gutters.
In Lewiston, an attempt for a new library was defeated for the third time in nine years. The \$4.5 million bond measure received just more than 56 percent support. About 37 percent of registered voters turned out.
"Even if it does go down, the need for the library is still there,"

said Delitta Kilgore, former Lewiston mayor and a member of the library foundation. "It hasn't gone away, and the community needs to have that need met some way. We're going to work together with all the library supporters to find a way to meet that need."
Supporters had hoped to build a 25,000-square-foot building to replace the current outdated hardware store that serves as a library.

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MAGIC VALLEY

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Dorothy A. Muffley



(George Green of Wendell, Fred (Marlene) Muffley of Powell, Wyo., and Max (Alice) Muffley of Boise seven grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roland; and one grandson, Jeffrey Trade. The family would like to thank the super staff at Woodstone-Heritage Retirement Center for the years of wonderful care that was given to Dorothy. Also, a special thanks to a longtime family doctor, Dr. Robert Lohb.

Memorial contributions may be made in Dorothy's name to The Living Waters Presbyterian Church in Wendell. Viewing for family members and friends will be held from 9 until 10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at DeMaray's Gooding Chapel. A graveside service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding. A celebration of life will be held at 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the Living Waters Presbyterian Church in Wendell.

He is survived by her four children, Ned (Diane) Muffley of Prineville, Ore., Nancy

WENDELL — Dorothy A. Sawyer Muffley, 91, passed away peacefully Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at the Heritage Retirement Center surrounded by her family. Dorothy was born March 1, 1914. She attended grade school at Wendell, Idaho, St. Paul, Minn. She later attended Macomber College. In her early years, she worked for 3M Company in St. Paul. Dorothy was an avid and accomplished swimmer and lifeguard for the community in the St. Paul area. She married Roland Muffley on Nov. 12, 1936, and moved to Fairfield, later, they moved to Appleton, and she worked at the Jerome courthouse and at Northside Lumber in Jerome. She was continually knitting and crocheting for family and friends. She knitted sweaters and booties for her grandkids and great-grandkids and recently devoted more time crocheting various items for the building fund for the Living Waters Presbyterian Church. In recent years, Dorothy also en-

Robert D. Stanger



joyed reading. She was a member of the Living Waters Presbyterian Church in Wendell, a former member of the Hebehek Lodge and the Order of Eastern Star in Fairfield, served as a den mother for Cub Scouts, president of the Camas Club, and chairperson for the Red Cross.

He is survived by her four children, Ned (Diane) Muffley of Prineville, Ore., Nancy

HANSEN — Robert "Bob" D. Stanger, age 76, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Bob was born Dec. 21, 1929, in Shoshone, Idaho, the son of Merle and Estella Stanger. He was raised in California and Idaho. Bob graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1947. Following his graduation, he joined the United States Army, later transferring to the newly formed Air Force. He served four years and was honorably discharged. While stationed at the Air Force Base in Puerto Rico, Bob met the love of his life, Teresa Bello. They were married for 54 years. Bob was a lifelong Chicago Cubs fan. Farming was his passion. He farmed the crops of Hansen until his retirement. Bob took a break from farming

face. He was an active member of the LDS Church. He is survived by his wife, Teresa Stanger of Twin Falls; two sons, Robert "Butch" (Carole) Stanger of Hillsboro, N.D., and William (Terry) Stanger of Kimberly; seven grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews in Puerto Rico. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Thomas Stanger. The funeral for Bob will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2006, at the Murtough LDS Chapel, 23709 Highway 30 in Murtough. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park. Friends may call from 3 until 8 p.m. Thursday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls, as well as one hour prior to the services at the church.

L. Wayne Anderson

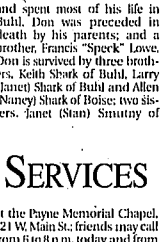


Award. He served in the Scouting program for more than 30 years and enjoyed it very much. For more than 24 years, Wayne and his family owned and operated the Connor Creek Store and Connor Creek Computers. Wayne loved outdoor recreation. He especially loved his horses, hunting and snowmo-

Billings. Survivors include his wife, Susan of Salt Lake City, Utah; five sons, Ken and Tanya of Burley, Wayne Jr. and Katie, Torrey and Melanie, Matthew and Nicole, and Michael, all of Salt Lake City, Utah; his mother, Elsie D. Anderson of Salt Lake City, Utah; a sister, Karen Mae Tidwell; three brothers, Kent, Theron and Boyd; eight grandchildren; and one grandson. He was preceded in death by his father. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at White Mortuary and from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. Saturday at the church, Burial at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Marion Cemetery near Oakley.

ELBA — L. Wayne "Moose" Anderson, 60-year-old, Herriman, Minn., Utah, and former Elba resident, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at his home in Herriman. He was born April 20, 1945, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the son of Lawrence Leland and Elsie Denning Anderson. He was a veteran, having served in the U.S. Army, and throughout his training at Fort Benning, he was in his class on three different occasions. He attended the University of Utah. Wayne married Susan Dunn on April 4, 1968, in the Salt Lake Temple. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He was an active member of the church and had served in many capacities throughout his life, including his service as a missionary for two years in South Africa. Wayne was an Eagle Scout and was one of the first scouts to receive the Faith in God

Donald K. Shark



and spent most of his life in Buhl. Don was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother, Francis "Speck" Love. Don is survived by three brothers, Keith Shark of Buhl, Larry (Janet) Shark of Buhl and Allen (Waney) Shark of Boise; two sisters, Janet (Shane) Strnaty of

Buhl and Eileen Low of Buhl; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial funeral service will be held 4 p.m., Friday, Feb. 10, 2006, at the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Donations may be made to the Buhl Library Fund. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at White Mortuary and from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. Saturday at the church, Burial at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Marion Cemetery near Oakley.

BUIH — Donald Kenneth Shark, 70, of Buhl, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2006, at the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Don was born Oct. 17, 1935, in Buhl, Idaho, to Kenneth W. and Elva Shark. Don graduated from Buhl High School in 1953

Harry E. Wanke



Wanke, a 94-year-old resident of Garden Valley, Idaho, and Art (Donna) of Chica, Calif.; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. One of his many professions was laying carpet. "Now you can carpet heaven's old man." Arrangements are being handled by Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley. Cremation has taken place. At Harry's request, no funeral service is planned. The family suggests memorials be directed to the Idaho Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 8538, Boise, ID 83707.

Verna Franc Gaston



BOISE — Verna Franc Gaston was born on July 24, 1923, to Vern and Hope Carson in Clay Center, Kan. She died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2006, in a Boise care center. Franc was the wife of Bob Gaston. They lived in Hagerman Valley for many years, where they farmed and raised their family. Franc was a reporter for The Times-News while in Hagerman and worked for US West after moving to Boise. She is survived by her daughter, Cheryl Kiser and husband Chuck of Texas; son, Greg Gaston and wife Karen of Boise;

DEATH NOTICES

Jose G. Vargas

BURLEY — Jose Guadalupe Cruz Vargas, infant son of Lilia Vargas and Efraim Cruz of Burley, was stillborn Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, 2006, at the Gem Memorial Gardens in Burley with the Rev. Fisher Reginald Neuzator of the Little Flower Catholic Church officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley.

Ferris Sweet

TWIN FALLS — Ferris Sweet, 84, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at his home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

Ruth Bastian

KIMBERLY — Ruth Bastian, 92, of Kimberly, died Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2006, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

John R. Mount

TWIN FALLS — John Rue Mount Sr., 92, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at Bridgeway Estates in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls.

Dorothy L. Ferrel

JEROME — Dorothy Lynn Ferrel, 85, of Jerome, died Wednesday, Feb. 8, 2006, at her home. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Goldie Foster

TWIN FALLS — Goldie Foster, 97, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 6, 2006, at the Twin Falls Care Center in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Parkers Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

'Curious George' collaborator dead, might have been murdered

BOYNTON BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Alan Shallick, who collaborated with the co-creator of "Curious George" to bring the mischievous monkey to television and a series of book

sequels, was found dead outside his home, and police were treating the death as a possible homicide. The bloodied body of Shallick, 76, was found Tuesday

covered in garbage bags in the driveway of his mobile home. Police said it was there for at least a day before a maintenance man discovered it.

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SERVICES

George Thomas Carroll of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. today at Parkers Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St., friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday and from noon to 12:45 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary.

may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary and from 8:30 to 9:15 a.m. Saturday at the church, Burial at 2:30 p.m. Saturday at the Marion Cemetery near Oakley.

Terry Lee Strangis of Filer, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at the Life Church of the Magic Valley, 100 S. 25 E. in Jerome (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Bonnie L. Helz of Redwood City, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

John Reese Wilkins of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Hagerman LDS Church, viewing at 10 a.m. at the church.

Genevieve Surrage Hellwell of Moses Lake, Wash., and formerly of Rupert and Heyburn, funeral at 10 a.m. Friday at the LDS Church, 1515 S. Division St., in Moses Lake; friends may call from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the Kayser's Chapel in Cemetery in Moses Lake.

Kenneth Wayne Russell of Jerome, graveside service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Jerome Cemetery, followed by a get-together at the Jerome Hebehek Lodge, 101 E. B. St., (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Charles Orr Sr. of Hazelton, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Hazelton Cemetery, viewing from 5 to 8 p.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

John DeCarlos Erickson of Burley, funeral at 1 p.m. Friday

Joe W. Allen of Twin Falls and formerly of Burley, funeral at 9:30 a.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls LDS West Stake Center, 667 Harrison St.; friends and family

Merle William Phillips of Twin Falls, funeral at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Home, 221 W. Main St.; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary.

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Lawmakers want hacking repellent

BOISE — A House Republican and a Senate Democrat aim to require companies or groups whose computer databases are breached by hackers to inform the people whose personal information has been compromised.

Sen. Elliot Werk, D-Boise, and Rep. Max Black, R-Boise, planned to introduce the bill in the Senate Commerce and Human Resource Committee on Thursday.

The package comes after several high-profile database security breaches in the state and nation.

Requiring Idaho businesses and organizations to inform victims of security breaches will help limit potential damage from such crimes, according to the bipartisan plan.

Calming wind helps California firefighters

MALIBU — Calming winds helped firefighters make progress Wednesday as they fought blazes that have burned more than 7,200 acres of rugged land in Southern California.

In the coastal mountains near Malibu, firefighters contained 95 percent of a 31-acre fire burning in an area with a history of destructive blazes.

The fire was sparked shortly before 5 a.m. by a burning sport utility vehicle parked on a dirt road. No homes were threatened.

"It was a stubborn fire, but we fought it aggressively," said Los Angeles County fire Inspector John Mancha, adding full containment was expected early Thursday.

Bill requires autopsy when CID possible

BOISE — Idaho lawmakers would be required to ensure that autopsies are performed on suspected victims of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease under a bill introduced Wednesday in the state House Health and Welfare Committee.

There are several forms of the fatal brain-wasting illness, but none can be definitively diagnosed without an autopsy, health officials say. One form, called variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob, has been linked to consumption of beef wanted by mad cow disease. Others, including classic Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease, are not believed to be linked to mad cow.

It's not clear what causes classic CID, though other, rarer forms of the disease may be hereditary.

Utah smoking ban advances

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah is one step closer to banning smoking in private clubs and taverns after a House committee voted in favor of ending the exemptions bars have had allowing customers to light up since the state banned smoking in public buildings in 1996.

If the measure passes the House, Utah will join 11 states, the District of Columbia and numerous other cities nationwide in prohibiting smoking in bars in a growing effort to reduce the effects of secondhand smoke on employees and customers.

—compiled from wire reports

Lottery wants 'slot machine' games banned

Some bars and truck stops award money and drinks

By Kyle Arnold
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho Lottery Commission officials have asked legislators to pass a law prohibiting slot machine-like games, popular in truck stops and bars, in which winning players are rewarded with money and free drinks.

The machines are not casino-

style slot machines, officials said. Instead, players rack up credits — \$200 — and bar employees reportedly pay them money or drinks based on the number of credits accrued.

Rep. Richard Willis, R-Glenns Ferry, introduced a bill Wednesday that would make the machines illegal. He said a law prohibiting the machines would give state gaming officials a tool to bust operators.

Like slot machines, the electronic gaming devices are based on chance, using random-number generators. They also include a "knockoff" switch that allows the operator to reset the point totals to zero after each player.

Each machine can bring in as much as \$2,000 — and is quickly paying for the per-machine cost of between \$2,000 and \$5,000.

Willis said the lucrative machines are taxed and circumvent Idaho laws prohibiting slot machines. Possession of a real slot machine is a misdemeanor in Idaho.

"These things operate all over the United States and Idaho is losing hundreds of thousands of dollars on them because I'll bet you no one is claiming any of the revenue," said Roger Simmonds, lottery commission executive director. "The only

one getting the money is the distributor and the establishment — and they're not paying dividends to schools and the permanent building fund like the lottery is."

Under current law, law enforcement officials can't impose fines or confiscate machines unless operators are caught giving pay-offs. To help police and gaming officials, the bill more specifically defines current gambling laws to include electronic devices where players pay money and are given some type of reward based on pure chance.

Idaho State Police posed as patrons and played the so-called "pay-off" game — first following about 50 of them during a raid of 13 bars across the state.

No bar owners were arrested. Lottery officials say the bill wouldn't affect skill-based games at video arcades and amusement centers.

But some legislators say the bill goes too far and may include games that aren't typically considered gambling.

"I don't want (the bill) to hurt games like pinball and other harmless games," said Rep. Clete Edmonson, R-Fruitland.

Speaker supports curriculum redesign plan, asks for changes

By Anno Wallace Allen
Associated Press writer

BOISE — House Speaker Bruce Newcomb is giving the state Board of Education until March 1 to revise its high school curriculum redesign plan and respond to criticisms about its cost and effectiveness.

"I would like to see it pass," said Newcomb, R-Burley, on Wednesday. "What I have a problem with is, how are you going to make this work?"

The Board of Education's curriculum redesign plan calls for the state to raise math and science requirements for high school graduation, and outlines other changes aimed at better preparing students for college and the work force.

Last month, the House Education Committee cast a vote on the proposal, effectively postponing action until later. Then the Senate Education Committee voted to reject it, saying there were too many unanswered questions.

That leaves the future of the plan in the hands of the House panel. A rejection there would stop its passage; acceptance would allow the rule change to go forward.

Newcomb has put together a group of lawmakers and asked them to work with the state Board of Education to try to move the plan forward.

"We basically gave the board

until the first of March to see if they can't do something, or give people a comfort level that this is achievable," Newcomb said.

Many business leaders, school officials, and members of the public testified in hearings last month on the rule change that they were worried budget-writers wouldn't approve payment for it — estimated to start at \$1.5 million and rise to \$17 million each year by 2013.

There was also concern about finding math and science teachers, already in short supply, for the added positions. Officials from rural areas said compliance would be doubly hard for them. Many urban districts are requiring the proposed changes already.

And many critics said they feared the new requirements would cut into time spent on electives such as religious education, music and art.

Newcomb shares some of those concerns.

"I had a lot of phone calls from people that were seminary teachers, people that were music teachers, drama teachers, that were worried about their kids maybe going to school because they're only interested in those subjects," he said. "Some of those complaints in my view are legitimate because not everybody wants to be a scientist or an engineer."

Newcomb also thinks the Ed-

ucation Board fouted the matter as a major change, and that provoked resistance.

"In fact, I think that's what's great about this. There's a lot of schools already doing this."

Some critics of the proposed changes have said they think they should be handled through a statutory process where all members of the Legislature are involved in the decision.

The State Board "is perfectly within their authority to do this by rule," said Newcomb. But he's asking the committee he put together to look at areas of the plan that could be handled by statute, perhaps this year.

There is a lot of work going on in both the House and the Senate now to smooth the passage of the initiative. Several bills aimed at attracting more math and science teachers have been introduced; the matter was due to come up Thursday in the Senate Education Committee.

Rep. Jana Kempf, R-Boise, voted against the plan in the House Education Committee. Now she's one of the lawmakers Newcomb asked to take a closer look at it. She has met with Education Board members and others to learn more about it, but "if I had to vote today, I would still vote no," she said.

"I'd like to see the rule rejected and a more comprehensive plan be brought back in the 2007 session," Kempf said.

Taxes

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In addition to the two local-option tax bills that died, several others were tabled, at least for now, including three separate bills that would have capped increases in the assessed value of homes.

A bill to create a \$500,000 fund to pay for qualifying low-income senior's tax bills was returned to Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's office after the committee decided changes were needed.

Only one bill was cleared for debate in the full House, a plan drawn up by last summer's interim property tax committee to provide an additional \$6.6 million tax relief for low-income elderly and disabled homeowners.

When confusion erupted over how to manage voting on bills, Rep. Dolores Crow, R-Nampa and the tax panel's chairwoman, jokingly offered to solve the problem, frontstage.

"Can I see you out in the hall?" she told Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls. "But wait until I get a revolver."

Crow told The Associated Press she often packs a .22 caliber handgun.

Both Jaquet and Goedde were disappointed their local-option measures failed, saying the Legislature should give communities a choice.

"My people are going to be upset about this," Jaquet said, adding her proposal was ideal for resort areas such as Sun Valley. The provision would have allowed some of proceeds to help provide cheaper housing for lower- and middle-class residents who struggle to find affordable places to live, she said.

Idaho already lets counties vote on a local options sales tax of up to half a percent, though it limits use of proceeds to property tax relief and building jobs.

That measure expires in 2009, and Goedde envisioned his bill

as a broader replacement that could pay for other types of public buildings.


Kootenai County, his district, currently gets \$5 million from the existing tax.

The Revenue and Taxation Committee has "senteenced" voters in Kootenai County to a \$5 million tax increase in 2009, Goedde told the AP after his bill died. "Why the committee wouldn't put the fate of the local-option sales tax in the hands of voters, I do not understand."

Still, concerns about local option taxes didn't sway the majority.

Some argue such taxes are only effective in areas with large populations, not in more sparsely populated regions.

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Block bringing Medicaid reform to committee on Friday

News Tracker

- **Last we know in:** November, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne revealed his "Moderate Medicaid" plan aimed at reducing the state's Medicaid budget.
- **The latest:** Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, will introduce on Friday the first of several bills adopting parts of Kempthorne's plan.
- **What's next:** The governor intends to have the program in place July 1.

By Michelle Dunlop
Times-News writer

BOISE — On Friday, a legislative committee could take steps toward adopting a Medicaid reform plan laid out by Gov. Dirk Kempthorne last November.

"The goal is to provide better services and do it in a more cost-effective way," said Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls.

Block will ask the House Health and Welfare Committee to print legislation that encourages "Moderate Medicaid" program. With the state's costs for the joint state-federal health

To learn more

For more information on the state's Moderate Medicaid plan, visit this Web site: <http://www.healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/>.

care program growing at nearly 18 percent each year, some things need to be done, Block said.

In 2005, Idaho's Medicaid budget was \$1.1 billion with roughly 160,000 Idahoans receiving health care under the Medicaid system.

Under the new plan, Medicaid recipients would be classified in one of three categories: low-income children and working-age adults; individuals with disabilities and special health needs; elders.

Health care services will be tailored toward each group and state appropriations will be designated for each group separately, said Tom Shannahan, spokesman with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare.

The Department's Division of Medicaid helped draft the legislation, Block said.

Like many private health care

systems, the program aims to save money in the long term by encouraging good habits and preventive care, Shannahan said.

"It's not going to save a bunch of money off the bat," Shannahan said.

Along with providing incentives for wellness checks and immunizations, the program also has built-in disincentives meant to discourage people from "unnecessary" services such as unnecessary emergency room visits, Shannahan said.

In November, Kempthorne said his plan could be used as a model for Medicaid reform in other states if the governor can get approval from U.S. Health and HHS.

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Work & Glory 2 on 7:00-9:15
Last Holiday on 7:15-9:45
Big Momma's House 2 on 7:15-9:45
When a Stranger Calls on 7:00-9:45
Sybil on 9:45

Jerome 4 9:55 West Mon-Fri
The Ringier on 7:15-9:45
Hoodwinked on 7:00-9:45
Big Momma's House 2 on 7:15-9:45
Underworld: Evolution on 7:00-9:00

Win 12 8:51 Mon-Fri
America's Funniest Home Videos on 7:00-9:45
Fun with Dick & Jane on 7:15-9:45
Chronicles of Narnia on 6:45-9:45
Hoodwinked on 7:15-9:45
When a Stranger Calls on 7:00-9:45
Member of the Wedding on 9:00-9:45
Munich on 9:45

Breakfast Mountain 8:45-9:45-9:00
Nanny MacPherson on 7:00-9:15
Capote on 7:15-9:45
King Kong on 10:00-10:45

Cuba

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"Our first shock was when we arrived at the airport," he said. "There were no advertisements. Not like you see here."

From that point on, they would see just how different things were. The two driver they drove them to the home where they were staying was also a chemical engineer — all workers in Cuba can be the same wage, but cab drivers are closer to the main source of revenue: tourists. There was very little pollution and at 9 p.m. there was no light — Castro turns the lights off every night.

"It was interesting because you felt the pressure," Raquel Arenz said. "There is just so much built up."

She said her whole view of the U.S. and Mexico — where she was born — changed after she saw how the country lived. The Cuban markets offered everything, and people received ration cards that only gave them bare essentials.

"They want something better," Arenz said. "I promised myself that I would never respond to a negative comment with a positive one. One night when the lights were turned off, I looked up and told a lady that it was like you could grab the stars. She just looked at me and said, 'Lady, I care about my refrigerator working, not about the stars.' So I learned I wasn't really getting anywhere with my positivity comment."

Indeed, the country is closed off from the rest of the world.

Arenz was surprised when a man said he hoped to one day meet Paul and Linda McCartney. When she told him Linda had died, the man was stunned because news of her death never made it into the country.

But it was people's perseverance that left the greatest impression on Raquel and her son.

"Before we left, a lady asked me to use my rights that I have in America," Arenz said. "She asked me to enjoy and talk about our women's rights, and she asked me to do it for her. And I feel that is something I need to do, and now I want to teach up a storm."

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Marine

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Greene wrote that it was the first time he had been able to visit the Web site. By Wednesday afternoon, there had been 20,000 family members' friends, fellow Marines and total strangers who had posted messages of strength and hope to the young Marine.

"Thanks will never be enough for everyone who has been able to contact me," Greene wrote. "It is going to take some time for me to read through all of these. And I would do my best to respond to as many as possible."

On Tuesday, Greene's condition continued to improve. He was eating well and there was no infection.

his mother, Sue Greene, posted in the Web site's journal.

And for the people who have followed Travis' journey and have left messages of encouragement on his Web site, seeing his words for the first time brought joy and relief.

"We are ecstatic," said Cindy Deuel, whose husband, Dwayne, works for Greene's father, Terry, at his heating and air conditioning business. "We are so relieved. It was pretty tough and scary for awhile and we were really worried about him. It's really progressing now by leaps and

bounds."

Greene seems to be permanently on the mend.

"It was like once he got out of ICU, he said, 'I'm done with this. Let's move on to something else now,'" Deuel said.

Greene was on his third tour of Iraq when he was injured. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

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MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

He just changed his mind.

St. Louis Rams spokesman Lewis Holt suddenly took the defensive coordinator's job at Southern California, one day after accepting an offer to become the Rams' defensive line coach under new coach Scott Linehan

TRIVIA QUESTION:
Which town hosted the Winter Games twice, only 12 years apart?
.....answer below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School BOYS BASKETBALL
Postseason
1A Northside Tournament See related story on page C-1.
1A Southside Tournament See related story on page C-2.
Regular season
Blackfoot at Jerome, 7:30 p.m.
Buhl at Declo, 7:30 p.m.
Filler at Gooding, 7:30 p.m.
Minico at Bonneville, 7:30 p.m.
Twin Falls at Century, 7:30 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Postseason
4A District IV and V tournament, at Burley High School
Jerome vs. Century, third-place game, 5 p.m.
Presston at Burley championship, 6:30 p.m.
2A Canyon Conference
Wendell at Valley championship, 7 p.m.
WRESTLING
Minico, Bonneville, Burley at Hillcrest, 4 p.m.

IN BRIEF

Gooding girls plan fundraiser
GOODING — The Gooding High School girls basketball team will hold a chili fundraiser at 5 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9 in the school's multi-purpose room.
The cost is \$5 per person or \$20 for a family up to six people. The money raised goes toward girls state tournament expenses. Tickets are available at the door or from players.

CSI women remain at No. 9

TWIN FALLS — There was little change in the top 10 of the NJCAA Division I women's basketball poll for this week. The College of Southern Idaho women (19-3) remain at No. 9 while defending national champion Central Arizona (22-0) remains untouchable No. 1.
North Idaho College received some votes but remains unranked.

Kimberly Legion team sets meeting date

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly American Legion basketball team will be hold an organizational meeting at the Kimberly city council chambers at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 9. All parents of interested players should attend.

Kids wrestling program offered

TWIN FALLS — The City of Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department will take registration for the Kids Wrestling program Feb. 1-22. The sessions will begin on March 2 and run through April 13. Practices will run Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. for grades K-2 and 6:30-7:30 p.m. for grades 3-6. Practices will be held at the Twin Falls High School wrestling gym. The cost is \$18 for in-city residents and \$21 outside the city limits. A \$10 lane fee will be added after Feb. 22.
Participants will receive a Bruins T-shirt. For more information, call phone number 735-2265.
Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER:
Innsbruck, Austria, 1964 and 1976.

Headed to state



MEGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News

Oakley senior Jenna Peterson goes up for a jump shot during the first half of the Hornets' 44-41 win over Carey in the 2A District IV seeding tournament Wednesday afternoon in Murtaugh. Peterson led all scorers with 20 points.

Oakley holds off Carey to punch ticket to Boise

By Joe Paisley
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — Your 12-point command has evaporated to a single point and your opponent, Carey, is going for its third-straight win over you.
"The pressure is on as the clock winds down in the fourth quarter and the once-quiet Panthers faithful is in full roar. Time for a crisis of confidence? Not these Oakley Hornets.
"We were prepared for this game," said Hornets senior Jenna Peterson. "We really wanted this time."
They got it, holding off the Northside Conference third-place team 44-41, Wednesday evening to claim the fifth and

final seed out of District IV for next week's Class 1A state girls basketball tournament.
"It's great," said Hornets coach Brett Graham. "To lose the championship, then the second-place game, made it all come down to one game or you go home."
Oakley is headed to Nampa thanks in large part to Hornets point guard Joste Arteaga, who stepped up in the second half, by scoring all of her 13 points. None were bigger than her four points in the fourth quarter at Hulse Gymnasium in Murtaugh.
"Hostie hit some big free throws," Graham said. "She helped set us down and got us some free throws. We hit enough."
Arteaga's three free throws

kept Oakley ahead 41-40 with 53 seconds left after two straight baskets by Carey senior Layce Peterson on the other end. The second was on a follow to her even miss, something the Panthers (15-10) failed to do much of during the first three quarters.
The Hornets went 15-of-29 from the free throw line. Not outstanding, but enough down the stretch (7-of-12 in the final 2:52) to hold on.
Carey struggled at the line (2-for-13) and it likely cost them a trip to state. With the score 41-40, a Panthers player missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 48.9 seconds that would have tied it and given Carey a chance for its first lead of the game.
Senior Whitney Peck finished.
Please see STATE, Page C4

Panthers emerge as Northside favorites

By Nathaniel Garbrandt
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — The regular season is done. Everyone's record gets swayed back to 0-0. Sure, tell that to the six teams in the Magic Valley Northside Conference tournament seeded under the Carey Panthers — six teams beaten by the Panthers twice during the regular season, usually soundly.
"Vying for its 11th conference title in 15 years, No. 1 seed Carey (19-1, 12-0) enjoys a first round bye. The rest begin play Thursday at Shoshone High School.
The Panthers aren't planning on upsets.
"We've got to stay focused and come ready to play hard," said head coach Dick Simpson, whose team takes on the winner of Thursday's Game 1 between fourth seed Bliss vs. No. 5 Dietrich on Friday. "I think the kids will. Our goal is to go out hard every night. It's like I tell the kids, if you're going to get beat, make somebody beat you when you play your best. Don't drop your level of play down. Make them beat you when you're playing your best ball. It's not a new place for us to be at the top of the conference."
The Panthers' closest conference game of the season came on Jan. 6, a 65-56 win over No. 2

Northside Boys Tournament

at Shoshone High School
Thursday's games
No. 1 Carey, bye
No. 4 Bliss vs. No. 5 Dietrich, 5 p.m.
No. 3 Comes County vs. No. 6 Community School, 6:30 p.m.
No. 2 Richfield vs. No. 7 Shoshone, 8 p.m.
seeded Richfield (15-5, 10-2).
Tigers head coach Garr Ward regards defense as the tournament's critical factor for everyone involved.
"We have to execute and play defense," he said. "The team that plays defense and executes in pressure situations and works as a team will have the best chance to beat Carey. We have to take care of each game as it comes."
For third-seeded Camas County (11-7, 7-5), the postseason hinges largely on shooting, which has been cold of late.
"We've got to shoot the ball better," said Musters head coach John Boz. "We've only been shooting in the high 20s and low 30s."
It's been a turnaround season for the fourth-seed Bliss Bears who broke out of an abysmal

Ohno, Hedrick favored for gold in Turin

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Short track sensation Apolo Anton Ohno is an idol of rock-star proportions. Chad Hedrick, a big-talking Texan who was gambling in Las Vegas four years ago, is a relative newcomer to the sport's traditional world of long track.
Along with Shani Davis, they're the biggest names the Americans should pile up speedskating medals in Turin.
"I know, we're about to dominate the Olympics," Hedrick said. "I expect some big things out of us. If we don't leave with three of the five medals in the men's, I'll be surprised. The ladies are strong as well."
Adding to the Americans' strength is Davis, the first black to make a U.S. speedskating team in 2002. He didn't skate in Salt Lake City, but is poised to become a star in Turin.
"The world has got their hands full with us two," Hedrick said about himself and Davis.
The speedskating team won 11 medals at the 2002 Winter Games, with the long track skaters earning eight and the short track squad three. All six U.S. long track medalists — Derek Parra, Jennifer Hedrick, Chris Witts, Casey Fitzendolph, Joey Cheek and Kip Carpenter — will be in Turin.
Ohno won a gold and a silver four years ago. A flogging-holed skater with a soul patch on his chin, Ohno's careening presence on the ice created a sensation among screaming teenage girls and fans who stuck fake hair on their chins.
"This time around, Ohno is poised to do as well or better."
"I want to grab some medals," he said.
So does Hedrick.
His goal is to equal Eric Heiden's 26-year-old record of five golds at one Winter Olympics.



USA's Jennifer Rodriguez competes in the 1000m women's World Cup speed skating race on Nov. 19, 2005, at the Utah Olympic Oval in Kearns, Utah.



Dennis Erickson answers questions Wednesday in Moscow. Erickson announced that he has accepted the head coaching job at the University of Idaho. Mascot 'Joe Vandals' is pictured in the foreground.

Erickson returns as head coach of Idaho

Holt quits Rams, heads back to Southern Cal

The Associated Press

MOSCOW — Dennis Erickson returned to the University of Idaho on Wednesday to accept the head coaching position at the school that gave him his start.
Erickson, 58, had his first head coaching position at Idaho from 1992-1995 before leaving for a string of college jobs that included two national championships at Miami.
He has also been an NFL head coach, at Seattle and San Francisco. The 9ers fired Erickson in January 2005 after San Francisco went 9-23 in two seasons under his leadership.
At Idaho, he succeeds Nick Holt, who was hired as Southern California's defensive coordinator after changing his mind about becoming an assistant to St. Louis Rams head coach Scott Linehan, a former Vandals assistant.
Erickson signed a five-year contract worth about \$200,000 a year. With bonuses, it could be worth a total of about \$1.5 million over the life of the contract, athletic director Rob Spear said. The contract must be approved by the Idaho Board of Education.
Idaho, entering its second season in the Western Athletic Conference, was 5-10 in two years under Holt, including a 2-2 record.
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Hornets advance

Declo drops Kimberly for second

By Nathaniel Garbrandt
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The game itself was anything but pretty, but at the end of the night, Declo, didn't care.
After committing 14 first-half turnovers while only managing 10 points, the Hornets found their game after the break to rally past Kimberly 47-43 to claim the Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference runner-up trophy in a loser-out contest in the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium.
Declo will face the second-place team from District V this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Highland High in Pocatello.
Taking advantage of myriad Declo miscues, the Bulldogs held a four-point lead after two quarters and increased it to nine at 27-18 a minute and a half into the third.
Then Hornets senior Kayla Poulton took a dish from junior Emily Ramsey, garnered a foul, and made good on the old-fashioned 3-point play.
It was like a switch had been flipped.
"Ramsey hit me, she saw the roll and it just worked out," said Poulton, who posted a game-high 15 points.
Ramsey collected a steal on the ensuing possession and hit for two, cutting the Kimberly lead to four, 27-23.
The Hornets then put together a 6-2 run, using the game 29-ball with 33 seconds remaining in the third.
"We just finally pulled it together," said Ramsey. "We finally just finished the game."
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Turin 2006

TV: NBC Networks, Feb. 10-26

Ohno won a gold and a silver four years ago. A flogging-holed skater with a soul patch on his chin, Ohno's careening presence on the ice created a sensation among screaming teenage girls and fans who stuck fake hair on their chins.
"This time around, Ohno is poised to do as well or better."
"I want to grab some medals," he said.
So does Hedrick.
His goal is to equal Eric Heiden's 26-year-old record of five golds at one Winter Olympics.

Basketball Standings

Through Feb. 7

Boys

Class 5A
Region Four-Five-Six

Season Conf.

Twin Falls Bruins	17-1	6-1
Highland Rams	14-3	5-1
Skiyline Grizzlies	3-16	-2-4
Idaho Falls Tigers	5-12	-0-6

Class 4A

Great Basin Conference West

Burley Bobcats	10-8	6-1
Jerome Tigers	13-6	4-2
Minico Spartans	6-13	2-4
Wd River Wolverines	9-13	1-5

Great Basin Conference East

Century D'Backs	12-7	3-1
Pocatello Indians	8-10	2-1
Preston Indians	6-11	0-3

Class 3A

Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference

Buhl Indians	14-5	5-1
Kimberly Bulldogs	10-7	6-1
Declo Hornets	4-12	4-3
Gooding Senators	5-12	0-7
Filer Wildcats	0-19	0-6

Class 2A

Canyon Conference

Wendell Trojans	17-3	4-0
Glenns Ferry Pilots	12-8	2-2
Valley View Gs	8-12	0-4

Class 1A

Magie Valley Northside Conference

Carey Panthers	18-1	12-0
Richfield Tigers	15-5	10-2
Camas Co Mushers	11-7	7-5
Bliss Bears	7-10	4-8
Dietrich Blue Devils	7-13	4-8
Com Sch Cutthroats	3-12	2-9
Shoshone Indians	2-15	2-9

Southside Conference

Hagerman Pirates	17-3	11-1
Castletford Wolves	14-4	11-3
Hansen Huskies	10-6	8-4
Oakley Hornets	7-13	6-6
Lighthouse Chr Lions	12-6	6-6
Murtaugh Red Devils	5-11	4-8
Raft River Trojans	7-10	4-8
MV Ch Conquerors	2-14	1-11

Independent

TF Christian Warriors	7-12	
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Hansen may challenge Hagerman

No. 3 Huskies close out regular season with wins over top two seeds

By Nathaniel Garrabrant
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — It looked like a contest for second place, right up until the last week of the season.

Then something clicked for No. 3 seed Hansen and the Magie Valley Southside Conference tournament suddenly got a little more interesting.

With a week to go before the tourney tips off today at Murtaugh High, the Huskies found a sixth gear, clipping No. 2 Castletford 53-51 last Wednesday on the road before shocking No. 1 Hagerman 50-47 at home on Tuesday.

The Pirates (17-3, 11-1) had lost in their first game in their "last on-campus" game on Jan. 12. For Huskies' head coach Mike Pfeiffer, it's a matter of recognizing what's at stake.

"It's the seniors' last year," said Pfeiffer, whose team finished at 4-4 in conference play. "They know that there is no tomorrow if they lose. If they want to go to state they have to put together four good ball games. This is what they play for all year long. We start in November and we're down here in the middle of February. It's down to crunch time."

Nevertheless, there's no denying Hagerman's position as the clear favorite.

As long as star guard/post Skyler Talbot can stay out of early foul trouble—a factor in the Hansen upset—the Pirates' formidable defense is a tough nut to crack.

"I think our defensive pressure has been what's allowed



Castletford guard Miguel Maya drives in for a lay-up past Murtaugh's Dylan Stallings (left) and Bridger Ward last season.

us to have as successful a season as we've had," said Hagerman head coach Kevin Cato. "We've been able to take teams out of what they want to do. Our defensive pressure has been able to limit our opponent's offensive opportunities while at the same time creating offensive opportunities for ourselves."

Between 6-1 senior center

Drew Tverdy, senior guard Lance Bick, and 6-foot junior forward Nathan Pryor, Castletford (14-4, 11-3) brings as much athleticism to the court as anyone else in the tournament. Whether the Wolves can put it together in the big games is the question.

"When we've had our losses and some of our problems during the season, the problem has

Southside Boys Tournament

at Murtaugh High School
Thursday's games

No. 4 Hagerman, bye
No. 4 Oakley vs. No. 5 Murtaugh, 5 p.m.
No. 2 Castletford vs. No. 7 Magie Valley Christian, 6:30 p.m.
No. 3 Hansen vs. No. 6 Raft River, 8 p.m.

been not executing what we do and leading pressure defense take us out of what we want to do," said head coach Tyler Gaston. "The other main thing is not getting in foul trouble. I think if we play our game, we'll be fine."

For No. 4 Oakley (7-13, 6-6), the problem has never been getting the lead so much as hanging onto it.

"We have to protect the lead," said head coach Scott Arnell. "We seem to play really well for a few quarters and then have a letdown and lose our lead. We're going to have to depend on Hagerman. We have a double digit lead at one point and we weren't able to protect it."

Despite garnering the tournament fifth seed, host Murtaugh (5-11, 4-8) isn't to be taken lightly, especially after Taylor Wilson dropped 42 points in a 78-76 overtime loss to Oakley last Saturday.

"The biggest thing is we're finally starting to come-around as a team," said head coach Rex Romander. "We're pretty well balanced. We can score inside, we can score outside."

Seventh seeded Magie Valley Christian reaches the post season at 1-11 in conference after grinding out a rebuilding year following the loss of four starters. But head coach Kevin Bickel doesn't worry about morale.

"We're coming together when we need to," he said.

Media Basketball Poll

Boys
Records as of Feb. 7
Class 5A

(1e) Twin Falls (4) 17-2	72
(1e) Highland (3) 16-3	72
3. Lewiston (2) 17-1	66
4. Capital 14-5	34
5. Mountain View 14-5	24

Others receiving votes — Meridian.

Class 4A

1. Skyview (8) 15-3	88
2. Madison (1) 16-3	68
3. Kuna 17-2	60
4. (tie) Blackfoot 13-6	18
(tie) Century 13-6	18

Others receiving votes — Moscow, Post Falls, Hillcrest, Jerome.

Class 3A

1. Fruitland (4) 17-3	78
2. Shelley (3) 15-3	74
3. South Fremont 14-4	36
4. American Falls 15-4	34
5. Buhl (1) 14-5	22

Others receiving votes — Bonners Ferry, Kellogg, Bear Lake.

Class 2A

1. Wendell (4) 17-3	78
2. Malad (4) 16-3	74
3. West Jefferson (1) 14-2	64
4. Parma 12-6	28
5. Orofino 15-4	16

Others receiving votes — Soda Springs, Kamiah.

Class 1A

1. Cascade (7) 19-0	86
2. Nezperce (1) 18-0	56
3. Carey 19-1	46
4. Notus (1) 19-0	44
5. Post Falls Christian 15-0	22

Others receiving votes — Hagerman, Richfield, Lapwai, Council.

Voters this week

- Craig Coker
- Idaho Post-Tribune
- Jonathan Drew
- Magie Valley sports talk
- Paul Kingsbury
- idahosports.com
- Eric Larsen
- The Times-News
- Greg Leo
- The Spokesman-Review
- Mark Nelke
- Coeur d'Alene Press
- Joe Patsley
- The Times-News
- Mitch Worthington
- The Post Register
- Joan Zentz
- The Idaho Statesman

Note: There is no girls poll since playoffs have begun in all classes.

Panthers

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two-year losing streak with a 4-8 conference record.

"Our ball movement has gotten a lot better as the season goes on," said Bears head coach Nick Smith. "We're a lot more patient on offense than we were and that all comes down to discipline. I think we have a pretty good shot of going to the tournament and surprising some people."

As with the Mushers, keeping the ice off the rink will prove critical for No. 5 Dietrich (7-13, 4-8).

"I have some boys that can really shoot the ball," said Blue Devils head coach Wayne Dill, but he's better off with a handful of games in the 40-percent range. It doesn't really matter what kind of defense you play if you shoot like that.

Though the Community School's sixth seed doesn't make for much in the way of intimidation, opponents shouldn't overlook the Cutthroats (4-12, 2-9), who own regular season wins over Camas County and Dietrich.

Host Shoshone (2-15, 2-10) enters the post season as the seventh seed but with a little extra confidence after defeating Bliss 46-42 on Tuesday.

"We're just trying to keep our head above water," said head coach Larry Messick. "We've only got 11 players in the whole system. We've had to switch back and forth between JV and varsity. We've only had to handle to take care of the basketball, not turn the ball over, and have good shot selection."

Wilson stays humble despite 42-point game

By Brad Guire
Times-News writer

Taylor Wilson



the first half, when the Devils trailed 42-22. Things didn't look too good through the third effort, as the Hornets kept the lead at 53-34.

That's when Wilson came alive.

When the fourth quarter came, Wilson would break the screens to drive for points while Oakley rotated in a fresh defender. However, Wilson continually frustrated the Hornets, hitting shot after shot.

"They switched out three different guys to defend me," Wilson said. "They ran screens, and I'd drive them."

"He was deep in the lane before we could defend him, and he was shooting on the run

from weird angles," Arnell said. "We definitely talked about it during our timeouts, but we didn't have an answer."

Arnell gives credit to Romander and the other coaches, who "had a unique strategy" of fouling the Hornets every time they had the ball late in the fourth.

Wilson had 15 baskets on 26 shots anything but free throws, it was Murtaugh in position to try for the win.

But as the clock ran down in overtime, the Hornets eventually pulled off the W with some of those free throws.

As for Wilson, he didn't even know that he was tying a school scoring record.

"I was focused on winning," he said.

After the game, the Devils were obviously disappointed.

Wilson said that Romander walked in with some news to help lift their spirits: Wilson had set a school record.

"Everybody kind of forgot about the loss," Wilson said. "Wilson had 15 baskets on 26 attempts off the floor. He was 5-of-8 on 3-pointers. From the charity stripe, Wilson hit 7-of-9."

Despite a out-of-nowhere performance, Romander said Wilson kept a level head. In the

next game against Raft River, the sophomore only netted nine points.

"What impresses Romander is Wilson's attitude. When other kids might complain that a coach doesn't play them enough or that teammates don't pass enough, Romander found none of that attitude in Wilson."

"It's still just a part of the team and doesn't try to be a superstar," Romander said. "It's learning to keep with the offense and not to pass anything if the seas aren't making it happen."

"That night, it was just there. He knew it."

Arnell also praised Wilson for his maturity.

"It's a nice boy. He wasn't cocky," he said. "It just looked like he was having a good time."

Wilson had certainly gotten everyone's attention when the Devils and Hornets met again in the district tournament at 5 tonight. Arnell now knows what Wilson can do.

"I can definitely see the radar," he said.

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District boys basketball tournaments heat up

By Brad Guire
Times-News writer

Magie Valley Sports Week

TWIN FALLS — A bit of regular season boys basketball happens Thursday before the district tournaments get underway.

The Twin Falls Bruins (17-2, 5-1) play Century in Pocatello in a big nonconference game. A win assures the Bruins the Region Four-Five-Six top seed in next Wednesday's district tournament. A loss and Highland, also 5-1 in conference, gets the tiebreaker.

Buhl and Declo have a final Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference battle while Filer heads to Gooding for the same. All varsity regular season games start at around 7:30 p.m. Tournament games vary.

Briggs host Jerome and Filer in a triangular at 5 p.m. Meanwhile, Gooding hosts Lewiston at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Round 3 of the Northside and Southside tournaments. Regular season: Twin Falls Christian at St. Anthony, 10 a.m.

Girls basketball

District tournaments: Jerome vs. Century (5 p.m.), Preston at Burley (6:30 p.m.) at the Great Basin Conference tournament at Burley. Wendell at Valley for the Canyon Conference championship (7 p.m.).

Wrestling 4 p.m.

Regular season: Minico, Ronneville and Burley hit the mats at Hillcrest.

FRIDAY

Bowling 4 p.m.

Jerome hosts the girls district singles.

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Round 2 of the Northside and Southside tournaments. Regular season: Declo visits Burley for a nonconference tournament at 7:30 p.m.

Wrestling

Regular season: The Twin Falls

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Round 3 of the Northside and Southside tournaments. Regular season: Twin Falls Christian at St. Anthony, 10 a.m.

Girls basketball

District tournaments: A Region Four-Five-Six playoff will be held at 7 p.m. If necessary, The same goes for the Great Basin tournament.

MONDAY

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Northside and Southside championships will be decided. Round 1 of the SCIC tournament. Filer at Gooding at 7. Round 1 of the Canyon Conference tournament. Valley at Glenns Ferry at 7.

TUESDAY

Boys Basketball

District tournaments: Northside and Southside play-in games. The Great Basin Conference West tournament starts.

WEDNESDAY

Bowling 4 p.m.

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Round 1 of the Region Four-Five-Six tournament.

Girls basketball

State tournaments: Round 1 of 1A at Nampa/Skiyview High Schools.

Wrestling

Postseason: SCIC tournament at Burley (1 p.m.). Great Basin Conference at Jerome (11 a.m.). Canyon Conference at Wendell (3 p.m.).

THURSDAY

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Round 2 of the Great Basin West.

Girls basketball

State tournaments: Round 1 of 2A at Middleton High. Round 1 of 3A at Bishop Kelly High. Round 1 of 4A at Lammy High. Round 2 of 1A at Nampa/Skiyview High Schools.

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COACHES

Please send updated season statistics and standings to ngarrabrant@magievalley.com.

This week's sports picks (All times represent approximate varsity start.)

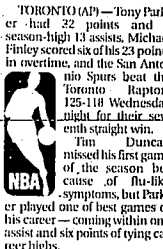
THURSDAY

Boys basketball

District tournaments: Hagerman hosts the IA Northside

Parker leads Spurs to seventh straight win

SPORTS IN BRIEF



TORONTO (AP) — Tony Parker had 32 points and a season-high 13 assists, Michael Finley scored six of his 23 points in overtime, and the San Antonio Spurs beat the Toronto Raptors 125-118 Wednesday night for their seventh straight win.

Parker missed his first game of the season because of flu-like symptoms, but Parker played one of his best games of his career — coming within one assist and six points of tying career highs.

Sean Marks had a career-high 16 points for the Spurs, who have won seven straight on Friday night to win New Jersey on Friday night would make the longest road winning streak in franchise history.

Parker had 30 points and 14 rebounds for the Raptors. Mike James had 36 points, but he missed two free throws and had two of his shots blocked in the final 2 minutes of overtime.

Pistons 97, Clippers 87

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Tim Lincecum scored 22 of his 22 points in the first five minutes of the fourth quarter, helping Detroit pull away.

The win ended Detroit's first two-game losing streak and the seventh straight win over the Clippers.

Elton Brand led the Clippers with 30 points, and Cutino Mobley added 27. Shawn Livingston, starting in place of Cassell, had a career-best 23 assists.

Pacers 101, Trail Blazers 69

INDIANAPOLIS — Stephen Jackson scored 25 points, and Indiana held Portland to a franchise-best 26.7 percent.

Peja Stojakovic added 23 points for the Pacers, who won their third straight. It was the second time in three games the Pacers set a season high for margin of victory.

Zach Randolph had 25 points

Wizards 129, Warriors 124

WASHINGTON — Gilbert Arenas scored 45 points and Ron Artest added a season-high 34 points and 15 rebounds to lead the Wizards.

Arenas, who had his sixth 40-point game of the season, eclipsed the 30-point barrier for the 22nd time in a game that featured 11 lead changes and 13 ties. Both teams' largest lead was 3 points.

Jason Richardson led Golden State with 31 points.

Nets 96, Knicks 83

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Vince Carter scored 22 points to lead the Nets, who defeated the Jersey Jet but New York for its 12th straight home win.

Richard Jefferson scored 18. Nenad Krstic had 14 and reserve Clifford Robinson had 12 as the Nets' 126-211 record after a game of the franchise record for

Bobcats 100-76ers 92

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Melvin Ely scored 15 of his 19 points in the second half to help Charlotte rally past Philadelphia and extend its winning streak to 11, franchise-best three games.

The Bobcats, who snapped their team-record 13-game losing streak by beating the Los Angeles Lakers and then the Seattle SuperSonics, pulled from 13 points down by using stifling second-half defense.

The win was costly, though, for Charlotte. Steve Nash, pulled from 13 points down by using stifling second-half defense. The win was costly, though, for Charlotte.

Ex-publist claimed encounters with 50 kids

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A teenage girl who allegedly had a long-term relationship with a former NASCAR publicist told authorities the man claimed to have victimized more than 50 children across the country, court documents say.

Richard "Clay" Williams, 40, was charged last week with raping a child — a 14-year-old girl whom he met on the Internet when she was 11 — and molesting a minor for sex over the Internet. He is being held in lieu of \$2 million bail.

An affidavit says the 14-year-old girl said she knew the man who had sex with her as "John Williams," which police say is the identity Williams used online.

"She said Williams claimed to have had sex with 50 children in various forms of sexual exploitation."

"Hogwash," Williams' attorney, Locke Clifford, said.

The affidavit was part of a search warrant issued by Guilford County sheriff's detective for Williams' home and business in Mooresville.

Williams was NASCAR's spokesman from 1992 to 1994, when he started his own business.

Navratilova plans full schedule with Slams

NEW YORK — Even as she approaches her 50th birthday and recovers from knee surgery, Martina Navratilova plans to play a full schedule of tournaments under a new contract, including the Grand Slams, and might take another stab at singles.

"I just feel like I'm not quite done," Navratilova said Thursday in a telephone interview with The Associated Press from her home in Sarasota, Fla.

"When I feel like I'm done, then I'll do one. And I don't know when that will happen."

In a sense, she's finally being honest with herself and her fans, after having repeatedly said "This time I really mean it" in the past few years.

Dianne Dorton, Navratilova's attorney, said she filed in Lincoln County, Dorton and Hendrick Motorsports in 2004.

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SCORES AND STATS

Area ski report

Area
• **Big Bear** — Wed 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Snow 10-12 in. High 45, low 20. Wind NW 10-15 mph. Visibility 1-2 miles. 24 degrees below zero. Snow on ground 117 in. Lifts: 4 of 4. Skiing: 4 of 4. Snow on ground 117 in. Lifts: 4 of 4. Skiing: 4 of 4. Snow on ground 117 in. Lifts: 4 of 4. Skiing: 4 of 4.

What's on T.V.
BASKETBALL
• Ohio St. at Michigan, ESPN, 5 p.m.
• ESPN, LSU at Tennessee, ESPN2, 5 p.m.
• Heat at Mavericks, TNT, 6 p.m.
• UCLA at Washington St., ESPN, 6:30 p.m.
• West Virginia at Pittsburgh, ESPN, 7 p.m.
• St. John's at Georgetown, ESPN2, 7 p.m.
• Bulls at Kings, TNT, 8:30 p.m.
• Stanford at California, ESPN, 8:30 p.m.
PACIFIC
• European PGA Tour, Johnnie Walker Classic, first round, TGC, 7 a.m.
• PGA Tour, Pebble Beach National, USA, 1 p.m.

NBA

Team	W	L	OT
Atlanta	21	33	7
Boston	19	35	6
Brooklyn	18	36	7
Charlotte	17	37	6
Chicago	20	34	7
Cleveland	21	33	7
Dallas	20	34	7
Denver	18	36	7
Detroit	19	35	7
Golden State	21	33	7
Indiana	18	36	7
L.A. Lakers	20	34	7
Los Angeles	19	35	7
Memphis	17	37	6
Minnesota	18	36	7
Milwaukee	19	35	7
New York	18	36	7
Oklahoma City	19	35	7
Orlando	17	37	6
Philadelphia	18	36	7
Phoenix	19	35	7
Pittsburgh	18	36	7
Portland	19	35	7
Sacramento	18	36	7
San Antonio	19	35	7
Seattle	18	36	7
Utah	19	35	7
Washington	18	36	7

NBA Boxes

Game	W	L	OT
Portland 97, Trail Blazers 88	21	33	7
Phoenix 102, Lakers 92	19	35	7
San Antonio 102, Spurs 90	19	35	7
Golden State 102, Warriors 92	21	33	7
Los Angeles 102, Clippers 92	19	35	7
Memphis 102, Grizzlies 92	17	37	6
Atlanta 102, Hawks 92	21	33	7
Charlotte 102, Bobcats 92	17	37	6
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Brooklyn 102, Nets 92	18	36	7
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Idaho. The Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, the above-referenced real property, but for purposes of compliance with Section 45-1506(4)(A), Idaho Code, no representation is made that they are or are not, presently responsible for this obligation.

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Case No. CV-09-361: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: In the Matter of the Estate of SHAWN LEROY WOLFORD. Deceased Person.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-named estate. A persons having claims against the said decedent are required to present their claims within four months after the date the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be both filed with the Court and presented to the Personal Representative of the estate at the law office of DAVID E. KERRICK, 1001 Blaine Street, (Post Office Box 44) Caldwell, Idaho. DATED this 31st day of January, 2006. Elizabeth Wolford, Personal Representative.

INVITATION TO BID: Sealed bids will be received by the City of Twin Falls, Idaho, at the office of the Deputy City Clerk until 10:00 o'clock A.M., prevailing local time on or about February 23, 2006, at which time they will be opened publicly and read in the City Hall Conference Room, 321 Second Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2006-200: CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT SUMMONS: In the Interest of: JAX MATTHEW CAMPBELL, JESSICA CAMPBELL, and JETT JAMES CAMPBELL. Children under the age of eighteen.

THE STATE OF IDAHO SENDS GREETINGS TO: MICHAEL WILSON, ADDRESS UNKNOWN; STEVEN PEDERSON, ADDRESS UNKNOWN.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT: A Petition, a copy of which is attached, has been filed in the above-entitled matter in the Magistrate's Division of the District Court of the County of Twin Falls, Idaho, by the undersigned Attorney, alleging the above-named children come within the Court's jurisdiction under the Child Protective Act.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT: You are notified that the undersigned Attorney, alleging the above-named children come within the Court's jurisdiction under the Child Protective Act.

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INVITATION TO BID

The Twin Falls Highway District will receive bids for a portion of their 2004 Capital Fund Program No. ID 16P00150101-03 & 04 Modernization Project. Remove and discard existing siding, rain gutters, down spouts and supply and install new vinyl siding, soffit and fascia, seamless rain gutters, and water resistant exterior paint. The contractor shall provide and install all necessary materials and labor for the work to be performed.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE: Trustee's Sale No. 02-M5-11491 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, the duly appointed Successor Trustee, will on June 2, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, AT THE OFFICE OF ALLIANCE TITLE COMPANY, 2011 FALLS AVENUE EAST, SUITE 1215, TWIN FALLS, ID.

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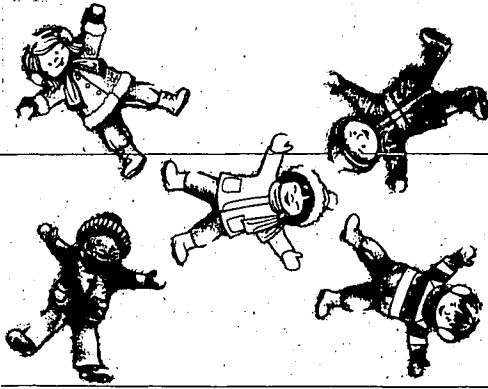
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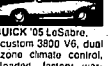
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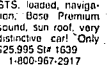
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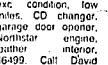
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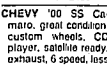
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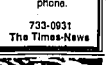
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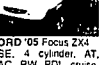
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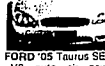
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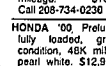
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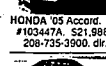
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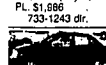
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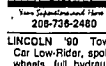
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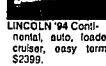
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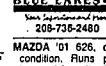
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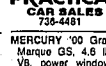
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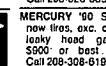


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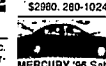


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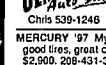
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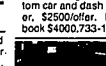
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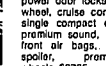
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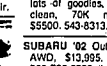


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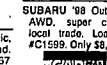
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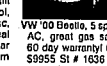
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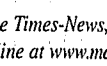
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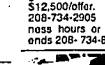
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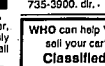
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Nasdaq composite	+22.02
Standard & Poor's 500	+10.87
Russell 2000	+3.89

Stocks of local interest

Albertsons	\$25.16	▲	.01
Con Agra	\$20.64	▲	.02
Dell Inc.	\$31.52	▲	1.83
Idacorp	\$31	▲	2.5
Micron	\$16.35	▼	.01

Commodities

Oil, by barrel	\$62.55	▲	.54
(March, light sweet crude)			
Live cattle	\$91.72	▲	.25
Gold (April)	\$553.80	▼	1

Saying bye to the Maughans

TWIN FALLS — Several local organizations will host a special open house to honor Irvn Falls City Councilman Dennis Maughan from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. today at the Red Lion Canyon Springs Inn, 1357 Iffice Lakes Blvd. He and his family are relocating to Walla Walla, Wash.

CSI Business Club

selling candy at the mall
TWIN FALLS — Students from the College of Southern Idaho's International Business Club are selling S's Candy at the Magic Valley Mall to raise money for their club activities. Club members are staffing a kiosk in center court during regular mall hours through Feb. 15, said Dennis Heiner, business professor and club adviser. Items for sale include individual bars, gift boxes and Valentine's assortments that range from \$4 to \$42. All proceeds will be applied toward club activities and conferences.

Blockbuster to cut 300 corporate jobs

DALLAS — Blockbuster Inc. plans to cut 300 jobs as part of a \$75 million cost-cutting campaign, the second round of layoffs in less than a year for the nation's largest chain of video stores.

Blockbuster said Wednesday that it would lay off 200 corporate employees over the next two weeks and won't fill 100 vacant jobs. The cuts come as Blockbuster's video rentals continue to lag in the face of competition from cheap DVDs, and its online rental service grows more slowly than expected. Also, the company sacrificed more than 10 percent of its revenue by eliminating most late fees early last year. Some franchisees still charge late fees.

'SuperMom' to make debut at toy show

Yes, a new action figure will make her debut at the American International Toy Fair, starting Sunday at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York.

The brain child of designers at Happy Worker, a toy company in Toronto, SuperMom is billed as "the heroine for hard-working moms -- we created SuperMom for everyone who's trying for that near-impossible balance of managing kids and work while standing on their head."

Says Shirley Yee, who came to have her SuperMom figure debut at the American International Toy Fair, starting Sunday at the Jacob K. Javits Convention Center in New York. The brain child of designers at Happy Worker, a toy company in Toronto, SuperMom is billed as "the heroine for hard-working moms -- we created SuperMom for everyone who's trying for that near-impossible balance of managing kids and work while standing on their head."

— compiled from wire and staff reports

COMPUTER ADDICTION?



Donna Meyer, an avid user of Second Life, a game-like virtual world on the Internet, poses for a portrait in her home next to a caricature of Misty Rhodes, her Second Life avatar, Tuesday, in the Queens borough of New York. The 49-year-old grandmother who spends up to 12 hours a day in Second Life shares a virtual home with her partner who lives in New Mexico. They have virtual twins.

Nah, it's probably just modern life, experts say

By Peter Svensson
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A trailer in theaters for "Stay Alive" — a movie about video gamers dying because they played the wrong game — splashes this message across the screen: "There are 100 million gamers in America. One in four is addicted."

Video games and the Internet have been subject to suspicion since the computer became a household fixture. One complaint: People get sucked into spending enormous amounts of time on the computer, to the detriment of other parts of their life.

But are they addicted? "The answer depends on what you mean by 'addicted,'" Most experts say computers are not addictive in the same sense that drugs are, but they could be on the same level as gambling. "When I started out particularly in Internet addiction in back 1995, I thought that this could potentially be a major problem," said Professor Mark Griffiths, who studies behavioral addictions at Nottingham Trent University

in Nottingham, England. "In no way has the hype lived up to what has actually been found in research."

Donna Meyer doesn't think she's addicted, even if she spends up to 12 hours a day in Second Life, a game-like world on the Internet. The 49-year-old grandmother in New York shares a virtual home with a partner who lives in New Mexico.

"My daughter gets annoyed," Meyer said. "She's like, 'My God, Ma, you used to go out, now you're always on the computer.'" Meyer is unapologetic. "I'm unemployed, don't really have the money to go out anymore, so I enjoy this," she said. "It's a way of still meeting people."

Griffiths believes there's a large difference between people who use the Internet excessively and those who have problems with it, and even those who have problems may not be addicted. To count as a real addiction in Griffiths's view, it has to be destructive, cause withdrawal symptoms and prompt ever greater use to maintain the kick.

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McDonald's says fries have more trans fats than thought

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — McDonald's french fries just got fatter — by nutritional measurement.

The world's largest restaurant chain said Wednesday its fries contain a third more trans fats than it previously knew, citing results of a new testing protocol it began using in December.

"That means the level of potentially artery-clogging trans fat in a portion of large fries is eight grams, up from six, with total fat increasing to 30 grams from 25."

Often used by restaurants and in

packaged foods, trans fats are thought to cause cholesterol problems and increase the risk of heart disease. The dietary guidelines for Americans that were issued by a government panel last year said people should consume as little trans fat as possible.

The disclosure comes as McDonald's Corp. starts rolling out packaging for its menu items that contain fat-saturated trans fats — a move made voluntarily but with the fast-food industry under pressure from consumer groups and the government to provide more information.

McDonald's said it updated the nutrition info on its Web site last month as soon as it discovered the new level of trans fat. It explained the increase by saying an improvement in the testing process has made results more accurate.

"As part of our ongoing voluntary efforts to provide our customers with the best science-based information, we continually enhance our testing," said Cathy Kapica, global nutrition director for Oak Brook, Ill.-based McDonald's.

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Video shows Lay, Skilling in Enron's halcyon days

By Kristen Hays
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — Jurors in the fraud and conspiracy trial against former Enron Corp. chiefs Kenneth Lay and Jeffrey Skilling got a taste Wednesday of the self-congratulatory culture that permeated the company months before it collapsed in scandal and bankruptcy.

Lay and Skilling occasionally headlined employee meetings during the company's halcyon days that mixed roundups of business operations with pep rallies. Jurors watched a lengthy videotape of the first such meeting, Skilling led in February 2001 after he succeeded founder Lay as chief executive.

During the nearly hourlong video, both Lay and Skilling unveiled Enron's vision to be the world's leading company rather than just the world's leading energy company, using words like "outstanding," "awesome performance," as they basked in

applause from employees. "This is it," Skilling said as Lay pulled a card to display a banner that said "From World's Leading Energy Company to World's Leading Company."

Also on the tape, Skilling acknowledged that Enron's earnings were a "black box," meaning outsiders couldn't ascertain how it made money. "I'm sorry, it's true, it's just difficult for us to show people how money flows through particularly the wholesale business," he said on the videotape, referring to the division that included trading.

But Skilling said Enron's businesses were growing, so "that's a good black box." About nine months later, what was once the nation's seventh-largest company filed for bankruptcy protection upon revelations of billions of dollars hidden debt and inflated profits. Some jurors appeared bored, and one woman twiddled her eyes and staring at the ceiling.

Others watched and took notes. Lead defense lawyer Daniel Petrocelli played the tape as part of his third day cross-examining former Enron investor-relations chief Mark Koenig, who is the prosecutor's first witness. Lead Lay lawyer Michael Ramsey has yet to question Koenig.

Prosecutors have played clips of videos and audio tapes intended to bolster allegations that Skilling and Lay repeatedly lied about Enron's financial health and hid bad news to inflate company stock. But the defense teams wanted to play them in full to ensure jurors heard comments in context of entire presentations or conference calls. U.S. District Judge Slim Lake acquiesced, noting they would be played in full only once during what is expected to be a four-month trial.

The defendants say there was no fraud at Enron except for three former executives who skimmed millions from some deals.

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Lifestyles of the cheap and famous

By Bobby Bryant
Knight-Ridder News Service

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Cheapskates. Tightwads. Skinflints. We need them now more than ever. Gasoline is going up. Heating bills are going up. Postage is going up. Let's take a look at some of our best-known skingits from fact and fiction. Let's study how they cheapskated to frugal success. And let's ask ourselves: What can they teach us? (When things get tough, the tough get cheap.)

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Ebenezer Scrooge in Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" (1843)

HOW HE DID IT: By being a "squeezing, wrenching, grasping, scraping, clutching, covetous old stouter" and making his barely paid employees work Christmas Eve in freezing-cold offices. (He kept most of the coal to warm his fireplace.)

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Probably not, but this could be a good year to practice "wrenching, grasping, scraping and clutching."

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Howard Hughes (1905-76)

HOW HE DID IT: When he was young enough to be played by Leonardo DiCaprio, this reclusive billionaire flung around a fortune of money to make movies. When he was old enough to be played by Tommy Lee Jones, this reclusive billionaire saved money on haircuts by never getting one, saved money on razors by never shaving, and saved money on in-groceries and making his barely paid employees work Christmas Eve in freezing-cold offices. (He kept most of the coal to warm his fireplace.)

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Probably not. Five-inch fingernails are not a babe magnet.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Marge Schott, former owner of the Cincinnati Reds baseball team.

HOW SHE DID IT: Once gave her staff "recycled" candy as Christmas bonuses (the goodies originally had been given to Schott as corporate freebies). Also audited her scouts' laundry bills and refused to pay for a team party.

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? What used to be called "recycling" now is called "repurposing." Poor Marge just happened to get caught doing it.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Uncle Scrooge McDuck in Walt Disney comics (circa 1950s)

HOW HE DID IT: Billionaire duck converted most of his vast fortune into silver dollars and gold coins and built a Money Bin the size of Madison Square Garden so he could swim in his cash. Also mooned off his nephews Donald Duck whenever possible.

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Only if we happen to be a billionaire duck.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Hetty Green (1834-1916)

HOW SHE DID IT: During her life, this multimillionaire businesswoman (real estate, banking, railroads) was known as the Witch of Wall Street. After her death, the Guinness Book of World Records listed her as the World's Greatest Miser. Why? Green reportedly never used hot water, never heated her home, wore the same black dress every day, lived on 15-cent pies and once spent all night searching for a lost 2-cent stamp.

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? If you let one stamp go away, then it's two, then it's three, and the next thing you know, you're dead broke. Hetty Green understood that.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Montgomery Burns of "The Simpsons"

HOW HE DID IT: Cut corners to build a barely functioning nuclear plant in Springfield, then stuffed it with low-paid morons such as Homer Simpson, Bart and other American workers being "goldbrickers, layabouts, slugabeds." Also, once ran over Bart Simpson, then told his assistant, Smithers, "For crying out loud -- just give him a nickel and let's get going."

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? For a generation of snarky TV viewers, Mr. Burns remains a role model of corporate citizenship.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Mr. Potter (Lionel Barrymore) of "It's a Wonderful Life"

HOW HE DID IT: Confined to a wheelchair and usually dressed in black, this heartless banker runs his business enterprises in a way that promotes "a thrifty working class" and discourages "a discontented, lazy rabble." When doing a good deed, he says, "Budding & Loan, Potter tries to take over the business. When Bailey (Jimmy Stewart) comes to Potter for an \$8,000 loan to bail out his ailing business, Potter refuses, telling Bailey he's 'worth more dead than alive.'"

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Lesson learned: If you call your lender a "scary little spider," as Jimmy Stewart does, you probably won't get that loan.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: S.C. Gov. Mark Sanford

HOW HE DID IT: As a congressman in the 1990s, his bed was a town in Springfield. As a governor, Sanford accepted a donation of adult gris for his family to eat when funds for the Governor's Mansion ran low; he required employees of Cabinet agencies to share hotel rooms when traveling and he normally writes on both sides of the Post-It notes he sticks on staff members' desks.

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Using both sides of the sticky note? Frugal genius is in the details. The right man for the right time.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: Jed Clampet, Jethro Bodine, Ely Mays, Champnet and Granny of "The Beverly Hillsbillies" (1962-71)

HOW THEY DID IT: They were all millionaires, but the Clampet clan wore lengths of rope as belts, drove a truck seemingly built during the Jurassic age, and Granny made her own soap in a tin tub out of the "cement pond."

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Make your own soap in a tin tub. Break the back of the Lifestyly tyrant.

FAMOUS CHEAPSKATE: J. Wellington Wimpy in E.C. Segar's "Thimble Theatre" (better known as "Pop-eye") newspaper comic strips (circa 1931)

HOW HE DID IT: Depressed about his meager grow fat all day long, Wimpy never paid for. Instead, Wimpy always got someone else to pick up the tab, promising, "I'll gladly pay you Tuesday, Pop-eye."

DOES THIS HELP US TODAY? Works for me.

MONEY

Univision board pondering sale

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Spanish-language broadcaster Univision Communications Inc. said Wednesday that its board of directors has decided to explore a possible sale of the company.

The Los Angeles-based company said it had retained the U.S. investment banks to advise it on its options. The company said it would not make other comments on the matter.

Univision shares rose sharply Wednesday morning after The New York Times reported that the company was considering putting itself up for sale. The company confirmed later Wednesday that its board had decided to consider a sale.

Strong earnings from Cisco and PepsiCo and falling oil prices boost indexes

By Ellen Simon Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A drop in oil prices and strong earnings at PepsiCo Inc. and Cisco Systems Inc. propelled stocks higher Wednesday, with the Dow Jones industrial average surging more than 100 points. Reports that Pfizer Inc. might buy another consumer products business contributed to the advance.

Wall Street's major indexes built momentum throughout the afternoon, with the Dow Jones closing at 12,058.52, up 101.01 points, or 0.84 percent. The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 10.87, or 0.87 percent, to 1,265.65, and the Nasdaq composite index rose 22.02, or 0.81 percent, to 2,266.98.

The indexes moved sharply higher after the S&P 500 pierced 1,250, said Ryan Larson, equity trader at Voyager Asset Management, a subsidiary of RBC Dain Rauscher. Traders had been seeing 1,260 as a "resistance level" for the index — a price ceiling that held in past sessions, triggered a sell-off.



Fries

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Michael Jacobson, executive director of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, said the change "quite a dramatic increase."

Market Summary

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MARKETS

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CLOSING FUTURES

Table with columns for contract names (e.g., Main Sugar, Soybean) and their closing prices.

LIVESTOCK

Table with columns for livestock types (e.g., Cattle, Hogs) and their market prices.

NEW YORK (AP) - Handy & Harmon

Table listing various commodity prices from the New York market.

CHICAGO (AP) - Futures trading on the Chicago

Table listing futures trading data from the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

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BEANS

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CHEESE

Table with columns for cheese types (e.g., Cheddar) and their market prices.

METALS/MONEY

Table with columns for metals (e.g., Gold, Silver) and money market rates.

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Table listing futures trading data from the New York Mercantile Exchange.

"In 1998, when StarCraft came out, I was playing 10 hours a day and trying to work 8 hours a day, said Ellis, who estimates that 5 percent to 10 percent of Internet users have compulsive habits.

GRAINS

Table with columns for grain types (e.g., Wheat, Corn) and their market prices.

POTATOES

Table with columns for potato types (e.g., Russet) and their market prices.

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"I don't blame them for things in my life that haven't gone the way we've supposed," Ellis said. "It's my most consuming pastime, and it has been for such a long time that I'm comfortable with it."

WHEAT

Table with columns for wheat types (e.g., Hard Red) and their market prices.

SUGAR

Table with columns for sugar types (e.g., Raw Sugar) and their market prices.

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"Young has provided counseling over the phone and online from her Center for Online Addiction in Bradford, Pa., since 1997.

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"Compulsive users may not be addicted in a stringent sense, but they do have a compulsive distinction — they have a problem and they need outside help, which the mental health profession is in poor position to provide."

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table listing various mutual funds, their categories, and performance metrics.

Enron

"On Tuesday, Koenig grew tense as Petrecci challenged his executive director of Skilling participation in schemes to raise earnings estimates or minimize how much revenue stemmed from asset sales.

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SERVICE NEWS

T.F. resident graduates from Army training

Army Pvt. Nicholas D. Honolka has graduated from the Field Artillery Automated Tactical Data Systems Specialist One Unit Station Training (OSTST) at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

During the 16-week training program, the trainee completed basic military training to learn basic soldering disciplines and skills followed by advanced individual training as a field artillery automated tactical data systems specialist.

As members of the Army's field artillery team, the soldiers are primarily responsible for operating field artillery tactical data systems on a multiple launch rocket system team. The teams are used to support infantry and tank units while supplementing cannon artillery in combat and are involved in launching various missiles and ammunition in quick strikes during combat.

He is the son of Angela, LeAnn and Kim, Honolka is a 2003 graduate of Twin Falls High School.

Former T.F. resident completes training

Navy Ensign Jason R. Lloyd, son of Sharon R. and Allan U. Lloyd of Twin Falls, has graduated from the Basic Civil Engineer Corps Officer School.

During the course at Naval School Civil Engineer Corps, Port Hueneme, Calif., Lloyd received instruction in engineering management, network analysis, financial management and the Navy's organization. Studies also include military and civilian personnel management and administration. Navy studies focus on engineering facility planning and construction battalion operations.

Lloyd is a 1998 graduate of Twin Falls Senior High School of Twin Falls, Idaho and joined the Navy in October 2003. He is a 2003 graduate of Utah State University, Logan, Utah with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Ollivier promoted to corporal in Marines

Marine Corps Reserve Lance Corporal Blake W. Ollivier, son of Sheri L. and Joe E. Ollivier of Twin Falls, has been promoted to his current rank while serving with Company C, 4th Tank Battalion, 4th Marine Division, Boise. Ollivier was promoted based on sustained superior job performance and proficiency in his designated specialty.

He is a 2004 graduate of Twin Falls High School of Twin Falls and joined the Marine Corps Reserve in October 2004.

HELPING KIDS



Top, AmeriPride employees received a Platinum Plaque and Year Bars for their support of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Magic Valley. From left: Shawn Mynear, general manager; Judy Montgomery, human resources; Doc Wages, office manager; Don Hall, the Boys and Girls Clubs; back, Cassie Moorman, accounts receivable clerk; front, Tina James, data entry; Red Brady, sales manager; and Linda Eubanks, data processing.

Middle, Alan Howa, left, and Jason Hunzaker, right, of Arctic Circle receive a plaque for their sponsorship to Boys and Girls Clubs of Magic Valley from Executive Director Don Hall.

Above, Kevin and Larry Mahler of Western Music and Vending were honored for their bronze level support of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Magic Valley.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE



For Thanksgiving, the XI Alpha Tau of Beta Sigma Phi delivered 50 canned food snack bags to Valley House for Make a Difference Day. Judy Reynolds and her grandson hold boxes of food donated from Smith's and Ridley's grocery stores.



Rebekka Bleart holds bags of packages the sorority delivered to a needy family at the Salvation Army for Christmas. Proceeds from the group's Santa Letters and Current Sales events went to the purchase of the items.

Photo courtesy of BETA SIGMA PHI

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VOLUNTEER OF DISTINCTION



The American Association of Retired Persons awarded Fern Warren with a certificate and gift as a Volunteer of Distinction for outstanding community service for 2005. Fern Warren runs the Grandparents as Parents classes once a month, sponsored through the CSI Office On Aging. For class schedules and speakers, call Sherry Canning at the CSI Office On Aging 736-2122, ext. 308.

Photo courtesy of the CSI Office on Aging

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Mom's take a night out

TWIN FALLS — Mom's night out will be held at 6:30 p.m. today at Phat Eddy's, for canapés, drinks and live music. 8 visitors are welcome.

Kids Club will be held at 11 a.m. tomorrow at the Episcopal Ascension Church, 371 Eastland Drive, 223 14th Ave. S. Visitors are welcome. Day to have children participate, bring two dozen valentines addressed to "To You" or "To My Friend" or something similar. Children of all ages are welcome. The cost is \$1.

For more information, call 420-4136.

Kimberly Boy Scouts serves potato dinner

KIMBERLY — Kimberly Boy Scout Troop 42 is having a potato dinner from 5:30 to 8 p.m. today at the Crossroads United Methodist Church, 205 Madison St. E.

The cost is \$5 for those age 12 and older or \$3 for children under age 12. Baked potatoes or fries with chili, cheese, bacon bits, butter, sour cream and/or onions and a drink will be served.

Kimberly Public Library adds new items to shelves

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison W., has added several new books to its shelves.

DVDs: "Missing," "Men in Black II," "You are Special," "Bob and Larry's How to Draw," "Care Bears: Forever Friends," "See and Learn Letters" and "See and Learn Numbers." Juvenile fiction: "Inkspit" by

Cornelia Caroline Funke; "Garden of Angels" by Lardene McDaniel; "Pat the Pony" by R.A. Herman; "Whimie the Pooch and Valentines," "Too" by Walt Disney; "A Snowman Named Just John" by Mark Kimball; "Mudlump: Snow Valentines" by Karen Gray Huelle; "The Lonest & Her Knight" by Gerald Morris; "Everything Changes" by Ann Martin; "The Mystery of the Hot Air Balloon" by Gertrude Chandler Warner; "I Love Trains" by Philomena Strangis; "Be my Valentine" by Jan Carr; "Miss Spiller's Wedding" by David Kirk; "The Ladies do Their Homework" and "The Littlest Girl Trapped" by John Petersen; "The Mystery of The Kibble Crock" and "Clifford's Loose Tooth" by Norman Bridwell; "Zink" by Christie Bennett; and "Calling Doctor Amelia Bedelia" by Herman Parish.

Juvenile non-fiction: "Moderns" by Keith Newell; "My First Activity Book" by Angela Wilkes; and "Stonehenge" by Shawndra Shofner.

For more information, call the library at 423-1656.

Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club announces winners

GOODING — The Gooding Duplicate Bridge Club has announced its Feb. 3 winners.

Section A: First, Ruby Grimes and Adelaide Field; second, Betty Barton and Ruben Tschacknoff; and third, Max Thompson and Sam Sumner.

Section B: First, Shirley Tschannen and Kathy Rooney; and second, Lucy and Jean Gustafson.

The club plays duplicate bridge at 1 p.m. Fridays at the Gooding City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave.

W. Refreshments are served.

For partnership information, call Kathy Hoseney at 934-9732.

Pinochle card party takes place in Paul

PAUL — A Pinochle Card Party will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Paul Masonic Hall, 113 E. Idaho St.

Food will be served at 6:30 p.m. A freewill donation will be taken. The public is invited.

For more information, call Judy at 678-6721.

Burley library announces February events

BURLEY — The Burley Public Library, 1300 Miller Ave., has announced events for the month of February.

Every Friday, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., story hour for all preschoolers will be held. Children will learn letter sounds, colors, numbers, and shapes through stories, songs, activities and crafts.

The Friends of the Burley Public Library will be holding a book sale on the last weekend in February. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 24 and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Feb. 25. These are for the general public. There also will be book bags for sale.

Friends of the Library members will meet from 5 to 7 p.m. Feb. 23. Anyone who wishes to join the group. The cost is \$10 per year.

For more information, call the library at 678-7708.

Burley care center holds bake sale tomorrow

BURLEY — The volunteers of Parke View Care Center will

hold a bake sale from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday in the lobby of the center at 2303 Parke Ave.

Any donations would be appreciated. The volunteers also have a small gift shop inside the snack bar just off the lobby. All profits are used to buy items for the residents of the care center. Volunteer men, women or teens are still needed in various capacities.

For more information or to donate any handcrafted item or sell on consignment call volunteer coordinator, Joyce Heinze at the snack bar at 677-3073 or at 679-0427.

Senior trip to Jackpot is planned for Sunday

RUPERT — A bus trip to Barton's Club 93 casino in Jackpot, Nev., is planned for Sunday. The bus will leave at 10 a.m. from the Mindoka County Senior Center, 702 14th St. The cost is \$11 per person and includes transportation, Barton's Club 93 buffet and gaming fun pack.

For more information or to sign up, call 436-9107.

Grandparents as Parents support group meets

TWIN FALLS — The Grandparents as Parents Support Group, a group for grandparents and relatives as parents, will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. Monday at the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N.

Discussion includes how to recognize, report and deal with child abuse.

For more information, call Fern Warren at 736-8856 or 604-4174.

T.F. Senior Center plays super bingo on Saturday

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Senior Center, 530 Shoshone St. W., will play super bingo at 1 p.m. Saturday. Cards are \$3 for four or \$1 each. The public is invited.

For more information, call 734-5034.

1976 Gooding High School students sought

GOODING — The Gooding High School Class of 1976 is looking for several classmates: Lorraine Taylor, Mike Masonholder, Jim Blunt, Lisa Strickland Hood, Kim Savage, Larry Harding, Kelly McCombs, Ben Genzrusa, Shirley Waddops, Rhonda and Debbie Kandler, Kathy Nordstrom, Carol Grimes and Larry Boone.

A meeting will be held at 7 p.m. today. If anyone has information as to the whereabouts of the above people or for more information, call Patty at 934-4378.

New books added to Gooding Public Library

GOODING — The Gooding Public Library, 306 Fifth Ave., has added several new books to its shelves.

Fiction: "Mary, Mary" by James Patterson; "The Bishop in the Old Neighborhood" by Andrew Greeley; "Light from Heaven" by Jan Karon; "Unbreakable and Unreturnable" by Mary Davidson; "The Regime" by Tim LeMay; "A Christmas Guest" by Anne Perry; "The Christmas Quilt" by Jennifer Chiaverini; "The Amber Warning" by Robert Ludlum; "Every Which

way but Dead" by Kim Harrison; "The New Woman" by Jon Hassler; "Teacher Man" by Frank McCourt; "Toil and Die" by Sara Graves; "The Light-house" by F.D. James; "Forever Odd" by Dean Koppert; "The Hanging in the Hotel" by Bret Simon; "Elders" by Christopher Phoenix; "S is for Silence" by Sue Grafton; "Toxic Bachelors" by Danielle Steel; "Turning Angel" by Greg Iles; "Red Day" by Nora Roberts; "Every Breath You Take" by Judith McNaught and "On the Run" by Iris Johansen.

Non-fiction: "Kelley Blue Book Used Car Guide," "The World Almanac and Book of Facts," "Don't Miss Out," "The Ambitious Student's Guide to Financial Aid" by Anna and Robert Lebler; "Oh, What a Slaughter" by Larry McMurtry; "Cassia County, Idaho, The Foundation Years" by Kathleen Hebel; "Kimberly Centennial: A Few Memories of the Past 100 Years," "Good Day" by Maya Gottfried; "Marley and Me," "Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog" by John Grogan; "The Deep Dark," "Dinaster and Redemption in America's Richest Silver Mine" by Gregg Olsen; "Wittgenstein Flies a Kite" by Susan Sternst; "The Healthy Guide to Unhealthy Living" by David Clayton MD; "The Triple Whinnny Cure" by David Edelberg, MD.

For more information, call the library at 934-4089.

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TOP 5

This week's most popular music, compiled by The Associated Press.

Television

1. "American Idol" — Tuesday, Fox.
2. "American Idol" — Wednesday, Fox.
3. "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS.
4. "Without a Trace," CBS.
5. "CSI: Miami," CBS.
 — From Nielsen Media Research

Film

1. "Big Momma's House 2," Fox.
2. "Harvey McPhee," Universal.
3. "Underworld Evolution," Sony.
4. "Annapolis," Disney.
5. "Hoodwinked," Weinstein Co.
 — From Exhibitor Relations Co.

Hot 5

1. "Check on It," Beyoncé (feat. Slim Thug), Columbia. (Platinum) — certified sales of 1 million units)
2. "Grittz," Kelly (feat. Paul Wall, Ali & Gipp), Derry.
3. "Be Without You," Mary J. Blige, Geffen.
4. "Breaking Free," Zac Efron & Vanessa Anne Hudgens, Walt Disney.
5. "You're Beautiful," James Blunt, Custard.
 — From Billboard magazine

Albums

1. "Ancora," Il Divo, SYCO/Columbia/Sony Music.
2. "Your Man," Josh Turner, MCA Nashville/UMGN.
3. "Unpredictable," Jamie Foxx, J.
4. "The Breakthrough," Mary J. Blige, Geffen. (Platinum)
5. "Lights and Sounds," Yellowcard, Capitol.
 — From Billboard magazine

Concert tours

1. The Rolling Stones.
2. Paul McCartney.
3. Oz.
4. Bon Jovi.
5. Aerosmith.
 — From Pollstar

VHS/DVD rentals

1. "Lord of War," Lionsgate Home Entertainment.
2. "Wedding Crashers," New Line Home Entertainment.

3. "Red Eye," DreamWorks Home Entertainment.
4. "Two for the Money (Widescreen)," Universal Studios Home Video.
5. "Transporter 2," 20th Century Fox.
 — From Billboard magazine

VHS sales

1. "Requiem for the Dream," Lionsgate Home Entertainment.
2. "Buns of Steel 4: Advanced," Warner Home Video.
3. "Buns of Steel 7: Intermediate/Advanced Stop Workout," Warner Home Video.
4. "Buns & Abs of Steel 9: Post-Pregnancy Workout," Warner Home Video.
5. "Thighs of Steel 2," Warner Home Video.
 — From Billboard magazine

DVD sales

1. "Lord of War (Widescreen)," Lionsgate Home Entertainment.
2. "Two for the Money (Widescreen)," Universal Studios Home Video.
3. "Transporter 2," 20th Century Fox.
4. "Wedding Crashers (Widescreen Unrated Edition)," New Line Home Entertainment.
5. "Two for the Money (Full Screen)," Universal Studios Home Video.
 — From Billboard magazine

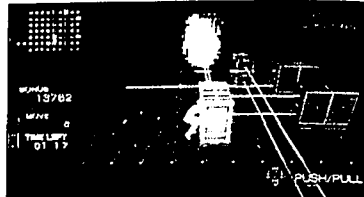
Top iTunes downloads

1. "High School Musical (Soundtrack)," various artists
2. "Back to Bedlam," James Blunt
3. "Lights and Sounds," "Yellowcard"
4. "Love Session (iTunes Exclusive)," Wymton Marsalis
5. "Testily," P.O.D.
 — Apple Computer, Inc.

Best-selling books

1. "Cell: A Novel" by Stephen King (Scarborough) (fiction/hardcover)
2. "Night" by Elie Wiesel, translation by Markon Wiesel (Farrar, Straus and Giroux) (non-fiction/paperback)
3. "A Million Little Pieces" by James Frey (Anchor) (non-fiction/paperback)
4. "Marley & Me" by John Grogan (Warland Morrow) (non-fiction/hardcover)
5. "Memory in Death" by Nora Roberts writing as J.D. Robb (Putnam) (fiction/hardcover)
 — USA Today

VIDEO GAME REVIEW



This image depicts one of the more than 100 levels of the video game "Practical Intelligence" where players solve puzzles to test their IQ.

'Practical Intelligence': How's your hi-tech IQ?

BY MATT SCLAGE
 The Associated Press

There are people with book smarts and those with street smarts. But video game smarts? "PQ: Practical Intelligence Quotient" (Rated E, \$29.99) is a new game for the PlayStation Portable that touts itself as an alternative to the written IQ test. "PQ" may just do for the Mensa crowd what "Quake" did for adrenaline junkies.

It's an interesting premise based on the research of Masao Koyasu, a Kyoto University psychology professor who believes our brains possess seven "independently functioning units of intelligence rather than one single unit."

I'm not quite sure what that means, but I may be a unit or two short based on my performance in "PQ."

Playing is akin to taking a final exam sans the paper and No. 2 pencil.

Each "question" (there are 100 in all) is a level of the game involving a maze loaded with obstacles.

You guide your avatar across a 3-D grid, stacking boxes, riding escalators and flipping door switches to get from the starting point to the goal within a set period of time, usually no more than a few minutes.

Some puzzles were confounding, others were rather simple. You only get a set number of moves to get a decent score. Even on the hard levels, I often found myself in one of those "Well duh!" moments after coming up with a solution, wondering why I hadn't immediately thought of it.

It took mere seconds to snop

around solving blue, flashlight-wielding guards without getting caught.

I somehow memorized a pattern of flashing arrows and then walked through an invisible maze.

But almost all the puzzles that involved moving large blocks around a maze gave me serious problems. For the mathematically inclined, there are levels where you have to rearrange the correct number and amount of weights to open a door.

The difficulty increases exponentially toward the end, when many of these individual obstacles combine in brain-dizzying ways.

The pulsating, redundant techno music only added to my frustration.

I was annoyed with the flaky controls. Hand-eye coordination shouldn't factor into it, but it was far too easy to overshoot and walk into a laser beam or turn the wrong way, wasting precious time.

On a traditional written test, you can at least see the problem before you. But in "PQ," it's often impossible to see the entire level.

Once you finish the game, there's not much reason to return.

Test results include a sliding personality scale ranging from "Pondering Type" to "Action Type."

You can also post your "PQ" score online and compare your world with others around the world, but that's about it. I, for one, am not telling anyone how average I am.

This lack of any replay value is perhaps the biggest shortcoming of a game that's otherwise good fun and good for your brain.

Company of Fools explores 'Hedda Gabler'

BY STEVE CRUMP
Times-News writer

HAILLEY—Less than 48 hours after returning pregnant from her honeymoon, the former Hedda Gabler—now Hedda Tesman—lies dead in the parlor of her new home, the victim of a self-inflicted gunshot to the head.

It was a shot heard 'round the world when Norwegian playwright Henrik Ibsen wrote "Hedda" in 1890. Although women did such things in painfully respectable middle-class Europe of the 19th century, nobody *wrote* about women doing such things.

More puzzling, Hedda was not a stubbly sympathetic character like Ibsen's proto-feminist Nora Helmer in the playwright's "A Doll House," written 11 years earlier. In the space of three acts, Hedda systematically destroys everyone near and dear to her.

She is, to all appearances, a woman without either conscience or compassion.

Hedda is, in short, the perfect idealist.

"It is very clear to me why 'Hedda Gabler' is a classic," said Robert Throckmorton, who is directing the Company of Fools' production of "Hedda Gabler," which opens Wednesday. "Each reader, audience, actor and director is compelled to crack the code, to understand why these characters do what they do. We are left asking again and again, 'What does this mean, what happened to them in the past, why on earth would she do such a thing?' Of course, as theater artists, these mysterious specifics are exactly the bait we thrive on."

What happens when a woman is trapped into merely being someone's wife and never allowed to become herself? With Hedda, it's a life of suppressed sexuality that grows into an interest in guns and more than one triangle involving other men.

In today's world such triangles might turn into steamy sex scandals, but Hedda is part of her society and remains true to her husband. She only allows herself to explore these triangles as a voyeur, with appalling consequences.

It's a role, says Denise Simone, the actor playing Hedda, "that sometimes sends me home with headaches at night."

"Hedda" is a play about power—and powerlessness—and the title character embodies both. "She's a difficult character, a woman outside of her time," said Simone, a founding member of

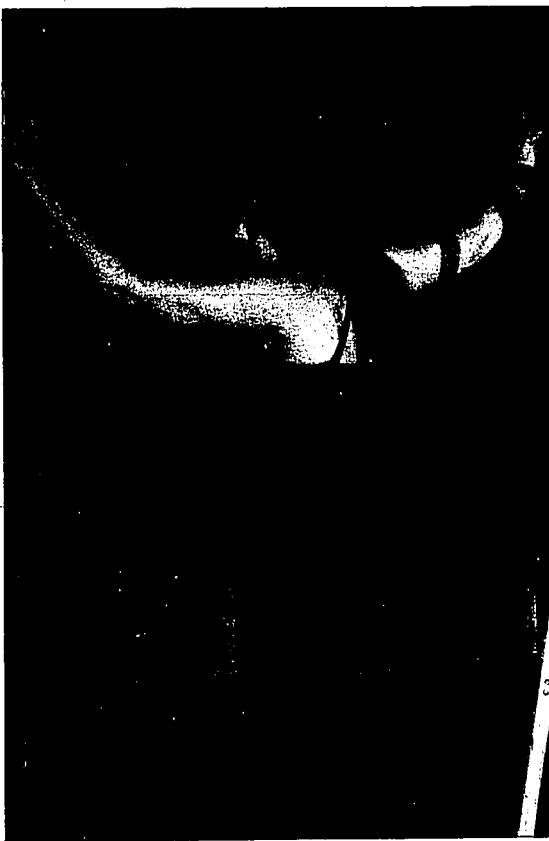


Photo courtesy of Company of Fools

Denise Simone stars as a troubled newlywed in the Company of Fools production of "Hedda Gabler," which opens Wednesday.

"The Company of Fools." "She seems to be devoid of sympathy, and even of maternal instinct. Hedda just seems to be wired differently."

Hedda, of course, was intend-

ed to be a mirror held up to a society that repelled Ibsen with its smugness and hypocrisy.

There was much to loathe. Illegally class-conscious Norwegian society at the dawn of the

20th century was still being dragged kicking and screaming into the 19th. Members of the emerging middle class, like George Tesman, were painfully self-conscious about their status

"Good God!

People don't do such things."

—The last line of "Hedda Gabler"

If you go ...

• **What:** Company of Fools will present Henrik Ibsen's "Hedda Gabler."

• **Where:** Liberty Theater, Halley

• **When:** 7 p.m. Wednesday; the production continues Feb. 16, 22-23 and March 1-2, 7 p.m.; Feb. 17-18, 24-25 and March 3-4, 8 p.m.; and Feb. 19 and 26 and March 5, 3 p.m.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$25 for reserved seating and \$18 for students and for seniors 62 and over, are available at the Company of Fools' box office at the Liberty Theater from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, or by phoning 578-9122. Opening night is a pay-what-you-feel preview.

and protected it with social conservatism. "Old money" Norwegians, like Hedda, had little but contempt for them.

And in Hedda's case, for life in general.

"There is an odor of mortality about it," she says. "It reminds me of a bouquet—the day after the ball."

"As an actor, it's harder to find a sympathetic side to Hedda than most characters," Simone said. "But she is a very complex woman."

Much, Simone believes, like the playwright. "Where I stand then, when I wrote my various books, there is now a fairly compact crowd, but I myself am no longer there. Ibsen wrote shortly before his death. 'I am somewhere else, I hope in front.'"

"It's a play about coping with the circumstances in which you find yourself, and how you choose to do it," Simone said. "In Hedda's case, it was tragic—for herself and everyone around her."

Other members of the cast are Jana Arnold, Frank Medina, Jennifer Joyce Rush, Richard Rush, Marilyn Teige and Joel Vilinsky.

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@mgicvalley.com.

Movies

Now playing

TWIN FALLS

Twin Cinema

- "Annapolis"
- "Brokeback Mountain"
- "The Chronicles of Rikishi: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe"
- "Curious George"
- "Final Destination 3"
- "Farewell"
- "Fun with Dick and Jane"
- "Glory Road"
- "Hoodwinked!"
- "Harry McPhee"
- "The Pink Panther"
- "Walk the Line"

Odyssey Theater

- "Big Momma's House 2"
- "Cheaper by the Dozen 2"
- "End of the Spear"
- "Last Holiday"
- "Underworld: Evolution"
- "When a Stranger Calls"

Lighthouse Theatre

- "Capote"
- "Good Night, and Good Luck"

The Orpheum

- "Failure to Launch"

HAILEY/KETCHUM

Magic Lantern

- "Capote"
- "Firewall"
- "Glory Road"
- "Good Night, and Good Luck"
- "Match Point"
- "Walk the Line"

Big Blood Cinema

- "Firewall"
- "Harry McPhee"
- "The Pink Panther"
- "When a Stranger Calls"

SKT Time Cinema

- "The Matador"
- "The Pink Panther"

BURLEY

Crosby Cinema

- "Big Momma's House 2"
- "Firewall"
- "Glory Road"
- "Harry McPhee"
- "The Pink Panther"
- "Underworld: Evolution"
- "When a Stranger Calls"

Burley Theater

- "Chicken Little"

JEROME

Jerome Cinema

- "Final Destination 3"
- "Firewall"
- "The Pink Panther"
- "When a Stranger Calls"

'THE MATADOR'

James Bond just lets himself go

BY KEVIN THOMAS

Los Angeles Times

In "The Matador," a delightfully sly diversion, Pierce Brosnan breaks the mold and turns in what might be considered the performance of his career, the kind of wise, relaxed star portrayal that recalls those of Cary Grant and other Golden Era legends. Setting him up to perfection is Greg Kinnear, every bit as amusing and assured. As if this weren't enough, Hope Davis, one of the most protean young actresses working in films, lends further sparkle and drollery.

"The Matador" marks a fine feature outing for Richard Shepard, who exhibits that precious gift of being able to work in the mainstream yet maintain the utmost sophistication in his point of view and in dialogue that enliven with inspired wit and humor.

Imagine that James Bond, the role from which Brosnan has just graduated, has begun to lose his nerve and started to go to seed. That's a rough description of Brosnan's Julian Noble, who has arrived in Mexico City for reasons not immediately clear. Unshaven and mustached, he's raffish, with a roughneck quality, and given to knocking back quite a few drinks and smoking heavily. Attractively weathered, he knows full well he's still devastatingly handsome, can turn on the charm like a faucet and has a gift of outrageous gab. Indeed, his wit may actually heighten his appeal.

His frayed-around-the-edges aura also bespeaks an undeniable vulnerability, even desperation and instability, as he determinedly latches on to Kinnear's Danny Wright, a Denver businessman who has a lot riding on a pending deal. They cross paths in a Mexico City hotel bar, and Julian just won't let go of Danny, even though Julian's sudden outbursts of crudeness and insensitivity threaten to drive Danny away. But Julian's persistence and innate charisma prevail with Danny, and pretty soon Julian, a crack marksman, reveals that he is on assignment as, he likes to call himself, a "facilitator or realities." At first Danny is struck with disbelief, then horror.

"The Matador," in which a bullfight becomes a metaphor for Julian's profession and his romantic view of it, deftly moves ahead six months. Now Julian is on a job in Budapest in what his controller, Mr. Randy (Philip



Photo courtesy of The Weinstein Company

Pierce Brosnan plays an unkempt hitman in "The Matador."

Baker Hall), tough-minded yet compassionate, reminds him to make-or-break situation, since Julian is clearly shaky after 22 years in the racket. A couple of plot developments later, Julian knocks on Danny's front door late one snowy night. The stage is set for one final adventure for the two men.

Julian offers Brosnan a great comic role with crucial dark undertones. An aging loner with no friends outside his brief acquaintance with Danny, Julian is a man who has no permanent address, has indulged in all the sex any man could possibly crave, but has never known love. By contrast, Danny and his wife are a couple whose deep love has been strengthened by tragedy and adversity, regular folks on the surface yet highly intelligent, humorous and open-minded. There is no question that Julian is a dangerous man, especially as he comes apart. Danny's kindness and hospitality to Julian is undoubtedly an invitation to potential disaster, and at this point, suspense kicks in in earnest, along with the humor. Shepard, however, is a genuine high-wire artist, and although Julian may be losing his grip, The Matador, which manages to be stylish without ever seeming slick, never does.

Audiences shouldn't overlook this poignant comic gem.

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Last Holiday (13) Daily 7:15 - 9:45
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End of the Spear (13)
Daily 7:15 - 9:45
Sat - Sun 1:15 - 4:15 - 7:15 - 9:45

Cheaper by the Dozen 2 (PG)
Daily 7:30 - 9:45
Sat - Sun 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

When a Stranger Calls (13)
Daily 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:30 - 4:45 - 7:00 - 9:15

Underworld: Evolution (R)
Daily 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:30 - 4:45 - 7:00 - 9:15

Big Momma's House 2 (13)
Daily 7:15 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:30 - 2:45 - 5:00 - 7:15 - 9:30

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Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe (PG)
Daily 6:45 - 9:30
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Pink Panther (PG)
Daily 7:30 - 9:45
Family Fun 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

Family Fun in Hoodwinked (PG)
Daily 7:15 - 9:00
Sat - Sun 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:15 - 9:00

The Johnny Cash Story Walk the Line (13)
Daily 6:45 - 9:30
Sat - Sun 12:30 - 3:45 - 6:45 - 9:30

Davey's Glory Road (PG)
Daily 7:15 - 9:45
Sat - Sun 1:15 - 4:15 - 7:15 - 9:45

Nanny McPhee (PG)
Daily 7:00 - 9:15
Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:30 - 4:45 - 7:00 - 9:15

Curious George (G)
Daily 7:15 - 9:00
Sat - Sun 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:15 - 9:00

Annapolis (13)
Daily 7:30 - 9:45
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Firewalk (13)
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Pride & Prejudice (PG)
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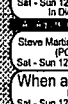
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Jerome 4 Cinema
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Sat - Sun 12:15 - 2:30 - 4:45 - 7:00 - 9:15

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Movies

Movie nuggets

• **"Annapolis" **** In Justin Lin's formula motivational, James Franco is appealing as the riverer who dreams not of building ships but of commanding them. With Jordana Brewster, Tyrese Gibson and Vicellous Shannon. 1 hour, 48 minutes. PG-13 (violence, profanity)

• **"Big Momma's House 2" **** ♀♀ Marlin Lawrence returns as the FBI agent who goes undercover as a very large, earthy woman. This silly sequel isn't bad, unless you're expecting to laugh. 1 hour, 39 minutes PG-13 (drug and sex references)

• **"Brokeback Mountain" **** ♀♀ Ang Lee's heart-breaking film starring the incomparable Heath Ledger and Jake Gyllenhaal as Wyoming cowpokes who encounter bliss on a notch

between the rocky Tetons and the unforgetting hard place of 1960s history. With Michelle Williams and Anne Hathaway. 2 hours, 14 minutes (nudity, sex)

• **"Capote" ****** A stunning character study of Truman Capote, author and personality, during the Kansas years he befriended "In Cold Blood," reporting and betraying the killers of a farming family. In the title role is Philip Seymour Hoffman. 1 hour, 38 minutes (violence)

• **"Chicken Little" **** The first fully computer-animated feature from Disney Studios is also the first in its animation history to feel entirely generic. A mishmash of conflicting visual elements with a silly alien invasion plot, the film boasts the voices of Zach Braff and Joan Cusack, and not much else. G (mildly offensive, explicit for signaling the end of great traditional ink-and-paint animation)

• **"The Chronicles of Narnia: the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" **** The menagerie of mythological beasts in "Narnia" doesn't seem quite genuine in three-dimensionally real. That's not to say this "Wardrobe" isn't worth climbing into. Only that along with the dollops of delight, a bit of disappointment awaits on the other side. PG (bale sequences and frightening moments)

• **"Curious George" No rating.** The famous monkey remains very much within its own candy-colored universe and stays true to the lighthearted spirit of the beloved books by Margret and H.A. Roy. The film is ideal for kids ages 4-8, which may make it tedious at times for the parents sitting alongside them. Voiced by Will Ferrell, Drew Barrymore, and Dick Van Dyke. G

• **"End of the Spear" **** Based

About the rating system

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on the true story of five American missionaries slain by primitive tribespeople in the jungles of Ecuador, this dramatization preaches a strong message of forgiveness and empathy, but does so in simplistic fashion, rife with meaningful glances, mild dramatic performances and melodramatic music cues. 1 hour, 52 mins. PG-13 (violence)

• **"Failure to Launch" No rating.** Matthew McConaughey and Sarah Jessica Parker star in this romantic comedy about a slacker who still lives with his parents, and the cool woman who has to turn his life upside down. PG-13

• **"Final Destination 3" No rating.** Set six years after the original "Final Destination" film, the latest installment in the series centers around a high school senior who has a premonition of a fatal roller coaster accident involving herself and all her friends. When the premonition proves true, those who survived the accident are forced to deal with the repercussions of escaping their fate. With Ryan Merriman and Mary Elizabeth Weinstead. R

• **"Firewall" No rating.** Jack Stanfield (Larrison Ford), whose specialty is designing infallible theft-proof financial computer systems. But there's a hidden vulnerability in the system he didn't account for — himself. When a ruthless criminal mastermind kidnaps his family, Jack is forced to find a flaw in his system and steal \$100 million. With the lives

of his wife and children at stake and under constant surveillance, he has only hours to find a loophole in the thief's own impregnable system of subterfuge and false identities to beat him at his own game. With Virginia Madsen and Paul Deyck. PG-13.

• **"Fun with Dick and Jane" **** In this 1977 comedy, Jim Carrey and Tea Leoni play a couple who learn to crime when their wife, white-collar existence goes down the toilet. 1 hour, 30 minutes. PG-13 (mild profanity, sexual references)

• **"Glory Road" **** The basketball team from tiny Texas Western College, who used only black players to win the NCAA tournament in 1966, is the subject of this film starring Josh Lucas and Derek Luke. Sweet but superficial and sermonistic. 1 hour, 40 mins. PG (violence, racial epithets)

• **"Good Night, and Good Luck" **** ♀♀ George Clooney's resonant, cautionary tale about newsman Edward R. Murrow and his crusade against Senator Joseph McCarthy asks timely questions about television's role in the past or even in the present. How show they do? 1 hour, 33 minutes PG (mature themes)

• **"Hoodwinked! **** ♀♀ It may be a poor cousin to the "Shrek" franchise, but this made-on-the-cheap computer-animated feature still has more style and sarky gags than Disney's recent CGI "Chicken Little." 1 hr. 22 PG (some mild action and the matric elements)

• **"Last Holiday" No rating.** Queen Latifah stars as a New Orleans cookware saleswoman who flings catapult to the wind and heads to a European resort where she learns that she has limited time to live. With Li Cooil J, Timothy Hutton, Gerard Depardieu, Alicia Witt, Giancarlo Esposito. With Li Cooil J, Timothy Hutton, Gerard Depardieu, Alicia Witt, Giancarlo Esposito. (1:52) PG-13 for some sexual reference.

• **"Match Point" ****** Woody Allen returns to form and then some in this dark, winning tale of lust, love and the lure of money — set in London, with an all-British cast for a sultry Scarlett Johansson. 2 hours, 4 minutes. It (sex, nudity, profanity, violence, adult themes)

• **"Nanny McPhee" **** ♀♀ Directed by Kirk Jones ("Waking Ned Devine") and written by Emma Thompson, who stars in the title role, this bracing adapta-

tion of the "Nurse Matilda" books by Christianna Brand is the acidic antidote to "Mary Poppins" in the child's own impetuous PG (mild thematic elements, some rude humor and brief language)

• **"The Pink Panther" No rating.** A world-famous soccer coach has been murdered and his priceless ring has been stolen — a ring set with the stunning diamond known as the Pink Panther. The French government requires a master detective to solve the crime and recover the gem... but he's not available, so they recruit Inspector Jacques Clouseau (Steve Martin). Clouseau and his partner, Ponton (Jean Reno), must unmask the murderer and keep their boss, Dreyfus (Kevin Kline), from taking credit for the victory, all without bringing the French legal system to a screeching halt. PG

• **"Pride & Prejudice" **** ♀♀ Jo Wright's fresh and spirited account of the most frequently filmed Jane Austen novel is the essential version. Stunning, exuberant Keira Knightley as Lizzie and the implacable Matthew MacFadyen as Darcy. 2 hours, 7 minutes PG (mild adult themes)

• **"Underworld: Evolution" **** ♀♀ Kate Beckinsale and Scott Speedman return in this monster mash sequel that pits vampires against werewolves. It's sensationally looked but ponderously plotted. 1 hour, 45 minutes R (strong violence, sexual situations, profanity)

• **"Walk the Line" ****** A blazing biopic about American blues legend Johnny Cash tells his stormy relationship with June Carter Cash, with Joaquin Phoenix and Reese Witherspoon at the top of their games as the couple try to make sense of his torrid music biz craziness. PG-13

• **"When a Stranger Calls" No rating.** Camilla Belle plays a high school student whose night-sent baby-sitting turns to terror in the remake of the 1979 chiller. With Brian Geraghty, Katie Cassidy and Clark Gregg. Directed by Simon West. PG for terror, violence and some language.

• **"Yours, Mine and Ours" **** This remake of the 1968 Lucille Ball-Fred Flinn farce casts a widower with eight kids and a widow with 10 who marry and throw into a big house. In theory, nutty hilarity ensues. In reality, not quite. PG (mild crude humor)

— Sources: Knight Ridder News Service, Los Angeles Times

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• **"End of the Spear" **** Based

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New on DVD Synopses of films recently released for home viewing.**"Wallace & Gromit:
The Curse of the
Were-Rabbit"
G**

Wallace and Gromit are ready for their close-up. And do we ever need them now.

Superstars of comic short films, this intrepid clay animators duo makes its much-anticipated movie to features in the irresistible "Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit," puckishly characterized by creator Nick Park as "the first vegetarian horror movie ever."

In a movie culture in which creativity is often strangled in its smother, it is both welcome and astonishing to see how successful Park's unlikely pairing of his own idiosyncratic sensibility with the most labor-intensive form of animation can become.

"It was simply my own taste, the kind of film I wanted to see," the film's British co-writer and co-director said at Cannes about Wallace and Gromit's success.

Park's joining more than 15 years ago of a genially hapless inventor who's mad for cheese and his poker-faced know-it-all silent dog has led to three Oscar nominations and two statuettes for the dynamic duo. Park delayed the film's feature debut, which boasts Helena Bonham Carter and Ralph Fiennes as voice talent, until he could come up with a plot worthy of their shenanigans, and he has.

Working with a trio of co-writers Peter Bex, with a film Oscar directed, Bob Baker and Mark Burton, all previous collaborators, Park and company came up with the notion of a werewolf movie about rabbits, a creature so ravenous for vegetables, not human flesh.

Those familiar with classics like "Frankenstein" and "The Wolf Man" will be charmed by how well the tropes of horror lend themselves to this kind of spoofing, and viewers of all sorts should be delighted that the film puts a smile on your face and leaves it there for the duration.

Undaunted by previous mishaps, Wallace remains the epitome of Cyn and Gene's mad-cap inventing, coming up with wacky machines like the Mind-O-Matic and the Bun-Vac 6000.

He still loves cheese (so his books like "Eat and Filam" and "Fromage to Eternity" in his library shelves) and still gets despairing looks of guilt disbelief from Gromit, the only dog movie hobby is knitting.

What is different is the pair's



Photo courtesy of DreamWorks

Wallace and his side-dog Gromit are trying to rid gardens of invading rabbits. It's an especially booming business in their neck of the woods, a neighborhood obsessed with its Giant Vegetable Competition.

new business, a humane, cruelty-free way to rid gardens of invading rabbits that goes by the name of Anti-Pesto. It's an especially booming business in Wallace and Gromit's neck of the woods, a neighborhood obsessed with its Giant Vegetable Competition, in particular the impending 517th annual edition.

Then, when the moon is full, there appears on the scene a monstrous rabbit with the strength of 10, teeth the size of ax blades and ears like terrible tombstones. He lays waste the neighborhood produce and enables the filmmakers, as Park explains, "to use typical horror movie characters like the skeptical policeman and a fear who spouts all kinds of mumbo-jumbo about the beast within."

Especially energized by the disaster is Lady Longington (Bonham Carter), bestower of the prized Golden Carrot, a local eco-toy who wants the beast humely removed, being something of a peasant couple. Wallace (voiced as he has since the beginning by Peter Sallis) is only too eager to oblige. But standing in the way is milady's blood-thirsty suitor, Victor Quartermaine (Fiennes), who is determined to blow everything that moves to Kingdom Come.

The last thing you expect from a "Wallace & Gromit" film is cracking plot twists, but "Curse of the Were-Rabbit" boasts a wonderful it also has the kind of wondrous cartoon cheese that were a beloved feature of the shorts as well as a riff on "King Kong" and

a monster transformation sequence that is a treat.

"Most of all, 'Wallace & Gromit' retains the clever, one-of-a-kind sensibility that made its shorter predecessors so delam. With every studio comedy looking for a formula to refresh, it's refreshing to find a heroically whimsical film that succeeds by following no formula, much to dog or man.

—Los Angeles Times

"Just Like Heaven"

PG-13

"Just Like Heaven" is outlandish, uneven, preposterous and often maddeningly morbid.

This fourth-eight comic comedy starring Reese Witherspoon revolves the kind of fantastical fluff that, when skillfully handled, can make an otherwise forgettable chick flick a beloved midbrow classic on a par with "When Harry Met Sally..." and "Sleepless in Seattle." Despite its strenuous attempts to pluck the hair's-breadths, "Just Like Heaven" will never make that pantheon.

But it does feature three shots of Mark Ruffalo getting out of the shower.

That caveat means a lot to a certain subculture of mostly female filmgoers, who can generally be described — or diagnosed — as having a serious Mark Ruffalo Problem. Meaning: We — sorry, they — will see any movie Ruffalo is in, despite its artistic aspirations, redeeming social value, running time,

degree of awfulness. If you have a Mark Ruffalo Problem, "You Can Count on Me" is as good as "In the Cut" is as good as "13 Going on 30" is as good as "We Don't Live Here Anymore."

And "Just Like Heaven" is very good indeed for MIP people, or even for less rabid fans of this gifted actor, who has proved his acting chops in such smart movies as "Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind" and "Collateral" while carving out an unexpected but winning sideline as a romantic leading man, lending credibility, thoroughly disarming charm to roles that usually call for the acting equivalent of Bachelor No. 2.

Here, that role is to be a credible love interest for far-higher-wattage Witherspoon, and the chemistry works, largely because his understated sweetness plays so nicely against her preternatural chirpy persona. When David Abbott (Ruffalo) moves into a fantastic apartment and is immediately told to move out by its former tenant — Elizabeth Martinson (Witherspoon), who three months earlier was hit head-on by a truck — their banter crackles with tart, unforced verve. By now Elizabeth, a compulsively perky doctor, has become something of a tireless stock car racer for Witherspoon, but here the prissy energy is absorbed and softened by Ruffalo's low-key, unaffected magnetism.

As it becomes increasingly clear that Elizabeth isn't a real woman but a spirit visiting from another dimension, the comedy picks up even more, with some funny bits referencing earlier movies. Jon Fieder (the echi-nerd from "Napoleon Dynamite") spits chewing the scenery as a psychic bookstore clerk and Ruffalo engaging in the kind of inspired physical comedy as the invisible Elizabeth tries to wrest a glass of Scotch from David's hands.

Indeed, as long as Elizabeth and David are trying to figure out what exactly happened to her, "Just Like Heaven" promises to be an inter-spiritual romance

with the etheral whimsy of such forebears as "Bill the Spirit" and "Heaven Can Wait" — as long as that movie's own forebear, "Here Comes Mr. Jordan."

But then they figure out what happened to her, and "Just Like Heaven" undergoes a radical shift in tone that gives it a ripped-from-the-headlines seriousness, raising troubling end-of-life issues. Try as he might, director Mark Waters ("Mean Girls," "Freaky Friday"), working from an adaptation of a best-selling French novel called "If Only It Were True," can't quite thread the needle on this one.

—Washington Post

"Doom"

R

In "Doom," a square-jawed, built-neck leader named Sarge (Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson) leads a rapid response team of Marines dispatched to investigate a calamity at a remote scientific facility on Mars. The killer mutants they find there will be familiar to the fans of Doom, the video game that has been keeping people from getting out of the house since 1993.

Doom was a pioneer of the "first person" game, in which the player enjoys the roving perspective of a weapon-toting central character.

The Rock is an enjoyable presence, not just for his status-quo build but for his occasional comic moments. Another character called Portman (Richard Brake), a funny (tiresome) griper, is called a few chuckles. Karl Urban makes an empathetic Reaper, the ultimate hero of the story, whose transformative finale the audience sees from that much-wanted first-person perspective. But for the most part, "Doom" is a loud, standard-issue sci-fi action film that has a confusing mission. Is director Andrew Baskovitch ("Grade 2 the Grave") only trying to reach the game's older fans with the R-rated violence and profanity? Will that about those under-17 Doomers?

—Washington Post

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Events calendar

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Valentine's/Twin Falls
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Comedy/Twin Falls
Comedy Night will be featured at 7 p.m. at The Oasis. Cover charge is \$3. The Oasis is located at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Variety/Twin Falls
DJ Night will be featured from 10 p.m. until closing at Phat Edgy's. Cover charge is \$3. Ages 18 and over. Phat Edgy's is located at 233 Fifth Ave. S.

Theater/Boise
The touring Broadway production of Harry Warren at Al Dubin's musical "42nd Street" will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$23.50, \$39.50 and \$23.50, can be reserved by phoning Select A Seat at (208) 426-1494, online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>, or at Albertsons in Twin Falls.

FRIDAY

Rock/Jackpot
Paul Revere and the Raiders will do two shows a night, at 8 and 10 p.m., at Cactus Petes Resort Casino. Tickets, which are \$25, \$30 and \$35, can be reserved by phoning (800) 951-1103.

Theater/Twin Falls
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Rock/Twin Falls
Steam Powered Airplane will play from 10 p.m. until closing at Woody's Sports Bar and Grill. Cover charge is \$3. Woody's is located at 213 Fifth Ave. S.

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Dance/Burley
A Valentine's dance will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. at the Building of New Beginnings. No cover charge. Those attending are asked to bring finger foods. The dance is hosted by Road to Recovery 12-step program. The Building of New Beginnings is located at 1044 E. Main.

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Country/Jerome
Country Classics will play from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Snake River. Cover charge is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. Everyone is welcome. Dinner also will be available from 6 to 9 p.m. The Snake River Lodge is located at 412 E. 200 S. on Highway 93.

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

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

Classic Rock/Twin Falls
Relative Rock will play at 7 p.m. at the Bowldrome. No cover charge. The Bowldrome is located at 220 Eastland Drive.

Classical/Utah
Utah Symphony will perform Dmitri Shostakovich's Symphony No. 15 at 8 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$12, \$22, \$28, \$38 and \$42, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. The Capitol Theater is located at 123 West South Temple.

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Jazz/Buhl
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Wednesday
Theater/Halley
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THURSDAY

Broadway babies
The touring Broadway production of Harry Warren and Al Dubin's musical "42nd Street" will play the Morrison Center on the campus of Boise State University at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which are \$25, \$35 and \$45, can be reserved by phoning (800) 888-TIX or online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>. The Morrison Center is located at 1323 West South Temple.

Comedy/Burley
Comedy Night will be featured from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at The Steakhouse and Convention Center. Cover charge is \$5. The Steakhouse is located at 1340 Oakley Ave.

Dance/Utah
Ballet West will dance Sergei Prokofiev's "Romeo and Juliet" at 7:30 p.m. in Salt Lake City's Capitol Theater. Tickets, which are \$17, \$32, \$40, \$55 and \$65, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Capitol Theater is located at 50 West 200 South.

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Arts
The Arts will present its Winter Music Series, featuring the Brentano String Quartet, at 7:30 p.m. on FEB. 18 at the Presbyterian Church of the Bigwood. Tickets, which are \$25 for nonmembers, \$20 for members and \$15 for balcony seats, can be reserved by phoning the Sun Valley Center at 728-9491. Children 12 and under will be admitted free.

Rock/Boise
Sevendust and Nonpoint will perform at the Big Easy Concert House at 6:30 p.m. on FEB. 16. Tickets, which are \$20, can be reserved by phoning (800) 955-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Halley and Ketchum. The Big Easy Concert is located at 416 S. Ninth St.

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Old-time rock
Paul Revere and the Raiders will do two shows a night at Cactus Petes Resort Casino in Jackpot.

Rock/Ketchum
The Clumsy Lovers will play Whiskey Jacques at 10 p.m. on FEB. 22. Tickets, which are \$7, are available at the door.

Rock/Boise
The Toasters will perform at The Venue at 6 p.m. on FEB. 22. Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning (800) 955-4827, online at <http://www.ticketweb.com>, or at Atkinson's Markets in Halley and Ketchum. The Venue is located at 523 Broad St.

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TUESDAY

From the heart
Planiat Walt Wagner will perform a Valentine's Day concert at the Eighth Street Center in Buhl, which includes a multi-course dinner.

Rock/Ketchum
The Willie Waldman Project will play Whiskey Jacques at 10 p.m. on MARCH 4. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door.

Rock/Boise
Korn will play the Idaho Center in Nampa at 7 p.m. on MARCH 6. Tickets, which are \$29.50 and \$39.50, can be reserved by phoning (208) 442-2322 or online at <http://www.idahotickets.com>. The Idaho Center is located at 16200 Can-Ada Road on Nampa's east end.

Variety/Buhl
The Bottom Line Duo will perform at the Eighth Street Center at 7 p.m. on MARCH 3. Tickets, which are \$25, include dessert. For more information, call 543-2888. The Eighth Street Center is located at 200 N. Eighth St.

Folk/Utah
Utah Phillips will perform at the Jeanne Wagner Theater at the Rose Wagner Center in Salt Lake City at 9 p.m. on MARCH 7. Tickets, which are \$15, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. The Rose Wagner Center is located at 138 W. Broadway.

Rock/Ketchum
The Mocht will play Whiskey Jacques at 10 p.m. on MARCH 8. Tickets, which are \$10, are available at the door.

Classical/Utah
Utah Symphony will perform Handel's Water Music Suite and Vaughan Williams' First Symphony at 8 p.m. on MARCH 3 in Salt Lake City's Abravanel Hall. Tickets, which are \$12, \$22, \$28, \$38 and \$42, can be reserved by phoning (801) 355-2787. Abravanel



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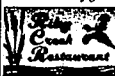


FEATURED RESTAURANT

We, Dennis & Tammy Nipper, opened up Riley Creek Restaurant in Hagerman May 2004, hoping for a place where our family could work together. We were business people but we met in the food industry. So, we got our family together and we all cleaned and fixed the place up. We did all the work ourselves. Then we put together a menu. We all had different ideas and recipes so we put them all on the menu, so we have a wide variety of things to choose from.

We wanted to offer something for everyone. I made up the menu. We made on all natural beef, purchased locally. We make all our sauces and some dressings from scratch and we buy very good quality food. Working in our Hagerman restaurant are both of our daughters, Crystal and Jacki, and my sister Julie.

We are very well accepted here; more than we ever thought possible. Our son, Bob, lived in Seattle, working as an assistant kitchen manager in big restaurants there. So, when the Filer opportunity came along he came home to take on the challenge. Just like before we did all of the remodeling, menus, and work ourselves. My sister Teri works in the Filer Restaurant. We have found very good people to blend into our businesses to give exceptional food and service.



We are happy and very grateful for everyone who becomes part of our family and we look forward to meeting and serving many more in the years to come.

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Food

South-central Idaho dining guide

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• **Riley Creek Restaurant**, 171 State St. — New York/ribeye steak, finger steaks, shrimp, fresh salads, \$5.95-\$23.95. Full bar. Hours: Wednesdays through Thursdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; Tuesdays, 5-10 p.m. *Tammy and Dennis Nipper, owners* 837-6333.

• **Snake River Grill** — Seafood waitress. New York steak with Jack Daniels glaze, prime rib, salad bar, \$4-\$20. Wine, beer. Hours: Mondays, 7 a.m.-2 p.m.; Tuesdays through Sundays, 7 a.m.-9:30 p.m. *Kirt and Carol Martin, owners* 837-6227.

HAILEY

• **KB's South**, 121 N. Main — New breakfast burritos, tacos, fish, \$6.25-\$8.75. Wine, beer. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Sundays, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. *Brian Klesien, owner* 788-7217.

• **Red Elephant Saloon**, 107 S. Main

— Pork tenderloin, prime rib, lumberjack pasta. Full bar. Hours: Daily, 5 p.m.-11 p.m. *Sal Caredda, owner* 788-6047.

• **Yiva Taqueria**, 411 N. Main — Pork carnitas, burritos, fish bowls, \$5-\$15. Full bar. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 11:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; closed Sundays. *Rob*

Croin and Brendon Bennett, owners 788-3697.

• **The Wicked Spud**, 305 N. Main — Tortajá chicken, hamburgers, jackets with cheese, \$4.45-\$7.95. Hours: Daily, 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m. *Mike Branca, owner* 788-0009.

HANSEN

• **Foothill Cafe**, 498 Highway 30 W. — South Hills steak sandwiches, Foothill burgers, grilled chicken sandwiches, \$1.75-\$6.95. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 6 a.m.-2 p.m.; closed Sundays. *Brian and Kim Wilson, owners* 423-4777.

• **South Hills Saloon and Restaurant**, 300 Highway 30 — Broasted chicken, finger steaks, shrimp, ham-

burgers and fries, \$3.27. Full bar. Hours: Daily, 11 a.m.-1 a.m. 423-9050.

HAZELTON

• **Sagebrush Landmark Cafe**, 325 Main — Crab-braised burgers, prime rib, fish and chips, \$3.85-\$16.95. Full bar. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 10:30 a.m.-1 a.m.; closed Sundays. *Karen Lay, owner* 829-5308.

HEYBURN

• **Canon's Cafe**, Est. 208 off Interstate 84 and Idaho Highway 27 — Turkey with homemade dressing, liver and onions, grilled trout, chicken-fried steak, \$3.75-\$14.95. Hours: Open daily, 5:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m. *Kathy Worthington, Corinne Patsky and Karen Festoz, owners* 679-9367.

• **no** — Serving all of Pizza Hut's menu items. Hours: Sundays through Thursdays, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

• **Plataeo Lagoon**, Cactus Petes Resort Casino — Seafood, wide variety of Continental cuisine, Angus steaks, Chicken Oscar, Filet mignon, lobster, \$18.99-\$41.99. Full bar. Hours: Wednesdays through Sundays, 5:30-10 p.m.; closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

• **Home-style pot roast, chicken-fried steak and gravy, sandwiches and salads, home-roasted turkey melt**, \$6.29-\$17.99. Hours: Open 24/7.

• **Pancho Villes**, The Horsethru Hotel — Specializing in Mexican favorites, breakfast, lunch and dinner, \$6.99-\$17.99. Hours: Sundays through Thursdays, 7 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 7 a.m. to midnight.

• **Pizza Hut**, Cactus Petes Resort Cas-

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• **Desert Room**, Cactus Petes Resort

JEROME

• **Choate's Family Diner**, 400 W. Main — Fish and chips, chicken-fried steak, funnel shrimp, \$5.19-\$7.39. Hours: Sundays through Saturdays, 7 a.m.-3 p.m.; closed Sundays. *Hon and Sandy Choate, owners* 324-4642.

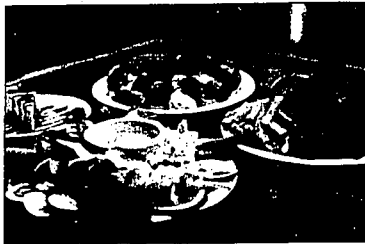
• **Dino's Burger & Brew**, three miles north of junction of U.S. Highway 93 and Idaho Highway 25 — Chef salad, chili burgers, clam chowder, \$5.50-\$8.25. Wine, beer. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; closed

Sundays. *Randy Bryant, owner* 324-6531.

• **El Sombrero Restaurant**, 153 W. Main — Tacos, fajitas, enchiladas and some American dishes, \$4.75-\$10.95. Hours: Tuesdays through Thursdays, 11 a.m.-9 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; closed Mondays. *Rosa Paltz, owner* 324-7328.

• **The Double A Cafe**, 200 W. First St. — Steak, shrimp, prime rib, \$4.75-

UP FROM THE BAYOU



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The shrimp and crab salad, front center, famous Cajun wings, right, crack cake (finger, bread center), and homemade cheddar cheese are just a few of the favorites available at Phat Eddy's in Twin Falls.

Twin Falls' Phat Eddy's surprises

BY STEVE CRUMP
Times-News writer

About Phat Eddy's

TWIN FALLS — Cajun may be the most authentic American cuisine, but it's often lost in translation.

For some restaurants, Cajun means consciously burning the fish or adding too much habanero sauce to the stew. They're missing the point.

Cajun cooking is, at its core, simple fare — developed by folks who made the best of their limited culinary options. A real Cajun meal is usually a three-pot affair, with one pot dedicated to the main dish, one dedicated to steamed rice and the third containing whatever vegetable is available.

And while Cajun cuisine is never mighty, it shouldn't taste like rocket fuel. Bell peppers, onions and celery — the so-called holy trinity of Cajun cooking — are more aromatic than spicy, and Tabasco sauce and its chief ingredient, cayenne pepper, were never meant to be more than an accessory.

So it was a pleasant surprise to visit Phat Eddy's, Twin Falls' 16-month-old Cajun restaurant. For the first time, I ordered a combination platter, priced at \$12.95, that included a crab cake, an andouille sausage, red beans and rice, steamed vegetables and bread, washed down by an imported dark beer. It was a robust meal, but with some nice grace notes.

The crab cake had a mild taste but was firm and not soggy — a sure sign that the Dungeness crab within was fresh, and the andouille (it's a Cajun pork

323 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls — Cajun roast pork, Crawfish Sabia, Louisiana crab fish cakes, \$2.95-\$12.95. Full bar. Hours: 5 p.m.-1 a.m. Mondays through Thursdays (kitchen closes at 9 p.m.); 5 p.m.-2 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays (kitchen closes at 10 p.m.); closed Sundays. *Frank and Jodie Sabia, managers* 735-5141.

smoked sausage, the recipe for which was borrowed from the 18th-century Cajun chef, the beans-and-rice dish was hearty without invoking heartburn. And while steamed vegetables in a restaurant setting are rarely successful, this combination at least had some variety — some fresh green beans and lima beans mixed in with the standard cauliflower and squash. It was a good cross section of what Cajun cookery is supposed to be about, and for a cafe 2,000 miles from Cajun country, nicely rendered. I'm going back sometime soon to sample the roast pork or the crawfish.

Phat Eddy's is a family enterprise, and on the basis of what I tasted in one visit, deserves to succeed. Twin Falls is flush with Mexican, Thai and Mongolian eateries; Phat Eddy's is a nice — and much needed — change of pace.

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@mgalevalley.com.

Music KARAOKE CORNER

THURSDAY

Twin Falls

P & D Karaoke will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is located at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Kruger's Night Life. Doors open at 7 p.m. No cover charge. Kruger's is located at 121 Fourth Ave. S.

Karaoke with Lone Star Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Burley

Kroakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

FRIDAY

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Burley

Miller Time Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers. No cover charge. Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Rupert

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

Kroakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody Bar, 502 Sixth St.

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Sound bites: RECENT CD RELEASES



Josh Turner

Josh Turner "Your Man"

(Capitol)

Two years ago, baritone-voiced Josh Turner created a stir by selling a million copies of his "Long Black Train" debut on the strength of a title song with an explicit Christian message unusual even for country music.

He's taken awhile to follow-up, but the title cut of "Your Man" is Turner's second country Top 10 hit, and it too breaks precedent by presenting a classy come-on that directly addresses sex between a married couple — another unusual topic for the country charts.

The romantic theme is perfect for Turner's distinctive vocals, which marry Barry White's tonal richness with Don Williams' relaxed rhythms. It's not the album's only carnal tune, either: On "No Rush," the newly married Turner speaks of taking his sweet-loving time with his partner.

Besides his one-a-kind, voice, Turner's strength is avoiding the lyrical and musical clichés that sometimes give commercial country music a cookie-cutter sameness. Turner proves you can make a stand by taking chances, as he does throughout "Your Man," especially on the hilarious celebratory-humid send-up, "Loretta Lynn's Lincoln," and the affirmation of faith on "Me and God" (the latter a duet with bluegrass legend Ralph Stanley).

—The Associated Press

THE CRUE

'80s metal band gets Hollywood Walk of Fame star

LOS ANGELES (AP) — It was girls, girls, girls last week when Motley Crue, the bad boys of '80s heavy-metal music, received the 2,301st star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

"We're across the street from the Eroica Museum and Frederick's for Hollywood. This is a perfect place for us to be," bassist Nikki Sixx told an estimated 600 screaming fans.

Motley Crue drummer Tommy Lee pretended to cry. "I think there's something in my eye," he said.

Sixx, who grew up in Twin Falls and Jerome, joined drummer Tommy Lee, guitarist Mick Mars and singer Vince Neil at the ceremony in front of the Musician's Institute on Hollywood Boulevard.

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Motley Crue formed in Los Angeles in 1981, enduring a breakup, death and drugs to become one of the world's top touring groups, with 40 million albums sold.

Singles such as "Girls Girls Girls," "Smokin' in the Boys Room" and "Dr. Feelgood" about sex, booze and highballs propelled the band to rock-star status during the 1980s.

But tragedy followed, from singer Vince Neil's 1984 involvement in a car accident that killed Hanoi Rocks drummer Nicholas "Razzle" Dingley to bassist Sixx's near-death from a heroin overdose in 1997.

Guitarist Mars suffers from a



AP Photo

Former Twin Falls and Jerome resident Nikki Sixx, second from left, and other members of Motley Crue celebrate the unveiling of their star on the Walk of Fame in Hollywood last month. At left is Vince Neil; that's Tommy Lee, second from right, and Mick Mars, right.

degenerative rheumatoid disease in his back.

Lee, once married to actress Heather Locklear, also gained attention for his on-again, off-again marriage to actress Pamela Anderson and their infamous

sex tape.

In 1999, Motley Crue disbanded only to re-emerge last year with their double platinum hits collection "Red, White & Crue" and circus-themed Carnival of Sinns tour.

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BLACK CADILLAC

Rosanne Cash releases album about death and grief

Los Angeles Times

The first sound is a toddler huffing into a microphone, a sound familiar to any parent who has vainly tried to coax a child into speaking or posterity. The next sound is the 53-year-old father, his voice, a hickory rumble, is instantly recognizable as the late, great Johnny Cash.

"Rosanne, say 'I'm on,'" she says.

"That little snippet, culled from a home rec'd-to-req recording, is the opening moment on "Black Cadillac," the new album from Rosanne Cash, and it gives way quickly to the gothic, shimmering title track that, like the whole album, deals with grief, pain and the enduring human spirit. It's impossible not to think of her father's death in 2003 while listening to the CD — and he would likely approve, considering he himself sang of staring into the twilight.

"I'm not the first person to make an album about death; I'm not even the first person in my family," says Rosanne Cash, the 53-year-old singer and songwriter whose career has been both acclaimed and occasional — her new album follows a 2003 release, "Holes of Travel," that was her first studio album in a decade.

Cash is a curious country singer — she was raised in L.A., lives in Manhattan and came about Nashville only a bit more than it cares about her. She was the firstborn child of Johnny Cash, but her mother was June Carter, it was Vivian Liistro to Bristol, now best known to the world as the Man in Black's first wife via "Walk the Line," a movie that is receiving much Oscar discussion. The people at 20th Century Fox invited Rosanne Cash to see an early screening of the film in New York last summer. Liistro had died just six weeks earlier, and the portrayal of her in the film — sometimes shrill, often helpless — left her daughter raw and shaken by the time the credits rolled.

"There are four people in the world that I love that were not made for: It was me and my three sisters," she said, referring to the children of Cash's first marriage. "I knew after that screening that I couldn't be around when the premiere came out. When it did, I went to Paris. They have very good red wine there. I went to a shop, eat, drink, anything except be around that movie. I don't think anyone wants to see their childhood turned into a film. It



Photo courtesy of Capitol Records

Rosanne Cash is a curious country singer — she was raised in Los Angeles, lives in Manhattan and cares about Nashville only a bit more than it cares about her.

"The new CD is not an answer to the film 'I don't begrudge them making it and I don't resent it is what it is), but it does offer an alternate view of her parents' lives. Cash's album is grim and spiritual and, for a singer whose made a career of songs that question, this one is more about statements than queries.

"She came in pretty focused, she knew what she wanted to say, and that rubbed off on me and the musicians," said Bill Bottrell, the music producer for much of the album.

Bottrell has worked with Elton John, Tom Petty, Shelby Lynne and others, but he said he rarely saw an artist arrive at the microphone with more of a mission than Rosanne Cash. "A lot of people these days are worried about making a song for radio or making a hit, but she was making an album for the music alone. It was pretty wonderful.

The album is steeped in family history, but its core theme is parents, loss and enduring love. "Pretty cheerful, huh?" Cash said with a laugh. "One song, 'The Intent,' traces the history of the Cash family, and it takes its name from the 17th century ship that ferried the ship's ancestors from Scotland. Another song, "I Was Watching You," tells an alternate tale of the romance

between her father and mother. "It was based on separate conversations I had with both of them about their honeymoon and the songs they listened to on the radio, so I had this image of the so-besides-in-the-midst-and Hank Williams singing and this love that was there," she said. "The song has a pretty big third-person perspective — pre-birth, life, post-death. It took

shape like a painting, but it began with me sitting at a piano thinking about those head-lights."

The elder Cash embraced his relationship with the world — sharing his life with his fans for decades, in good times and bad, and instead of being above them, his great talent was the everyman eye-to-eye with the singing eye.

"His daughter has taken a very different path. She grew up believing fame was "about the worst thing that could happen to a person," and to escape she traveled the world and pursued just about every artistic avenue other than singing and songwriting. Of course, that didn't work. She finally relented and, nearly three decades ago, became a country singer like her father.

"Seven Year Ache" and "I Don't Know Why You Don't Want Me" were some of her first back when she was married to another well-known singer-songwriter, Rodney Crowell, and in 1988 she was named Billboard's top country singles artist. But she also had a touch of the maverick, and, with her father's long shadow, she never felt completely warmed by the spotlight.

She spent years away, but

now, with this new album, she is intent on being heard. "I didn't make this movie to be played just in my living room. My stamina is up and I feel strong."

The music pulls on Appalachian sounds and political country, but nothing like the music favored by country radio today. Still, she is making the publicity rounds to promote the CD, but each interview ticks its toll.

"Everyone wants to talk about the film and the back-story of the album, all the death," she said. "That can be a bit hard some days, right?"

The Oscars are coming, and you can rest assured that Cash will not be watching. "Walk the Line" may be a marvelous movie to the world, but to Cash it was sometimes true, sometimes just factual, and the difference between the two is as clear and elemental as a Johnny Cash song. But his daughter understands that art and fame come bundled with pain sometimes. "My dad made music about his own death coming. He was an artist, and he could use his own life in an unsentimental way to make art. He was unafraid. For the rest of us that could be hard, but I understand it. And I learned from it."

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SATURDAY

Twin Falls

Karaoke with Lone Star Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Burley

Karaoke will be featured at 9 p.m. at The Seahouse and Convention Center. No cover charge. The Seahouse is located at 1340 Oakley Ave.

Krakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

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Wild Side Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Moon Bar. No cover charge. The Moon Bar is located at 306 Main.

Rupert

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

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

SUNDAY

Twin Falls

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

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Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

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## Face 'Death by Chocolate' today at the Turf Club

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Rotary Club of Twin Falls will sponsor its first Death by Chocolate fundraising event Thursday at the Turf Club.

Proceeds will benefit local charities, including Valley House, Salvation Army, YMCA and student scholarships.

Maggie's Bakery, Savannah House, Perkins Family Restaurant, Daisy's, Rock Creek, Lazy Daisy's Bakery, Soran Restaurants, Just Desserts, D'Ons, Subway, Albertsons, pastry chef, Pandem Lenardi and College of Southern Idaho culinary students will be compete against each other in different categories.

They are best chocolate cake, best brownie, best chocolate cookie, best chocolate candy and best unique chocolate drink. These will be sampled and judged; these chocolate delights and vote for their favorites in each of the five categories.

## Pianist Walt Wagner serenades Valentine's Day diners in Buhl

The Times-News

BUHL — Veteran jazz pianist Walt Wagner will serenade the Buhl Arts Center's Valentine's Day celebration Tuesday.

Wagner was born in Seattle, beginning classical piano study at age 6. He joined the orchestra in high school and, continuing his classical training at the University of Washington.

His first professional work, playing rock music, led to a full-time career and an increasing interest in jazz. Wagner's jazz playing and composing developed into a personal style as he toured the pianist has been advised: Fats Waller, Art Tatum, Oscar Peterson, Andre Previn, Chick Corea and others. Gradually, Wagner applied this multifaceted style, and his full sound, to the music of such composers as George Gershwin, Jerome Kern, Rodgers and Hart, and Irving Berlin, as well as to his own compositions.

For the past two years, Wagner has been featured in concert at the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival at the University of Idaho in Moscow and has performed with Jay Leno, Bill Cosby, Bob Hope, George Burns, Lily Tomlin, Roberta Flack, Sammy Davis Jr.

In addition to the chocolate tasting, there will be a silent auction and a raffle, with items such as diamond hear jewelry from Alpine Jewelers, private airplane rides, St. Patrick's Day dinner for eight cooked by a private chef, YMCA/City Pool family membership, Snake Harley-Davidson travel package, Magic Mountain ski passes, Shilo Inn Idaho overnight stay, Pomorelle Studios portrait sittings, group cooking lessons, Lizzy's lunch box specials, Snake River Grille cookbook and wild game dinner for two, and gift baskets.

"This is a chocolate-lover's dream," said Mary Shaw, past president of the Twin Falls Rotary Club.

The event is scheduled from 6 to 9 p.m. Admission is \$7 per person. There will be a no-host bar and music by Celtic Fire. Idaho Power, Bradshaw Homes and Zion Bank and Soran's Restaurants are the corporate sponsors.

For more information, call Jill Skeem at 320-2786.

### If you go ...

• **What:** Pianist Walt Wagner will entertain for a Valentine's Day dinner in Buhl.

• **Where:** Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St.

• **When:** Tuesday; doors open at 6 p.m.

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$50 per person including a multi-course dinner, can be reserved by phoning 543-2388.

and Bob Newhart and as pianist-conductor with Peggy Lee.

Wagner's guest appearances include "The Tonight Show," "The Merv Griffin Show" and an Andy Williams and Peggy Fleming special from Madison Square Garden in New York City. Wagner's own TV special, "The Walt Wagner Show," aired worldwide.

Wagner writes much of the music for his concert and club appearances and increasingly is drawn to works in the classical category. In May 1997, he premiered a new piece, "Rhythms — for Piano, Winds & Percussion," performing as soloist with the Washington Wind Symphony, conducted by Gene Allyn.

## Diverse cast of local women presents 'Vagina Monologues' this weekend

BY STEVE CRUMP  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Fifteen women, one eyebrow-raising play — and a good cause.

"I'm so conservative, I would have never guessed I'd be involved with something like this," said Lori Henson, a Twin Falls music and acting teacher and one of the 15 cast members of the Random Acts of Theater Players production of Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues." "But with this group, it didn't take me long to feel comfortable."

"The Vagina Monologues" is a 10-year-old play in which women share their views about the vaginas with the audience. It won an Obie Award when it first played off-Broadway in New York City, and it since has been staged internationally. A television version featuring Ensler was produced by HBO.

"The RAT Players, which is the successor to the old Friends of College of Southern Idaho Play-ers Staged," "The Vagina Monologues" here two years ago with four actors and ended up adding extra performances because of the public response.

This time, director Dusty Blackburn sought a larger cast. "It works well with this play, I think," said Camille Barigar, who coordinates arts and special events for the College of Southern Idaho's Community Education Center. "Having more voices gives it more depth, and there's more variety."

"I'm meeting new friends," she said. "Before we started rehearsals, I only really knew the people from the CSI community. As a result of this, I've met some wonderful people."

The cast ranges from 6-year-old Delanie Blackburn to Twin Falls physician Cathy Engle.

The actors stand on risers, platforms and chairs and deliver the monologues, either individually or in groups.

"It's a very moving, powerful experience," said Paula Edmonds Hollifield, professor of communications and teacher at CSI and another cast member.

Proceeds from the production will benefit the Crisis Center of the Magic Valley, a domestic violence shelter.

"The Crisis Center here is

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It's like James Bond just left his job!

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MEAGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News

Players from "The Vagina Monologues"; from left, Dr. Cathy Engle, Nichole Bell, Brenda Larsen and Camille Barigar, represent a fragment of the different faces of femininity that will be represented in the play that runs Friday and Saturday night in Twin Falls. Tickets are available from the Magic Valley Arts Council and at the door.

### Speaking frankly

• **What:** The Random Acts of Theater Players will present Eve Ensler's "The Vagina Monologues."

• **Where:** Vera C. O'Leary Junior High school auditorium, Twin Falls.

• **When:** 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday

• **How much:** Tickets, which are \$10, are available by phoning the Magic Valley Arts Council at 734-ARTS or at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Crisis Center of the Magic Valley. For information, call 732-0305.

servicing a lot of women now," Edmonds Hollifield said.

Nationwide this time of year, productions of the "Monologues" are dedicated to raising awareness about women's issues. These "V-Day" events have raised more than \$25 million in 76 countries.

Ensler, a 52-year-old writer who says she was sexually abused as a child, sees the vagina as a tool for empowerment through which women can achieve total femininity and individuality. "The Vagina Monologues" grew out of interviews she conducted with about 200 women about sex, relationships and violence against women.

These conversations began as casual discussions with Ensler's friends, who then brought up anecdotes they had been told by other friends.

Other members of the local cast are Nichole Bell, Jessica Bethke, Amy Klingler, Kim Knale, Brenda Larsen, Elena Lowder, Michele McFarlane, Jennifer Miller, Chelsea Reichel and Jan Martelider. Miller and Reichel were part of "The Vagina Monologues" cast two years ago.

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## Travel

# Visit Oregon's Astoria: 'One big attic'

BY TERRY TAZOLI  
The Seattle Times

ASTORIA, Oregon — If you miss its history, you miss Astoria.

If you miss its eccentricities — and its eccentrics — you miss Astoria.

If you walk its riverfront and streets and climb its hills, head up, bent over against a sideways rain, sopping wet, longing for some seafood and a beer and a place to drain the water out of your slates — then finding it all and happily laughing at your perseverance, you will miss Astoria when you leave.

This city of 10,000, near the very northwestern tip of Oregon and just a few miles inside the notorious mouth of the Columbia River (called the "Graveyard of the Pacific" for the huge number of shipwrecks and deaths's spawned), can snare a visitor just as easily as its fishermen-galleged salmon as big as your leg — bigger — decades ago, but it needs to be given the opportunity. And you need to listen.

For beneath its obvious tourist offerings, Astoria is bursting with desire to speak of its nearly 200-year-old history.

Steve Forrester, editor and publisher of The Daily Astorian newspaper, calls the city "one big attic." Indeed, with several museums, ranging from the spectacular Columbia River Maritime Museum on the river to the jam-packed Clatsop County Heritage Museum up the hill, there is plenty of opportunity for Astoria-history immersion travel. And just what he says, "until there's an estate sale." The staff that comes out of some of those homes you wouldn't believe.

Astoria has been "redubbed" of late, by writers spinning tales of its trappings for readers of everything from The New York Times to Sunset magazine.

They write of its restaurants, its new and newly refurbished accommodations. Especially the accommodations. Hotels like the 5-month-old Cannery Pier Hotel, built to resemble the fish cannery it replaced on a pier over the Columbia. And the refurbished, 80-year-old Hotel Elliott, right downtown, with a 300-degree view of the area from its roof garden. Hotels that have lured visitors, now, from all over the world.

If you go ...

- **Lodging:** There's the gamut in Astoria, from motels to hotels. Check [www.oregon.com/Pages/wheretostay.htm](http://www.oregon.com/Pages/wheretostay.htm) for lodging in Astoria, nearby Warrenton, Ore., and across the Columbia River on the Long Beach Peninsula in Washington. Also contact the Astoria-Warrenton Area Chamber of Commerce, 111 West Marine Drive, P. O. Box 176, Astoria, Ore., 97103-0176, 503-325-6311 or 800-875-6807.

- **Trolley:** Astoria's riverfront trolley usually runs daily during the summer, and weekends during the rest of the year, often weather permitting. At the moment, the car is in for maintenance and service is not expected to resume until March. Rides are \$1, \$2 for a daylong pass. See [webpages.charter.net/astoriatorrolley/](http://webpages.charter.net/astoriatorrolley/) or call 800-875-6807.

The trolley parallels part of Astoria's riverfront walk, which makes it easy to take a stroll and then hop the trolley.

- **Traveler's tip:** Lewis and Clark historic sites are minutes away. One of Oregon's most dramatic parks, Fort Stevens State Park, is just west of Astoria through Warrenton, affording long stretches of beach.

They write about Astoria's Victorian homes, arguably the biggest collection in Oregon.

The shops that line Commercial Street and nearly all of the downtown side streets, where you'll be hard-pressed to find a vacant storefront. They sing of its three-mile waterfront trolley, which for an extra buck will stop and pick you up at just about any unmarked stop and can be so jammed at times that it takes about 40 minutes to get across town, some say (it's usually a 45-minute round trip, give or take); the view from atop the 700-plus-foot-above sea level Astoria Column, painted with scenes of local history and commanding a view on a clear day that will leave no jaw undropped.

And they are right. All of them. For these trappings, and more, are part of what has brought a resurgence of live visitors to this river town.

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