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Together again



Spec. Jason Cline smashes a pie in Sgt. James Van Meter's face Saturday during 'Operation Pie Face' at the National Guard Army in Twin Falls. The pies were auctioned off to raise money to send children in the National Guard Central Area Youth Group to summer camp. The event raised about \$3,200, enough to send every kid to camp, said Sonya Nowland, family assistance coordinator at the army.

2-116th gathers for first drill back home

By Sandy Miller Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It was a weekend of reunions, pats on the back, pies in the face and lots of paperwork.

The aroma of strong, black coffee filled the air of the local National Guard army early Sunday morning, the second day of the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team's first drill since coming home from Iraq in November.

"I spent 18 months with most of these guys, so it's like being back with the family," said Sgt. Val Hobson.

Drill weekend wasn't all work and no play. On Saturday afternoon, soldiers got a chance to smash a pie in their superiors' faces during 'Operation Pie Face,' a project to raise funds to send young people in the National Guard Central Area Youth Group to summer camp. Soldiers bid on the pies, each of which had an officer's name on it.

"It went great," said Sonya Nowland, family-assistant coordinator at the local army, on Sunday. "The kids had a blast watching them."

The pie that raised the most money was the one bearing the name of 1st Sgt. Martin Rodriguez.

"All of the soldiers pitched in on that one," Nowland said. "It went for \$630."

In the end, the event raised about \$3,200, enough to send every kid to camp, Nowland said.

Most of the weekend was spent pushing pencils. Files needed updating, forms needed to be filled out. And the soldiers of the 2-116th had some big decisions to make this weekend. The U.S. Army is reorganizing which means changes for National Guard units and some tough decisions for its soldiers.

The 2-116th's Headquarters and Headquarters Company, which includes maintenance, medical, mortar and scout platoons, as well as personnel, is packing up and moving to Caldwell, which will become the new home of the Armored Recon Squadron. The local army will become the home of the 116th Brigade Special Troop Battalion, providing intelligence, logistics, military police, surveillance, reconnaissance and communication signal support to what will now be known as the 116th Cavalry Heavy Brigade Combat Team. Soldiers had to decide whether to stay or go.

Other soldiers whose release dates are com-

Welcome home celebration

The community is invited to a special celebration to welcome home the soldiers of the 2-116th Brigade Combat Team.

The celebration will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. March 4 in the Twin Falls High School gymnasium at 1615 Fliter Ave. E.

ing up had to decide whether they wanted to stay on with the Idaho National Guard. Staff Sgt. Rex Burnett, who's been with the Guard since 1989, plans to sign up with the Mississippi National Guard. He said he's heading down to Gulfport where his mother, father, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles and cousins just everything in Hurricane Katrina.

"They're all homeless," Burnett said. Burnett's marriage was one of the casualties of war.

"The war caused it," Burnett said. "They're used to us going away for two weeks once a year, not 18 months."

Despite all that has happened to him, Burnett still considers himself a pretty lucky guy.

"I came back a completely different person," Burnett said. "I don't take anything for granted. When you see the people over there, you learn to appreciate the little stuff."

After almost a year in a war zone, some soldiers looked no worse for the wear. But other soldiers' war stories are told in the new lines in their faces, the furrows in their brows, the haunted look in their eyes.

"There are quite a few of us with PTSD," said Spc. Jason Cline.

PTSD — or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder — is an anxiety disorder some troops suffer after being in a war zone. People with PTSD can experience nightmares, flashbacks, difficulty sleeping and feelings of alienation, according to the National Center for PTSD.

"You can't sleep and when you do, you have nightmares," Cline said. "You're hypervigilant. Our company saw a lot — good and bad."

Cline said he's much different now when it comes to crowded places. "Normally, I'd mix in with a crowd," Cline said. "Now I observe it instead of being in the middle of it."

Hobson understands the hypervigilant thing. When he's on the road, he still keeps

What they said

Local National Guard soldiers gathered Saturday and Sunday for their first weekend drill since returning from Iraq in November. Here's what some of them had to say about the deployment and being back home again.

"It's really nice to be back with my family — to be someplace where you don't have to worry about being blown up or having a rocket come in on you." — Sgt. 1st Class Roy Barrera

"I'd wake up in the morning waiting for the other foot to fall. Then I'd realize I'm out." — Sgt. Reggie Larson

"Everyone says I've changed, but I don't feel I've changed. They say I grew up, that I'm more responsible." — Spc. David Bell

"I was so impressed with the Iraqi people. They were so much in awe of us. They'd want to know about us. Then, they'd hug you and say, 'Thank you for leaving your home and coming over here to save our country.'" — Sgt. Reggie Larson

"It gives you a better appreciation of life seeing what they don't have, things we take for granted, like working toilets and supermarkets." — Sgt. James Van Meter

his eyes open for improvised explosive devices.

"I'm probably just a little more cautious of all the things I do," Holson said. "I think things through. I watch everything when I'm in a vehicle."

Like Burnett's marriage, Cline's also broke up under the strain of separation.

"I've come back to a whole new life," said Cline, a father of three. "When I left, I had a house and I was married. I came home to no house and I wasn't married. Being gone 17 months is hard on a relationship."

All of the soldiers seemed to be going through a readjustment period, but they were glad to be home again.

Vice president accidentally shoots hunter

Cheney's companion in stable condition after being shot in face and chest

By Lynn Brozokly and Nedra Pickler Associated Press writers

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — Vice President Dick Cheney accidentally shot and wounded a companion during a weekend quail hunting trip in Texas, spraying the fellow hunter in the face and chest with shotgun pellets.

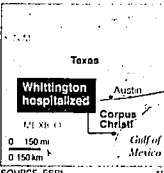
Harry Whittington, a millionaire attorney from Austin, was in stable condition in the intensive care unit of a Corpus Christi hospital Sunday.

"He is stable and doing well. It was almost like he was spending time with me in my living room," said hospital administrator Peter Banko, who visited Whittington.

Banko said Whittington was in the intensive care unit because his condition warranted.

Attorney 'doing fine' after shooting

Millionaire attorney Harry Whittington was accidentally shot and wounded by Vice President Dick Cheney while on a hunting trip over the weekend.



Another church fire in Alabama ruled arson

Announcement brings total to 10

The Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A weekend fire at a Baptist church was ruled arson Sunday, the 10th in a recent string of blazes set at churches in rural Alabama, authorities said.

The Saturday afternoon blaze severely damaged the Beaver Creek Baptist Church in northwest Alabama, near the Mississippi line.

"It's definitely arson," said Tegan Ingram, a spokesman for the state fire marshal's office, which was investigating whether the fire was connected to the other blazes that have destroyed or damaged nine churches since Feb. 2.

Saturday's fire was the only one that wasn't set in the pre-dawn hours.

Investigators have said they don't know a motive, but there is no racial pattern. Five of the churches had white congregations and five black. All were Baptist, the dominant faith in the region, and mostly in isolated country settings.

Last week, Gov. Bob Riley said the nine earlier church fires appeared to be arson, as investigators checked out witness reports of two men in a sport utility vehicle near a number of the fires.

On Sunday, a federal investigator said authorities believe — based on witness reports and behavioral profiles — two white men were responsible for the fires.

"They're not youths or teens. They're folks in their 20s or 30s. We believe they're pretty much inseparable. They're something like bosom buddies," said Eric Ketch, a spokesman for the federal Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives agency.

Evidence from one of the earlier fires indicates the perpetrators may have been briefly trapped inside the building and may have been hurt, said Van Cavanaugh, ATF regional director.

In a surprise vote, Iraqi Shiites choose incumbent al-Jaafari for prime minister

By Qasim Abdul-Zahra Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Shiite lawmakers Sunday chose incumbent Ibrahim al-Jaafari to be Iraq's new prime minister, endorsing the physician and longtime exile for a second term by a single vote — a landmark large part to support by radical anti-U.S. factions.

Al-Jaafari's selection paves the way for the Shiite alliance to begin talks with parties representing Sunni Arabs, Kurds, secularists and others to form a broad-based government, which the U.S. hopes can calm the insurgency so American and other foreign troops can begin leaving.

Prime Minister Adil Abdul-Mahdi during the balloting, largely thanks to support from followers of Muqtada al-Sadr, the cleric whose militia has staged two uprisings against U.S. forces since 2004.

Al-Jaafari, who spent years in exile in Iran and Britain, is virtually assured of the top job once the new parliament convenes and a new president is elected in the coming weeks. The constitution states that the president must appoint a prime minister from the largest bloc in parliament.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy skies. Highs in the lower 40s
 Tonight: Partly to mostly cloudy skies. Lows in the middle 20s
 Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy with snow showers developing. Highs in the upper 30s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: A mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the middle 40s
 Tonight: Increasing clouds overnight. Lows in the lower 20s
 Tomorrow: A little colder with snow showers possible. Highs in the middle 30s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

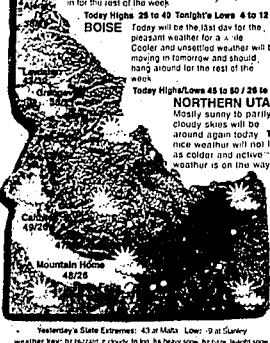
Today	Tonight	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
High 40 Low 25	Low 25	38/19	26/17	29/18	32/19

Yesterday's Weather

City	Hi	Lo	Precip
Boise	34	14	0.00"
Chubbuck	34	14	0.00"
Coeur d'Alene	31	14	0.00"
Idaho Falls	31	14	0.00"
Laurel	31	14	0.00"
Malheur	31	14	0.00"
Meridian	31	14	0.00"
Mountain Home	31	14	0.00"
Payson	31	14	0.00"
Shoshone	31	14	0.00"
Twin Falls	31	14	0.00"
Valley Falls	31	14	0.00"

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
 Partly to mostly sunny skies will be the rule today. A change in the weather is coming, though. Colder temperatures and snow showers are expected to move in for the rest of the week.



Yesterday's State Estimates: 43 at Mtn. Low: 9 at Sun Valley. Weather key: B=blizzard, C=cloudy, H=heavy snow, R=rain, S=snow, SH=snow showers, SWS=snow showers/sun, W=wind, WS=wind/sun.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Today: High 40, Low 25	0.00"	44%	30.12	Sunrise: 7:36 AM, Sunset: 6:09 PM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Wednesday
Boise	41/21	38/22	35/18
Burley	41/21	38/22	35/18
Chubbuck	41/21	38/22	35/18
Idaho Falls	41/21	38/22	35/18
Mountain Home	41/21	38/22	35/18
Payson	41/21	38/22	35/18
Shoshone	41/21	38/22	35/18
Twin Falls	41/21	38/22	35/18
Valley Falls	41/21	38/22	35/18

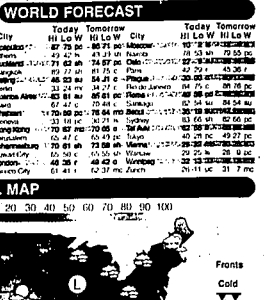
NATIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow
Atlanta	62/42	61/41
Boston	45/35	44/34
Chicago	38/28	37/27
Denver	45/35	44/34
Houston	68/48	67/47
Los Angeles	65/45	64/44
Miami	78/68	77/67
Minneapolis	35/25	34/24
New York	45/35	44/34
San Francisco	55/45	54/44
Seattle	45/35	44/34
Washington DC	45/35	44/34

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City	Today	Tomorrow
Boise	2	2
Idaho Falls	2	2
Mountain Home	2	2
Payson	2	2
Shoshone	2	2
Twin Falls	2	2
Valley Falls	2	2

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Cheney

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 "but he didn't elaborate. The accident occurred Saturday at a ranch in south Texas where the vice president and several companions were hunting quail. It was not reported publicly by the vice president's office for nearly 24 hours, and only after it was reported locally by the Corpus Christi Caller-Times on its Web site Sunday.
 Katharine Armstrong, the ranch owner, said Sunday that Cheney was using a 28-gauge shotgun and that Whittington was about 30 yards away when he was hit in the check, neck and chest.
 Each of the hunters was wearing a bright orange vest at the time, Armstrong told reporters at the ranch about 60 miles southwest of Corpus Christi. She said Whittington was "alert and doing fine."
 Armstrong told The Associated Press that emergency personnel traveling with Cheney tended to Whittington before an ambulance — routinely on call because of the vice president's presence — took him to a hospital in Kingsville. From there, Whittington was flown by helicopter to Corpus Christi about 40 miles away.
 Cheney's spokeswoman, Ica Anne McBride, said the vice president was with Whittington at the hospital on Sunday. Cheney was pleased to see that he's doing fine and in good spirits," she said.
 Armstrong said she was watching from a car while Cheney, Whittington and another hunter got out of the vehicle to shoot at a covey of quail. Whittington shot a bird and went to retrieve it in the tall grass, while Cheney and the third hunter walked to another spot and discovered a second covey.
 Whittington "came up from behind the vice president and the other hunter and didn't signal them or indicate to them or announce himself," Armstrong said.
 "The vice president didn't see him," she continued. "The covey flushed and the vice president picked out a bird and was following it and shot. And by god, Harry was in the line of fire and got peppered pretty good."

Whittington has been a private practice attorney in Austin since 1950 and has long been active in Texas Republican politics. He's been appointed to several state boards, including when then-Gov. George W. Bush named him to the Texas Health Service Commission.
 McBride said the vice president's office did not tell reporters about the accident Saturday because they were deferring to Armstrong to handle the

announcement of what happened after his property.
 Armstrong, owner of the ranch where the accident occurred, said Whittington was bleeding after he was shot and Cheney was very apologetic.
 "It broke the skin," she said of the shotgun pellet. "It knocked him silly. But he was fine. He was talking. His eyes were open. It didn't get in his eye or anything like that.

"Fortunately the vice president has got a lot of medical people around him and so they were right there and probably more cautious than he would have been," she said. "The vice president has got an ambulance on call, so the ambulance came."
 Cheney is an avid hunter who makes annual trips to South Dakota to hunt pheasants. He also travels frequently to Arkansas, among other places, to hunt ducks.

Financial Lesson of the Week

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Two Ways to Boost Retirement Income
 If you have several years to go until retirement, now is the right time to determine about how much annual income you can count on as a retiree. And if it looks like you might be coming up short, you'll want to take action soon.
 Even if you've been investing for many years, you may not be able to count on a typical portfolio of stocks and bonds to provide you with the income you'll need to enjoy a comfortable retirement lifestyle. Consequently, you may want to consider these two moves: purchasing an immediate annuity and delaying your Social Security payments. Let's examine both these options.
Immediate annuities that last a lifetime
 An immediate annuity works pretty much as the name suggests. You make a lump-sum payment to an insurance company, and you immediately start receiving an income stream, which can last the rest of your life. Immediate annuities are fairly low-risk, especially if you buy one from a company that receives the highest ratings for safety and stability from one of the independent rating agencies. And they can provide a reasonable amount of income: If you are 65, and buy a \$100,000 immediate annuity, you'll receive annual lifetime income of \$7,848 if you are a man and \$7,392 if you are a woman (as of August 22, 2005). (These amounts can vary, depending on the current interest rate environment and the state in which you live.)
 Still, immediate annuities do have a "down" side. Specifically, the fixed payments you receive each month are subject to inflation. You could easily live another two or even three decades in retirement; over that time, even a relatively mild inflation rate can seriously erode the purchasing power of your fixed-income payments.
 To combat this problem, you might want to look for an immediate annuity that is indexed for inflation. Your monthly payments in the first few years might be lower than those offered by a non-indexed annuity, but each year, your income will increase along with inflation.
 As you might have guessed, another possible drawback to an immediate annuity is longevity. While you can't predict the future, you may want to take into account your family history of longevity before you purchase an immediate annuity. You also can structure your annuity to "protect" your investment. For example, you could accept lower monthly payments in exchange for the ability to name a beneficiary to receive your income stream for a designated number of years.
Delaying Social Security
 Another way to boost your retirement income is to delay taking Social Security payments. Suppose, for instance, that you were born between 1943 and 1954, and you were eligible to receive \$750 each month in Social Security once you reached 62. If you could just wait four more years, until you were 66, you'd receive \$1,000 a month. This strategy depends, of course, on whether you'd have sufficient income to tide you over for those four years — but if you do, it's something to consider. And again, if you have concerns about your longevity, this "delaying" technique may not be right for you.
 Buying immediate annuities and delaying Social Security are just two of the ways you may be able to boost your retirement income. For more suggestions, consult with a financial professional. But don't delay: The more time you have on your side, the better your options.

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Questions:
 1. True or False - An immediate annuity can be part of a good retirement program.
 2. True or False - Social Security should be counted on as your sole source of retirement income.

NATION/WORLD

Glazed Apple: Near-record snowstorm hits New York

NEW YORK (AP) — A powerful storm buried sections of the Northeast under a near-record 2 feet of wind-blown snow Sunday, marooning thousands of travelers whose flights were grounded and making even a walk to the corner store treacherous.

Wind gusting as high as 60 mph blew the snow sideways and raised a risk of coastal flooding in New England. And in a rare display, lightning lit up the falling snow before dawn in the New York and Philadelphia areas, producing muffled winter thunder.

As the snowfall tapered off during the afternoon, the National Weather Service reported that 24.8 inches had fallen by 1 p.m. in Central Park, the second-highest tally since recordkeeping started in 1869. The record was 26.4 inches in December 1947 and there was no immediate indication if it would be passed.

"We might not see anything like this again in our lifetime," Jason Rosenblatt said as he walked with his 5-year-old daughter Haley in Central Park. Just then, Haley jumped head first into the snow and said "I help me out. There's too much snow."

"The storm came on the heels of an unusually mild January that had people shuddering Jack-



Manhattan residents Chaco Miller, left and Michael Harkey add strawberries for buttons and green olives for a mouth as they put the finishing touches on a snowman Sunday in New York's Times Square. More than 24 inches fell in Central Park as one of the worst snowstorms in New York's history hit the region.

ets and ski resorts lamenting lost business.

"It's sort of crazy because it was so warm a couple of weeks ago and now we have knee-deep snow," said Skye Drynan, walking her dogs Bella and Forest in lower Manhattan.

Elsewhere, 21 inches of snow fell at Columbia, Md., between Baltimore and Washington, and at East Brunswick, N.J., Hartford, Conn., and West Caln Township west of Philadelphia, the National Weather Service said. Philadelphia's average for

an entire winter is about 21 inches.

"It's going to be a menace trying to clean it up," said Mayor Scott T. Romani in Wayne, N.J. New York officials said snow removal costs the city about \$1 million per inch.

House report spreads blame for Katrina errors

WASHINGTON (AP) — From the White House down to Louisiana's parishes, all levels of government bear responsibility for the rampant failures behind the poor response to Hurricane Katrina, a House investigation concludes.

Documents obtained Sunday by The Associated Press put the blame squarely on the federal, state and local emergency planning and delayed help to victims of the Gulf Coast storms.

Late evacuation orders by state and local officials, untrained and inexperienced emergency responders, and the White House's inability to grasp quickly the devastation of the Aug. 29 storm hindered relief to the Gulf Coast, investigators say.

The 600-page report, to be released Wednesday, found "recklessness, flailing and organizational paralysis." Moreover, House investigators "are left scratching our heads at the range of clumsiness and ineptitude that characterized government behavior before and after this storm," the documents show.

The House findings mark the first of two congressional inquiries and a White House

review of the storm response expected over the next six weeks.

On Monday, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee planned a hearing on the Homeland Security Department's preparation and response.

"Everything that we have found... confirms exactly the indictment of the House Republicans," said Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut, the committee's top Democrat. "It's shocking and it's unsettling."

The House follows closely on a report by the Government Accountability Office that singled out Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff from a series of actions that slowed federal assistance to the Gulf Coast region.

The House report, too, cited Chertoff's shortcomings, including delays in naming a top federal coordinator for relief efforts and activating an internal disaster management group that would have delivered help faster.

It faulted Chertoff with not following a response plan specifically for catastrophic disasters, and it characterized his

overall responsibilities as fulfilled either "late, ineffectively or not at all," the documents show.

In response to the report, a Republican senior House investigator said Sunday that Chertoff was no more to blame for the sluggish response than other government authorities. Homeland Security Department spokesman Russ Knoke did not have an immediate response, and White House spokesman Trent Duffy did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

House Democrats who participated in the inquiry said the report fails to call for removing Chertoff from his job — what Reps. Charlie Melancon and William Jefferson of Louisiana called a logical conclusion.

"Our judgment, based on a careful review of the record, is that the Department of Homeland Security needs now and more experienced leadership," the two Democrats stated in a 59-page response.

Chertoff was expected today to outline details on reforming the Federal Emergency Management Agency before the next hurricane season begins June 1. House officials said the re-

port's 90 findings include:

- Late decisions by New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin and Louisiana Gov. Kathleen Blanco to issue mandatory evacuations in the New Orleans area led to deaths and prolonged suffering.

- The White House was unable to effectively sort among conflicting reports about levee breaches and other disaster developments that prevented rapid relief.
- FEMA suffered from a lack of trained and experienced personnel.

- Military assistance was inoperative but failed to coordinate with state, local and other federal assistance.

- Government officials at all levels failed to enact lessons learned from Hurricane Pam, the 2004 fictional storm exercise that was specifically for testing the region's readiness.

Small plane dives into home, killing at least 2

ROSEVILLE, Calif. (AP) — A single-engine plane that appeared to be performing an aerobatic stunt lost control and crashed into a suburban home Sunday, killing at least two people and sparking a fire that gutted the house, police said.

The crash left a gaping, smoldering hole in the two-story house it directly hit and set fire to an adjacent house, damaging the garage and attic, said Roseville Fire Marshall Dennis Mathisen. One body was visible in the wreckage.

The Federal Aviation Administration reported two deaths, including the pilot, and said two people were missing in the home.

T. Sinclair, a deputy sheriff and deputy coroner, said the two people were in the plane. He added that although no one could have survived, the FAA was not letting emergency officials into the house to retrieve bodies until Monday.

One resident of the house

was missing, but it was unclear whether he had been in the house at the time, Sinclair said.

The plane — which the FAA identified as a 1996 Glasair II — appeared to be doing an aerobatic maneuver when it crashed just before 11:30 a.m., Roseville Police spokeswoman Dee Dee Gunther said.

"The pilot appeared to be coming down low for some kind of maneuver that brought him to within 500 feet of the rooftops," she said. "And then he appeared to lose control and crashed into one of the houses."

Blck Wurster, who lives about a half mile from the crash, saw the plane attempting to make a figure eight.

"He couldn't pull up because he didn't have enough altitude," Wurster said. "I saw him do two spins and then go over the tree line. A second later, I heard two booms."

The pilot wasn't communicating with air traffic controllers at the time of the crash, Gunther said.

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Rice doubts future of democracy in Russia

WASHINGTON (AP) — Citing troubling behavior by the Kremlin, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice expressed skepticism on Sunday about the future of democracy in Russia.

"We're very concerned, particularly about some of the elements of democratization that seem to be going in the wrong direction," Rice said. Russian President Vladimir Putin, while on good terms personally with President Bush, has been criticized for centralizing political power and rolling back democratic gains.

Rice, appearing on CBS' "Face the Nation," pointed to severe limits on nongovernmental organizations begun this year and Russia's support of energy as a weapon in a dispute with Ukraine this winter.

"I think the question is open as to where Russia's future development is going," Rice said. "Nothing can be gained by isolating Russia from institutions that demand democratic values from its members, she said.

Rice said the U.S. and Russia cooperate in fighting terrorism, opposing Iran's efforts to restart its nuclear programs and on other areas.

"In general, I think that we have very good relations with Russia, probably the best relations that have been there for quite some time," she said.

Rice added that, in spite of concerns about democratization in Russia, "This is not the Soviet Union. Let's not overstate the case."

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DEQ hosting haze, air-quality meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will host a public information meeting on regional haze and air quality from 7-9 p.m. today at the College of Southern Idaho, Shields Building, Room 11B.

The meeting will provide a way for citizens to learn about regional haze in Idaho and negotiated rulemaking 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 protection plans to reduce pollution that impairs visibility in national parks and wilderness areas.

For more information, call (208) 373-0438.

Idaho writers invited to enter contest

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Writers League annual writing contest is accepting submissions through July 1. The contest comprises fiction, non-fiction and poetry in assigned files and open titles divisions, with cash prizes for first, second and third place.

Entry is free for members of Idaho Writers League. Anyone may join. For more information, call 736-6797 or e-mail twinfallswriters@yahoo.com.

Mobile Pet Adoption to be held Feb. 25

TWIN FALLS — The People for Pets/Magic Valley Humane Society will hold a Mobile Pet Adoption from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Feb. 25 at NuzzPark, 302 Third Ave. S. For more information, call this society at 736-2289.

Wild Game Feed will include auction

TWIN FALLS — A Wild Game Feed will be held Feb. 18 to benefit the CSI Learning Center. Special sauces will be offered with alligator, bison, venison and kangaroo wild game, all served Brazilian style. Entertainer Danny Marona will serve as emcee and auctioneer for such items as an ATV, a six-day trip down the Middle Fork, a plasma television, hunting rifles, a pedigreed lab puppy and more.

The event starts at 6 p.m. with cocktails. Each man who attends will receive a khaki cap with the logo of the event with each ticket. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased at Budy's, a Cook's Paradise, Sportsman's Warehouse, Elevation Sports and The Southern Idaho Learning Center. For more information or reservations, call 734-3914.

Water group offers pesticide certification

BOISE — The Idaho Water Users Association will conduct one-day pesticide certification and dieldrin workshops in February and March.

The pesticide recertification workshops begin at 8 a.m. Feb. 22 at the Harley Inn in Harley and Feb. 23 at the Sawtooth Inn in Jerome. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$30 each.

Dieldrin workshops will begin at 8 a.m. March 15 at the Harley Inn in Harley and March 16 at the Sawtooth Inn in Jerome. Registration starts at 7:30 a.m. and costs \$30 each.

The registration is required. To attend, call the Idaho Water Users Association office, (208) 344-6690.

— compiled from staff reports

Snowpack levels

Watershed	1/24/06	1/24/05
Saltwater	124%	65%
Big Wood	137%	97%
Little Wood	125%	89%
Snake	125%	82%
Little Lost	108%	66%
Henry's Fork/Teton	126%	87%
Upper Snake Basin	120%	83%
Snake	125%	114%
Saltwater Falls	142%	100%

As of Feb. 12

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

A BEACON AT TAX TIME



Dressed as Lady Liberty, Richard Adams waves to passing traffic on Blue Lakes Boulevard Saturday. Adams attempts to attract business for Liberty Tax Services and says he averages one honk every two minutes.

Despite seeing some strange things on the job, Mr. Liberty always has a wave for passersby

By Candace Baltz-Smylie
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Chances are you've seen Richard Adams. He's one of a small army of people who dress up in patriotic costumes and wave at traffic on Blue Lakes Boulevard to generate business for Liberty Tax Services.

Although he suffers through the cold, people flipping him the bird, and lots of disparaging remarks from youngsters — he likes his job. In fact, he wishes tax season was longer.

"I work from 6 to 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., and then from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., but I sometimes ask for more," Adams said while wearing a rubber-looking Statue of Liberty crown and coordinating garment. He wears the outfit over long pants and a hooded sweatshirt to stay warm.

"Staying warm is kind of over matter — it doesn't matter. I like my job a lot. We have a selection of costumes, but I like Lady Liberty the best," Adams said.

"I can't quite get into the Uncle Sam costume. It's hard to get into. But this one is easy. Plus, it's freedom — and that's good," he added.

Adams gets a lot of attention. Some drivers honk, lots of kids point, and one

crowd of women even stopped their car and got out to pose for a picture with him.

"They were from Russia, he thinks, and were fascinated with the patriotism and his career choice.

"All in a day's work," he said. Adams works at two locations — one near the Lynnwood Shopping Center, and one near the corner of Blue Lakes and Addison. Both locations have a lot of traffic.

"I see a lot of funny things — lots of people picking their noses, lots of singers," he said. "I see into every car, and there are a lot."

Waving to passing cars gives Adams a lot of time to think. He thinks about what he'll do for a job after tax day. April 15. Even though he hopes to borrow the costume again for Halloween, he has to give it back in April. Right now, he's considering starting an independent consulting business for doing exactly this — wearing costumes and waving to traffic. Then he wouldn't have to borrow the costume in October.

"They could just hire me to go wherever and dress up for them," he said.

He really likes that idea because even though this is just his first tax season on the job, he has been doing it almost every

day since the beginning of January. That's a lot of waving.

And Adams doesn't just offer a run-of-the-mill set of hand motions. He spends time thinking up new approaches to waving.

So far, his arsenal includes the Peace Sign, the Salute, the Fast Wave, the Turn-and-Wave, and the Wave-With-Both-Hands Wave. It just depends on what the situation calls for, he said. No matter the approach, he makes sure to wave at every passing car.

Even though Adams is arguably a master at his craft, he never set out to be a mascot. He took the job to prove to his girlfriend that he was responsible. It seemed to be working until his girlfriend drove past his patriotic post on Blue Lakes one night — with another man in the car.

"I passed me and gave me the American bird," he said. "I dated her for two years and she's only dated him for six months. I do it because I love her."

But Mr. Liberty can't be unhappy — he has a lot of waving to do.

Candace Baltz-Smylie lives in Twin Falls and can be reached by e-mail at candacebaltz@hotmail.com.

Family was always a top priority for Charles Orr

By Jaml Whitler
Times-News writer

HAZELTON — Farming and being outdoors may have been his passions, but family always came first to Charles Orr Sr.

Raised in Hinkley, Minn., Orr learned the value of hard work while helping his father and grandfather in the logging and sawmill business. He died Feb. 6 at age 87.

After working with the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Depression, he was drafted by the U.S. Navy and served two years, two months and 10 days as a machinist.

He was first sent to the Farragut Naval Training Station near Sanpointe, Ore., then to Washington where he was placed on a new ship. On his test run, the ship's boilers exploded and Orr suffered second- and third-degree burns on more than 90 percent of his body. His calves were nearly burned to the bone, and he spent about a year at a Sun Valley hospital waiting to heal enough so that his body could accept skin grafts.

"That's how he met my mother," he said. "Chuck Orr, Charles' son. He had a weekend pass and for some reason ended up in Glens Ferry. Chuck said with a laugh, 'Cutleew worked at a bus stop there.'"

He farmed in the Eden and Deerth areas, and several years later became the Hazelton postmaster. It took a little adjusting, as he had worked most of his life outdoors. In fact, Chuck said when Orr wasn't busy he could be found grazing out his wintered horses.

"He bought 20 acres east of town and had cattle and horses," Chuck said. "So he was able to keep farming in his blood. It was really his passion."

A member of the Hazelton Lions Club and the American Legion, Orr was no stranger to community service. Perhaps his most prized membership was with the Southern Idaho Draft Horse and Mule Association, an association he helped found.

He went on several wagon trains and took his family on some of the journeys. Chuck said, "Journneys through southern Idaho gave many wonderful memories to the Orr family. It was the camaraderie, being in the outdoors with his faithful shire horses, Frank and Jesse, and getting a taste of the Old West that appealed to Orr."

"They couldn't make it exactly like this in the '50s," Chuck said. "But they tried."

Aside from yearly hunting trips with friends or family, Orr enjoyed making oyster stew on Christmas Eve and any opportunity he had to get together with his beloved children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

"It was always a giving person," he added. "He'd do anything for anybody, especially his family."

Share your heritage: Buhl Museum gives public a chance to display historical items

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

TWILL — After a few delays and minor setbacks, the opening of Rusty Engine Museum has been pushed back to March — with the exact date still unknown. This gives anyone locally wishing to add their own historical items for display more time to do so.

The museum, owned by Lauren and Holly Langdon, was to celebrate a Feb. 8 grand opening but will now just receive donated display items.

"It has just taken us a bit longer to get everything ready than we thought," said Holly. "I hate to set a concrete date just yet, but we are shooting for March."

Langdon said that the museum is still looking for cases, benches and shelves for display items. The museum is working in conjunction with the Eighth Street Center to showcase the turn-of-the-century era (1900s-Depression) in which Buhl was founded.

Other displays include a post office and school exhibit.

In September, The Buhl Arts Council will be hosting the Idaho Humanities Council-sponsored Smithsonian

Act now to buy Legacy Wall bricks

The Centennial Committee has set an April 2 deadline for those wishing to order a personalized brick to be placed in the Legacy Wall.

Bricks are available in two sizes for \$25 or \$50 apiece. The bricks are customized with the name and message of the group purchasing. Order forms are available at the Eighth Street Center, The Buhl Herald, Farmers National Bank, Buhl City Hall and Chamber of Commerce office.

For more information, call JoAnn Mueller at 733-8884.

Institutions traveling exhibit of "Key Ingredients." The display will tie into the planned, "Buhl: Through the Kitchen Window," exhibit which will consist of three areas: The Buhl Kitchen, the celebration table, and handmade crafts used in food preparation and consumption.

The council is looking for local exhibit items to bring life to the kitchens, porches and dining areas of the founding fathers.

"We are looking for aprons,

handmade linens, embroidery and ceramic goods, china, crystal and silverware from local families," said Kelly Dahlmo, executive director for the Buhl Arts Council. "Our exhibit, to open in September, will tie into the Rusty Engine display."

Besides display items, the museum is looking for volunteers to help run the museum once it is opened.

Items (and your time) can be donated, or loaned for the displays by leaving a message with Langdon at 731-4679 or by calling the Eighth Street Center at 543-2808.

In other centennial news, now is the time to reserve your Buhl centennial commemorative coin. The .999 fine silver coin will come in a special case and presentation display, including the names of the coins' sponsors.

The coin, which will bear a likeness of the Buhl Hotel, will cost \$24.95 for the first 100 coins minted. The price could increase because of skyrocketed silver costs, said Nancy Tyrrell, a program volunteer.

"We wouldn't have been able to have the coin if it weren't for all of the sponsors," Tyrrell said. "We have had an overwhelm-

ing response."

Tyrrell said that almost \$2,000 has been raised for the master die, which is a major cost of producing the commemorative coins.

"You have to first get the die, which has the coin's design on it in order to mint the coins," she said.

She said that the coins are especially unique because they will be minted in Buhl's own Silver Creek Mint, owned by Scott Horton.

The Buhl Centennial Committee will be collecting 10 percent of the proceeds from the coins sold, as well as anything brought in over and above the cost of the dies.

The coins will be numbered and the first one minted will be auctioned, with the money raised to be used for other centennial events.

"They are going fast," Tyrrell said. "I am getting calls everywhere."

To reserve a Buhl centennial commemorative coin, call Tyrrell at 543-4253 no later than Feb. 15.

Blair Koch lives in Buhl. She can be reached by e-mail at blair_20@hotmail.com or by calling 316-6300.

Remembered

Charles J. Orr Sr.

Born: Feb. 24, 1918;

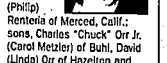
Died: Feb. 6, 2006.

Survivors: Wife of 60 years, Christine Orr; daughter, O'Connor Orr; daughter, Charleen (Phillip) Pentecost of Merced, Calif.;

sons, Charles "Chuck" Orr Jr. (Cora Metzler) of Buhl, David (Linda Orr) of Hazelton and Don (Terri Orr) of Holyoke;

grandchildren, Steve Jr., Rusty (Candy Orr), Jeff (Tiffany Orr), Kyle (Kristy) Orr, Roxanne and Alexandra Trentler, Kall and Brittany Orr, David Brown and Craig and Robert Sluskey and great-grandchildren, Jenna Chase, Dylan, Kade and Connor Orr.

Memorial: The Southern Idaho Draft Horse & Mule Association or to the Silver & Gold Senior Center in Eden. Contributions may be mailed to White Mountain, P.O. Box 845, Twin Falls, ID 83303.



OBITUARY

THIS WEEK AT CSI

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 4 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obit@magvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

Ruth Lachelle Koch Ellenberger Bill

Ruth Lachelle Koch Ellenberger Bill, 41, of Rupert, passed away Friday, Feb. 10, 2006, at her home from a long courageous struggle with cancer.

Ruth graduated with the Minico High School Class of 1962. She worked at One-Ida/McCains doing weekend clean-up since 1980, then became a full-time employee in 1982 until 2000. She also worked for three years at the Wayside and Honks Rutie lodge being outside working in the dirt. She loved dancing and singing and could lighten up anyone with her presence. To know Ruth was to love her. Her strength through hard times made those around her stronger. Her smiles through the tears made everyone admire her. She was a loving mother, daughter, sister, aunt, niece and friend. She will be greatly missed.



She is survived by her children, Joshua Lee (Sarah) Koch of Burley, Morgan Lyndsey Koch of Rupert, and Nathan Leon Ellenberger of Rupert, her mother, Lauretta Hodge Bill of Rupert, brothers and sisters, Steven Leo (Stella) Bill of Rupert, Matthew Leon (Heleen) Bill of

Rupert, Rachel Lee (Brett) Kelsey of Paul, Deborah Lorraine Valdez of Burley and Sarah Louise Bill of Rupert and numerous uncles, aunts, nieces and nephews who loved her very much. She was preceded in death by her father, Leo Leon Bill, and sister, Rebecca Lynn Holgate.

We love you deeply Ruth, and will always think of you with love in our hearts.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2006, at the Rupert West Stake Center with Bishop Dean, Condie officiating.

Viewing for family and friends will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2006, at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour prior to the services Wednesday at the church. Services have been placed under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

DEATH NOTICES

Spencer J. Lind
TWIN FALLS — Spencer J. Lind, 48, of Twin Falls, died suddenly Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at his home in Twin Falls. Services are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls.

Scott L. Shepherd
GOODING — Scott L. Shepherd, 49, of Gooding died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced by Dorothy's Gooding Chapel.

Julia 'Judy' Eloise Koop
TWIN FALLS — Julia "Judy" Eloise Koop, 86, of Twin Falls died Saturday, Feb. 10, 2006, at the Heritage Manor in Twin Falls. Cremation and family services were under the care of Wood River Chapel of Twin Falls.

Emily McFarland
MURTAUGH — Catherine Emily Tolman McFarland, a 91-year-old resident of Murtaugh, died Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006, at Bridge View Estates in Twin Falls. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 17, 2006, at the Murtaugh LDS Ward Chapel, 23789 Hwy. 30, with Bishop Stuart Tolman officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Hassmen

Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the church. The complete obituary will appear in Tuesday's edition.

Matthew William Hilling
HILLING — Matthew William Hilling, 17, of Burley passed away Saturday, Feb. 11, 2006. Funeral services are pending and will be announced by the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Leon Briggs of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Tuesday at the Burley LDS Stake Center, 2050 Normal Ave., where friends and family may call one hour before the service. A graveside service will follow at 3 p.m. at the Inna Cemetery east of Idaho Falls (Hassmen Funeral Home).

Dorothy Lynn Dexter Ferrel of Jerome, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at the Grace Baptist Church, 790 Eastland Drive N.

Ruth Lachel Koch Ellenberger Bill of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Rupert West Stake Center. Viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel and one hour before the service at the church.

Margaret Mary Gonzales of Rupert, funeral at 1 p.m. Tuesday at White Mortuary.

James Michael Nottle
RUPERT — James Michael Nottle, 43, of Rupert passed away Saturday, Feb. 10, 2006, at his home. Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2006, at the LDS Rupert 7th Ward. Viewing for friends and family will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the mortuary and one hour prior to the services at the church. Services have been placed under the direction of the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Cody Russell Arthur Cornelison of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Wednesday at White Mortuary.

Sharon Lee Armenta of Jerome, life will be celebrated at 4 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83330.

Doug Tate of Twin Falls, family will greet friends and family from 4 to 7 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E., Twin Falls.

Richard L. Kunz of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at White Mortuary. Visitation from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Saturday at the mortuary.

ON THE AGENDA

- Today**
- Buhl City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 203 Broadway Ave. N.
 - Camas County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 501 Soldier Road, Fairfield.
 - Camas County School Board, 7 p.m., high school, 610 Soldier Road, Fairfield.
 - Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland.
 - Elmore County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 150 S. Fourth E., Mountain Home.
 - Gooding County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 624 Main.
 - Hagerman School Board, 8 p.m., elementary school, 324 Second Ave. N.
 - Haley City Council, 6 p.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Haley.
 - Hansen City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Main.
 - Hazelton City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 246 Main.
 - Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 2392 Main.
 - Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 - Ketchum Planning and Zoning Commission, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N.
 - Lincoln County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 111 W. B. Shoshone.
 - Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Board, 6 p.m., Education Center, 598 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls.
 - Malta City Council, 5 p.m., River Electric Co-op conference room, 155 N. Main.

- Minidoka County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 715 G. St., Rupert.
 - Richfield City Council, 7 p.m., city office, 180 W. Lincoln.
 - Shoshone School Board, 7:30 p.m., district office, 409 N. Apple.
 - Twin Falls City Council, 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 - Twin Falls School Board, 7 p.m., administration office, 201 Main Ave. W.
 - Vale School Board (Eden-Hazelton), 7 p.m., media center, 882 Valley Road S.
- Tuesday**
- Blaire County commissioners, 8:45 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Haley.
 - Cassia County School Board, 7 p.m., central office, 237 19th St., Burley.
 - Dietrich School Board, 7:30 p.m., school's business room, 105 N. Park.
 - Glenns Ferry City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 119 E. Second.
 - Gooding School Board, 7 p.m., district administration office, 507 Idaho St.
 - Jerome City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A., Jerome.
 - Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoln.
 - Kimberly City Council, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W.
 - Star Valley Planning and Zoning Commission, 9 a.m., City

- Hall, 81 Elkhorn Road.
 - Twin Falls City Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., 305 Third Ave. E.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
- Wednesday**
- Bliss City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 140 Kentucky St.
 - Piler School Board, 7 p.m., elementary school library, 700 Stevens.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
- Thursday**
- Belleuve Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 115 E. Poplar.
 - Kimberly School Board, 7 p.m., intermediate school library, 241 Center St. W.
 - Minidoka County Planning and Zoning Commission, 4 p.m., courthouse, 715 G St., Rupert.
 - Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
 - Wendell City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St.
- Friday**
- Twin Falls County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N.
- This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

- Today**
- CSI Golden-Eagle-Boosters luncheon, noon, Taylor 277.
 - CSI Student Senate weekly meeting, 4 p.m., Student Union 232.
 - Idaho Department of Environmental Quality regional haze public outreach meeting, 7 p.m., Shields 118.
- Tuesday**
- CSI Phi Theta Kappa weekly meeting, noon, Student Union 232.
 - CSI Ambassadors weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Student Union 247.
 - CSI Ski Club weekly meeting, 1 p.m., Shields 106.
 - CSI Program Board weekly meeting, 2 p.m., Student Union 232.
 - CSI Math Club weekly meeting and colloquia, 4 p.m., Shields 203.
 - Don Kimes Retrospective Art Show, Herrett Center, Jean B. King gallery (through April 1).
 - CSI Jazz Workshop, 5 to 7 p.m., Student Union Fireside Lounge.
 - High Desert Back Country Horsemen monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Student Union 248.
 - Idaho Small Business Development Center Start Up Business Boot Camp, 12:30 p.m., Evergreen C25.
 - Disney World College Internship informational meeting, 2 p.m., Taylor 278.
 - CSI Latinos Unidos weekly meeting, 2 p.m., Student Union 250.
 - CSI Alliance Club weekly meeting, 4:45 p.m., Taylor 258.
 - Syx Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 7 p.m., Desert 113.
 - Herrett Forum "Idaho's Railroad History" by Arthur Platt, 7:30 p.m., Herrett Center, Rick Allen Community Room (free and open to the public).
- Thursday**
- Twin Falls School District in-service training, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Herrett Center, Rick Allen Community Room.
 - CSI annual Fine Arts Day for high school students, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., all campuses.
 - Idaho Office on Aging weekly grief class, 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Office on Aging annex.
 - CSI Phi Theta Kappa weekly meeting, noon, Taylor 232.
 - Students Accessing Abilities weekly meeting, 3:30 p.m., Student Union 248.
 - CSI Jazz Club film series, "Bound in Gold," 4 p.m., Fine Arts Room 87 (free admission and open to the public).
 - CSI Math Club weekly meeting and colloquia, 4 p.m., Shields 203.
 - PRIDE pre-foster and adoptive parent training, 6 p.m., Taylor 277.
 - Idaho Native Plant Society monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Taylor 258.
 - Twin Falls Centennial Dance Band weekly rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Fine Arts 121.
- Friday**
- Twin Falls School District in-

- service training, 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Herrett Center, Rick Allen Community Room.
- KLJX Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center (\$3 admission).
- CSI Golden Eagle baseball vs. Salt Lake Community College, 1 p.m., Skip Walker Field.
- CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball vs. Salt Lake Community College, 5:30 p.m., gym.
- "Mysteries From the Depths of Space," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
- CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball vs. Salt Lake Community College, 7:30 p.m., gym.

- Saturday**
- CSI Dance and Dance teams "Mini Cheer and Cheer Clinic," 9 a.m. to noon, gym.
 - Magic Valley South Orchestra rehearsal, 9 a.m., Fine Arts 132.
 - KLJX Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center (\$3 admission).
 - United Church of God weekly meeting, 10 a.m., Apgin 145.
 - CSI Office on Aging Medicare prescription enrollment assistance.

- Union building public computers, 11 a.m. (Call 736-2122 for appointment).
- CSI Golden Eagle baseball vs. Salt Lake Community College, noon, Skip Walker Field.
- "Star Signs," 2 and 4 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
- CSI Golden Eagle women's basketball vs. Salt Lake Community College, 5:30 p.m., gym.
- "Mysteries From the Depths of Space," 7 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.
- CSI Golden Eagle men's basketball vs. Salt Lake Community College, 7:30 p.m., gym.
- "Lead Zeppelin": Maximum Volume 1, 8:15 p.m., Faulkner Planetarium.

- Sunday**
- KLJX Southern Idaho Home and Garden Show, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Eldon Evans Expo Center (\$3 admission).

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WEDDING



Stephen and Loreto Tingey

TWIN FALLS — Loreto Cecilia Meza Donoso and Stephen Jay Tingey were married Jan. 27 in the beautiful LDS Temple in Bountiful, Utah.

The bride is the daughter of Asmahlan Donoso Erlich of San Diego, Calif., who graduated from high school in Saticoy.

The groom is the son of Richard and Bonnie Tingey of Twin Falls. He is a graduate of Burley High School and attends the College of Southern Idaho. He is employed at McCain Foods in Burley.

The couple resides in Twin Falls.

A reception will be held in their honor from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, at the LDS Church, 515 E. 16th St., Burley.

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SCHOOL NEWS

RECEIVING SCHOLARSHIP

Jerome HS academic team shows success

Liberty Home Schoolers group sponsors fundraiser

TWIN FALLS — The Liberty Home Schoolers, a group of Magic Valley home schooling families, are sponsoring a fundraiser for "Operation Give." The children will participate in a jump roping event every Wednesday through February.

Sponsors are needed. Prizes are welcome on a per jump basis or a one-time dollar amount. The funds raised will be used to purchase school supplies and toys for children in Iraq and Afghanistan.

For more information, call Kristi Downs at 423-5688 or DeeAnn Jenks at 734-1151 or visit www.libertyhomeschoolers.org or www.operationgive.org.

St. Edward's School online auction opens

TWIN FALLS — St. Edward's Catholic School announced the 22nd annual benefit dinner and auction Feb. 25. This event features three silent auctions, one live auction, as well as several games and raffles. This year's raffle grand prize is a seven-night Sandals Grande Ocho Rio river vacation for two in January.

Also for the first time an on-line auction is available at www.sainteds.comarket.com. Dinner and raffle tickets can be purchased by calling the school office at 734-3872.

Students to Red Cross money for collect

RUIH — The American Red Cross of Greater Idaho thanked the students of Poppleswell Elementary in Ruih for collecting \$23,727 that will go to helping disaster victims affected by the basic needs of food, clothing and shelter.

The students collected 29,587 pennies, 1,121 nickels, 1,152 dimes, 241 quarters and 23 dollars.

Student, sister represent area at Legislative Day

BOISE — Homeschool student Hosanna Kabakoro, 13, and her sister, Selah, represented Magic Valley at the recent Legislative Day, sponsored by the Idaho Coalition of Home Educators, at the Statehouse.

Homeschool students from Idaho gathered to display reports, research, curriculum, art and science projects in a production of "Jungle Book" produced by Missoula Children's Theatre, won first in the College of Southern Idaho's Human Rights Poetry Contest and is working toward earning a bronze certificate in the Congressional Medal Program.

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Kimberly students compete in business competition at CSI

KIMBERLY — Students from Kimberly High School, along with other area high schools, attended the College of Southern Idaho Business Scholarship Day on Feb. 7.

They competed in several events, including accounting, culinary, fear factor, business jeopardy and economics and finance. Congratulations to Rebecca Miramontes who was awarded CSI Presidential Scholarship after winning the tourism and hospitality competition. Other KHS students who attended were Daniell Bauer, Abby



BULLDOG BUSINESS
Lacey Hays

Bolin, Lyndze Galley, Chelsea Jackson, Leeta Love, Natasha Meyers, Jurgen Mumm, Brady Overnec, Jessica Turcotte, Ashton Upton and Vanessa Welch.

The Miss Kimberly Pageant contestants have been working

really hard lately to get ready for the pageant on March 11, but they took a break on Saturday to spend some time with a few very special young girls. These girls got to be Queens for a Day and pampered with clothes, shoes and jewelry at the Magic Valley Mall. This program is sponsored by the pageant and members in the community. Thank you to everyone who contributes in order to give these girls a wonderful day!

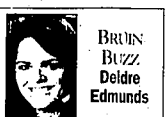
Lacey Hays is Kimberly High School student body president.

Twin Falls High congratulates students for hard work, awards

TWIN FALLS — This quarter is one-third over, with progress reports coming home last week. While some students are focusing on school, more awards have been received by Twin Falls High School students.

Congratulations to Emma Ward. She won a history essay competition for the Daughter of the American Revolution. Her complete and contrast essay of 1,000 words or less was written about the Christopher Columbus Trip to the New World vs. The First Trip to the Moon.

Also, congratulations to Katie Paulson and Cora VanDyke who both received a \$500 scholarship at the CSI Business Fair.



BRUN BUZZ
Deldre Edmunds

where students participated in events that dealt with accounting, hospitality management and business in general. Honorable mention went to Jessica Baker and Sage Watkins for winning the Internet Treasure Hunt and the Apprentice.

The band and orchestra had their winter concert last Thurs-

day. They both did a fantastic job.

Along with that, TFHS band is putting on their annual Spaghetti Feed Feb. 27 in the TFHS Cafeteria. Tickets will be on sale later this week. Come for great food and even better entertainment!

Don't forget to buy your sweetheart some flowers, a card, or a candy grant. HOSA Club, Applied greenhouse and FFA all have something available for you to give your loved one on Valentine's Day.

Deldre Edmunds is the Twin Falls High School junior class vice president.

Student-led conferences coming up

CASTLEFORD
ROLL CALL
Andy Wiseman

ntly to take five fourth-graders to lunch for their accomplishments in the accelerated math program. My lunch guests include Brooke Bremners, Scout Kay, Cory Barrett, Mitch Mohammah and Jlyce Reynolds.

The all-school music program, Sweethearts and Valentines will be held at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday in the Cobern Memorial Gym. The second grade will present the musical "Three Billy Goats Gruff." Kindergarten through fifth grade will perform vocal selections. The sixth grade, junior high and high school bands will begin the program.

Root beer floats will be sold following the program to help cover the expenses of repairs and music.

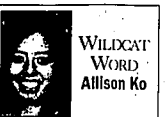
Andy Wiseman is Castleford School principal.

Recently, I had the opportunity

Filer FFA, speech teams to compete

FILER — The Future Farmers of America and the speech team have been hard at work for a while. The winners of the "Voice of Democracy" Speech competition will be honored on the 11th. Our own local winners from Filer High School are Will Nussbaum, Tyler Hutchinson and Nathan McGregor as the post-winner from our local competition. Will Nussbaum winner to become the regional winner as well as a state finalist.

The upcoming speech competition will involve the FFA and speech team competing in the Twin Falls County Farm Bureau



WILDCAT WORD
Allison Ko

competition. The theme is "Looking To The Future of Idaho Agriculture," from which all competitors will write their speeches on. The competition will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, where every participant will be awarded \$10 and additional

awards will be given to the first, second and third place speakers. In addition to the Farm Bureau Competition, the Faculty Appreciation Breakfast held by the Filer FFA Chapter on Thursday. They are honoring National FFA Week, as well as thanking the faculty for all their support and encouragement.

Congratulations to all the students of Filer High School, we are finishing up the midterms this week, so enjoy the last couple months of school!

Allison Ko is Filer High School student body president.

The Jerome High School competitive academic teams had great success over the past two weeks.

Congratulations to Lydia Costa, Michael Martinez and Leyi Juarez on their first place win in the We The People Competition.

The Academic Decathlon Team also brought home numerous awards. As a team, Jerome won first place overall and in SuperQuiz. Regional Academic Decathlon individual medals went to:

Overall: Will Ledbetter, honors silver; Julia Reynolds, scholastic gold; Patrick Lough, scholastic silver; and Jeremy Grant, varsity bronze.

Language and Literature: Patrick Lough, scholastic silver; Sean Stadelman, scholastic bronze; and David Sedano, scholastic bronze.

Music: Will Ledbetter, honors gold; Patrick Lough, scholastic gold; Tim Heuer, scholastic silver; Ben Bingham, scholastic bronze; Justin Ralison, scholastic bronze; Jeremy Grant, varsity silver; and David Sedano, varsity gold.

Art: Travyn Mapes, honors gold; Will Ledbetter, honors silver; Janelle Dean, scholastic gold; Julia Reynolds, scholastic gold; Tim Heuer, scholastic silver; Patrick Lough, scholastic bronze; Jacob Climer, scholastic silver; Jeremy Grant, varsity silver; and David Sedano, varsity bronze.

Science: Travyn Mapes, honors bronze; Justin Ralison, scholastic silver; Janelle Dean, scholastic silver; and Jacob Climer, varsity silver.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation is looking for students to help grant wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions. This would make a great senior project. Any junior interested see Mrs. McFarlane.

Patti O'Dell is principal of Jerome High School.



TIGER PRINTS
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bronze; Tim Heuer, scholastic gold; Ashley Grant, scholastic silver; Justin Ralison, scholastic bronze; Jeremy Grant, varsity gold; Jacob Climer, varsity silver; and David Sedano, varsity bronze.

Economics: Will Ledbetter, honors silver; Julia Reynolds, scholastic gold; Julia Reynolds, scholastic silver; Sean Stadelman, scholastic bronze; and Jacob Climer, varsity gold.

Speech: Kim Ploss, honors gold; Julia Reynolds, honors gold; Sean Stadelman, scholastic bronze; and Jacob Climer, varsity bronze.

Interview: Will Ledbetter, honors silver; Kim Ploss, honors bronze; Julia Reynolds, scholastic gold; Justin Ralison, scholastic silver; Ashley Grant, scholastic bronze; David Sedano, varsity gold; Jacob Climer, varsity silver; and Jeremy Grant, varsity bronze.

Essay: Kim Ploss, honors gold; Julia Reynolds, scholastic silver; Ben Bingham, scholastic bronze; Jeremy Grant, varsity gold; and David Sedano, varsity bronze.

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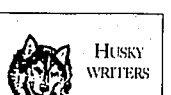
Hansen students are 'Natural Helpers'

By Jann Klaus

HANSEN — On Jan. 25, Hansen High School and Junior High students participated in a Natural Helpers training day at the Priority in Honor. Renee Reimley, Rick McNorlin and Lacey Hall were teachers selected by the students to represent this group as their advisors and trainers in this program.

Skills that are addressed and woven into this program are: teen issues, how to be good communicators and listeners and where to locate resources available in helping others deal with their problems and difficult decisions. Students practice these important skills while learning to trust and work with others. All information is considered vital in developing our future leaders.

Natural Helpers are selected by their peers, as students who can be trusted. A survey is used to select them every year, thus allowing the group to continue



HUSKY WRITERS

to develop and grow.

Natural Helpers is a program recognized by the State of Idaho as one of the top prevention plans. The Hansen Natural Helpers are proud of this award, keeping them focused on their goals of helping others and themselves to be drug free and make better decisions. As Natural Helpers practice these skills, they are able to empower themselves as well as others in their growth as individuals. We take pride in our Natural Helpers.

This column is written by Hansen High Schools "Husky Writers."

SCHOOL NEWS

School plans conferences, play, migrant night

MURTAUGH — The Murtaugh School District announced that parent/teacher conferences will be held from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the high school and middle school.

"I and the Pirates," presented by the high school drama class, will be held at 7 p.m. Friday in the cafeteria.

Migrant Family Night will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Feb. 22 in the cafeteria. There will be speakers, door prizes and refreshments.

We want your school news

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Send your news and pictures:

School news, school events, open houses, club meetings, parent organizations, Club and sports activities, Special student achievements, Club events, School projects, Fundraising

Keep your heart healthy

Charlotte started to trot gently on the treadmill when suddenly, tightness in her chest squeezed her breath away. As beads of cold sweat bathed her body, she stumbled off the moving belt to curb her swirling dizziness. Her discomfort quickly disappeared as she recovered her breath and the pressure deep in her chest petered out.



ALIVE & WELL
Jan Mittleider

She attributed her reaction to being overweight and out of shape, while her doctor dismissed her complaints as "nothing to worry about."

Charlotte (a real local woman, but not her real name) was having a heart attack — and didn't know it. Charlotte and her doctor, like so many of us, were steeped in misconceptions about heart disease beyond the classic symptoms that typically happen to men. Even though heart disease kills more women than men, we tend to overlook early symptoms that don't fit the classic signs — chest pain, shortness of breath, nausea or dizziness.

Or there may be such subtle symptoms that no one recognizes them as a prelude to a heart attack. In fact, 64 percent of all women who die suddenly of coronary heart disease have no previously recognized symptoms.

Physicians may not detect early signs in women because they are more subtle, even silent. Diagnostic tests, such as exercise stress tests, can be less accurate in a woman whose heart muscle, the size of a clenched fist, is smaller. Since two major risk factors — high blood pressure and high cholesterol — are symptom-free, both men and women may not realize the potential for trouble.

Pain may mimic other conditions like flu or heartburn as it radiates into other parts of the body like the jaw, neck, back arm and stomach. Unusual pain locations occur because the heart lacks the type of sensory nerves found in your fingers and other parts of the body.

"The heart tries to send pain messages, but it doesn't have the right message to send them correctly so it sends a jumbled message over the wrong system," explains cardiologist Bruce Darrow from Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

In addition to this confusion, people don't suspect a heart attack when they may not realize that they have well-established risk factors. Those factors include:

- Family history of heart disease.
- Age — over 45 in men and over 55 in women.
- Smoking.
- High blood pressure.
- High cholesterol.
- Overweight or physically inactive.
- Diabetes.

Beyond those basics, consider these key heart-healthy tips:

Access aspirin's anti-clotting action to prevent blood clots that could trigger a heart attack. But aspirin can cause bleeding in the stomach and brain, so be sure to talk with your physician before you take aspirin as a preventive measure.

Boost your intake of B vitamins — B6, B12 and folic acid — to reduce levels of the amino acid homocysteine, which may be an independent risk factor. Eat dried beans, fortified cereals and orange juice, or take a multivitamin/mineral supplement for insurance.

Curb chronic stress chemicals like cortisol that escalate cardiovascular disease. Use stress-reduction tools like regular exercise, deep breathing, laughter and "joy-filled" activities promoting social connectedness.

Don't smoke or skip regular medical checkups that screen for silent risk factors.

Eat five to 10 servings of fruits and veggies each day, along with frequent servings of fish, legumes and whole grains.

Focus on regular, moderate activity — 30-60 minutes most days of the week.

Get immediate medical assistance if symptoms occur. Understanding the signs of a heart attack — and acting quickly on them — can save your life.

Health editor Jan Mittleider is coordinator of the Over 60 and Getting Fit Program at the College of Southern Idaho.

To your health with love



Photo by MEGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News

Roy and Evelyn Davenport of Buhl use rubber band-like exercise accessories that provide just enough resistance to strengthen their arm muscles as they walk around the court Thursday morning at the old Buhl Middle School gym.

In these cases, what's good for the heart is good for the body

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent

HAGERMAN — Love means taking a genuine interest in the well-being of another person — perhaps helping him do what's necessary to achieve better health or fitness.

What's good for the heart, then, is good for the health. You can make suggestions, said Joan Dalton-Boyd, life coach and co-owner of the Hagerman retreat, but the other person has to want to make the change.

"We can offer support if they've chosen to change," she said. "We can offer support and ask them what they need from us during that time of change."

But blend compassion with respect for boundaries, Dalton-Boyd said. "It's a choice for the person who wants to follow his dream; it's a chance for the person who wants to assist him," she said. "I guess it's being a dream assistant in helping create that dream and make that dream come true."

For Roy Davenport, 70, of Buhl, the dream seemed an impossible one. He

suffered with the pain of peripheral neuropathy and thought he'd have to resign himself to being incapacitated. "The pain gets tremendous sometimes — terrific pain, like someone pounding and burning my feet with a torch," he said. "It's moved up my legs almost to my knees."

Roy's wife, Evelyn Davenport, thought exercise might help him. She had been attending the College of Southern Idaho's "Over 60 and Getting Fit" classes in Buhl, and she repeatedly urged him to accompany her.

"She kept after me, and I said, 'No I can't do it,' because I couldn't walk but maybe half a block at the most," Roy said. "And she kept after me, and after me, and finally I said OK."

His first time in the class, he was able to walk about 1 1/2 times around the gymnasium. But in the three months he's been attending, he worked up to seven times around, then eight.

"It's slowly doing me some good," he said.

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Roy and Evelyn Davenport stretch out along the perimeter of the gym with other seniors in the "Over 60 and Getting Fit" exercise class in Buhl. Before Evelyn convinced him to join the exercise class, Roy — who has peripheral neuropathy — thought he'd have to resign himself to being incapacitated.

Find your match

Web site offers face recognition to find celebrity you most resemble

By Joe Heim
The Washington Post

Ever try to figure out which celebrity you most resemble? Well, wonder no more. Now it can be scientifically proven — sort of.

The face recognition celebrity database on MyHeritage.com allows you to upload a photo of your face and discover your celebrity doppelgänger. In just seconds, the site provides up to 10 matches from its library of multiple images of 2,400 famous people, ranging from well-known movie stars and athletes to politicians, scientists and long-forgotten historical figures. And the database is international, so it's as likely to include Mahatma Gandhi as Matthew McConaughey or Tony Blair as Tony Bennett.

Created as part of a site that is dedicated to genealogical research through photographs, the celebrity-match function has been a hit with time wasters in office cubicles worldwide. In the two months that MyHeritage has been accessible to the public, more than 2 million visitors have tried out this addictive little feature, says Gilad Japhet, the site's 36-year-old founder.

The returns aren't always on

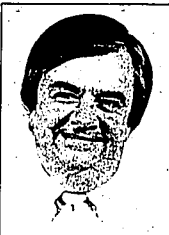
target. Many, in fact, are spectacular misses. When we submitted a picture of Paris Hilton, none of the 10 matches included Hilton herself (though Shannen Doherty and Julianne Moore did pop up as look-alikes for the ubiquitous party girl). Results were particularly off the mark when we ran black subjects through the program. The program mysteriously concluded that Jackie Chan was, pardon the expression, the spitting image of Washington Redskins football player Sean Taylor.

But there were also many instances in which the matches were dead on. We ran political honchos George Bush, Dick Cheney and Hillary Clinton through the process, and they all came back as themselves. Our favorite results, though, included ones for presidential daughter Jenna Bush (actress Lindsey Lohan) and Supreme Court justice Samuel Alito (Pope John Paul II).

Reached via e-mail at MyHeritage's headquarters outside of Tel Aviv, Israel, Japhet acknowledged that the recognition technology is still evolving and "the way the current system handles facial pose and expression, as well as skin color and glasses could use improvement."

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Philosophy required



Steve Crump



Zubin Mehta



Joschka Fischer



Robert Bernard Altman

Locals laugh at celebrity look-alike results

By Virginia S. Hutchins
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Steve Crump as psychopath Dr. Hannibal Lecter? Or college president Jerry Beck as a celebrated Greek soprano?

I have trouble seeing it. But the face recognition database on MyHeritage.com swears that Crump, *The Times-News*'s twice-weekly humor columnist, looks pretty much like actor Anthony Hopkins, whose Lecter role in "The Silence of the Lambs" garnered an Academy Award. And that Beck is a ringer for post-World War II opera singer Maria Callas.

Look long enough and you can almost grasp the Callas connection. "We may have appearance, but definitely she apparently got the singing voice because I cannot sing a note. Always wanted to be able to sing, but never could," Beck said. "It is interesting, that if you have people that

look like you, the different skills you were blessed with at birth."

One must be philosophical. Like the other time wasters who've made MyHeritage.com's celebrity look-alike feature so popular, I uploaded a few well-known local faces last week.

The top match for part-time Blaine County resident Bruce Willis was himself. Fine. Score one for the database. And Beck does look remarkably like Ilan Ramon, Israel's first astronaut and the Web site's No. 2 match for Beck.

But other results produced mirth in nearby cubicles. The most notable peculiarity: Male and female faces aren't separated in the search results. Shawn Barigar — a Twin Falls councilman and chamber of commerce leader — is as likely to be identified with tennis champion Christine Evert (sorry, Shawn) as with Danish Prime Minister Anders Rasmussen or Charles, Prince of

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IMAGE

Learn CPR for babies

An infant safety and cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The program is offered as part of the prepared childbirth course. Organizers invite new parents and grandparents to attend to learn about infant CPR, choking, child safety and prevention of injury.

The class is free. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148.

'Baby and Me'

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center offers "Baby and Me" classes from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome. This series will be developmental milestones.

The session is for parents of children from infancy through toddler years.

The class is free. For information, call 324-7282.

Childbirth class

The second class of the prepared childbirth class series will be offered from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesday at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome.

Topics will include the birth process and breathing techniques. Participants are asked to bring two pillows, a blanket and one or two support people to each class.

The suggested fee is \$5 per class. To register, call 324-1122, ext. 3161.

Alzheimer's support

Snatbridge Care and Rehabilitation Center will hold an Alzheimer's Support Group meeting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday at Snatbridge, 640 River Ave. W., Twin Falls.

The support group is open to

To do for you

Twin Falls-area residents who have family members with Alzheimer's.

For information, call Steve Jones or Dawn McKay at 734-6645.

About childbirth

Prepared childbirth classes will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, this week through March 16, in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The class will include instruction on wellness of the mother, labor and delivery process with relaxation and breathing techniques, care of the postpartum mother and care of the newborn including breast feeding and bottle feeding, and a video tour of the Women's and Infant Center.

Cost is \$50. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148 or go online at www.vmmc.org.

Brain injury support

The Brain Injury Support Group will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Outpatient Rehabilitation building, 560 Shoshone Ave. W., Twin Falls.

Guest speaker will be Rick Locher, targeted service coordinator. The support group is for people who have had a brain injury or for their families, friends and caregivers.

The meeting is free. For information, call 737-2126.

Learn CPR

A Heartsaver cardiopulmonary resuscitation class will be offered from 6 to 10 p.m. Feb. 21 in the Sage Room at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center, 588 Addison Ave. W., Twin Falls. Registration is offered under the guidelines of the American

Heart Association and includes emergency procedures for mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, chest compression and choking response for adults and infants.

The program includes classroom instruction and hands-on practice.

Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required; call 737-2007.

About C-sections

A Cesarean childbirth class will be offered from 6:30 to 9 p.m. Feb. 21 in the lobby at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Downtown Campus, 660 Shoshone St. E., Twin Falls.

The class is offered as part of the prepared childbirth course. Topics will include Cesarean deliveries, pain management, hospital procedures and non-complications.

The class is free. Pre-registration is required; call 732-3148.

Breast-feeding 101

St. Benedict's Family Medical Center will offer a "Breast-feeding 101" class from 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 22 at the St. Benedict's Health Education Center, 115V Fifth St., Jerome.

The class is for expectant mothers, fathers, grandmothers and other support people; first-time parents; mothers who haven't breast-fed their babies; and other parents as a refresher course.

A registered lactation consultant will teach the class. Organizers encourage parents to attend the class within two months of the baby's due date.

The class is free. To register, call 324-1301, ext. 3361.

"To do for you" is a listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following Monday's *Image* section. Mail notices to: *The Times-News*, P.O. Box 544, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Fairfield St. W.

Wired world: Distress on speed dial

By January W. Payne
The Washington Post

Staying connected may be even costlier than you thought.

In a study of more than 1,300 people, those who regularly used cell phones or pagers experienced a 10 percent increase in psychological distress and a decrease in family satisfaction compared with those who used these devices less often, according to study author Nicole Chesley, a professor of sociology at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

The study also looked at "spillover" — the seepage of work concerns into home life, and vice versa. For both men and women, cell phone and pager use allows (negative) job concerns to infiltrate another part of life, Chesley said. But women got a "double-whammy" — rating home concerns that spilled over into work.

The study appeared in the *Journal of Marriage and Family*. "Tech habits" — To reach their findings, researchers conducted two telephone surveys of 1,367 upstate New York residents between 1998 and 2001. The respondents had an average age of 40, were generally well-educated and mostly had professional or managerial jobs. Findings were not meant to be nationally representative, the study reports.

Phone home? — That's new. Chesley said, is evidence "that the technology here is somehow facilitating the process of psychological distress and decreased family satisfaction, adding to the 'debate-about whether these technologies are causing these problems.'"

While "we never want to have public policy or changes in people's habits on any one study,"

said Chesley, consumers might want to consider whether technology use is "making your family better" or "if it's stressing you out.... Then, maybe it's OK. Or maybe you take stock. How much of this information that I'm getting from this technology is making my life easier? If the answer is, 'Not a lot,' maybe it's time to shut things down."

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Colds are lurking in the air

By Julie Savrens Lyons
Knight Ridder News Service

The guy in the cubicle next to you might be all over the copy machine. The gracious business sneezes just before shaking your hand at the intimate cocktail party.

"Don't worry, I'm not contagious," they say. And you believe them? Doctors will remind you that typhoid Mary said the exact same thing.

With cold and flu season in full swing, many of us are wondering just how easy it is to catch these bugs, as well as to once-overcome their noses meander or our classmates cough up a lung during a lecture.

The answer, it depends on the virus they have, how healthy you are, how long they've been sick and how close the quarters you share.

"If someone is coughing and

sneezing, that's concerning," said Dr. Lindsey Baden, director of clinical research in the infectious disease division at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Researchers believe people are most contagious for the first two to three days of a cold followed by hours before their first symptoms even appear, becoming gradually less contagious until days seven to 10, when they are "usually not contagious at all," according to the National Institutes of Health.

Prolonged, close exposure to a sick person is often a recipe for the sniffles, studies have shown. That's because you're more likely to become infected by a virus that is airborne — floating in the air after a cough or a sneeze — than by touching someone's hand, such as a door handle, computer keyboard or telephone, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Preven-

tion. "The secret to staying healthy, doctors say, is to stay clear of anyone with a flu-like nose left red by constant tissue use and to wash your hands repeatedly throughout the day.

And the secret to keeping your co-workers and classmates from becoming infected? Stay home. For several days, until you are actually beginning to feel better, doctors say.

It's easier said than done, concedes Dr. Jonathan Blum, an infectious disease specialist at Kaiser Permanente Santa Clara, Calif., Medical Center. "I suffer from the same syndrome. I think 'I do an important job. I think I do it well, and I think I'll be missed.'" But take it from the poor schmuck sitting next to you: "You have to make it with if you get everyone sick and they have to go out. Blum said, "I think you've done a disservice."

Health

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Evans said she thinks her husband is longing for her — so much so that they plan a trip to Hawaii for their 50th anniversary this spring. She thought that if his got out and expressed, it could take the trip and he could do some walking. If he stayed in his chair he couldn't do anything. She predicted the longer he sat, the harder it would be for him to get up.

"Now he's really involved with it," Evelyn said. "He opens his gym every morning for everybody to come in early and walk around like that. It's really worked out really good for us."

Love worked out well for the health of a Deco man, too.

On Valentine's Day 16 years ago, Phill and Rusty flare of Deco, both widowed, met while bowling. It was pretty close to love at first sight, Phill said. They married three months later.

Phill had been a most-ambitious kind of guy, not paying

much attention to his diet. Until Rusty came into his life.

"Rusty set to work right away to get Phill on a balanced diet, including even broccoli and salads. "The very strong on proper eating and vitamins and so on," she said. "I put him on vitamin C and E right away."

Two years later, Phill, who has emphysema, was hospitalized for pneumonia. Doctors told Rusty to call the family, that the worst going to make it. But he did rally and was sent home.

Phill was confined to a wheelchair and was told he couldn't walk again. With prayer, encouragement and loving care from Rusty, he no longer needs the wheelchair. He gets around with the aid of a walker or cane if he has to walk any distance.

The flares take turns using their exercise bike. At first Phill had trouble pedaling for one minute. He gradually worked up to 10 minutes.

"It's pretty nice," he said. "It

gives me an idea that I'm doing something to keep myself in shape."

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Celebrity

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 Wales.
 And all 10 of the site's matches for House Minority Leader Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, came up male. But she was able to laugh about it.
 "Sure, Web site's ID is totally entertaining," Jaquet wrote in an e-mail. "I once applied for a job to go to Vietnam for the USA (United States Information Agency) and they thought I was a male. Wendy short for Wendell."
 But at least the top two Jaquet matches were politicians — Edmund Stöber, a German, and Joseph Deiss, who's Swiss.
 "Happy to hang out with a bunch of other politicians. Would be better if they were all women though, since I think

that women really work a lot harder than men," Jaquet wrote. "We have to, to be taken seriously."
 (The celebrity shots were publishing here are from sources other than MyHeritage.com — different poses and, in some cases, different ages than the images in the Web site's database.)
 Top look-alikes for Glenda Thompson Dwight, a former Twin Falls mayor, were Polish poet Wislawa Szymborska, French actress Isabelle Huppert and Janet Leigh (in Leigh's later years). To my thinking, however, No. 4 on the Dwight list offered the best match, Austrian diplomat Benita Ferrero-Walchner.
 "Some folks' features, it seems, suggest particular celebrity talents. Take Jerome car dealer and

economic-development leader Con Paulos, for instance. His photo called up musical matches: Danish composer Carl Nielsen, film-and-TV composer Elmer Bernstein and Dalida, an Egyptian-born singer of Italian origin who made her fame in France.
 And all-access residents topped the list for Karla Williams, a downtown Twin Falls leader — Jennifer Connolly, Barbara Streisand, Ly Tyler.
 But don't take it too seriously. This is about entertainment, after all.
 And I was exceedingly entertained by the collection of 10 famous folks who might be mistaken for Steve Crump, my two-deck-over colleague: Anthony Hopkins and film director Robert Altman, topping

MyHeritage.com's list for Crump. Classical conductor Zubin Mehta and German politician Joschka Fischer who seem to me to have the closest resemblance. Zionist Theodor Herzl, a match that has me puzzled. Racing driver Jack Brabham (he's got the peaked eyebrows), French author and adventurer André Malraux (it has to be the deep vertical creases between the eyebrows), President Jimmy Carter (the eyes, maybe), Economist James Tobin (it's the topsided smile).
 And actor Dennis Quaid. Sorry, Steve. That's too much of a stretch.
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Match

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 He hopes that refining the technology and adding more celebrities to the search will improve results.
 "Selecting which people to add to the database was an involved process that had Jaquet and his team trying to decide which figures were important enough to include. The only groups of famous folks that Jaquet ruled out were Nazis and porn stars — apparently no one wants to look like either Joseph Goebbels or Ron Jeremy. Jaquet also wanted to make the site in-

formational so he included biographical links on all of the photos in the databases. If you don't recognize a result, you can simply click on the "i" below the photograph for more information. You can also click "more photos" to see a gallery of photographs of that individual.
 "For anyone with access to decent digital photo shots of friends or relatives, hours of online amusement await. Be warned, though: Disappointment could be just a click away — you may think you look like Beyoncé, but you might be closer to Bono.

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 In the case of your aunt, it seems that she is well able to do much of what she wants to do in life except she cannot set and maintain respectful boundaries between herself and her children. The role of a trusted third person serving as guardian would be limited to that of assuring that no one imposed his or her will on your aunt. The actual mechanics of how a limited guardian accomplishes that feat varies from case to case.
 Oftentimes the underlying debate between children is not what type of care a parent should receive or how assets should be invested, but rather who is in charge of making these decisions. Moreover, it is not uncommon to find that a child's unstated goal is to make sure that another sibling does not take control.
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Scratch 'n sniff:
 A guide to male fragrance

By Jim Shea
 The Hartford Courant

Men do not do subtle. Ask a man to keep a secret, and he'll announce to everyone he meets that there is something he can't talk about.

Tell a man that the suggested dress attire is laid back and casual, and he'll show up in flip-flops and a Speedo.

Give a guy a couple of beers and a dance floor, and what comes to mind is electrocution.

So when marketers began hyping various men's body sprays, washes and lotions as being irresistible to women, well, the male response has been predictable.

They've been buying the stuff by the vat, rationalizing that if a little bit of these fragrances will help you get a girl, then cropping dusting yourself down with a lot of the stuff will help you get a lot of girls.

This is why more and more men are walking around these days smelling like they have been dragged through wildflowers, dipped in the ocean and then water-boarded in rain-forest fruit pulp.

Men just do not do well with fragrances, which is why they should probably not be allowed to purchase anything from the scent family without a prescription.

Nor should they be permitted to apply anything from the scent family to their bodies — with the possible exception of foot powder — without proper supervision.

No, men are much better off

tectering along the edge of funky. Give them a shower and Speedo, and they should be good to go in most circumstances.

The only time men should resort to outside aromatic agents is in situations where they have not had a chance to shower and their natural state might violate human-rights or chemical-weapons treaties.

What is ironic about the current male obsession with fragrance-lotion is that it might mask the natural scents that actually can attract women.

From what I have been reading, our bodies produce these odors called pheromones. And pheromones — which are kind of complicated but seem to work like airborne Spanish Fly — can make us appear appealing to members of the opposite sex.

A couple of key things to keep in mind about pheromones: Unless one has undergone bloodhound tracking training, a human can't consciously smell them.

And, in terms of appealing, we're talking about initially appealing.

All the pheromones in the world aren't going to help if you're middle-aged and still living with mom, or your pick-up line mentions stamp collecting.

Another interesting thing about the attractive power of pheromones is that we usually smell best to a person whose genetically based immunity to disease differs most from our own.

Which, call me sentimental, does kind of take the romance out of it.

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OTHER VIEWS

Fish guru nets the finer points on fish recovery

The Lewiston Morning Tribune

One of the drea-riest features of the long-running debate over the future of Snake River salmon runs has been the failure of people on each side to offer a complete solution.

Those who say salmon and dams can coexist too often refuse to support those actions that might help that happen, from forcing streams to spill water over dams to help fish migration.

Advocates of breaching the dams are prone to suggest no alternative source of the lost hydroelectric power other than vague references to windmills or other dubious means.

Don Chapman, the fisheries biologist who declared last summer he had reversed his earlier position that dams can survive the salmon, is a refreshing exception.

What's more, he combines his proposal for replacing power lost from the dams with the means to combat the biggest environmental threat facing humankind today: global warming.

Chapman, now a McCall resident, says climate change makes the threat to salmon more severe, and helped turn him around on the likelihood that fish and

dams could coexist. And he points to one avenue, to provide both more energy for the Northwest and an alternative to carbon dioxide-producing power plants.

Nuclear fission has been the unmentioned component of the region's and the nation's power supply for a long time.

Chapman not only mentions it, but says it offers the best way to replace any power lost from other sources as well as to combat global warming.

That's especially important today, as the nation debates opening oil exploration in places like the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and expands energy production from coal. Burning fossil fuels — a main cause of global warming — threatens the future of fish and us.

Chapman is no more a Pollyanna about nuclear energy than he is about breaching dams. Produced more safely and efficiently than nuclear reactors today with safe handling and storage, radioactive waste remains a challenge. But Western Europe is far ahead of this country in nuclear power generation, and it's no coincidence that it is more willing to confront global warming as well.

You can argue with Chapman's conclusions on that, and on how to rescue endangered salmon runs. But because of his comprehensive approach to these thorny issues, you cannot write him off.

Their view: This guest editorial from The Lewiston Morning Tribune says Idaho can't ignore a leading salmon expert's view of dam breaching.

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

Our curiosity sparked Sempra package

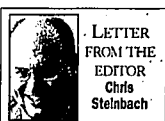
A dozen or so readers contacted me this week to say they disliked stories published in *The Times-News* about the proposed coal-fired power plant in Jerome County.

The stories, written by reporter Michelle Dunlop, were published over three days beginning on Feb. 5. The stories outlined many issues surrounding the 600-megawatt, \$1.4 billion plant San Diego-based Sempra Generation hopes to build northeast of Jerome.

A main part of the series looked at Bremond, Texas, a community in which Sempra owned a 305-megawatt plant that it sold in January. Questions from readers, who said the stories were biased and in favor of Sempra's plans, intrigued me.

What paid for the trip? Was it paid for by Sempra? This *Why In Texas* series pick this town in *The Times-News* as the subject for the stories. Rather than answer those questions for each individual who called to ask or who sent an e-mail, I decided to write a column. First, however, I'd like to share parts of e-mails I received on consecutive days from two readers whom I know to be friends with one another. Both are definitely opposed to Sempra.

I find your newspaper's approach to the Sempra issue insulting, not only to me, but to the people of the Magic Valley and to Idaho! The first wrote in an e-mail I received



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR
Chris Steinbach

on Tuesday. "That the folks in Bremond, Texas, embrace (a coal) power plant doesn't mean squat to me."

On Wednesday, I received the second e-mail, which said: "Chris, although the Texas articles are apples and oranges in a lot of respects, they yielded very good information that we care about. I'm sure you'll get criticized — forget about it."

My guess is most readers' evaluation of our series lies somewhere in the middle of the opinions voiced by these two readers. Their e-mails illustrate the damned-if-you-do, damned-if-you-don't positioning often created by reports on controversial topics. And while I was prepared for criticism, I still feel the need to answer the questions I've been asked.

To be honest, it angered me to learn that some readers would think we would accept an all-expense-paid trip to Texas from Sempra. Let there be no doubt: *The Times-News* paid for every penny of the trip and reporter and photographer made to Texas. Dunlop spent a week in the community and interviewed dozens of people. Not a single interview was scheduled, organized or orchestrated by anyone from

Sempra. Smith spent three days there, taking the photos that were published in *The Times-News* and on its Web site, www.magicvalley.com.

So, why did we send two staff members to Texas? Why not send them to a community where there is more opposition to coal-fired power plants than what we were able to find in Bremond?

To me, it seemed like the natural thing to do after hearing multiple presentations from Sempra officials as early as last summer in which they touted the plant in Bremond as the type of operation the company would build in the Magic Valley.

After reading our stories, I agree with the reader who said it's fair to compare Jerome with Bremond, Texas, which is a much smaller community that appears to be more economically depressed. I thought most readers would reach the same conclusion. Instead, some have accused *The Times-News* of being in Sempra's pocket.

Could we have done a better job, or would I do some things differently in *The Times-News* was to undertake this project again?

Perhaps. And I say that even though I think we did pretty well on an ambitious reporting project.

Reporters are not supposed to be advocates, and we weren't advocating for either side with this series. We tried to answer a simple question:

What has a coal-fired power plant meant — both good and bad — in a community cited by Sempra as an example of what residents could expect if such a plant is built in the Magic Valley?

It is inaccurate to say that this newspaper has established an editorial viewpoint — pro or con — regarding Sempra. It's unfortunate that some Sempra opponents are accusing *The Times-News* of being nothing more than a lack for Sempra because we gave readers an up-close view of how a small town in Texas co-exists with a coal-fired power plant.

Italians say Torino, so some Magic Valley readers have asked why *The Times-News* is using Turin when reporting on the host city for the 2006 Winter Olympics, which began Feb. 26 and runs through Feb. 28. The answer is simple: because the world's largest snow-gathering organization, says Turin is the name to use in stories reported in English. That's good enough for me.

As I think they would say in Italy: "Capisco!"

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Papers stoked violence with offensive humor

I am saddened and disappointed in the seemingly "fair and balanced" European Union and the humor that they find in provoking worldwide violence, by publishing depictions of Prophet Mohammed, an affront to the Islamic tradition, the media have widened the gap between East and West.

I feel that the media owe the parents and family members of those killed as a result of the violence an apology. I am not only talking about the European media, I am talking about the global media. It is unfortunate that the publishers knew that the cartoon would be offensive, and they published it anyway. It's something that would anger 1.3 billion people!

The West, which has been regarded as "more civilized, fair and educated than the East," has just made a colossal mistake. Insulting cultures that are different than those in the West is an ineffective way of winning the hearts and minds of the people and the war on terror in general.

DANIEL WOOD Bliss

Campaign system must remove special interests

The pundits tell us that we the public were shocked to learn that money from special interests bought most every-one in our federal government. In many state governments, and possibly in some of our larger local governments. Funny, if the public was shocked, it certainly wasn't anyone I know.

How do you know what was going on and that it was severely damaging our quasi-democracy. Being the poor citizens that we are, we had resigned to the fact that we led with this since we couldn't do anything about it.

But possibly, this "shock" is enough to make us decide that we must "The problem boils down to one word — money. Next is the money men, most cases legally, to our political friends in the form of gifts and perks that the money given them to buy power. Power, we know is the great driving force, not the money they can personally spend. We give them power by electing or appointing them, and that takes money — gobs of it.

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Saddam Hussein so tenderly appearing in court, carrying on. We know he had killed hundreds, even his own family members. He should receive the death sentence.

BERTHA HATFIELD
Twin Falls

Orchard Valley Head Start making a difference

I am writing this letter in support of your adults in our community, Orchard Valley Head Start has had the privilege of working with many participants, with compassionate and caring young people over the past several years. I would like to share some of their stories. I have asked students to attend our annual Family Literacy Night at the Legion Hall in Wendell. Each year, we have at least six to 10 participants who are willing to participate. Some of the students put in extra time by preparing a bilingual puppet show to be performed to the children in both English and Spanish. Last year, several students came faithfully each week to read to the children at the center on their lunch hours — that is commitment.

Several years ago during Head Start's "Make and Deliver Students Day," I had several students who assisted Head Start staff in scraping a house so it could be painted the following week. Some of the students raked leaves in yards for "seniors," and some students repainted the sign for a senior living center.

There is a "holiday" committee that works each year at the Wendell High School to solicit donations for food and gifts for families during the holidays. These students are so committed to their hard work also. But I have had the fortunate experience to observe and work with these youth as the many, many high school students participating in the wrapping of the boxes for food and observed them carry the boxes to vehicles.

A young man from Burley who is in the Eagle Scout project built two benches, built a birdhouse and a temperature gauge for our playground.

Another young man from Twin Falls who was also working on Eagle Scout project repaired our wheelchair ramp and built a shelf for the classroom.

I feel that we are fortunate to have so many active, caring and committed young adults in our communities — thank you for all that each of you do for our community!

CINDY SCOTT
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LETTERS

Dropping property taxes won't help schools

The Legislature is currently debating the issue of property tax reform. While property tax relief is an important issue, the media and the Legislature have failed to inform the public on the negative effect several of these bills will have on the way Idaho's schools are funded. These bills may cut property taxes, but they replace school funding with money generated from sales and income tax.

In an economic downturn, this general fund depends from sales and income tax. The schools, corrections and Medicaid will compete for the same funding, which will lead to a school funding crisis in the future.

I support House Bill 556 because it accomplishes two things that are important for Idaho's citizens.

First, it gives property tax relief by increasing the homeowner's exemption from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Prayed flag is an insult to our service military

I am writing this letter out of respect for all of the men and women who are graciously and selflessly serving and revolting. I am appalled and revolted with an incident that is occurring in my community before my very eyes. I am a very patriotic person, and I have sat back and watched our very own flag of the United States wave feigningly over our Bill's Post Office. Not only does the flag need to be respectfully re-tied but it also waves all night long without a light to recognize it.

I am very proud to be an American, and I would appreciate it if (after post office hours) the flag could be courteously and respectfully taken down and neatly folded before the sun sets — unless there is a light to recognize it.

If it is a matter of money to replace the post office's ragged flag, I personally would be more than pleased to donate one. Please, out of respect for our veterans, military, and our government, show some respect for our symbol of freedom.

LACY WOOD
Bliss

tax reform and education.
KATHRYN GHAVES
Halley

OPINION

LETTERS

Sempra must have loved TN coverage

Boy, Sempra should like these articles in *The Times-News* lately. One could ask the question, how much help did Sempra give the paper?

I found these articles to be biased coverage. Little comparison was made to this Texas plant and the proposed Jerome plant. If more had been done, one would see it like comparing apples to oranges.

The Texas plant is half the size of the proposed Jerome plant. It sells its energy to Texas, not on the open market. It is built on a flat open plain, not between two mountain ranges, and nothing was mentioned about the amount of water that is available.

Michelle Dunlop didn't mention agricultural operations such as dairies and farms, or lakes and rivers or agricultural products that could be impacted by emissions, or any testing that was going on or the options of adjacent counties.

This comparison can go on forever. The bottom line is coal-fired plants pollute. How much water and how many jobs a coal-fired plant can bring to an area are up for debate. In exchange, we get the polluted water and air.

Idaho has nice clean air. That is why Sempra wants to build here. You know the sad thing about putting in coal-fired plants is handling all these emissions, waste products and polluted water left to our grandkids and their kids.

Maybe *The Times-News* should think about the impact of its articles on the lives of Idaho residents and not so much about selling more news-papers.

RALPH FRIEDMANN
Jerome

gasses, but a certain amount of pollutants will be put into the atmosphere through the smoke stack and spread over a large area depending on the prevailing winds.

I read recently in a letter to the editor someone against Sempra is a tree-hugging environmentalist. I don't believe that I am in that category but just a concerned parent and grandparent who wants to keep pollution and smog out of the Magic Valley today and in the future.

Decline in taxes should warn Magic Valley

I am a native of the Magic Valley and am totally amazed at the biased coverage of the proposed coal-powered plant in Blaine County. I used to believe that news coverage was supposed to tell both sides, pro and con, and attempt to be factual. In this continuing Sempra saga, the headlines are obviously pro-plant and the negative facts buried in the story on an inside page.

To get the suggested advantages of this plant, look it matter doubtful that the declining taxes enjoyed by Robertson County, Texas, are welcome here! The chart buried on Page A-3 of the Feb. 6 *Times-News* shows that the taxes paid in 2005 by Sempra to Robertson County were \$700,310 — less than half the taxes paid in 1991. The year that Sempra took over the plant (2002), taxes were \$918,720, showing a significant decline in four years. What a great company!

Next, buried on Page A-4 of the same *Times-News* issue, an employment chart indicates Robertson, Texas, 3.5 percent unemployed, 43.6 percent not in the labor force with the realty good news that median household income was \$29,886, compared with \$34,696 in Jerome County. Why would we welcome this type of

backward development? The chart goes on to show that unemployment in December 2005 was 4.6 percent and — you guessed it — Jerome's was 2.5 percent.

What negative things will happen to Robertson now that Sempra has sold this Texas plant? Question No. 2: How do the residents in adjoining counties feel about Sempra? Hypothetical question No. 3: How will the dust from 12,000

tons of coal in train cars traveling over our aquifer affect the Magic Valley and beyond?

For all these reasons, we oppose the Sempra proposal which will ruin the entire view of our beautiful Sawtooth Mountains. And, who can believe that breathing ash and making roads from ash is a good idea for improving air quality?

MARIE FULLER
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Article on Texas missed the points on Jerome

After reading Monday's paper, I came to the conclusion that *The Times-News* is definitely for Sempra building its coal-fired power plant north of Jerome. I don't know what instructions were given to the author of this article, but they must have been out to get the story as quick as possible and make Sempra look good.

My first question would be why write an article about a power house that is built close to a town with less than a population of 500. It would seem to me that anything that was built in this area of Texas would be appreciated because of the increase in taxes and jobs provided. We don't have that problem here in the Magic Valley as there appears to be plenty of jobs available. Our population is growing yearly with no end in sight.

How many new residents would decide not to move here after viewing the smoke stacks to the north and the haze emitting from it. I for one would probably look elsewhere. I don't care what Sempra or anyone else says. I know for a fact what a coal-burning power house will bring to our valley.

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NATION

Adopters increasingly seek out children with Down syndrome

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Seven years ago, although Diane and David Petersohn, so they decided to adopt.

And since one of their seven children has Down syndrome, they decided they wanted another one with Down syndrome.

The Petersohns found that they had plenty of company. The couple from Liberty, Mo., listed their names on nationwide lists of people seeking to adopt children with Down syndrome, and waited.

After waiting nearly three years, they turned to a private agency that facilitates international adoptions. Today, they're raising money and completing paperwork to adopt a 6-month-old boy from Ecuador who has the syndrome, a type of retardation caused by a genetic malfunction.

Most who seek to adopt Down syndrome children have had a family member, friend or acquaintance with the disorder, or work with them in medical or school professions.

"People think they are just great kids, people like they are very lovable," said Rachel Crews, a social worker with the Special Additions adoption agency in Stillwater, Mo.

Changing attitudes toward people with all disabilities and improved medical treatments also are helping unite these children with families, advocates say.

"Society as a whole is much more accepting," said David Tolleson, executive director of the National Down Syndrome Society in Atlanta. "You are much more likely today to see the media, places of worship, schools."

Parents in a prior generation, mothers were told when they had a baby with Down syndrome or another disability, put the child in an institution and forget about them.

That's what happened 34 years ago to a little girl named Martha, whose single mother gave her up for adoption. She was adopted in Atlanta, Mo., and placed in a group home in Cincinnati.



David Petersohn, right, meets with his daughter Darci, who has Down syndrome, recently at the Petersohn home in Liberty, Mo. The Petersohns are trying to adopt another child with Down syndrome. Darci is outgoing "she has made people smile who look like they don't know how," Diane Petersohn said, but that is partly because her daughter has no sense of safe boundaries.

But when Martha turned 4, Robin Steele and her husband met her and fell in love immediately.

With one son already, they adopted Martha and have gone on to adopt nine other children — three of them with Down syndrome.

"We just knew we wanted to make Martha part of our family," Steele said.

Martha's adoption also spurred the Steeles to help connect other families, like theirs, with families who felt they could not raise children with Down syndrome.

So, 23 years ago, they started the Adoption Awareness Program in conjunction with the Down Syndrome Association of

Cincinnati. Steele connects people who want a child with Down syndrome with birth mothers of adoption agencies.

In the first year, she helped find homes for three children with Down syndrome. Now, Steele works with three to five situations a week, she said, and has a waiting list of 150. Waits average six months to a year.

"People with Down syndrome are pure in heart and spirit," said Amy Allison, executive director of the Down Syndrome Guild of Greater Kansas City. "They keep you grounded."

Allison said the organization does not monitor trends, but there are easily more people contacting its interested in

adoption than we have ever seen before."

Adoption advocates say they stress to prospective parents, that all people with the syndrome are not the same.

Nearly half will have some heart defect and about one-third will develop thyroid problems. Roughly 1 percent develop leukemia and nearly all will have some delay in motor and speech development. Other potential problems include intestinal or spine malformations and hearing difficulties.

Better medical treatments and earlier intervention have increased the life expectancy of people with the syndrome to the 50s and 60s.

Jail violence stems from operating on the cheap

By Sharon Bernstein and Megan Garvey
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The violence that rocked Los Angeles County's jail system over the last week is the legacy of operating jails on the cheap — with violent inmates living in large, open rooms despite wide agreements nationally that such offenders should be held in cells.

Sheriff's Department officials freely admit that the practice has exacerbated many charged disturbances in the jails, where violent incidents have increased significantly since 2003. But officials say they have not had the money or the staffing to shift many of the high-risk inmates to newer facilities with cells, which require more guards.

As a result, the department has 6,500 jail beds with cells designed for high-risk offenders — but they are either empty or used for lower-risk inmates, because the agency says it doesn't have the deputies to staff them.

New York City and Chicago, among other places with large jail systems, do it differently — maintaining a large percentage of cells available and being used for maximum-security inmates. Moreover, the agencies there have far more deputies guarding inmates per capita than the Sheriff's Department.

At Cook County Jail in Chicago, for example, one officer monitors each group of 48 high-risk inmates. All can be locked down in two-person cells.

By contrast, the Pitchess Detention Center in Casale, Calif., where rioting claimed the life of one inmate and injured nearly 100 others, one deputy watches as many as 400 inmates. Those inmates are broken into smaller, but still large rooms, arranged around a guard station. These dorms do not have individual cells.

Overall, Los Angeles County has 3,000 deputies and civilian assistants to police a jail system with 21,000 inmates a day. Cook County has 2,500 correctional officers for 10,000 inmates. New York has 9,300 officers guarding 14,000 inmates.

The vast majority of inmates in the Los Angeles County system live in dorms, barracks, pods, some housing more than 100 prisoners.

The only facilities with a significant number of smaller cells — housing anywhere from one to 10 people — are Men's Central and the Twin Towers Correctional Facility, across the street from

each other downtown.

For the eighth straight day, violence erupted Saturday at the sprawling Catic jail complex that has seen a surge in racially motivated rioting. Initial reports indicated four inmates suffered minor injuries when fighting broke out about 4 p.m. in a dormitory at the North County Correctional Facility. The fighting was quickly controlled, according to Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department officials. Deputies were investigating the cause of the incident and no additional details were immediately available. They said it occurred in a dorm housing 80 inmates.

The fact that L.A. County deputies have struggled to curb the violence despite racially segregating inmates and enacting "lockdowns" underscores the difficulty of controlling inmates living together in large rooms, experts said.

"In a dorm situation, it is virtually impossible to quell a violent activity," said jail consultant Nancy Isico, former head of the Maryland Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services. "It's almost like a wildfire. It's like a rolling ball of fire that starts in one dorm and it gains momentum and it jumps to other dorms."

That's because even if officials boost security measures, inmates are still all locked together in a room and can start fights before deputies can move in.

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'Mayan Bible' draws experts and immigrants

By Oscar Arilla
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — In a secluded corner of the Newberry Library, archivists slowly take apart the yellowing book, considered the Mayan Bible by the epigrapher of the Sovereign Plumed Serpent and other gods creating the world.

Like other Newberry treasures over the years — a Shakespeare first folio, letters from Columbus — the Popol Vuh attracts scholars.

But unlike any other rare text at the library, the Popol Vuh also draws immigrants from Guatemala and Mexico, descendants of the Mayans who make their way to the library so they can reverently page through the 100-page book of elegant script, in Spanish and the Mayan language of Quiche.

As researchers from the Newberry said — Brigham Young University transfer the book's contents to CD-ROM, they also recognize that the world's oldest known Popol Vuh manuscript remains a sacred document that As visitors will want to see and hold in the printed form.

The restoration of the book, being done at the same time as a blessing rite, will mark the Popol Vuh sturdier for visitors such as a Mayan priest who was so moved after beholding the text that he performed a blessing rite over the book at four points of the compass. Staffers barred the candles.

"People come from all over the world to see this as a sacred object. As visitors view cultural collections, we don't take the 'warehouse' approach. We are trying to make this accessible to a broad public," said Melissa McCafee, Newberry vice president for library services.

The story of the Popol Vuh — "council book" in the Quiche language — dates to no later than the mid-1500s, scholars say.

It's not clear what form the story may have taken before Europeans came to the continent. For many Mayans, it may have been communicated orally. Some scholars believe that parts of the tale were depicted in picture form, incorporated into the

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building of Mayan temples. Some theorize that the Mayans, who mastered phonetic writing, captured it on paper.

But the oldest known manuscript, the Newberry's, dates to the early 1700s, when a Spanish friar named Francisco Ximenez put a Quiche version and Spanish translation on paper.

The book, which combines the Popol Vuh with Ximenez's guide for Spain's government of Central America, ended up in Guatemala City before a French priest brought it to Paris.

Edvard Ayer, a member of the Newberry's board and book collector, bought the book from a dealer there and eventually included it in a donation to the Newberry Library in 1911.

There, it has remained one of the centerpieces of scholarship about the Mayan people, a book so important that officials at BYU's Center for the Preservation of Ancient Biblical Texts considered it a worthy follow-up to other digitization projects such as the Dead Sea Scrolls.

"It really is a very rich text. I would say this is the single most important literary work to come out of the New World," said Chris Christensen, a BYU humanities professor and project director.

reproduction of the Popol Vuh after the restoration.

Gustavo Lopez, Guatemala's consul general in Chicago, said his nation has mixed emotions about its national treasure residing in Chicago, even in good hands. Lopez said the government has never made a formal request to regain the work, but he wishes Newberry would consider voluntarily returning it.

"Guatemala doesn't want to start a conflict with a non-profit organization," Lopez said. "But we would like to have it in Guatemala because it is a vital part of our national patrimony."

Library officials sidestepped the question, saying they would not comment on the idea because officials have gotten no formal requests from the Guatemalan government.

The restoration will make library officials feel more comfortable about lending visitors handle the book by re-binding it with a flexible but sturdy cover.

To take apart the book, Giselle Simon, director of conservation services, has already removed the cover and is using a jelly-like adhesive to loosen the glue holding together the spine. She must then remove brittle pages, with holes caused by insects that burrowed in the pages, likely in Guatemala centuries ago.

While Guatemalans will enjoy a restored hard copy, BYU's new electronic version should satisfy scholars, who had to page through the manuscript or rely on a spotty microfilm version produced three decades ago.

The book is entirely text. BYU scholars will take high-resolution photographs of each page and likely run them through a scanner. The pages will then be placed on CD-ROM, allowing scholars to search the Popol Vuh by word. The disc also will include photos, maps, links and even an audio reading of the work in Quiche. BYU will pay for the project, which will cost "in the upper five figures" and should be finished next year, Christensen said.

The book will likely be unavailable until May. Library officials ask visitors to contact them to see the book.

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Section B

MORNING LINE

SPORTSQUOTE

Most kids at that age had 4-H projects. My mother had me.

Don Sutton, who pitched for the Dodgers and Angels, on being born to a 17 year-old father and 14 year-old mother.

TRIVIA

QUESTION: When did the Soviet Union win its only silver medal in hockey?

ANSWER below

TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School BOYS BASKETBALL
3A SCIC Tournament
2A Canyon Conference
Tournament
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Bliss vs. Dietrich, 6 p.m.
Championship
Carey vs. Richfield, 7:30 p.m.
IA Southside Tournament
Laser-out
Oakley vs. Murrain, 6 p.m.
Championship
Hagerman vs. Castleford, 7:30 p.m.

IN BRIEF

CSI booster luncheon is today

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho booster luncheon will be held today in Taylor Building Room 277.

Anyone interested is invited to meet and hear from the cafeteria and bring it to the event.

Glenns Ferry will honor former coach

GLENN'S FERRY — Glenns Ferry will honor retired boys basketball coach Gordon Brown at halftime of the Pilots-Valley boys basketball game, which starts at 7 p.m. tonight.

Couch Brown's career high-lights include a state championship, induction into the Idaho High School Activities Hall of Fame and a national high school boys basketball coach of the year award.

Jerome boosters meet tonight

JEROME — The Jerome High School booster club will meet tonight at 7 p.m. in Room 101, Mr. Musgrave's room, of the school, 160 Tiger Drive.

Softball, baseball clinics set

TWIN FALLS — A mandatory rules clinic for prospective umpires will be held Feb. 20 at Twin Falls High School. Anyone who wishes to umpire in the 2006 season must attend.

The softball clinic will begin at 7:15 p.m. at the baseball clinic at 7:15 p.m.

For more information, please contact district commissioner Craig Mills at Burley High School, 878-6596, or at home, 678-7114.

NIC plans all-star basketball games

COEUR D'ALENE — The third annual Idaho High School all-star basketball games for both boys and girls will be held April 8 at North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene.

The girls game is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. followed by the boys game at 3:30 p.m. A 3-point shooting competition and a slam dunk contest will be held between games.

For more information, contact NIC Athletics Director Al Williams at (208) 769-3346 or NIC Booster Club President Linda Davis at (208) 765-3333.

Compiled from staff reports

TRIVIA ANSWER: Russia won silver in 1998

2006 WINTER OLYMPICS

The Golden Tomato

White, Kwan, Ohno make waves on Sunday

The Associated Press

BARDONECCHIA, Italy — The Flying Tomato got its gold. Red-headed snowboarder Shaun White punted the competition on the half-pipe, beating out teammate Danny Kass to win the Olympic gold medal so many expected him to get.

It was another dominating day in snowboarding for the Americans, who fell one bronze medal short of repeating their sweep of 2002.

A solid run, by third-place finisher Marko Koski of Finland wrecked those hopes.

Figure Skating

TURIN, Italy — Michelle Kwan's decade-long quest for Olympic gold came to a sorrowful end when she withdrew because of an injury.

Kwan cut short her first practice of the games the day before after straining a groin muscle, and the injury worsened as the day wore on.

She withdrew after Dr. Jim Mueller evaluated her early Sunday morning and recommended she not continue.

Emily Hughes was chosen by the U.S. Olympic Committee as Kwan's replacement.

Olympic officials wasted little time approving the petition to put Hughes on the team.

The 17-year-old, the younger sister of 2002 Olympic champion Sarah Hughes, was third at last month's national championships.

This was Kwan's last gasp for Olympic gold. Though she's defeated the sport for the past decade, winning five world and nine U.S. titles, she came up heartbreakingly short at the Olympics.

The favorite in both Nagano and Salt Lake City, she won gold in 1998 and a bronze in 2002.

Kwan missed last month's U.S. nationals with a groin injury, and needed a medical exemption to join the Turin team.



United States snowboarders Shaun White, right, and Daniel Kass (20) celebrate after finishing first and second in the Men's Halfpipe Snowboard competition at the Turin 2006 Winter Olympic Games in Bardonecchia, Italy on Sunday.



Apolo Ohno, of the United States, (254) stumbles in Sunday's semifinal heat in the 1,500 meter event at Short Track Speedskating at the Winter Olympic Games in Turin, Italy. At left is the winner of the heat Li Yo of China.

Short Track Speedskating

TURIN, Italy — Apolo Ohno stumbled out of a chance at gold in his first Olympic event, a shocking start to the Winter Games for the American star.

Ohno nearly fell with 1.5 laps to go in a semifinal heat of the 1,500 meters. His mistake ruined any chance to defend his Olympic title in a much-anticipated showdown against South Korea's 1-2 punch — Ahn Hyun-sook and Lee Ho-suk.

Ahn won the gold and Lee the silver. China's Huijun Li took the bronze.

In 2002, Ohno crossed the line second in the 1,500 final but won gold when another Korean skater was disqualified for blocking the American on the last lap. The ruling thrilled U.S. fans and caused outrage in South Korea.

This time, Ohno was the one who left the ice disappointed.

Alpine Skiing

STESTRIERE, Italy — Antoine Deneriaz of France, the last man out of the gate with a chance to win, pulled off a star-

ling upset in the Olympic downhill to steal what seemed to be a sure gold medal from Michael Walchhofer of Austria.

Walchhofer settled for silver, 72-hundredths of a second behind the winner, Bruno Kerian of Switzerland was third.

The ballyhooed U.S.-Austrian rivalry was a bust.

Bowie Miller was the top American, in fifth place. U.S. teammate Daron Rahalves, the pre-race favorite, was a disappointing 10th, 1.5 seconds slower than Deneriaz.

The 30th skier down the mountain, Deneriaz won in 1 minute, 41.80 seconds.

Luge

CENASNA, Italy — Armin Ziegler of Italy added to his collection of gold, while the United States saw another shut at its long-awaited breakthrough medal in men's luge slip away.

Ziegler, racing on his home track, wrapped up his second straight Olympic gold medal and delivered Italy's first victory at the Turin Games with a time of 3 minutes, 25.688 seconds.

But the Americans remained 0-for-forever in their quest to

win a medal.

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Wendell awaits in Canyon tourney

By Joe Paisley

Times-News writer.

Canyon Conference Tournament

Monday's game Valley at Glenns Ferry, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday's game Monday winner at Wendell, 7:30 p.m.

Guards Cody Darrington, Andy Crane, Chase Bitterman and forward Tanner Shrum are capable shooters for the Pilots.

"They're a good athletic team with strong physical kids," Kelsey said.

Wendell has injuries of its own with senior guard Zac Davis leading the way with 19.2 points a game. It's earned 37.3-pointers this season.

Matt Myers averages 12.3 points and eight rebounds and

and generate opportunities that way.

"They don't have anyone who scores regularly with their back to the basket," Kelsey said.

"They take the ball to the basket off the dribble and get to the free throw line."

Austin Stigile has led the Vikings in scoring all season while Kendall Grant and Travis Miller contribute.

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leads the team with 39.3-pointers this season. TJ King averages 10.2 points and 8.7 rebounds.

It's shooting 63 percent from the field in the Trojans last 10 games, and is a big reason the 17-3 Trojans have lost only once (Buhl) since starting the year 1-2.

"That gives us an inside threat," Kelsey said. "We try to make him a main option and force teams to try to take that away from us."

If they double down on King, then Davis, Myers and Jeff Lowe (6.8 ppg, 22.3-pointers) can make opponents pay from outside.

Lowe is capable of big games, scoring 15 against Declo and 13 against Malad.

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Hamlin stuns field, steals win at Daytona

The Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Lookout Tony Stewart, your new rookie teammate has a lot of muscle he's ready to flex this season.

Denny Hamlin beated NASCAR on Sunday by shocking Stewart and the rest of the big stous to steal a win in the exhibition Budweiser Shootout at Daytona International Speedway.

Hamlin led 16 of the 70-laps and was heading toward an easy win when Stewart, his veteran teammate at Joe Gibbs Racing, used a wide pass to take the lead away from him with four laps to go.

Stewart restarted on the bottom of the track, with Hamlin right next to him when racing resumed. Hamlin quickly



Denny Hamlin in a FedEx Express Chevrolet, front right, approaches the finish line to win the Budweiser Shootout at Daytona International Speedway in Daytona Beach, Fla. on Sunday.

moved out front, then held off challenges from Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr. to win for the first time in NASCAR's top series.

As the baby-faced Virginian, celebrated with burritos on the front of the truck, his parents sobbed in celebration. "I can't believe it, it wasn't two

years ago I think I was here as a driver for Dale Earnhardt Jr.," the 25-year-old said. "This is the first time I've ever been to Victory Lane. I just can't believe it."

Earnhardt and Stewart, two of NASCAR's top restrictor-plate racers, finished second and third. Scott Riggs was fourth and defending race winner Jimmie Johnson was fifth.

Stewart, suddenly the veteran at Joe Gibbs Racing, following Bobby Labonte's off-season departure, was pleased with the rookie's show.

"He drove a smart race," he was patient and I thought he did everything right," Stewart said.

The Budweiser Shootout is a made-for-TV event only open to drivers who won a pole last season and past winners of the event. Hamlin barely made it in.

He was a Busch Series driver last season when Gibbs fired Jason Leffler midway through the year. Terry Labonte and J.J.

Please see DAYTONA, Page B2

Buhl, Kimberly favored in SCIC Filer, Gooding face off tonight

By Joe Paisley Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Few of Buhl's wins came easy this winter, accentuating the likelihood that the Southwest Central Idaho Conference boys basketball tournament should be a competitive one from start to finish.

The tournament gets underway Tuesday No. 6 seed Filer travels to No. 4 Gooding for a 7 p.m. game tonight.

A conference tournament loss could prove costly. The championship gets an automatic state tournament berth while the runner-up will have a state play-in game to win.

SCIC Tournament

Monday's game Filer at Gooding, 7 p.m. Tuesday's games Monday winner at Buhl, 7 p.m. Declo at Kimberly, 7 p.m.

Buhl and Kimberly both finished 7-1 in conference, splitting the regular season series. The 15-5 Indians have won seven straight after losing to Kimberly.

"Kimberly played a good game that night. But we've been at a roll ever since," said Buhl head coach Ryan Bowman.

"The kids are learning how to win and close games out."

A big part of that has been the rise of the team, who is second on the tourney with 12 points per game.

"Mitch has stepped up and he's scoring," Bowman said. "It's been our second scorer for us already with Will Chivers, which is good."

Chivers leads the team with 19 points per game. James Osterkamp, Austin Lindberg and Judd Spay are solid contributors as well.

"The kids as a team are playing pretty well right now," Bowman said. "When we take care of the basketball and rebound, we feel like we can play with anybody."

Kimberly looks to be a favorite to reach the championship game, but Declo looks ready to take over. At 4-14, the Hornets look to be suffering a down year, but a 4-4 mark in conference suggests they could shock the Bulldogs Tuesday night.

"Kimberly is a good basketball team. They're tough inside," Bowman said. "They get after you defensively, they give you a hard time."

"They make me nervous, as does Declo. Even through they're 4-14, I think they can shake some things up, really easily. They've been in some games."

Spencer Stoker and Scott Briggs lead the Hornets. The Bulldogs are led inside by junior post Jason Munn and senior guards Kahler Nield and Daniel Bulcher. All three have played experience as returning starters from 2004-05.

"The Indians must win the battle of the boards against Kimberly's strong front line."

"I think for us to win it, we have to take care of the basketball," Bowman said. "I think we have to just do that and out-rebound our opponents. If we do those things, I think we can win."

The Filer-Gooding matchup tonight should be interesting since the teams closed out their regular season at Gooding Thursday with the Senators prevailing 51-47.

Although Filer is winless, the 2-10 Wildcats have to be reasonably confident after such a showing. Travis Weirnsna has been a solid scorer of late while Dillon Anderson can also come up big.

Gooding (6-12, 2-4) has a chance to close out their season and past winners of the Wines with good contributors in Jack Stevens and Deon Anderson.

The 3A boys state tournament is March 2-4 at Meridian High School.

SPORTS

NFC defense rules Pro Bowl

HONOLULU (AP) — Derrick Brooks and the NFL's so-called inferior conference managed to feel good about.

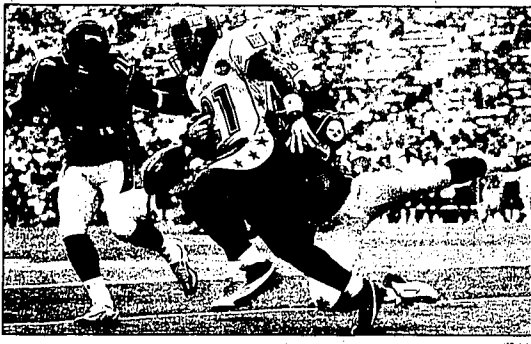
Brooks returned an interception 39 yards for a touchdown, the AFC committed six of the Pro Bowl's 10 turnovers, and the NFC rallied for a sloppy 23-17 victory Sunday in a game that didn't turn out to be the offensive showcase most expected.

Brooks, the Tampa Bay linebacker playing in his ninth straight Pro Bowl, was honored as the game's outstanding player and received a car on the field shortly after the game ended.

Nell Rackers kicked a 22-yard field goal with 6:29 left to give the NFC a 20-17 lead. With Seattle's Matt Hasselbeck on a quarterback, the NFC moved 59 yards before its drive stalled, and coach John Fox was forced for opting for the field goal on fourth-and-2.

Wide receiver McNear mislunched two snaps from center after that, and the NFC recovered both. Jeremiah Trotter fell on the second one at the AFC 18, and Rackers kicked a 20-yard field goal with 1:10 left to complete the scoring.

The AFC reached the NFC 49 before McNear threw three incompletions and was sacked by



NFC New York Giants running back Tiki Barber (21) has the ball knocked loose as he is tackled by AFC Pittsburgh Steelers strong safety Troy Polamalu, right, as AFC Cincinnati Bengals cornerback Deltha O'Neal (24) looks on in the first quarter of the NFL football Pro Bowl on Sunday at Aloha Stadium in Honolulu. The ball was fumbled out of bounds and the NFC retained possession.

Wade's rally fires Heat past Pistons

MIAMI (AP) — With Dwyane Wade leading a fourth-quarter comeback, the Miami Heat finally showed they can beat the NBA's elite.

Wade scored the Heat's final 17 points, including the game-winning layup with 2.3 seconds left, and Miami beat the Detroit Pistons 100-98 Sunday.

Shaquille O'Neal scored a season-high 31 points for the Heat.

Spurs 92, Pacers 88

INDIANAPOLIS — Manu Ginobili scored 10 of his 29 points in the final 12:30 and San Antonio beat Indiana, 92-88, its league-best ninth straight win. Tim Duncan added 10 points

and 11 rebounds, despite being held to 4-for-15 shooting. Tony Parker, the Spurs' other All-Star, had 17 points and six assists.

Wizards 107, 76ers 97

WASHINGTON — Gilbert Arenas scored 27 points as Washington completed a perfect five-game homestand by beating Philadelphia.

Carroll Butler had 21 points and nine rebounds for the Wizards, who got 17 points from reserve Antonio Daniels, who was perfect on 11 free throws.

Allier Iverson scored 33 points for the 76ers, who have lost three in a row and five of six. Chris Webber added 24 points and 13 rebounds.

Nets 94, Bucks 79

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Vince Carter scored 24 points and Jason Kidd added 16, leading New Jersey over Milwaukee.

Raptors 114, Blazers 81

TORONTO — Morris Peterson scored 15 of his 22 points during a third-quarter run, and Toronto routed Portland.

Celtics 102, Magic 94

BOSTON — Paul Pierce scored 31 points and Wally Szczerbiak added 24 as Boston beat Orlando in Grant Hill's return to the Magic lineup.

Rockets 90, Knicks 83

HOUSTON — Yao Ming had

21 points, eight rebounds and four blocks to help the Houston Rockets overcome Tracy McGrady's dismal shooting in a 90-83 victory over the New York Knicks on Sunday night.

David Wesley added 15 points, Rafer Alston had 14 points and seven assists.

Kings 109, Hawks 84

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Ron Artest had 20 points, six steals and six assists to lead the Sacramento Kings to a 109-84 win over the Atlanta Hawks on Sunday night.

Kevin Martin also scored 20 points for the Kings, who won for the fourth time in five games and have won their last eight at home.

Daytona

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Yellow truck turns driving the car until Gibbs tumbled Tamlin to the finish line seven races of the season.

Burton wins Daytona 500 pole position

Team owner Richard Childress locked Jeff Burton in a bearhug Sunday and didn't seem to want to let go after the driver put his Richard Childress Racing No. 14 Chevrolet on the pole for the Daytona 500.

"It's big," said Burton, who hadn't won a pole in more than five years. "Hopefully it's another

sign that this team is getting ready to turn things around."

Childress had one of the dominant teams in the sport until his longtime driver and friend Dale Earnhardt was killed in a crash during the 2001 Daytona 500. Kevin Harvick had a good season for RCR after replacing Earnhardt the following week at Rockingham, but the team has struggled in the years since.

Childress was determined to turn things around, making numerous personnel changes since the end of the 2005 season. This was the first big test. "Yeah, it's emotional," Chil-

dress said. "We're struggled for the last few years. We've got to put it all together and we've got to start winning."

Burton outran 57 other competitors to earn the top starting spot for the Feb. 19 race, his third career pole. In first since the fall Richmond race in 2003, when he was driving for Roush Racing.

His fast lap of 189.151 mph on a windy, chilly day at Daytona International Speedway was the fastest qualifying run on the 2.5-mile, high-banked oval since Dale Jarrett's 191.091 in February 2000.

Three-time and defending

Daytona 500 winner Jeff Gordon, one of the last drivers to race on the track on the winter afternoon, came close to knocking Burton's Chevrolet off the top spot with a lap of 188.877 in a Hendrick Motorsports Chevrolet.

Harvick was among the fastest in practice on Saturday and was considered one of the favorites to win the pole, but he wound up 14th in qualifying.

Teammates Burton and rookie Clint Bowyer both made it into the top 10, though.

Bowyer led the large 2006 rookie class at 187.766, good for seventh.

Tomato

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join the singles huge medal party, with Tony Benbow managing only a fourth-place finish — matching Adam Hildreth from four years ago as the best in U.S. Olympic history.

Speedskating

TURIN, Italy — Speedskater Ireen Wust of the Netherlands won a gold medal in the 3,000 meters, stunning the favored Germans and Canadians.

The 19-year-old Wust took an early lead by finishing in 4 minutes, 2.43 seconds — then watched as the top skaters failed to best her time. Teammate Cornelia Groenewold won silver and world record-holder Cindy Klassen of Canada bronze. Germans Anni Friesinger and Claudia Peetersh, defending champion, finished fourth and fifth, respectively.

Ski Jumping

PRAGELATO, Italy — Lars Bystøl of Norway came from behind to win the Olympic gold medal in normal hill ski jumping.

Bystøl, who was tied for sixth after the first jump, rallied on the second jump as several contenders faltered. He won the medal with jumps of 101.5 meters and 103.5 meters for a total of 206.5 points.

Matti Hautamäki of Finland took the silver, one point behind Bystøl. Another Norwegian, Roar Ljøkelsøy, won the bronze.

Cross-Country Skiing

PRAGELATO, Italy — Kristina

Winter Olympics Medals Table				
At Turin, Italy Through Sunday, Feb. 22				
Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Norway	1	3	3	7
United States	2	1	0	3
Netherlands	1	2	0	3
Russia	1	1	1	3
Italy	1	0	2	3
Germany	2	0	0	2
South Korea	1	1	0	2
Canada	1	1	0	2
France	1	0	1	2
Austria	0	2	0	2
Finland	0	1	1	2
Estonia	1	0	0	1
Czech Republic	0	1	0	1
China	0	0	1	1
Latvia	0	0	1	1
Switzerland	0	0	1	1

of the skiers suspended this week for high levels of hemoglobin in their blood.

Siniguin made a strong push in the home stretch through the stadium to overtake silver medalist Katerina Neumayrová of the Czech Republic, winning in 42 minutes, 48.7 seconds.

Legend Tatjana Tomoyarovna emerged from behind and overtook several skiers in the final 100 meters to win the 30-kilometer men's pursuit.

Frode Estif of Norway recovered from a fall at the mass start that cost him 45 seconds to take silver, and Italy's Pietro Pillitteri settled for bronze. The men's won in 1 hour, 17 minutes, 40.8 seconds.

Women's Hockey

USA 5, Germany 0

TURIN, Italy — Sarah Parsons scored two goals and Pam Dreyer stopped 10 shots in the 17 Russian shoot-

Americans' second straight shootout victory in the preliminary round.

Katie King had a goal and two assists, and Jenny Potter had a goal and an assist. Natalie Darwitz also scored for the Americans, who outshot Germany 6-0. The result actually was a small victory for the Germans (0-2), who stayed closer to the United States (2-0) than ever before. In all seven of the Germans' previous meetings, the Germans lost by at least six goals.

Canada 12, Russia 0

TURIN, Italy — Less than 24 hours after a 16-0 win over Italy, Canada (2-0) routed Russia (0-2) with Megan Augusta and Cherie Piper scoring three goals apiece.

Gabi Charline Labonte, barely tested by Italy, stopped 17 Russian shoot-



Aaron Oberholser shoots out of a sand trap on the second hole of the Pebble Beach course during the final round of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am golf tournament Sunday in Pebble Beach, Calif.

Oberholser coasts to Pebble Beach win

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP) — Aaron Oberholser was shaky down the stretch Sunday and big break turned into an unlikely bid, allowing him to coast the final three holes Sunday and win the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

Oberholser enjoyed a proud, peaceful walk up the 18th fairway on his way to an even-par 72 and a five-shot victory, matching the largest margin in the 77-year history of the tournament. Sweeter still was capturing his first PGA Tour event on a course he has played since he was a teenager, and a tournament he rarely missed.

But it required plenty of help — first from Mike Weir, then from a tree.

Weir, tied with Oberholser going into the final round, went out of bounds on the second hole and was five shots behind after three holes. The former Masters champion staggered to a 78 and tied for third.

Oberholser's rest shot on the 15th went to the right, hit the cart path twice and was headed for trouble when it bounced off a tree and kicked back into an opening. With a view of the

green, Oberholser hit wedge into it and turned the mishap into a birdie to restore his margin.

Oberholser finished at 17-under 271, five shots ahead of Rory Sabbatini (70). He earned \$972,000.

Kevin Stadler takes Johnnie Walker Classic

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Kevin Stadler won the Johnnie Walker Classic for his biggest professional victory, closing with an eagle for the third straight day for a 3-under 69 and a two-stroke victory over Australia's Nick O'Neil.

Needing a birdie on the par-5 18th to avoid a playoff, Stadler hit a 3-iron approach from 200 yards that caught the right side of the green and rolled within a foot.

Stadler, the 26-year-old son of 1982 Masters champion Gary Player, had a 20-under 270 total on the Vines Resort's Lakes Course. He earned \$365,340 in the event sanctioned by the European, Australasian and Asian tours.

Sharks bite Coyotes

GLENDALE, Ark. (AP) — Tom Preising scored a power-play goal with 3:01 left in overtime to give San Jose a 5-4 win.

Dealing with allegations of illegal gambling, surrounding assistant coach Rick Tocchet and head coach Wayne Gretzky's wife since Tuesday, Phoenix has lost four straight and six of seven.

Kings 6, Stars 5

LOS ANGELES — Defenseman Lubomir Visnovsky had a goal and assist during a four-goal third period to help the Los Angeles Kings beat the Dallas Stars 6-5 on Sunday.

Visnovsky, Nathan Dempsey and Luc Robitaille scored during a 2:12 span on the Kings' first three shots of the third period.

shotout after goaltender Martin Gerber stopped Buffalo's Jason Pominville, helping Carolina.

It was Staal's first goal in his second attempt in the NHL as new linebreaker, and the Hurricanes improved to 6-1 when the game goes beyond overtime.

Red Wings 6, Avalanche 3

DETROIT — Tomas Holmstrom broke a tie with a power-play goal early in the third period to lead the Red Wings.

Detroit, which won its sixth straight, got a goal and two assists from Pavel Datsyuk and a goal and an assist from Holmstrom, Henrik Zetterberg, and Mathieu Schneider.

Mighty Ducks 4, Blackhaws 1

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Dustin Penner and Casey Perry scored third period goals to lift the Mighty Ducks.

Penner scored a wraparound goal 17 seconds into the third period and Perry tapped in a pass from Ryan Getzlaf 3:03 later to help Anaheim move three points out of the final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Hurricanes 4, Sabres 3, 50 Wendell

EDMONTON, Alberta — Dennis Wideman scored the only goal in the shootout and Lee Stempniak added two goals in regulation to help St. Louis.

Hurricanes 4, Sabres 3, 50 Wendell

RALEIGH, N.C. — Eric Staal scored in the sixth round of the

that. His one-of-a-kind... On paper, Wendell looks to be the clear favorite. Kelsey's been around too long to take anything for granted though. "Glen's Perry and myself, go out to show them respect, go out and be aggressive. I know I'll be nervous." The 2A state boys tournament, which began on Saturday at Capital High School in Boise.

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Ducks can also create off the dribble and draw fouls. It's a quality free throw shooter this season (80-of-94, about 85 percent) with good vision for making the assist.

"As a team we've made up our minds that no matter what we'll get him the basketball," Kelsey said. "We give him chances to lose his man. When someone double him, he can still beat

COMICS

B.C. By Johnny Hart

Panel 1: "WOULD YOU SAY YOUR TEAM IS BUILT FOR POWER OR SPEED?"
Panel 2: "NEITHER."
Panel 3: "WHAT ELSE IS THERE?" "THERE'S LOUSY."

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

Panel 1: "HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO OUT TO DINNER AT A FUNKY RESTAURANT?"
Panel 2: "JUST YOU AND ME IN A QUIET LITTLE CORMORANT WITH FLEECY CANDLES, SOFT LIGHTING, WINE."
Panel 3: "WHAT'S THE CHANCE YOU'D BECOME A ROMANTIC FOOD?" "I HAVE A GOURM."

Baldo By Hector D. Camu and Carlos Castellanos

Panel 1: "I WAS WONDERING... WHO'S YOUR CELEBRITY CRUSH?"
Panel 2: "IT'S THAT 'HOT GIRL' THAT TV'S SHOWING... THE FRESH MEAT."
Panel 3: "AND... AND..."
Panel 4: "THIS IS A TRICK QUESTION, HUH?"

Brevity By Guy & Rodd

Panel 1: A banana on the ground.
Panel 2: "WHAT'S THAT, A BANANA? AWW... WHO CARES."
Caption: DISINTERESTED GEORGE

Dilbert By Scott Adams

Panel 1: "THERE'S NO GOOD WAY TO ASSIGN A BAD PROJECT."
Panel 2: "FWAP!"
Panel 3: "THAT WAS A LIBERATING THOUGHT."

Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau

Panel 1: "I WANT TO GO AWAY WITH AN INTERESTING USE FOR YOURS... I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SAY IT."
Panel 2: "ANY NOTE?" "HAVE YOU EVER BEEN INTERESTED IN SOMETHING?"
Panel 3: "THE QUALITY OF THE COFFEE?" "THAT TOO?"
Panel 4: "I'M THE MGRM." "ONE SHOULD NOT SAY THAT."

The Elderberries By Phil Frank and Joe Toiso

Panel 1: "Look what I found in the library... The Medicare Prescription Drug Program... it's explained in one simple brochure!"
Panel 2: "Let's have a look!"
Panel 3: "Hmmm." "Hmmm." "We're gonna need a bigger room..."

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

Panel 1: "HI, DEE! WHAZZUP?" "NOTHING I JUST GOT TO SPEND SOME TIME TOGETHER."
Panel 2: "WANT TO GO FOR A WALK?" "SURE. ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME DOING SOMETHING?" "NOPE... IT'S WHAT SHE WANTS TO TALK."
Panel 3: "ARE YOU OK, DEE?" "YEAH, BUT WHY DO YOU ASK?"
Panel 4: "WELL, EVER SINCE I BECAME A TEENAGER, YOU PAPA MOM HAVE BEEN KINDA 'NOODY'."

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

Panel 1: "MEGA CORP EMPLOYEE EXIT"
Panel 2: "I KNOW EVERY DAY IS A GIFT, BUT SOMETIMES I WISH IT HAD A RETURN POLICY!"

Luann By Greg Evans

Panel 1: "YOU TOLD ME TO TRUST DICK AND LEAVE HIM ALONE SO HE'D STOP BEING WHAT I'D DO."
Panel 2: "I MEAN, IT'S WHAT SHE WANTS TO TALK. I DON'T REALLY HAVE A CHOICE."
Panel 3: "IT'S USUALLY BEST TO DO WHATEVER A WOMAN WANTS."
Panel 4: "IS THAT HOW YOU ENDED UP MARRIED TO MOM?" "NO, BUT IT'S HOW I STAY MARRIED TO HER."

Mallard Fillmore By Bruce Tinsley

Panel 1: "THIS JUST IN... COPID WAS ARRESTED EARLIER TODAY..."
Panel 2: "ON CHARGES THAT HE HAS, FOR YEARS, BEEN GETTING KICKBACKS FROM 'BIG CANDY,' 'BIG FLOWERS,' AND 'BIG NAUGHTY UNDIES'..."

Peasls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis

Panel 1: "Deer zeeba, Happy Valenteen Day!!!! Me keel you ded. And eat you hed."
Panel 2: "Oh, no Larry. Dat not good. Valenteen. Valenteen. Love."
Panel 3: "Deer zeeba, Happy Valenteen Day!!!! Me keel you ded. And eat you hed."
Panel 4: "Deer zeeba, Happy Valenteen Day!!!! Me keel you ded. And eat you hed."

Pickles By Brian Crane

Panel 1: "HAIRCUTS SURE HAVE GOTTEN EXPENSIVE."
Panel 2: "WHOO! THAT'S FOR SURE. THAT'S WHY WE BOUGHT HAIR CLIPPERS SO OPAL CAN CUT MY HAIR AT HOME."
Panel 3: "HOW OFTEN DOES SHE CUT YOUR HAIR?" "ONCE A MONTH."
Panel 4: "BUT SHE TRIMS MY EAR HAIR EVERY TWO WEEKS."

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

Panel 1: "WOW!" "NOT HOT!"
Panel 2: "WATER!"
Panel 3: "OH, SO CHICKEN. I'M AN ACQUIRED TASTE."

Zits By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

Panel 1: "STARLIGHT GETS REAL! FIRST GIRL I SEE TONIGHT."
Panel 2: "I WISH I WOULD HAVE THE WISH I WISH TONIGHT."
Panel 3: "DID YOU CALL ME?"
Panel 4: "WHAT? I THINK I MAY BE THE PAR WISEMAN."

Non Sequitur By Wiley

Panel 1: "THE INHERENT PROBLEM WITH TAKING THE PATH OF LEAST RESISTANCE..."
Panel 2: "MORNING, CHET?" "MORNING, DORAP. WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON WITH TECHNOLOGY. BE BEEBEE!" "MORNING!"

Aries: Keep your eye on the prize

IF FEB. 13 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: June and July could shower you with helpful friends or inspire you with an important and beneficial new direction in life. Pay attention to good advice you receive then, but avoid initiating anything significant during the first days before June 21. Because you are dedicated and passionate about becoming a success, you will be able to steamroll past problems and achieve key goals between July and November. In November, some apparent blessings could come with strings attached, so be careful to do the right thing.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get that chip off your shoulder. You may be too quick to take offense and too eager to step over the line. Keep your eye on long-term goals and don't be distracted by petty squabbles.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Be sensitive — but not a pushover. A working relationship can be blocked by someone's emotional hangups for a few hours. Investigate the facts and don't quibble about what might have been.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Listen up. Those you are in contact with may be gripped by an obsession and stimulate you to try something new. Get

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Inspired by a mentor, a cultural link or your favorite movie star.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Felsy moods may prevail. A buzz of activity can knock you off center for an hour or two, but you can use this extra energy in constructive ways. Polish the silverware — or a presentation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): If you want to play with heavy machinery, you should have been warned to wear steel-toed boots. A shot of ambition in the air may precipitate an accidental stomping on sensitive toes.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The ultimate ends are reached by unwavering devotion to the cause. Wave your flag or root for the home team. You can make field goals in business or score points with a family member.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Mix business with pleasure. You can take the lion's share and cook it up as well. Your business smarts are matched by your finesse on the social

playing field, so go ahead and promote yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Which came first — the chicken or the egg? Get a shot and put a few eggs in it. Your brilliant idea may make money or your money may allow you the wherewithal to lead others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It is a complex matter (woman). It is never too early or too late to start following the rules. To make a big mark, you must follow through on your passions and be prepared.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It is time to put away childish things. Or at least shove ambitions that haven't worked out. Reassess your goals in the expectation that the right opportunity will come along at the right time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may want a lot of hats today. Don't be afraid to try on some new ones. Pull up those shirtlesaves and dive into new ideas and responsibilities. Turn brain power on high for success.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Be poised and confident. Expect the unexpected where others are concerned. Steamroll over objections in business and don't be distracted by minor emergencies or upsets.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

1. I CAN'T GO ON THE HIKE TODAY, MY FOOT IS SWOLLEN.
OH, YOU'RE ALWAYS 'GODDING OFF!' LET'S SEE!
LOOKS OKAY TO ME!
IT'S THE OTHER FOOT.
GODDING OFF!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

1. I FIGURED OUT WHAT'S WRONG WITH THE FRONT HALL LIGHT SWITCH.
I JUST-YE FOILED IT UP WHEN I WAS FOOLING AROUND WITH IT.
IS IT ENOUGH THAT I FIGURED OUT WHAT WAS WRONG WITH IT?

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

1. WHY DO YOU SPEND SO MUCH TIME ADJUSTING THAT MIRROR?
WE HAVE TO BE ABLE TO SEE WHAT'S BEHIND US, GLADYS!
WHAT FOR? BEEN THERE, DONE THAT!

Garfield By Jim Davis

1. I'M BORED!
STAY UPWIND OF THE LEFTOVER SAUERKRAUT.
WORDS TO LIVE BY

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

1. IT'S NO USE, HAGAR - THEY'VE BEEN STOCKPILING AMMUNITION SINCE THE FIRST SNOWSTORM!
WE'LL JUST HAVE TO WAIT FOR WARMER WEATHER!

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

1. ANYONE SEEN MY PDA? I NEED MY PDA.
I GOT IT.
SMACK
I MEANT 'PERSONAL DATA ASSISTANT' NOT 'PUBLIC DISPLAY OF AFFECTION'.
I KNOW BUT WHY MISS AN OPPORTUNITY?

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

1. DOES YOUR SISTER EVER AGGRAVATE YOU?
HOW MANY HOURS ARE IN THE DAY?
WHAT WAS THE QUESTION?
WHO ARE THEY TALKING ABOUT?
DID SOMEBODY MENTION COOKIES?

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart

1. WE'VE BEEN INVITED TO A COSTUME PARTY.
WHAT SHOULD I WEAR?
HOW ABOUT A SUIT?

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

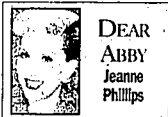
1. THANKS, DAD. WHILE YOU'RE UP, WOULD YOU MIND BRINGIN' A COUPLE DOG BISCUITS FOR OL' RUFF?

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bill Keene

1. "They're in Italy, so I bet all the winners got free pizza."

Domestic assaults have nothing to do with love

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your continued support of victims of domestic and dating violence. Tomorrow is Valentine's Day, a day filled with romance for many couples. Unfortunately, for some, it is like any other day — filled with fear, anxiety and violence.



The sad truth is, every year, close to 4 million American women experience a serious assault by someone who said they loved them. I would like to remind your readers that domestic and dating violence is not just physical abuse. It can also be sexual, emotional, economic or psychological abuse. It is actions, or threats of actions, meant to frighten, intimidate, terrorize, manipulate, humiliate, blame, injure or wound someone.

hope she will call the National Domestic Violence Hotline. The toll-free number is (800) 799-7233 (SAFE). The number for people with hearing disabilities is (800) 787-3224 (TTY). You can also log on to the Web site at www.ndv.org. There is help available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The danger is great, so please don't wait to contact them.

Domestic violence can happen to anyone of any age, race, sexual orientation, religion, gender or socioeconomic background. It can happen to couples who are married, living together or dating.

With Valentine's Day only a day away, let's work to keep our loved ones safe.

SHERYL CATES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

DEAR ABBY: My dear friend "Rose" has a 3-year-old granddaughter I'll call "Andrea." I am concerned because the child does not play nicely with her dolls. She chokes them, bashes their heads against the wall and "drowns" them in the bathtub.

Rose, and her daughter think it's funny. I think Andrea needs help.

The little girl doesn't get hit or abused, herself, but she has an on-again, off-again father who has beaten up her mother on more than one occasion. And there has been a new baby in the house since November. Should I suggest counseling?

— WORRIED IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR WORRIED: Andrea appears to be a very angry little girl who is using her dolls to chan-

nel her aggression. She may feel displaced by her new sibling. It might help to suggest to Rose that she and her daughter give Andrea more attention because you are concerned that she might take her resentment on to the baby. If that fails to improve the child's behavior, then point out that a visit with a child psychologist might be in order.

DEAR ABBY: Two years ago, a male friend and I decided to save our spare change in a jar for a road trip. There are now three large jars, and they're all at my house.

During the time that we've been saving, my friend and I have grown apart. It's not that we don't like each other anymore, but sometimes that's the way things go.

There is now \$300 in the jars, and I'd like to give him his share, but I have no idea how to do it. There is no way of knowing how much of the money is his and how much is mine. There isn't an even amount in the jars, and I'm considering giving all of it to him. What do you suggest?

— TRYING TO BE FAIR IN N.C.

DEAR TRYING: Either get a neutral friend to help you count the money, or "guesstimate" the amount in the jars and write the man a check for half. It's better than cheating yourself out of your share of what you have accumulated. Or, with your friend's approval, the entire amount could be donated to charity.

Average newborn kitten weighs in about the same as a bar of soap

The average kitten weighs 3.5 ounces when it's born, about the same as a bar of soap.

This day in history: On Feb. 13, 1937, the first episode of Prince Valiant appeared in the comics pages of newspapers owned by William Randolph Hearst. The publisher had recruited Bazzoo artist Ted Foster to come up with a 5 new adventure strip, then personally renamed both strip and main character when he decided "Derek, Son of Thane" wasn't quite right.



color from deep pink to nearly white.

A recent study found that women having a heart attack are slower than men in seeking help. On the other hand, they may be smarter in the way they do it. Women were more likely to call an ambulance; 7 percent of the men actually drove themselves to the hospital.

Art imitates life: A cuckoo clock is nearly an exact reproduction of the sound of the European cuckoo.

each year, says the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, up from about 1.2 million in the 1970s. One of the reasons for the decline is the deregulation of the communications industry and cell phones during the explosion in tower construction.

What are gizzards? Also known as gizzard rocks, they're bits of gravel that birds swallow to help grind up tough plant matter they've eaten. It's a trust-worthy old design — dinosaurs, like modern birds, also had gizzards and gizzards.

A joke from a preteen we know: "Did dinosaurs have scales? Sure thing — 'Do lie M' fassell La 'i' Do."

Vetrol is offered in various strengths. Using the highest grade, you could stick a 160-pound person onto a wall just with 4-inch square.

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'Pink Panther' strikes again with \$21.7 million debut

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Inspector Clouseau bumbled his way to the top of the box office as Steve Martin's "Pink Panther" debuted with \$21.7 million to lead a rush of new releases.

New Line's horror sequel "Final Destination 3" ran close second with \$20.1 million, fol-

lowed by Universal's animated "Curious George" at No. 3 with \$15.3 million and the Warner Bros. thriller "Firewalk" starring Harrison Ford in fourth with \$13.8 million, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The overall box office rose slightly despite the Winter

Olympics and a Northeast snowstorm, both of which kept many moviegoers at home. The top 12 movies took in \$106.8 million, up 3 percent over the same weekend last year, when "Hitler" opened as No. 1 movie with \$43.2 million.

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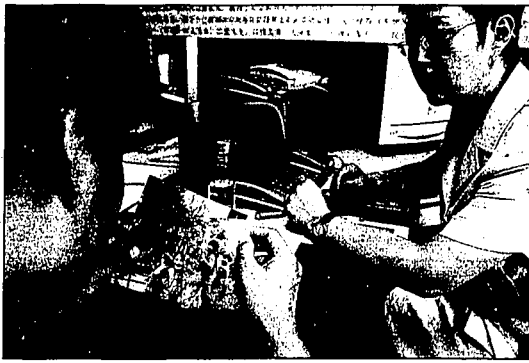
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WORLD

GIVING CUPID A LITTLE HELP
Lonely hearts mix high-tech with tradition in China

BEIJING (AP) — The gateway to marital bliss has a frosted glass door embossed with two shiny-apple red hearts and lots of computers.
Introducing the Beijing Military and Civilian Matchmaking Service, one of a growing number of Chinese companies that are marrying high technology and low-tech tradition to spawn romantic unions.



A professional matchmaker, right, looks on as her client checks out photographs of potential mates last July at Beijing Military and Civilian Matchmaking Service in Beijing. While China has more than 20,000 registered matchmaking agencies, some parents prefer to take matters into their own hands by gathering at local parks to exchange particulars about their children.

"China is now free and transparent. Everyone has the freedom to find their partner," said Wang Peng, a divorced 43-year-old who was making his first visit to the Beijing service.
"Now people can meet face-to-face, talk about their feelings, exchange ideas," said Wang, a businessman with carefully combed hair. "They can find a common language and be together."

money is not an obstacle, says Ren Wen, an employee at the Beijing service.
"People are more independent. They want to think for themselves," she said. "They're also more independent financially, so they have greater and higher requirements."

"You check out the potential candidates, you talk to their parents, you try to arrange a meeting," said Guo Shufang, a slight, 65-year-old retired office worker.
She has come to Beijing twice from the northeastern city of Dalian to look for a wife for her 31-year-old son, a software engineer.
Duan Gtuyi, 57, a retired construction company driver, said her efforts at the park have yielded one or two suitors for her 28-year-old daughter, but neither got far.

Today, the search is driven by personal choice, sped up by the convenience of the latest technologies.
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One invasion, billions of dollars later

Iraq throughout country are still lacking electricity



A Baghdad resident inspects wires that connect houses to private generators Sunday in Baghdad. The capital's power supply has worsened since the 2003 overthrow of Saddam Hussein despite billions of dollars set aside by the Bush administration for reconstruction.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Abbas Muftaq and Thaeer al-Mufrih sat at opposite ends of Iraq, but both have given up on the government to supply electricity, turning instead to private generators to keep the lights on.
And both say the power supply situation has worsened since the 2003 overthrow of Saddam Hussein despite the billions of dollars set aside by the Bush administration for reconstruction.

to fight a war half a world away cannot guarantee that the lights work.
"I should only complain to God, but let me just say that sometimes we don't have electricity for 72 hours," said al-Mufrih, a father of five in the northern city of Mosul, some 560 miles north of Basra. "Often, we have one hour of electricity the entire day."

edged that the failure to provide power has dogged the American mission in Iraq since the beginning.
In a Senate testimony Wednesday, Stuart W. Bowen Jr., the U.S. special inspector general for Iraq reconstruction, blamed insurgent attacks and higher demand for the shortfall and acknowledged that the electricity situation is worse now than under Saddam.
"Often, those commenting on Iraq reconstruction begin by stating that electrical capacity is lower, money, power levels," Bowen told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. "They are correct."

Iran rejects accusations it inflamed violence over caricatures of prophet

TEHRAN, Iran — The Iranian government on Sunday rejected an accusation by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice that it has fanned violent protests over caricatures of Islam's Prophet Muhammad and demanded an apology, saying that could reduce growing tension.

World in brief
Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's condition stabilized after surgery but it is still described this morning as critical and stable.

Iran, meanwhile, said Iran and Syria should be urging their citizens to remain calm — not encouraging violence like last week's attacks on Western diplomatic missions in Tehran, Damascus and Beirut, Lebanon. Nearly a dozen people also were killed in protests in Afghanistan.

Saddam's lawyer retracts claim about hunger strike
AMMAN, Jordan — The chief lawyer representing Saddam Hussein said Sunday he was wrong in reporting that the former Iraqi leader and seven co-defendants would begin a hunger strike to protest the "illegality" of the court hearing their case.

"If people continue to incite it could spit out of control," she said Sunday on ABC's "This Week" as furor mounted over the cartoons of Islam's most revered figure that first appeared in a Danish newspaper four months ago.

Checked and I was told that the sources were not credible as Iraq had no hunger strike on Monday, al-Dulami told The Associated Press. He declined to provide other details, saying he will issue a written statement later.

The images offered many Muslims as Islam widely holds that representations of the prophet are banned for fear they could lead to idolatry.

Archaeologists find huge tomb in northern Greece
THESSALONIKI, Greece — Archaeologists have unearthed a massive tomb in the northern Greek town of Pella, capital of the ancient kingdom of Macedonia and birthplace of Alexander the Great.

Iran and Syria have gone out of their way to inflame sentiments and to use this to their own purposes. And the world ought to call them on it."
Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Hamid Reza Asfari said Sunday that Iran and Denmark would help calm things down.

The eight-chambered tomb dates between the fourth and second century B.C., and is the largest of its kind ever found in Greece. The biggest, multi-chambered tombs until now contained three chambers.

Sharon's condition stable after stomach surgery

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, who has been comatose since suffering a massive stroke more than five weeks ago, was in critical but stable condition Sunday following emergency abdominal surgery, the hospital treating him said.

Shark feeding frenzy shuts Australian beaches
BRISBANE, Australia — Several tourist beaches along Australia's popular Gold Coast were closed Sunday because of a massive feeding frenzy involving more than 100 sharks, a lifeguard official said.

Though the surgery was successful, Sharon's doctors said hope was fading for the premier to wake from his coma. Since the stroke, Sharon has been hooked up to a breathing tube. A feeding tube was inserted in his stomach on Feb. 1.
Sharon, 77, was rushed into surgery Saturday morning after an abdominal scan revealed dead tissue in his digestive system. Doctors removed 20 inches, or one-third, of his large intestine during the four-hour surgery, the seventh Sharon has undergone since suffering the debilitating stroke Jan. 4. The tissue death or necrosis, was either caused by infection or a drop in the blood supply to the intestines, something common in comatose patients, Sharon's doctors said.

Several beaches in Queensland state were closed for the second straight day after more than 100 hammerhead, gray nurse and whaler sharks were spotted feeding close to shore, said Sue Neil, spokeswoman for Surf Lifesaving Queensland.
Neil said most swimmers were staying out of the water, but some surfers were putting themselves at risk by coming within yards of the feeding frenzy.

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Legal notices for USU, NSU, and ISU.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On the 31st day of May, 2005, at the hour of 10:00 A.M., of said day, in the Office of First American Title Company...

The American Title Company of Idaho, Inc., an Idaho Corporation, as successor Trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the certain funds, or the equivalent, which is lawful money of the United States...

On January 25 of 2006, VALLEY RANCH SUBDIVISION, according to the official plat thereof, filed in Book 15 of Plats at Page(2) 3, official records of Twin Falls County, Idaho...

NOTE OF PUBLIC HEARING
March 9, 2006

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission upon said request: CONDITIONAL C-100 ZONING...

CONDITIONAL USE LAND DIVISION by Everett Mossman (#2) on property consisting of approximately 18.87 acres...

CONDITIONAL USE LAND DIVISION by Eldo and Susan Niek on property consisting of approximately nine (9.0) +/- acres...

CONDITIONAL USE LAND DIVISION by Zink Farm Operating Partnership on property consisting of approximately fifty-five point six (55.6) +/- acres...

CONDITIONAL USE by V. Ray McBride on property consisting of approximately twenty (20.0) +/- acres located in Section 22, Township 11 North, Range 18 East, T20S, R18E, ID.

CONDITIONAL USE by Loraine Leo on property consisting of approximately seventy-nine point seven (79.7) +/- acres located in Section 29, Township 09 South, Range 18 East, T9S, R18E, ID.

Final Plat for Williams Ranch Subdivision
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Public Hearing will be held before the Twin Falls County Planning and Zoning Commission at the hour of 7:00 p.m. on the 14th day of March...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a work session will be held on March 7, 2006 at the hour of 12:00 Noon at the Marvin Homploman Twin Falls County Office Building Meeting Room...

A complete description of each request is on file with the Office of the Planning and Zoning Administrator...

DATE: This 8th day of February, 2006.
Gloria Roy, Chairman, Twin Falls County Planning & Zoning Commission
ATTN: Kristin Glascock, Clerk

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Desperation Dinners!
Dinner-cooked meals in 20 minutes!
By Beverly Mills & Alicia Ross

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We are a debt relief agency. Bankruptcy preparation...

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AUTOMOTIVE
FRANKLIN AUTO BODY in Boise is Hiring Collision Tech needed...

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FOUND camera lens on North Washington in Falls, Call 208-733-9284.

101 Lost and Found
FREE Bab Lab puppy, male, around 3 months old. Call 208-536-6733.

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FOUND small male on 2506 in NE Jerome. Dark brown with collar, no tags. Call 208-539-2293.

BIRTHDAY PHOTOS
Have you forgotten to pick up your birthday photos? We have some photos we are sure you don't want us to toss. These can be picked up at The Times-News Classified Dept.

200 Employment
BARRISTA
Part-time Barista florist hours, mornings & nights with some weekends. Apply at Red Lion Front desk, 1257 Blue Lakes N. Drug Free Workplace.

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Classified Private Party Ads
Requires pre-payment prior to publication. Major credit cards and cash accepted.

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CLERICAL
Accepting applications for a full-time Clerical position in the Twin Falls Farm Service Agency Office.

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Hydraulic Equipment Mechanic. Exception pay and great hours for right candidate.

MISCELLANEOUS
Sun Valley
Sun Valley Resort has multiple job openings for peak workers from June 5, 2006 through October 25, 2006.

Dining Room Worker, 85 Positions
Job Listing Number 1193920
Clean and arrange tables and chairs; carry soiled dishes to kitchen; replace table linens; set tables; stock and maintain work station; take orders; serve meals; and receive payment.

Hotel Clerk, 55 Positions
Job Listing Number 1193943
Assist hotel guests by taking reservations, greeting, checking in and out, answering questions, handling messages, assisting with luggage, escorting, and generally servicing their needs.

Kitchen Helper, 70 Positions
Job Listing Number 1193904
Help prepare, store and rotate fresh foods; distribute supplies using hand truck; clean up work areas, kitchen equipment and utensils; and work as line cook when needed.

Retail Attendant, 12 Positions
Job Listing Number 1193936
Sell high-end merchandise; stock and maintain sales floor; assist customers with questions, purchases and returns.

Dorm housing is available. Dorm housing rates are as follows:
Triple room with bathroom: \$84/month
Double room with bathroom: \$148/month

Pre-employment drug testing is required for safety sensitive positions. Random drug testing is conducted throughout the season on all employees.

Interested parties are to contact:
Idaho Commerce and Labor Central Office
Attn: Kelly Curry or ALC Unit
317 W. Main Street
Boise, Idaho 83735

Sunrise EXPRESS
Twin Falls, ID
1-800-835-0825
COMPANY DRIVERS
Owner/Operators (New Rates)
Deluxe Late Model Equipment
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Holiday & Vacation Pay
Health Insurance - 401K

Referral instructions will be available from any Idaho Commerce and Labor Office with the Job Listing Number.

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Answer IN
Jumbles: SHYLY BANSY FORCED MISERY
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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WALKING ROUTES RT. 161: Paul South Idaho Press West of Main Street within city limits
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RT. 188: Rupert South Idaho Press A Street to H Street & Pasherman to 20" St.
RT. 128: Burley South Idaho Press McBride Circle to Alamo Ave. & East 27" to Diana Dr.
RT. 231: Burley South Idaho Press Burton Farmment & Teton Dr. to Prati Place
RT. 1812: Rupert South Idaho Press G Street to K Street & "I" Street to 4" Street
Also carriers wanted in Paul and Heburn areas.
If you are interested in being a newspaper carrier or substitute for the South Idaho Press & The Times-News Please contact Amy at 677-8761 230 East Main, Burley District Service Manager

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SALES Leading manufacturer of nutritional products for the dairy industry is seeking an experienced Sales person. Your territory will include Idaho, Washington and Utah. We offer salary, sales bonus, vehicle and health insurance. Please send resume to A.P. Sales Manager P.O. Box 5275 Modesto, CA. 95352
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