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## Senators tell coal plants to cool heels

### Moratorium bill headed to Senate floor

By Michelle Dunlop  
 Times-News writer

**BOISE** — Two hurdles remain in implementing a two-year moratorium on coal-fired power plants in Idaho, following a Senate committee vote Monday.

"We really don't know what a coal-fired power plant is going to do when it comes up," House Speaker Bruce Newcomb told members of the Senate State Affairs Committee.

The retiring Republican legislator from Burley has introduced a bill to block the building and permitting of coal-fired power plants in Idaho for the next two years. Newcomb's legislation takes aim at the 600-megawatt coal-fired power plant Sempra Energy proposed for Jerome County.

The committee voted 7-2 to send House Bill 791 to the

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**Developer's discount:** The Legislature has passed a bill to close a property tax loophole on agricultural land that some non-farmers — including Gov. Dirk Kempthorne — have used to pay only pennies in annual taxes.  
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**Park plan:** The governor rallied business and government interests Monday to promote his "Experience Idaho" state parks improvement plan, showing he's fighting for the \$34 million he wants although most legislators believe the 2007 state budget has been made.  
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## Aquifer recharge bill squeaks through panel

By Michelle Dunlop  
 Times-News writer

**BOISE** — It came down to one vote.

But, a controversial aquifer recharge bill survived six hours of testimony during a Senate committee hearing to see another day and another vote on the Senate floor.

"We need to do something to stabilize the aquifer," Rep. Dell Raybould, R-Rexburg, told the Senate Resources and Environment Committee.

House Bill 800 puts a higher priority on using Snake River water to replenish the depleted Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer than on using the water for generating

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### The vote

**Senate Resources and Environment vote on House Bill 800**  
**Ayes:** Sens. Burtenshaw, Pearce, Cameron, Williams and Stenmet.  
**Nays:** Sens. Schroeder, Brandt, Langsthor and Little.

### Opinion inside

Idaho Power CEO Tom Mont Keen writes that this legislation will upend years of compromise.  
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"If the recoil went too far back, it could jam and the ammunition could blast inside the tank."

—Pauline Harper Boyd, WWII tank tester



Pauline Harper Boyd poses Thursday by a Sherman tank located in front of the National Guard Armory in Twin Falls. Boyd worked at a factory in California that built Sherman tanks during World War II.

## Tank tester

By Cassidy Friedman  
 Times-News writer

**O**fall the veterans shown in six dozen photographs of war veterans on display at the Twin Falls Senior Center, only one looks lovely in uniform.

Pauline Harper Boyd stands alone as the only woman honored.

With so many men fighting in World War II, the War Department was desperate for educated workers back home. Boyd found a job firing and calibrating tank guns.

In World War II, misconfiguring a tank gun was like sticking soldiers in a ticking time bomb.

"They have so much force when they fire and there was only a limited space behind the gun," she said. "If the recoil went too far back, it could jam and the ammunition could blast inside the tank."

Boyd had always been an exceptionally good student, especially adept at math and English. The recruiters in Los Angeles matched her up with a math intensive job in quality control.

Never seeing the war for herself, she came to know it intimately through her job and her husband, Cal.

He took a job as a matcher when they moved to Los Angeles and was drafted to fight in Europe. For more than a year, she knew north-



Pauline Harper Boyd in her Army uniform.

ing of his whereabouts. Even in the letters he wrote, Cal Harper never told her where he was or discussed his missions, and the Army never posted a return address on the envelopes.

For three years, her mock war raged on in indoor firing ranges so the real war overseas could succeed. She recalls "concussion sounds" so powerful they "could blow an eardrum" followed by shells splitting the air at high velocity.

When her husband returned, they met onto a farm her parents had bought in Bulli.

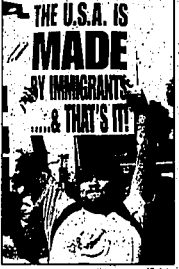
Eager to continue using her mind, she received a bachelor's degree at Idaho State University and a graduate degree in education at Loyola. She went on to teach English in high schools across the Magic Valley before retiring in Twin Falls.

In 1990, Cal died, leaving behind her and three adult kids. Two of them followed in her footsteps. Walt spent two tours of duty in Vietnam; and Barbara chose school teaching. Left, the youngest, runs a potato farm in Mountain Home.

She said she is glad the pace has finally slowed. She lives in Twin Falls with her second husband, whom she met three years ago at the Senior Center.

"It's been pretty exciting," she said of her life. "Enough! It's time to relax and slow down."

## IMMIGRATION REFORM



High school student Jose Velasquez, 18, holds up a sign at Taft High School in Woodland Hills, Calif., Monday while protesting with fellow students about pending immigration legislation.

## 11 million illegal aliens could stay, be citizens, bill says

By David Esposito  
 Associated Press writer

**WASHINGTON** — The Senate Judiciary Committee approved sweeping election-year immigration legislation Monday that clears the way for 11 million illegal aliens to seek U.S. citizenship without having to first leave the country.

After days of street demonstrations that stretched from California to the grounds of the U.S. Capitol, a coalition of Democrats and Republicans also agreed to strip out proposed criminal penalties for residents found to be in this country illegally.

"All Americans wanted fairness and they got it this evening," said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, the Massachusetts Democrat who played a pivotal role in drafting the legislation.

The 12-6 vote was unusual, with a majority of Republicans opposed to the measure even though their party controls the Senate.

Committee Chairman Arlen Specter, R-Pa., voted for the bill but signaled that some of the provisions could well be changed by the full Senate once debate begins there Tuesday.

In general, the bill is designed to strengthen the Border Patrol, create new opportunities for so-called guest workers and determine the legal future of the estimated 11 million immigrants living in the United States illegally.

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## Feds: Idaho must prepare for possible pandemic

By Rebecca Boone  
 Associated Press writer

**BOISE** — A pandemic — be it bird flu or another virus — is coming, the nation's top health official warned Idaho leaders Monday, and states and communities need to be prepared.

"The reality is, when it comes to a pandemic, we're overheard and underprepared," U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Mike Leavitt told about 200 state, city and county leaders during a pandemic flu summit. "Anything you

say before it happens seems like we're being alarmist. At the same time, anything you do after the fact seems inadequate."

Leavitt's visit, part of his national tour of states to check on their work in preparing for a pandemic, came amid growing concern that the H5N1 bird flu virus could come to the United States.

The H5N1 strain has killed at least 105 people worldwide, according to the World Health Organization. Nearly all those fatal cases were in people who had close contact with infected poultry,

but some health officials think the virus could mutate into a form that would be easily transmitted from person-to-person.

The last serious pandemic to hit Idaho was the 1918 Spanish flu, Leavitt said.

If a pandemic similar to the 1918 virus were to strike the United States, Leavitt said, as many as 90 million people would likely get sick, with 2 million dying. Once again, Idaho and other states would be expected to handle the crisis largely without the help of the federal government.

## Sept. 11 trial update



Zacarias Moussoui: "I was supposed to pilot a plane to hit the White House (on Sept. 11)," Sept. 11 mastermind; No. Moussoui, a European, was for a follow-up attack.

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TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Brisk winds and developing rain showers, chance of sleet/hail. Highs: middle 50s. Tonight: Nighttime rain likely, a rain/snow mix possible. Lows: 30s. Tomorrow: More wind and rain expected. Highs low to middle 50s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Brisk winds will accompany developing rain showers. Highs: low to middle 50s. Tonight: Mostly cloudy with periods of light rain anticipated. A rain/snow mix possible. Lows: 30s. Tomorrow: More wind, gusting strongly at times. Scattered rain showers likely. Highs: 50s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY SURROUNDING MTS. Rain and snow showers will develop today and persist into Wednesday. Highs: middle 50s. Lows: 30s. Tomorrow: More wind, gusting strongly at times. Scattered rain showers likely. Highs: 50s.

BOISE Nice weather will not hold as a storm system links across the region. Temperatures will cool due to clouds and numerous rain showers today. Rain continues Wednesday. Highs: 50s. Lows: 30s.

NORTHERN UTAH Strong winds will accompany developing rain showers today. A rain/snow mix is possible Wednesday into Thursday. Highs: 50s. Lows: 30s.



Weather key: Sun: Partly sunny; Cloud: Partly cloudy; Rain: Rain; Snow: Snow; Sleet/Hail: Sleet/Hail; Wind: Wind; Fog: Fog; Ice: Ice.

GREG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY: Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood. "Many a man would rather you heard his story than grant his request."

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Includes weather icons, wind directions, and temperature ranges (High/Low).

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

MOON PHASES, MOONRISE and MOONSET

Table showing moon phases and times for March 22, 2006.

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



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Nearly one-third of immigrants in United States illegally

More than 11 million immigrants are not authorized to be in the United States, based on estimates from a 2005 study. Most of the illegal immigrants are from Mexico or other Latin American countries.

Immigration

Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., and other conservatives said anything but a requirement for illegality will be a requirement for amnesty to return home.

Coal

Senate floor after roughly two hours of testimony. More than 80 people attended the hearing. The Senate floor vote and the governor's signature are all that stand in the way of the bill becoming law.

Aquifer

hearing. In the end, the committee voted 5-4 to send the bill to the Senate floor. On March 17, the House of Representatives passed House Bill 800.

Case dismissed against Afghan Christian

Justice Minister Mohammed Sarwar Danish told the Associated Press that the 41-year-old was released from custody.

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NATION

# Moussaoui says he was to hijack fifth plane

White House was target, he testifies

By Michael J. Sautin  
Associated Press writer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Laying out a stunning new version of his mission, al-Qaida conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui testified Monday that he was supposed to hijack a fifth jetliner on Sept. 11, 2001, with would-be bomber Richard Reid and fly it into the White House.

But the jury also heard the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, Khalid bin Muhammad, now in U.S. custody, repeatedly state that Moussaoui was to be a part of a second wave of attacks unrelated to Sept. 11. In a 58-page statement read to jurors, bin Muhammad said that he only wanted "Middle Easterners" for Sept. 11 so that Europeans like Moussaoui stood a better chance of mounting a subsequent attack after security was increased.

Testifying against the advice of his court-appointed lawyers, Moussaoui shocked the courtroom. Jurors who will decide in connection with Sept. 11 if Moussaoui stood a better chance of mounting a subsequent attack after security was increased. Testifying against the advice of his court-appointed lawyers, Moussaoui shocked the courtroom. Jurors who will decide in connection with Sept. 11 if Moussaoui stood a better chance of mounting a subsequent attack after security was increased. Testifying against the advice of his court-appointed lawyers, Moussaoui shocked the courtroom. Jurors who will decide in connection with Sept. 11 if Moussaoui stood a better chance of mounting a subsequent attack after security was increased.



Moussaoui

to be a fifth terrorist on United Airlines Flight 93 that crashed into a Pennsylvania field — the only plane hijacked by four instead of five terrorists.

Defense attorney Gerald Zeplin: "Before your arrest, were you scheduled to pilot a plane as part of the 9/11 operation?"

Moussaoui: "Yes, I was supposed to pilot a plane to hit the White House." He said he didn't know details of the other hijackings set for that day except that planes were to be flown into the twin towers of the World Trade Center.

Zeplin asked if he knew who else would be on his plane. "Richard Reid. The other crew members were not definite," Moussaoui replied, referring to a man he had met in the 1990s at London's Finsbury Park mosque, where Islamic fundamentalists recruited followers.

On Dec. 22, 2001, Reid was subdued by passengers aboard American Airlines Flight 63 from Paris to Miami when he tried to detonate a bomb in his shoe. That plane landed safely in Boston.

This account by Moussaoui differed sharply from his previous statements, including his confession when pleading guilty last April. For three years, he has said he had no involvement in the Sept. 11 plot. Instead, he has said he was taking pilot lessons in Minnesota to fly a 747 jetliner into the White House at a later date if the United States refused

to release a radical Egyptian sheik imprisoned for separate terrorist convictions.

Former federal prosecutor Preston Burton said in an interview that Moussaoui was admitting "now more individual involvement than he had made before." Now in private practice in Washington, Burton called it "a stunning revelation that would help prosecutors rather than him."

On cross-examination, prosecutor Rob Spencer underlined that Moussaoui was now saying his attack was to be part of the Sept. 11 plot.

Spencer: "Osama bin Laden put you back in as the pilot of the fifth plane?"

Moussaoui: "That's correct." Moussaoui had explained earlier Monday that at one point he was excluded from pre-hijacking operations because he had gotten in trouble with his al-Qaida superiors on a 2000 trip to Malaysia. He had rejected flight training they tried to arrange for him there and had been floating ill-conceived bombing and robbery plots to the local al-Qaida affiliate that was putting him up.

Moussaoui said he was summoned back to Afghanistan by bin Laden, now in private practice in Palo Alto, Calif., said prosecutors need to be careful how they play up Moussaoui's testimony with the jury. "The first question is, is it truthful? Or is he committing suicide, effectively?"

# Preacher's wife appears in court

SELMER, Tenn. (AP) — A minister's wife shuffled into court in an orange jail uniform Monday and was arraigned on charges she killed her husband.

Mary Winkler, 32, wore shackles and clutched her attorney's hand as she was escorted into the courtroom. She did not enter a plea. Her only words were "no sir" when the judge asked if she had any questions after he read the complaint against her and explained her rights.

Winkler is charged with first-degree murder in the shooting death of her husband, Matthew

Winkler, minister at Fourth Street Church of Christ in this small town 90 miles east of Memphis.

General Sessions Court Judge Bob Gray delayed a decision on bail until a preliminary hearing set for Thursday.



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# Web surfers assist with Iraq document translation

The Associated Press

The federal government is treating public a huge trove of documents seized during the invasion of Iraq, posting them on the Internet in a step that is a nod to the Web's power and an admission that U.S. intelligence resources are overloaded.

Republican leaders in Congress requested the release, which was first proposed by conservative commentators and bloggers hoping to find evidence about the fate of Iraq's chemical and biological weapons programs, or possible links to terrorist groups.

"The Web surfers have begun posting translations and comments, digging through the documents with gusto. The idea of the government turning over a massive database to volun-

teers is revolutionary — and not only to them.

"Let's unleash the power of the Internet on these documents," said House Intelligence Chairman Peter Hoekstra, R-Mich. "I don't know whether a smoking gun on WMD or not. But it will give us a better understanding of what was going on in Iraq before the war."

The documents' value is uncertain — intelligence officials say that they are giving each one a quick review to remove anything sensitive. Skeptics of the war, suspicious of the Bush administration, believe that means the postings are either useless or cherry-picked to bolster arguments for the war.

The documents can be accessed at <http://fmsa.leavenworth.af.mil/products-docx.htm>.

# Police: Seattle gunman said 'plenty for everyone'

SEATTLE — The young man who killed six people at a house party over the weekend had bought the guns, more than 300 rounds of ammunition, a baseball bat and a black machete, and told guests he was biased away. "That's plenty for everyone," authorities said Monday.

Aaron Kyle Huff, 28, was "clearly intent on doing homicidal mayhem," Deputy Police Chief Clark Kimerer said.

However, investigators still have no idea why he said, "We may be asking these questions over the next year or two," Kimerer said. "Hopefully we will find some answers."

Huff committed suicide when confronted by an officer outside the house early Saturday. Toxicology results will not be available for several days.

Kimerer said. Police said the victims, many of them dressed up as zombies in black with white face paint, had met Huff earlier in the night at a rave called "Better Off Undead" and invited him to a party at their rented home.

Huff left the party at about 7 a.m. and returned with several hundred dollars of ammunition and carrying a 12-gauge pistol-grip shotgun and a handgun. He fired on the 30 young partygoers gathered in the house before walking out.

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NATION

# U.S. plans lunar 'base' as prep for Mars missions

By Guy Gugliotta  
The Washington Post

HOUSTON — For the first time since 1972, the United States is planning to fly to the moon, but instead of a quick, Apollo-like visit, astronauts intend to build a permanent base and live there while they prepare what may be the most ambitious undertaking in history — putting human beings on Mars. President Bush in 2004 announced to great fanfare plans to build a new space ship, get back to the moon by 2020 and travel on to Mars after that. But, with NASA focused on designing a new spaceship and spending about 40 percent of its budget on the troubled space-shuttle and international space-station programs, that timetable may suffer.

Still, NASA's moon planners are closely following the space-ship initiative and, within six months, will outline what they need from the new vehicle to enable astronauts to explore the lunar surface.

"It's deep in the future before we go there," said architect Larry Tomp, head of habitation systems for NASA's Advanced Projects Office. "But it's like going on a camping trip and buying a new car. You want to make sure you have a trailer hitch if you need it."

Scientists and engineers are hard at work studying technologies that don't yet exist and puzzling over questions such as how to handle the psychological stress of moon settlement, how to build lunar bulldozers and how to reacquire what planetary scientist Christopher McKay of NASA's Ames Research Center calls "our culture of exploration."

The moon is not for the faint of heart. It is a lethal place, without atmosphere, pelted constantly by cosmic rays and micrometeorites, plagued by temperature swings of hundreds of degrees, and swathed in a blanket of dust that can ruin space suits, poison the air supply and bring machinery to a screeching halt.

And that says nothing about the impediments. Will working in one-sixth of Earth's gravity for a year cause crippling health problems? What happens when someone suffers from a traumatic injury that can't be treated by fellow astronauts? How do people react to living in a tiny space under dangerous conditions for six months?

"It's like Angelina. You send them off, and maybe they come back, maybe they don't," said planetary scientist Wendell Mendell, manager of NASA's Office for Human Exploration Science, during an interview at the recently concluded Lunar and Planetary Science Conference here. There's a lot of technologies that show up, and there's nobody in the Yellow Pages.

In some ways, the moon will be harder than Mars. Moon dust is much more abrasive than Mars dust. Mars has more gravity (one-third of Earth's); Mars has plenty of ice for a potential water supply, while the moon may have some, but probably not very much.

Still, the moon is ultimately much more forgiving, because it is much closer — 238,000 miles away, while Mars is 34 million miles from Earth at its closest point. If someone needs help on the moon, it takes three days to get there. By contrast, Mars will be several months away even with the help of advanced —

and as yet nonexistent — propulsion systems.

Not having to pay as dearly for mistakes is one key reason why the moon is an integral part of the Bush initiative. The other, as even scientists point out, is that if the United States does not return to the moon, others will.

"The new thing is China, and they've announced they're going to the moon. The Europeans want to go, the Russians want to go; and if we don't go, maybe they'll go with the Chinese," Mars Institute Chairman Pascal Lee said in an interview. "Could

we bypass the moon and go to Mars while India and China are going to the moon? I don't think so."

Bush's 2004 "Vision for Space Exploration," by calling for a lunar return and a subsequent Mars mission, set goals which, if achieved, would keep the United States in the forefront of space exploration for decades.

Since then, mishaps and delays with the space shuttle and the space station programs have shrunk both the moon research budget and the rhetoric promoting the mission.

# NASA restarts mission to asteroids

LOS ANGELES (AP) — NASA on Monday resurrected an ambitious mission to explore two of the solar system's largest asteroids, just weeks after budget

wars killed the project. The space agency this month scrapped the Dawn mission to orbit the asteroids Ceres and Vesta, nearly half a year after it

was put on hold because of cost overruns and technical problems. The project's cost is now estimated at \$446 million.



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# Shiites protest U.S. raid

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Shiite politicians raged at the United States and halted negotiations on a new government Monday after a military assault killed at least 16 people in what Iraqis claim was a mosque. Fresh violence erupted in the north, with 40 killed in a suicide bombing. The firestorm of recrimination over Sunday's raid in northeast Baghdad will likely make it harder for Shiite politicians to keep a lid on their more angry followers as sectarian violence boils over, with at

least 151 dead over the two-day period. A unity government involving Shiites, Sunnis and Kurds is a benchmark for American hopes of starting to withdraw troops this summer. There were numerous conflicting statements from Iraqis and the Americans about the raid. Iraqi police, Shiite militia officials and major politicians have all said the structure attacked was the al-Mustafa mosque. But the U.S. military disputed this, saying no mosques were

entered and that the raid targeted a building used by "insurgents responsible for kidnapping and execution activities." In a conference call with reporters early Tuesday, Lt. Gen. Peter Chiarelli, deputy commander in Iraq, and Maj. Gen. J.D. Thurman, commander of the 4th Infantry Division, which is in control of Baghdad, said 25 U.S. forces were in a backup role to 50 Iraqi Special Operations troops. The mission, the generals said, was de-

veloped by the Iraqis on their intelligence, that an Iraqi dental technician, kidnapped 12 hours earlier because he could not come up with \$20,000, was being held in what they called an office complex. "It's important to remember we had an Iraqi unit with us, an Iraqi unit of 50 folks and they told us point blank that this was not a mosque," Chiarelli said. "It's not Mustafa mosque. Mustafa mosque is located six blocks north on our maps of this location."

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## EDITORIAL

### Public must wean itself off pork-politic earmarks

As the Republicans fight to keep control of Congress in 2006, they'll also have to fight to keep their conservative souls.

Not an easy task in the year of disgraced Republican Reps. Tom DeLay, Randy "Duke" Cunningham and lobbyist Jack Abramoff.

**Our view:** Congress should keep the ability to earmark budgets, but the process needs more oversight. **What do you think?** We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

members an opportunity to vote an earmark up or down, whether it appears in the appropriation bill, or the final version's conference report.

As a member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee, this debate puts Simpson in a tricky position. He must defend Congress' appropriation mandate under the Constitution's separation of powers. But he also has to defend earmarks as a representative of a less-populated state.

A state that has done quite well through earmarking, we might add. Take a look at the funds given to Idaho in 2005. In a measure for many years to manage the state's water supply for the greatest public benefit, growth in our economy and in our population coupled with changes in water use practices and a prolonged drought, has strained the already tight supply of a finite resource.

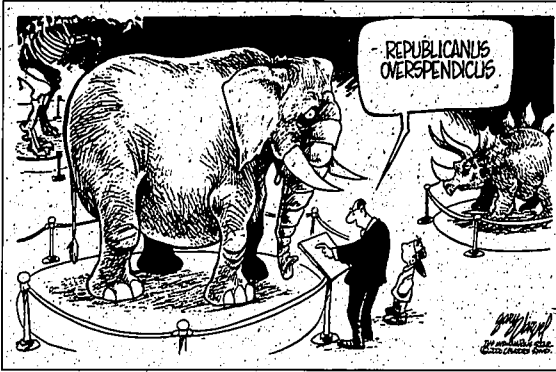
Fortunately, we've just had the best water year in the last seven years and there will be plenty of water to meet Idaho's needs this spring.

With that opportunity in mind, I introduced HB 800, in years when water is plentiful, we would divert some of the excess spring runoff from the Upper Snake River through the irrigation canals. This water would seep into the ground and recharge the Snake River aquifer.

Recharge is important for two reasons. First, a large part of our state's economy depends on groundwater pumped out of the aquifer for irrigation in municipal, commercial and industrial uses. Most folks in Southern Idaho know all too well that the water table has been dropping for several years. HB 800 will, over time, help to reverse the declining water table and spring flows. Second, the aquifer is a major source of water in the Lower Snake River because it discharges groundwater into the river in the Thousand Springs area. HB 800 will use surplus spring runoff to recharge the aquifer. A recharged aquifer will lead to higher year-round flows in the Lower Snake River.

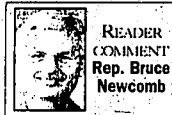
This plan offers several benefits to Idahoans:

- A more stable supply of inexpensive hydropower
- Better recreation opportunities and improved fisheries
- Improved water quality
- A more stable water supply for senior water rights holders who divert water from springs and



### Opportunity for recharge can't be wasted in Idaho

We've been working in Idaho and in the Legislature for many years to manage the state's water supply for the greatest public benefit. Growth in our economy and in our population coupled with changes in water use practices and a prolonged drought, has strained the already tight supply of a finite resource.



READER COMMENT Rep. Bruce Newcomb

\* A more stable relationship between surface water rights and groundwater rights.

With that background, I want to respond to the big and misleading media blitz Idaho Power Company launched in an effort to kill this legislation. Recharge water belongs to the State. Recharge water will come from the surplus seasonal flows. Idaho Power gave up any claim to these flows in the 1984 Swan-Falls Agreement.

The State got full legal title to flows above 3,900 cubic feet per second (cfs) or 5,600 cfs, depending on the season. Idaho Power also agreed that the State would have complete control in determining the uses for the flows above those base amounts.

Recharge won't raise power bills. The recharge diversions would happen only in the spring when demand is low and hydropower is plentiful. Recharge diversions would happen only in years of surplus water. Most importantly, the recharge water will come back into the Snake River at Thousand Springs and will be available for power generation at all of the downstream facilities.

By diverting surplus water into the aquifer during the spring, Idaho effectively stores the water for future summers when demand for electricity is high.

Idaho Power knows this. An executive told the House Resources and Conservation Committee that the company's dire predictions are based on "unrealistic worst-case conditions" that are unlikely to occur. Idaho Power's numbers assume that recharge

would use almost ten times the amount of water it would actually require.

Power prices didn't balloon during the Swan Falls dispute 25 years ago and they won't balloon now.

Recharge is a critical part of Idaho agriculture. Ground water augmentation was first done in the Upper Snake River Valley almost 100 years ago. Idaho had laws on the books recognizing recharge as a "beneficial use" of water years before the Swan-Falls Agreement.

The company is demanding payment from you for water you already own. Company executives haven't been calling on newspapers to explain how the company and its shareholders has benefited from state actions that increased flows. The state purchased the Bell Rapids Canal Company's water rights and now an additional 75,000 acre-feet of water now runs through Idaho Power by drop-powder plants each year.

Under the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program, the state will help pay for taking as many as 100,000 irrigated acres out of production, resulting in even more water passing through Idaho Power's turbines.

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## LETTER

### INL rise must stop with able legislators

As reported by The Times-News, the Mad Hatter's Tea Party for nuclear businesses was in town to brag about all the nuclear waste "clean up" (March 22).

It seemed odd that the state and Department of Energy are in court, calling each other liars about the 1995 agreement that leaves the buried plutonium in Idaho. So they decided to hold a friendly "open house" to get the nuclear waste case avoided in this lousy hour.

Why not prevent clean up is going well with all the pretty pictures and the state and DOE folks so friendly, they just continue to sell the "success story" to pave the way for the plutonium-238 production cluster coming to Idaho. They forgot to highlight the acres of new plutonium particle dumps they are opening on state lands.

The 1995 ads they sent out with Lockheed claimed the deal would "Say no to leaving waste over the aquifer." Now they are slowly admitting in court (Document 347) that they agreed to leave at least half the volume of plutonium particles waste right here and open new dumps.

We are watching the promise made to Sen. Frank Church to remove the plutonium brokers from the state's eyes. This is one of the reasons I put my name on the ballot for state representative, Sen. 23A. I am not a scientist, my state officials are like sickeners. Why has the state watchdog, Kathleen Trever, remained silent on all the earthquake flaws revealed at the reactor chosen to cluster plutonium production around?

The House voted down Sen. Caines' wise bill that assessed our present mercury damage and temporarily withheld our automatic enrollment into the mercury-trading scheme. We need an election of science-based voices in the Statehouse to avoid this kind of ignorance.

The representatives from IDOT's costliest, like Jack Barraclough, have been bullying people with twisted science for years. Jack and I go way back to 1989, when he was in control of the state plutonium will never leak and will never move with water. I have proven him wrong on buried plutonium, and he needs correction on mercury issues too.

I look forward to a chance to even the playing field at the Statehouse. Please appreciate your consideration of my candidacy. Please feel free to contact me with questions or issues of concern to you at 734-3338 or by e-mail at niffly@earthlink.net.

DR. PETER RICKARDS  
Twin Falls

### Change for letters

The Times-News is revising its policy for letters to the editor. Starting April 1, all letters received must be 300 words or less. All letters will continue to follow our traditional guidelines and requirements, including: no e-mail addresses, phone number, verify the authority. All letters are subject to review and editing for their content. Letter writers are allowed to submit one item per calendar month.

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## The Times-News

The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are: Brad Hurd, Chris Steinbach, Steve Clump, Traci Bliss, Bill Blitzenberg, Ramona Jones and David Cooper.

## Water legislation upends years of compromise

It is a sad day for Idaho that this guest opinion must be laid to rest in a bitter dispute we did not seek and actively sought to avoid through collaborative efforts with Gov. Kempthorne's office and other senior surface water right holders.



has been an effort to make our customers aware of the issue and to let them know "they have a dog in the fight." We trust statesmen and stateswomen and our elected officials will emerge to kill this unparliamentary effort to take Idaho Power's water rights.

If this bill becomes law, the issue is not settled, it merely moves on to the courts. This likely would further polarize the state and prevent anything of substance from being accomplished or settled for years. This is not the right solution for the people of Idaho. Our company stands ready to work collaboratively with other agencies to address Idaho's water rights issues.

Equally sad are some of the misrepresentations being used

### The legislation opens the door to every drop of water above specified minimum river flow levels being diverted in high, median and even low water years.

to understate the potential consequences and scope of the legislation proposed.

While claims are being made that only small quantities of water would be diverted to recharge the aquifer during high water years, the legislation opens the door to every drop of water above specified minimum river flow levels being diverted in high, median and even low water years. This strikes at the heart of our lowest cost electric system. If proponents truly meant otherwise, the bill should include such details.

Also, proponents say there is "excess water" available for recharge. They claim Idaho Power is spilling water — or passing it through its dams

without generating power — all along the hydroelectric system. The truth is that nearly all of the flows in the Snake River are hydroelectric generation. Most of our 17 projects have had no river flows above turbine capacity. Some spill has occurred in Hells Canyon, far downstream from the Snake River to Federal Aquifer, primarily due to federal requirements that we evacuate Brownlee Reservoir to protect against future flooding downstream.

Finally, another misrepresentation is House Bill 800 will not impact electricity rates. Again, not true. Aquifer recharge will reduce the amount of water flowing through our hydroelectric tur-

bins. Less water means less low-cost energy is produced, which means higher cost resources must fill the gap.

Higher power production costs for Idaho Power mean higher rates for customers. Neither Idaho Power nor our customers caused the aquifer problem. Overappropriation of groundwater pumping rights has created more demand than supply. Yet our customers are expected to pay for fixing it.

This legislation does not concern whether aquifer recharge should take place. It is about who pays. Idaho addressed this issue in 1984 and again 10 years later. It became a matter of public policy that Idaho Power's customers would not be the ones to pay. These were careful, fully deliberated decisions. House Bill 800 is being advanced neither carefully nor deliberately.

I urge your opposition to this ill-considered effort.

—LaMont Keen is the president and chief executive officer of Idaho Power.

# LETTERS

## Lack of treatment options must be addressed

In the last few months, I've produced a number of writings in the *Times-News*, some of which have been published in *The Times-News*. My only hope in doing so is that being fundamental to those who struggle with addiction, also those who are directly affected by those who struggle with addiction and those public officials who have the power to intercede on behalf of public interests.

I first must set straight that I was not downing the prospect of treatment programs because it is indeed far cheaper to treat addiction than to incarcerate the addict. Moreover, I was directing attention to the lack of treatment facilities and effective drug prevention programs within the Magic Valley. I will, however, give credit where credit is due.

Today, we see a televised campaign targeting addiction and drug-related crime. I applauded the efforts of those who made it happen. However, like president Harry Truman's famous plaque on his desk in the White House said, "The buck stops here." So does the "buck stop with each and everyone when dealing with these issues. We as a community must not forget our personal responsibility in playing our part.

To a degree, my writings have been questioned, based on my current incarceration. I must contest this refusal to acknowledge the information I provide because my character is in question. If I offer you a hundred-dollar bill, would you take it? Of course, it's a hundred dollars. Now if I crumpled it up, stepped on it and then offered it to you, would you still take it? Certainly, because the value has not depreciated despite its condition or how it looks.

I heard once that a journey to redemption begins with a single step and how true this rings clear in my life. In my 28 years, I've lived a profound life, mostly of my own doing, but through life's trials and sorrows, pain and experiences, I hope I can prove to be a valuable asset in the campaign against drugs. Give your attention, and I'll show you prevention; give me an audience, and I'll show you hope. "Best men are molded out of trials and become much more the better from having a little bad" (Shakespeare).

**SHAWN DANIELS**  
Twin Falls  
(Editor's note: Shawn Daniels is an inmate at the Twin Falls County Jail.)

## Committee Ignored need for mercury study

Dear Reps. Raybould, Harwood, Smylie, Baracloough, Boudich, Anderson, Bestian, Mathews, Edmunson, Snodgrass and Eskridge (members of the House Environment and Technology Committee): I am expressing my disappointment that you voted to reject legislation to direct the Department of Environmental Quality to assemble data on the effects and extent of mercury contamination in Idaho and for the DEQ to opt out of the Federal Mercury Cap and Trade Program.

How can you not want to know the effect of these pollutants? What is a two-year moratorium if any coal-powered plant can come to Idaho because of the Cap and Trade Program? Without the legislation, Idaho will automatically be enrolled before next year's session. You are leaving that up to Kemphorne or Risch?

Not only does a coal-powered plant spew out mercury, it spews out lead too. There are laws against lead paint because of the danger to children, and there is no safe lead limit for a child, yet lead will be one of the toxins coming from a coal-powered plant.

I cannot believe you would vote against scientific data on mercury's effect and to truly know how harmful this will be, is it better to say to your children and grandchildren, we did not know how harmful mercury was, sorry we destroyed your eyesight? The LDS Church is building a regional temple in this area. How many of their followers are pregnant, have children and will ingest mercury from the air and water?

If you visit here, we have a lot of growth happening, but that will stop if Semptra comes. We need your help to evaluate how this will affect Idahoans. How could you not want to know? We can always opt into the federal program, but we cannot opt out once we are in. We are only as healthy as the soil our food is grown in!

Idahoans voted you in to protect them and their interests. How could you let the people of Idaho to be informed, not to

a California company that will be here and gone tomorrow leaving us suffering for years to come.

Shame on you! And the irony is Idaho is not even getting the energy!

P.S. It should be noted that Reps. Nicole LeFavour and Elaine Smith voted for the legislation.

**JILL SKEEM**  
Kimberly

## Kramer a proven leader for Twin Falls County

Sometimes in politics, a refreshing candidate who

actually listens to his constituents and works hard to make a difference steps up to the challenge. That is the kind of candidate we have this year in Terry Kramer, who is running for Twin Falls County commissioner in the May 23 Republican primary.

As a fourth-generation Idahoan, Terry has deep roots in Twin Falls County. He's a Leadership Idaho Agriculture graduate, supervisor of the Balanced Rock Soil Conservation District and director of the American Falls Reservoir District 1. He has served as Twin Falls County Planning and

zoning chairman, where he helped draft the livestock confinement ordinance. He has participated on several citizen committees for the county, including space needs assessment, health care, jails and corrections, emergency medical technician and ambulance services.

Best of all, Terry is a listener. He believes county employees deserve respect for the hard work they do. He would repeal the recent rule that prevents county employees from running for public office. He cares about how people are treated, and he doesn't think this rule is

fair to employees or in the best interest of the county. He has won the support of people in the health care industry and he supports the St. Luke's-Magle Valley Regional Medical Center merger proposal. Through his longtime experience as a quick response unit member, he truly understands how important quality medical care is for all citizens.

Terry is a man of high personal integrity who believes county officials should listen more to residents than to expensive outside consultants. He believes officials' pay raises should be no more than that

given to county employees. He recognizes county officials need to listen more to residents on issues like county planning, jail expansion, county space needs and health care. As a farmer for nearly 30 years, he'll work to preserve our agricultural heritage and to maintain appropriate agricultural zoning.

Terry will bring a common sense perspective to county government. He's an excellent listener, a strong leader and a great choice for county commissioner.  
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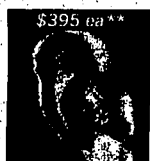
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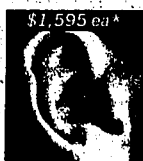
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Section B

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Officials support grant application

**TWIN FALLS** — County commissioners on Monday put their support behind South Central Community Action Agency's application for a \$450,000 grant for its housing program.  
The agency is looking to secure housing and Urans Development dollars through Idaho Housing and Finance. "It's becoming very competitive," said Ken Robinson, South Central Community Action Agency's executive director.  
The agency's housing program now has six houses in four communities.  
"It allows low-income families to stay in transitional housing up to two years so they can become self-sufficient," Robinson said. "We charge them 20 percent of their income so they can get back on their feet."  
In the resolution, commissioners declared their public support for the agency's efforts to help the homeless.

### CSI program offers low-priced child care

**TWIN FALLS** — Students in the College of Southern Idaho's Early Childhood Education Program are offering couples specially priced child care for their "Date Night" fundraiser on Friday.  
Early Childhood Education Professor Evin Fox says the event will accept children from 18 months to 12 years of age from 6 to 10 p.m. Students are studying early childhood education will lead activities and care for the children throughout the evening for just \$10 per child. Students are skilled in CPR and first aid and snacks also will be provided.  
Fox says the event will provide additional experience for the students as well as a donation to help with the program's move across Falls Avenue to the old Magic Valley Bridge Club.  
Child care will be provided in the program's current location in CSI's Aspen Building. For information, contact Fox at 732-6872 or at efox@csi.edu.

### Flags will fly at half-staff to honor vet

**BOISE** — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne has ordered flags at the State Capitol Building and other state buildings and facilities be flown at half-staff today in honor of David Bruce Blank on the day he will be laid to rest in Arco.  
Blank, a native of eastern Idaho, was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Dwight Eisenhower for "conspicuous gallantry and indomitable courage above and beyond the call of duty," while serving as part of U.S. Army medical detachment in the 223rd Infantry Regiment, 40th Infantry Division during the Korean War.  
Blank killed several enemy soldiers while tending to and carrying a number of his wounded comrades to safety under heavy enemy fire despite being wounded himself.  
"We forever owe an invaluable debt of gratitude for Mr. Blank's brave and heroic actions in the face of the enemy," Kempthorne said. "His legacy of selfless service and sacrifice is part of the foundation upon which this great nation is built."  
— compiled from staff reports

### Snowpack levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% of week's
Salmon	117%	110%
Big Wood	133%	125%
Little Wood	128%	122%
Dig Lost	121%	114%
Little Lost	108%	98%
Verde Fork/Teton	104%	103%
Upper Snake Basin	109%	103%
Dakley	148%	144%
Salmon Falls	145%	125%
As of March 28, 2006		

A comparison of basin snowpack, with a 30-day average, as of March 28, 2006. For a complete list of basin snowpack, see page B2.

# City will look into chance of healthier water source

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — The city will investigate the possibility of a healthier groundwater source southwest of Twin Falls.  
The City Council on Monday approved a \$362,690 contract with J-U-B Engineers to look into whether there are water sources southwest of Twin Falls with lower arsenic levels.  
"We don't want to walk away without investigating it," said Bill Block, a senior project engineer

with J-U-B.  
It's a two-part project. Part one will explore new wells in an area southwest of the city near Hub Butte that appears to have groundwater arsenic concentrations that are lower than the drinking water standard.  
The standard arsenic level allowed by the EPA is 10 parts per billion. The city's main sources of drinking water are the South wells and the Blue Lakes wells. The Blue Lakes water supply is under the maximum contaminant levels, but the South wells

have 15.1 ppb. Healthier drinking water might be found southwest of the city.  
"Some previous tests showed lower arsenic levels," said Councilman Shawn Barigar.  
New wells will be built in the area to evaluate potential well yields and water quality. Initially, there are plans to design and drill just two test wells to minimize costs. If the first two wells show promising results, J-U-B will drill two to four additional test wells.  
The first two test wells would

cost the city \$98,892. Additional test wells would cost another \$160,073.  
"We'll look and see if there's a significant quantity of water out there," Barigar said.  
If indeed, there is enough water out there, engineers would begin the second part of the project — a water treatability study that would cost \$103,725.  
Times-News writer Sandy Miller can be reached at 735-3264 or by e-mail at smiller@magicvalley.com.

# TRYING TO MAKE ENDS MEET



Jean Livestro, right, jokes Monday with Connie Armstrong, center, and Leah Hendrika, both employees at the Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, before serving lunch. The center makes more than 200 meals a day between Meals on Wheels and meals served at the center.

# T.F. senior center seeks some financial help

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — Jacque Whiting never knows just how many people to expect for lunch. On a rainy day, it could be 70. On a nice, sunny spring day, twice that many could show up. Still, others need lunch delivered to their homes. So, she cooks for 250 just in case.  
Whiting is the administrator at the Twin Falls Senior Citizen Center, and it's getting harder and harder to make ends meet. So on Monday, Whiting and two of her colleagues discussed the center's financial dilemma with county commissioners.

### About the center

The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center, located at 530 Shoshone St. W., offers a number of services for area seniors, including:  
• A noon lunch five days a week. There is a suggested donation of \$3.50 for people 60 and over who can afford it. The cost is \$5 for people under 60, and \$2.50 for children under 12.  
• The center delivers meals five days a week to homebound seniors. Frozen meals also are

delivered on Fridays for the weekend.  
• The center offers wellness services such as blood pressure and blood sugar checks, as well as help with navigating Medicare.  
• Activities at the center include pool, Bible study, Bridge Club, exercise classes and bingo. There is a lounge where seniors can gather to watch television, work on puzzles and read.  
For more information, call the center at 734-5084.

Health has told the center it must put in shelving for refrigeration equipment and portable food racks for kitchen operations.  
The center also needs to replace an oven. The center also needs money to continue to provide transportation and medical services such as blood pressure and blood sugar checks. All of that adds up to more than \$10,000 the center doesn't have.  
"There's also the rising overhead costs. The center's monthly utility bills add up to \$5,000 or \$6,000. There's another \$5,000 a month for groceries. The center must budget \$100,000 a year for salaries."  
"We're here on hounded knees, asking you people to

take a serious look at this," said Tom Horstman, the activity director at the center.  
But seniors aren't asking for a handout. In fact, many of the seniors would be happy to volunteer their time as ticket takers or parking lot attendants at events at the county fairgrounds in exchange for help with funding.  
"They'd be more than happy to know they were doing something for their senior center," Horstman said.  
Tandy Smith, who sits on the center's board of directors, agreed.  
"We look to be self-sufficient to a certain extent," Smith said.  
The problem, however, is the county, by law, can't make "donations" to nonprofit organizations, said Commissioner Chairman Gary Grindstaff.  
Commissioner Tom Mikesell pointed out there are three other senior centers in the county, and any help would have to be countywide.  
However, commissioners promised to look into what the county can do for area senior centers.  
"We're researching ways we can help," Mikesell said following the meeting.

purpose so no food is wasted.  
The center is reimbursed by the federal government, but it doesn't cover all the costs. Whiting said one senior's meal costs about \$7.25 to make. The government only reimburses \$2 for that meal. Even if the senior pays the \$3.50 suggested donation for the meal, it still leaves the center making up the remaining \$1.75. And many financially strapped seniors can't afford to pay, which means the center ends up covering \$5.25 for that meal.  
"With the lush administration cutting and cutting, we're down to the grind," Whiting said.  
Whiting said the center is in the red by \$20 to \$25 each day. Meanwhile, the Board of

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# Longtime Grand View legislator Frances Field plans to retire

By Michelle Dunlop  
Times-News writer

**BOISE** — You get hate. You die in office. Or, you decide to quit.  
Such were the options given to state Rep. Frances Field by her brother, a former legislator.  
After 22 years in the Idaho House of Representatives, Field has decided to exercise the third option and call it

still offering to pick up forms for the Republican lawmaker from Grand View.  
Flashing the smile that never seems to fade, Field is content with her decision.  
Still, she will miss the people — her constituents, fellow legislators, staff members — in this place she has called home for 11 legislative terms. Field considers the other lawmakers part of her

quits.  
"It's with regret that I decided to leave," Field said.  
"I love working for the people."  
On the Friday of the candidate filing deadline, fellow legislators and friends were

Frances Chatburn Field  
• Legislative service: Field finishes her 11th and final term in the Idaho House of Representatives this year.  
• Educator: graduate of the Alston State Normal Teachers College.  
• Career: retired teacher, school board member and business manager for Joint School District 365.  
• Public office: chairwoman, Eastern Owyhee Library Board;

# Men face meth charges

## Third man could be sentenced to life in prison

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

**GOODING** — Two men charged with trafficking methamphetamines have negotiated to have their charges reduced to simple possession.  
A third man arrested at the same residence faces life in prison on separate charges.  
Responding to a March 15 call of 811, Gooding police officers in a squad in the south of Wendell, two detectives and a deputy turned up much more.  
"A guy on the front step had counterfeited money he was trying to burn. Upon contact with the individual, he produced one brandished a firearm," said Narcotics Detective Derek Walker of the Gooding County Sheriff's Office.  
Walker said Gregory Lee LaCombe, 28, was incinerating counterfeit bills, a butane torch. Multiphase buckets the same serial number. LaCombe was charged with possession of a forged check, possession of a controlled substance and obstruction of evidence. All are felonies. His preliminary hearing has been pushed back to April 20.



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Chairwoman, Owyhee County Republicans.  
• Awarded: 1994 FFA Honorary State Farmer degree; Idaho Republican Hall of Fame; 1988 Outstanding Legislator 2002 Ronald Reagan Freedom Award.

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OBITUARIES

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**Naida Jean Barker Preckel**



**TWIN FALLS** — Naida Jean Barker Preckel, a beloved mother and grandmother, passed through the veil of life to be with her soul mate, Jack William Barker, on Saturday, March 25, 2006.

Naida was born Feb. 19, 1937, to Rollo and Edna Sweat in Marley (Lincoln County), Idaho, near the end of the Great Depression. Times as they were. Naida moved with her parents and two brothers to wherever there were jobs, moving from Marley to Siltwater, Idaho, to Idaho Falls, to Mountain City, Nev., bringing them to Richfield, Idaho, in the spring of 1942. Then in 1943, Naida and her family moved to Berkeley, Calif., where she started kindergarten. In 1945, her parents moved back to Richfield, where her father was drafted into the service. After his discharge from the army, they moved several more times before settling down roots in Bellevue, Idaho, where she would spend most of her life. Naida went to high school in Bellevue, where she was one of the star basketball players and was also active with the drama club.

Naida was married Frank Guisasa after high school, and from that marriage, they were blessed with two chil-

Preckel, whom she later married and divorced. Although life was rough, Naida lived her life to the fullest and had many hobbies: she loved her flowers, working in her yard, painting, crochets, genealogy, computers, where she met and made many e-mail friends, but all in all, Naida's favorite hobby were her 17 grandchildren.

Naida was predeceased in death by her parents, Holo and Edna Sweat; her husband of 16 years, Jack William Barker; and her two grandsons, Shawn Barker and Pablo Gaitolo. She is survived by her two brothers, O'Dell David Sweat and Donald Rollo Sweat; eight children, Rick (Bonnie) of Pocatello, Kerry (Louise) of Idaho Falls, Orin, Kris Christensen of Pocatello, Clint "Chip" (Dorina) of Twin Falls, Randy of Twin Falls, Kirby (Ruth) of Canyon, Toby of Boise, Penne (Chuck) of Twin Falls; and 15 grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted 1 p.m. Friday, March 25, 2006, at the Holy Cross Chapel. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls and from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Friday at the church. Internment will follow in the Bellevue Cemetery.

**Imogene 'Jean' Sorensen Wilcox**



**RUPERT** — Jean Wilcox, beloved mother, wife, sister and friend, was born July 3, 1929, the daughter of Hedy and Jessie Brockins Sorensen of Mendon, Utah. Jean left this mortal existence to be reunited with her eternal companion, Wally Wilcox, on March 25, 2006.

Jean is survived by her four children, Mark (Karen) Wilcox of Olympia, Wash., Mike (Shirley) Wilcox of Pocatello, Idaho, William (Williams) of Provo, Utah, and Jon Paul (Tammie) Wilcox of Twin Falls; 13 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; one brother and two sisters, Paul (Carol) Sorensen of Las Vegas, Nev., Bernice (Clayne) Munk and Constance (Ray) Hansen of Coaley, Colo. Jean was predeceased in death by her husband, Wallace J. Wilcox; a stillborn son; and a sister, Pat Reeder.

Jean grew up in Mendon, Utah, graduated from South Cache High School, attended Brigham Young Academy and Utah State Agricultural College. She worked at Hill Air Force Base in Ogden, where she served in the WAVES from 1941 through 1945. After the war, she married Wally Wilcox on Sept. 10, 1946. They lived in Ogden, Utah, then moved to Rupert, Idaho, where they opened "Wallace Jewels." She worked as the retail sales clerk. During her life, she worked at the Pharmacy, Mink's, the Pharmacy, and Riddle's Food and Drug Pharmacy.

Cooking was a fun hobby for

and coming home to baked bread and scones was a weekly delight for her family. She was involved in ballet while she was young and loved to watch the ballet whenever she had the chance. She also loved music and made sure that her children each had some involvement in playing musical instruments. She enjoyed attending concerts and musicals. Reading, especially historical novels, was a favorite pastime. She also enjoyed riding horses and traveling. Although she traveled and saw many wonderful places, coming home was one of her favorite things to do.

She had many wonderful and dear friends in the community and loved each and every one. Her family is especially grateful for all of her friends and neighbors. She so loved to be a community with the VFW Auxiliary and help with all commitments, including helping with the funerals and burials of the veterans. She was very patriotic and loved this country. Jean was very proud of her Danish heritage. Her great-grandparents were part of the group that founded Idaho, Utah, and were known as hard workers. Jean was a definite credit to her heritage; she worked hard and served everyone the best way she could.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 1, 2006, at the Rupert 3rd and 10th Ward Chapel of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 526 S. F St., with Bishop Bruce Burtenshaw officiating. Military rites will be under the direction of the Mint-Cass Veterans. Burial will follow at Farmington City Cemetery in Farmington, Utah. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church.

**Seth Owen Christensen**



**BURLEY** — On March 7, 1996, Seth Owen Christensen was born. Early Saturday morning, March 25, 2006, our beloved son and brother slipped peacefully from this life. The circumstances of his death are as unknown as the nature of the challenges with which he lived.

Seth was loved by so many. His life was rich because of people, family, therapist, doctors and teachers — those who could hear the words, speak and not speak and see him with heavenly vision. Seth was an adventurer. He loved to have movement and music, to swing high and go fast. He surmounted his physical limits to delightfully explore his world. Seth's unique gift was his ability to radiate happiness to those around him. Simply through his countenance. Seth leaves an immense void in the

lives of those who knew him. He will be remembered with fondness for years to come.

His family includes his parents, Jay and Karla Osborne, Christensen of Burley; his siblings, Charles, Nellie, Dallas and Amelia; his grandparents, Earl and Kathryn Christensen of Burley and Alfred and Beth Osborne of Bluffdale, Utah; his great-grandmothers, Inez Zettinger of Burley and Ann Stone of Victor, Idaho; and much extended family.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 30, 2006, at the Sprague and 2nd Ward Chapel of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 200 S. 475 E. in Burley, with Bishop Jared C. Johnson officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Wednesday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church. The family suggests memorials be directed to Stinson's Hospitals for Children in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

**Fourth man charged in GOP phone-jamming scam**

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The former co-owner of a telemarketing firm pleaded not guilty Monday to participating in a Republican scheme to jam New Hampshire Democratic gold out-of-the-phone phone lines on Election Day 2002.

Shaun Hansen, 34, of Spokane, Wash., was indicted

by a federal grand jury on March 8, but the charges were not made public until his arraignment Monday.

Hansen is charged with conspiring to commit and aiding the commission of telephone harassment. Prosecutors say he was paid \$2,500 to have employees at Idaho-based Mylo

Enterprises place hundreds of long-distance pay phones installed to help voters get rides to the polls on Nov. 5, 2002. Among the contests decided Tuesday was the close U.S. Senate race in which Republican Rep. John Sununu beat outgoing Democratic Gov. Jeanne Shaheen.

OBITUARY

**Joy Laurena Lowry**



**TWIN FALLS** — Joy Laurena Lowry, our loving wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend, ascended into the loving arms of her Lord and Savior on March 24, 2006. She passed away gently in her home surrounded by her loving family.

Joy was born on July 7, 1934, in Twin Falls, Idaho. Prior to receiving her GED in 1966, she attended the Eden schools. Joy was later married and divorced. On July 30, 1959, in Elko, Nev., she married her friend and companion for life, Elmer L. Lowry. Elmer and Joy raised five children while making their home in Wendell, Idaho. They later moved to Twin Falls, where they have lived since 1973.

Joy's mother, Mary Moser, preceded her in death. Joy is survived by her husband of 46 years, Elmer; daughters, Deborah Dice of Iowa and Carlene (Tony) Madalena of Filer; and

sons Billy Ray Duffy of Salt Lake City, Utah, Thy Lowry of Washington and Larry (Lisa) Lowry of Twin Falls; and two brothers, Fred (Joy) Moser of Jerome and Chuck Moser of Elko, Nev. She also has seven grandchildren, Desiree Wiles, Jordan Gomez, Adam and Jonnie Hiedeman.

Daniel Madalena, Flona Mae Thibault and Tessa Ray Duffy. She has been graced with 14 great-grandchildren.

Joy gave a lifetime of service to her family and friends. Her life touched many people and those of us who knew and loved her will treasure and covet her thoughtful and loving presence in our lives. Joy walked closely with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, where she found peace and joy in service to others.

The family would like to thank Monica Drown, Becky Jacobson and Lulu Borges for the loving care given during Joy's last days.

A celebration of Joy's life will take place at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 29, 2006, at White Mortuary Chapel, 135 Fourth Ave. E. Twin Falls, ID 83301. Services are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls.

DEATH NOTICES

**Robert Thackeray**

**JEROME** — Robert Thackeray, 87, of Jerome, died Saturday, March 25, 2006, at his home.

A memorial service will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 1, 2006, at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome, with Father Boniface Curcio, O.S.B. officiating. No viewing is planned. Cremation arrangements under the direction of the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

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**Linda McKnight**

**TWIN FALLS** — Linda McKnight, 61, of Twin Falls, died Monday, March 27, 2006, at her home.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Reynolds Funeral Chapel of Twin Falls.

**Pet of the Week**

Hi there! I am "Pokey," a sassy American Staffordshire mix male pup. I need a lot of attention as I grow so I can be all that I am meant to be.

Please give me a chance!

**TWIN FALLS ANIMAL SHELTER**  
420 Victory Avenue - 736-2299

**Ara Mae Preston**

**BURLEY** — Ara Mae Preston, 89, of Burley and formerly of Richfield and Twin Falls, died Sunday, March 26, 2006, at Countrywide Care and Rehab in Rupert.

The funeral will be held at 11

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**Developer's discount repeal heads to governor**

**BOISE (AP)** — The Legislature has passed a bill to close a property-tax loophole on agricultural land that some non-farmers — including Gov. Dirk Kempthorne — have used to pay only pennies in annual taxes.

The House concurred 63-0 Monday — with amendments the Senate added to the bill last week. It now heads to Kempthorne's desk.

Kempthorne has gotten the benefit of the loophole on 14 acres he owns in Valley County, where he paid only \$5.72 in taxes last year. He vetoed a plan in 2005 to phase out the loophole, arguing it was passed too late in the session and didn't give property owners enough time to react.

Mike Journee, Kempthorne's press secretary, has said the governor would consider signing the bill this year.

Current law allows non-farmers — including developers — who own land formerly used for farming to claim the agricultural exemption, even if the land is no longer farmed. Under the new measure, they would no longer qualify for the tax break.

Farmers would still get the tax exemption on subdivided land, until they build or sell their property.

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# Salmon meeting to focus on aid to coast

**SALLEM, Ore. (AP)** — Fishermen and business owners and down Oregon's coast are bracing for the possibility of no commercial salmon season this year.

Hoping to develop a strategy to minimize the impact on coastal communities, Gov. Ted Kulongoski plans to meet today with some trollers, coastal legislators, agency directors and Oregon's congressional delegation.

The third straight season of poor chinook returns to North-Central California's Klamath River to spawn have federal fisheries managers considering closing 700 miles of coastline to salmon fishing for the May through October season, but they are looking for stocks elsewhere. They have al-

ready closed this year's spring season, and forecasts for next year are not good.

Kulongoski's natural resources adviser said Tuesday's meeting won't delve into the causes of the poor returns but instead will focus on how best to help boat owners and crews, salmon processors and other businesses cope with the possible closure of coastal waters to commercial salmon fishing.

"What we are really looking for Tuesday is for commercial fishermen and community leaders to tell us what has worked well in the past and any new ideas they have," Mike Carrier said Monday.

Among the possible forms of aid to be discussed will be temporary jobs in streambed and

watershed restoration, direct grants to help owners make payments on their boats and job retraining for fishermen who might opt to leave the business altogether, he said.

Federal fishery managers are considering three options. One would close the season in California and Oregon, and the others would impose deep reductions in the catch.

Don Stevens, a retired commercial troller who now is an adviser to federal fishery officials, said he plans to testify Tuesday and urge at least a "minimal season" to allow commercial fishermen to earn part of their expected income this year.

In the event of a total closure of the commercial season, Stevens

said he would be pushing for direct compensation for people whose livelihoods are lost.

"The fishermen and the dockhands did not cause the decline of the Klamath River chinook you they are being asked to curtail their fishing season," he said.

A closure from Oregon's northern coast to Central California would mean a loss of millions of dollars to coastal communities in general, not just to businesses directly involved in commercial fishing, said Carrier, the governor's adviser.

For that reason, he said state tourism officials also will be asked to testify about what promotions and advertising they plan to help avert tourism losses in the event of a curtailed or closed season.

**Gary Art Gorzeman** of Gooding, service at 9:30 a.m. today at the Church on the Hill in Norcia, Calif.; memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church in Wendell (Pierce Bros. Crestview Mortuary in Riverside, Calif.).

**Rose McMillon** of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary. Rupert Chapel viewing for family and friends one hour before the service today at the funeral chapel.

**Marian Hanks** Hanks of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the Star 1st and 2nd Ward LDS Chapel, 100 S. 200 W. in Burley; friends may call from 9 to 9 p.m. Tuesday at the Rasmussen Funeral Home; 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

**Ernest Lee Ray Jr.** of Gooding, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Gooding LDS Church (Demary's Gooding Chapel).

**R.L. Lee Harman** of Hansen, service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Parkside Valley Funeral Home; service from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the funeral home.

**John W. Price** of Boise and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at the veteran shelter of the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery (Acelsa Chapel in Boise).

**Hal E. Jolley** of Gig Harbor, Wash., memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the Haven of Rest Chapel in Gig Harbor, Wash. Family and friends are invited to a reception following at the Warnock home.

**Janice Carol** (Harding) Thumert of Snohomish, Wash., memorial service at 1 p.m. Friday at Purdy & Walters at Floral Hills in Lynnwood, Wash.

**Carl M. Lindh** of Rupert, memorial service at 1 p.m. Friday at the First United Methodist Church (Lafayette Chapel).

## ALL IN THE FAMILY



Eight-year-old Elle Hoffman, left, her little sister Spencer, 4, and their brother Benjamin, 11, join in the fun on a sliding ride, without sleds, near the Mount Bachelor, Ore., on Sunday.

# Multi-vehicle pileup kills six in Wyoming

**LARAMIE, Wyo.** — A 150-mile section of Interstate 80 reopened Monday morning after being closed overnight because of a billiard and multi-vehicle pileup that killed six people, including three siblings, the Highway Patrol said.

Twenty-two cars and trucks crashed some 90 miles west of Cheyenne Sunday afternoon. Several small chain-reaction crashes broke out behind the larger crash, Sgt. Stephen Townsend said.

The accident scene was cleared overnight, but the interstate remained closed until about 7:30 a.m. Monday as a

precaution, Townsend said. "Right now it's sunny out there. The road is wet in certain locations," Townsend said.

Four of the six killed were in one passenger car, he said.

Casey Mahon, a spokesman for the Jefferson County (Colo.) Public Schools, said three of the victims were siblings who attended the district's schools in Conifer, Colo., about 10 miles south-west of Denver.

Mahon wouldn't release their names, but said they were two boys and a girl who attended Conifer High School and West Jefferson Middle School.

# 92-year-old man improves after attack by bull moose

**DENVER (AP)** — A 92-year-old man who was attacked by a bull moose while walking to church in a small mountain village was upgraded to serious condition on Monday.

Authorities said the adult moose attacked Louis Heckert on Sunday in Grand Lake, a resort village of about 500 year-round residents 50 miles northwest of Denver on the western edge of Rocky Mountain National Park.

Heckert was taken to St. Anthony Central Hospital in Denver, where he was first listed in critical condition.

The moose was shot and killed by a state Division of Wildlife officer, agency spokesman Randy Hampton said.

Hampton said the attack appeared to have been unprovoked but the moose had serious injuries from some previous accident, which could have contributed to its behavior.

# Kempthorne rallying support for state parks plan

**BOISE (AP)** — Gov. Dirk Kempthorne is rallying business and government interests Monday to promote his "Experience Idaho" state parks improvement plan, showing he's fighting for the \$24 million he wants although most decisions about the 2007 state budget have been made.

Gov. Kempthorne would spend the money sprucing up six parks — Heyburn, Pon-

derosa, Thousand Springs, Castle Rock, Eagle Island and Harriman — and creating a new park in eastern Idaho.

On Monday, groups including the Associated General Contractors of Idaho, representatives of Idaho universities and Department of Commerce officials called Kempthorne's plan a "no-co-A p p r o p r i a t e" Committee aims to meet later this week to hash out how much "Experience

Idaho" will get.

About \$2.4 billion of Idaho's record-setting 2007 budget has already been appropriated and only about \$70 million remains to be allocated.

Budget writers say there's not enough money for everything, and currently Kempthorne's parks plan is only slated to receive between \$8 million and \$10 million.

## Field

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extended family.

"I've worked with such great people," she said. "I have met such wonderful people."

Field's daughter-in-law, Debbie Field, a Republican from Boise, also serves in the House. As for her own family, Field is mother to eight children, grandmother to 31 and will have 40 great-grandchildren by the end of the year. Her husband, Oscar, is deceased.

Field represents District 23, largely consisting of Owyhee County. When the districts were realigned in 2002, Field inherited a larger area that extends down to the southern border of the state and includes western Twin Falls County. Although she has enjoyed getting to know her new constituents, she feels a bit giddy that the distance from her home in Grand View prevents her from visiting the southern portion of her district as often as she would like.

"She makes everyone who comes before the committee feel comfortable," Jaquet said. "She's just a nice lady."

That same sentiment seems to echo throughout the halls of the Capitol — from the press to the staff to other legislators.

While she may be hanging up her legislative hat this year, Field has no plans to take it easy in retirement.

"I'd rather wear out than rust out," Field said.

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"Agriculture" faces so many problems," she said.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, remembers testifying before Field's committee long before Jaquet became a legislator. She admires Field's friendly demeanor as a chairwoman. Jaquet now sits on the Ag Committee with Field.

"I don't even know you got a salary when I first came here," she said.

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**TRUCKS - PICKUPS - AUTOS**  
1980 Freight Liner COE, tandem axle, 300 Cummins with 345,000 miles, 9 speed trans with 4 speed Browline with dual reduction gear, 13,820 rear rubber, double lift, 2011 cubic foot, 1201 cubic foot spud bed, electric over hydraulic - 1969 Chevy "C-60" 2 ton tandem axle truck, 366 gas engine, 5 speed 4 speed, 20ft spud bed with dual ram front, 1000 lb. hitch, 1971 Chevy 1/2 ton truck, 345 gas engine, 5 speed 2 speed, with Tradewind 150 grain and bed with Harsh holt, 8:25X20 rubber - 1958 IHC 2 ton truck, flat bed, 6 cylinder, 5 speed 2 speed, 8:25X20 rubber, runs good, but no title - 1992 Chevy 1/2 ton pickup, 5 speed, 4 cylinder, 4 speed, long bed, long wide box - 1979 GMC 1/2 ton pickup, 6 cylinder, 4 speed, long bed - 1986 Nissan extended cab pickup, 4 cylinder, 5 speed - 1985 Honda Accord, 4 cylinder, 4 speed, 120,000 miles

**GROUND WORKING EQUIPMENT**  
IHC '145' 4 bottom hydraulic reset 2 way plow, trash trailers, 3pt hitch - IHC '475' 18ft tandem disc with hydraulic folding wings, dual rubber, hydraulic lift cutter, double lift, 2011 cubic foot, 1201 cubic foot, auto, front, on rubber, hydraulic lift - John Deere 14ft tandem disc on rubber, with hitch/harrow, hydraulic lift - Dunham Leaf 14ft roller harrow, crowsfoot front and rear, dual rubber, hydraulic lift - John Deere '121' roller harrow, crowsfoot front and rear, hydraulic lift - '5" tine-left renovator incorporating bar with rolling baskets, 3pt hitch - Brady 11ft chisel plow, gauge wheels, 3pt hitch

**BEET & BEAN EQUIPMENT**  
Pickett One Step 8 row bean cutter/windrow, end dump, front noses, pto and hydraulic drive, 3pt hitch - Wic '826C' 6 row tank beet digger, rock struts, steerable rear axle, 70 acres on new chain and rebuilt hydraulics - Wic Model 406252 - 6 row tripulum beet digger, auto, pto, type, scalpers, steerable rear axle, 1000 rpm pto - 12 row 22' beeder bar with gauge wheels, guide roller, hydraulic markers, 3pt hitch - Milton 12 row beet planter with S 7/8 spacing for regular pelleted seed, 3pt hitch - Bullion 6 row S 7/8 spacing with all tools, 3pt hitch - Silt built 6 row bean planter with disc openers, tillers, 3pt hitch - Shop built 6 row front mount bean cutter, JD standards, Pickett noses - 12 row beet type beeder bar with all tools, 3pt hitch - 12 row beet type tunnel shires, cutaway discs, gauge wheels, 3pt hitch - Smitzer 12 row roller packer for 12 rows of beets

**ASSORTED MACHINERY**  
IHC '620' 24 hole press wheel gas drill, new mesh wheels, double dirt, seeder, hydraulic lift - Ferguson 6 bar chisel type harrow - John Deere '27' 14ft flail shredder, 1000 rpm pto - Four 6ft metal racks - 2 wheel windrow turner - single axle pipe trailers - 100 gal weed sprayer with hand gun, 3pt hitch

**MISCELLANEOUS**  
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# COMICS

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

AS A DOCTOR, I MUST WARN YOU THAT YOUR OBSESSION WITH VITAMINS IS A WASTE OF MONEY.

WHAT DO YOU CALL A YEARS ON A PRESCRIPTION DRUG THAT KEEPS ME COMING BACK TO YOU?

DR. PETER MD

**Edy Blues** By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott

EDUCATIONAL TOYS ARE SUCH A RIF-OFF.

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?

LO BLOCKS?? GIVE ME A BREAK!

BY THE TIME YOU'VE HAD A FEW KIDS, YOU UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH ABOUT BLOCKS.

WHEN IS IT? THEY ALL LEFT THE SAME WAY YOU STEP ON THEM BAREFOOT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT.

**Baldo** By Hector D. Cantu and Carlos Castellanos

BALDO, GRACE THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO BE AS A FAMILY.

BUT THERE'S ONE SORRY WE'RE SPENDING THE TOGETHER NO MATTER WHAT.

AND A MITOCHONDRIAL GEOGRAPHIC SPECIAL AFTER THAT!

CAN WE DO IT DURING THE COMMERCIALS?

**Brevity** By Guy & Rodd

EXCUSE ME, I WAS ON MY CELL: DID YOU ALREADY GET TO THE PARTY WHERE PEOPLE CAN OBJECT?

NEVER BEFORE HAD B.J. BEEN SO LIND... HOW DARE SOMEONE USE A CELL PHONE AT HIS WEDDING.

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

AFTER SEEING THE ELBONIAN MP3 PLAYER, PROTOTYPE 1 SCHEDULED A CONFERENCE CALL.

BECAUSE OF THE TIME DIFFERENCE, THE CALL WAS AT 3 AM. I WAS GROGGY AND THEY BARELY SPEAK ANY ENGLISH, BUT I THINK WE GOT EVERYTHING WORKED OUT.

HE WAS RIGHT. IT DOES LOOK BETTER WITH THE SPEAKERS.

**Doonesbury** By Gary Trudeau

SURE, IT DOESN'T MATTER IF YOU'RE BETTER THAN THE TROOPS STILL BELIEVE YOU CAN GET A NEW BATTLE CRY.

WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM? YOU'RE ACTUALLY DOING BETTER THAN THE OTHERS.

THEY'RE TRYING TO CATCH UP TO YOU.

THEY HATE THAT FOR SIX AND A HALF HOURS THEY BOGGED DOWN!

IT'S A BATTLE CRY!

**The Elderberries** By Phil Frank and Joe Toole

I can't believe I've been summoned to the Elderspark People's Court!!

Look, Professor!

This may be the only way we can heal this girlfriend rift between you and Dusty.

Oh! I get it. It's kind of a charade, right? Let Dusty have his day in court and he gets to feel better. Right?

Wrong!

Luzumilla, please.

Oh! Should I be cuffing him before or after I read him his Garmet Miranda rights?

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

YOU DON'T LOOK YOUR AGE. YOU SHOULD GO TO THE GYM.

REALLY?

WELL, I THINK I AM!

UM?

A HUNGERED AN... SAK TV-FRAME!

IT'S NICE, FOR ONCE, TO FEEL YOUNGER THAN I DO.

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

**BATTING PRACTICE**

LET'S GET SOME EXTENSION IN THOSE WINGS! NICE HANG TIME, WALLACE! ALL RIGHT, BREWSTER, GIMME TWENTY FLAPS AROUND THE CAVE!

**Luan** By Greg Evans

SORRY I'M LATE, MR. FOGARTY. I HAD A PHOTO SHOOT, AND IN AN HOUR, I HAVE TO LEAVE FOR A REDUCED APPOINTMENT.

WELL, THE MESSY LIFE OF SOCIETY.

YEAH, NEXT WEEK I'M AT THE MALL ON MONDAY, A CAR DEALERSHIP ON TUESDAY AND ON WEDNESDAY I GO TO FOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS TO TALK TO THE KIDS.

ABOUT WHAT?

WHY IT'S IMPORTANT TO TAKE SCHOOL SERIOUSLY.

**Mallard Fillmore** By Bruce Tinsley

AND FINALLY, NO MATTER WHICH SIDE YOU WERE ON IN THE DUBAI POST-TERMINAL OWNERSHIP CONTROVERSY...

WASN'T IT REFRESHING TO BEARS DRAG SOME BIG-TIME 'PROFLING'?

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

HEY THERE, RAT. YOU'RE HOT TO MEET MY FRIEND, FRENK. SAYS YOU'RE FROM FRANCE.

WOULD YOU'RE HOT TO MEET MY FRIEND, FRENK. SAYS YOU'RE FROM FRANCE.

OH, MONIQUE! MONIQUE!

AAAAAAHHHHH

YOU GUY? DURE! DURE! DURE!

MONIQUE! MONIQUE! REAK!

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

WELSON, IT PAINS TO PLAN OUT YOUR DAY FIRST THING IN THE MORNING.

THAT MAN YOU DON'T RUN AROUND ALL DISCOMBOLATED.

SO, WHAT HAVE YOU GOT PLANNED TODAY?

NOTHING.

ME EITHER.

WELL, AT LEAST YOU GOT COMBOLATED.

**Rosa Is Rose** By Pat Brady

SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB

SCRUB SCRUB SCRUB

SEE! SHE CLEANED THAT UP FOR US!

IF IT'S SO CLEAN... HOW COME SHE NEVER DRINKS FROM IT?

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

HOW WAS SCHOOL?

NO, NOTHING INTERESTING HAPPENED.

WHAT'S NEW WITH THE BAND?

SHRUG.

HOW WAS WORKING DAY?

MONO-SILENCE DAY? OR LESS.

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

NO, THIS ISN'T A RAID. IT'S JUST CHIPPING.

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

THANK YOU NEXT.

YES, I'D LIKE TO ORDER.

I WANT TO... PLEASE! JUST TAKE THE ONION!

THEY'RE CHEAP! I JUST WANTED TO OPEN A CHECKING ACCOUNT!

...WHAT?

HOW BANK ROBBERS WEARING PARTY HOSE HAVE RUINED IT FOR THE REST OF US.

**EARLY PRESS BRIEFINGS**

## Breathe deep, go slow, Capricorn

IF MARCH 28 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: The upcoming year may give you a chance to reclaim old joys and achieve peace and tranquility. People in general will find you fascinating and appreciate all your best qualities during July, September and December. Because you are more popular and attractive than usual, these are good months to make important changes such as a new job, a new home or entering into a committed relationship. Your fondest wish can come true next March when you will get what you need, although not necessarily what you want.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Be a power player. Your desire to throw the dice and take a chance may be growing by leaps and bounds. Your ultimate gains will be in direct proportion to your enthusiasm and stamina.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Avoid performing a sleight of hand with cash or possessions. Negotiations could be subject to mild misunderstandings. Take papers home and read the fine print before signing.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Tread water for the time being. You could be swimming in a virtual fog — and others may not clearly understand your in-

until tomorrow when clarity returns.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): It may be difficult to nail down appointments to an exact time or to get an accurate appraisal of details. People may be evasive about confidential matters. Defr making key phone calls.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Sign your masterpiece. Be proud of your accomplishments and efforts. But hold off on presentations, speaking engagements or signing important agreements until tomorrow.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Take a deep breath and go slow. Puzzelement is possible. Busy people can become tired in unnecessary turmoil if they lose the car keys or misplace the file they were working on.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A new acquaintance can start your respect and admiration; relationships may prove their commitment in small ways if you keep your eyes open and look for the truth.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Don't work at cross purposes with faithful fans. Errors in the print details can throw you for a loop. Double check information gathered from a phone call and wait to sign contracts.

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**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Work hard in the background to get the job done. Keep an open mind. You can't believe everything you read or hear. It's best to keep plugging away at a project than to gossip with friends.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Flirt with fame. Keepers of truth and guardians of beauty will give you an all day pass. Your charm and reputation receives a gold star, so press for favors or ask for the key to the executive lounge.

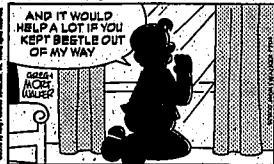
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Vagueness can lead to confusion. Hold off on signing important documents or forging agreements. Those in close contention could give you a bum steer or attack a sacred cow.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't rely too heavily on the opinions of others. Misguided sympathy can create a stir of discomfort. Delay decision-making or signing paperwork

Beetle Bailey



By Mort Walker



Blonde



The Bom Loser



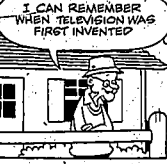
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By Hank Ketcham

"I LOVE MY PARENTS, BUT THEY SURE ARE A BIG RESPONSIBILITY."

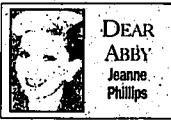
THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Can you see who I'm marrying?"

# Diabetes diagnosis is crucial before complications develop

**DEAR ABBY:** In America today, there are 20.8 million people living with diabetes. Because there are often no symptoms, nearly one-third of the 65 million of those people—don't even know they have diabetes and won't find out until one of its devastating complications develops. An additional 41 million people are at risk for developing Type 2 diabetes.



The good news is that diabetes and its complications can be prevented or delayed, but awareness is vital. Left untreated, the complications of diabetes include heart disease, stroke, kidney disease, blindness and amputation. But they are not inevitable. Early diagnosis and treatment are crucial to preventing or delaying these complications. Please help us spread the word to the millions of Americans who are living with this disease and don't know it, or who are at risk. Thanks for sharing this information with your readers, Abby. It can help to improve the lives of millions of Americans who might already have diabetes and not know it, and prevent the disease in millions more.

—ROBERT A. RIZZA, M.D., AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION  
DEAR DR. RIZZA: I'm

pleased to pass the word along. I had a conversation recently with David Boyer, M.D., a respected retinal specialist here in Los Angeles, in which he confided that one of the most difficult things he has to do in his practice is to inform a patient that his or her eyesight cannot be restored, and that the cause was previously undiagnosed diabetes.

Today, March 28, is the American Diabetes Association's 18th Annual Diabetes Alert Day. Readers, go to [www.diabetes.org/risk-test](http://www.diabetes.org/risk-test) to take the ADA's online assessment, or call toll-free (800) 342-2383 for more information.

Do it for yourselves, for your family and for yours.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a junior in high school, starting to seriously consider, and contrast colleges. I live in a Chicago suburb and I love city life.

The University of Illinois at Chicago seems like a reasonable option for me. However, I have fallen in love with the

University of Tampa in Florida. There are so many factors to consider that I feel like crying when thinking about choosing between these schools. I enjoy trying new things, and I think I'd like Tampa.

My family doesn't have a lot of money, so visits home would be limited to Christmas and possibly spring break. At UIC I would only have a 20-minute train ride to get home.

I could do that every day if I wanted to.

My mom worries that I'll get homesick, and so do I.

It is better to stay with the comfortable, or try to expand my horizons—even if there's a possibility I might hate it? Please give me your opinion.

—NICKY IN ITASCA, ILL.  
DEAR NICKY: If your only reason for staying home is the fear that you might be homesick, then I think you should gather up your courage and leap from the nest.

That's how I guess you learned to fly. It takes courage to leave the familiar and strike out on your own, but it's a great part of growing up.

However, there may be more things to take into consideration than you mentioned in your letter. Do you have the grades to get into both of these schools? Can you finance the managed? These should also be factors in your decision.

# Don't look for lakes in Maryland

This day in history: CBS broadcast the final episode of "M\*A\*S\*H" on Feb. 28, 1983, watched by 125 million viewers. On the episode, Mo'Nique's "Quintet for Clarinet and Strings, K. 581" (1789) was performed by a Korean orchestra. More people heard the piece that evening than had heard it in all the centuries before.

Maryland has no natural lakes. What it has comes from digging and damming. But its tongues may seem dry, but cats use a lot of saliva while bathing. Some estimates have it that cats' spit baths each day use nearly the same amount of fluid lost in urination.

Is a lot of knowledge a dangerous thing? Socrates' most famous student was Plato. Plato's most famous student was Aristotle. Aristotle's most famous student was Alexander the Great, who took that accumulated knowledge and went on a military campaign, conquering about all of the known



world at the time.

Education was so distrusted by the early Christian church that in the 3rd century, school teachers were not allowed to be baptized.

What do Allan Ginsberg, Dr. Timothy Leary, Paula Clark, members of the Radha Krishna Temple and Tommy Smothers have in common? They sang with John Lennon and Yoko Ono on the recording of "Give Peace a Chance."

In 1999, the Federal Reserve had an extra \$50 billion printed up in small bills and distributed it to banks. It added up to about \$183.39 for every American. This was in anticipation of pan-

icked bank rushes as the year 2000 approached. However, because most people took the "Y2K" millennial turnover in stride, the Feds ended up mitching most of the excess money.

Besides his more famous works, Michelangelo's 45th holds the honor of being the longest uniforms of the Vatican Guard in Rome. The artist was one of the Pope's favorites; Michelangelo didn't really want the assignment but couldn't really turn it down.

Gustave Eiffel, the mastermind behind the Eiffel tower, reserved the rooms at the very top of the monument for his own personal use. He would take ladies up there to show them gay France in a dizzying height, which turned out to be a very effective seduction technique.

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# Couple lose weight while putting on the green

FOND DU LAC, Wis. (AP) — Tim and Molly Haack are a combined 125 pounds lighter and \$1,200 fatter after winning a weight loss contest.

The contest, sponsored by radio station WTCX-FM of Fond du Lac, encouraged pairs of partners to lose weight together and rewarded those who lost the greatest percentage of body weight in 12 weeks.

The Haacks went to the YMCA twice a day and completely changed their eating habits, Molly Haack said. For their weight-loss ways, the Haacks won \$1,200 in cash,

a yearlong membership to the YMCA, a year's worth of free food from a sandwich chain and \$1,000 in services at a salon.

"There are lots of contests that give away prizes and money, but we wanted a contest that would change someone's life," said Michael Brown, the station's marketing director.

Molly Haack said losing weight was as much mental work as it was physical.

"You have to decide to do it and be committed to it," she said. "And now I'm a better wife, mother and employee because I take better care of myself."

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# RV couple rescued from Oregon mountains disappears again

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — But for their wrong turn in the mountains of Southern Oregon, the case of Elbert and Hecky Higginbotham might well have stayed in an in-basket of the busy and cash-strapped office of the sheriff of Navajo County, Ariz.

Eleven months ago, they'd been caught with a small amount of methamphetamine and a shotgun, deputies said, but they agreed to cooperate with investigators.

Then they disappeared. They turned up last Tuesday, momentarily national celebrities as they were rescued with four relatives from a snowbound recreational vehicle in Oregon's Coast Range. Lost and stuck in the snow, the six had been missing for more than two weeks.

Now Elbert and Hecky Higgin-

botham have vanished again.

With warrants out for their arrest, the Higginbothams were reported Monday by relatives to be heading back to Navajo County on their own, in the same motor home that had been retrieved from the mountains.

If true, that meant they may be reentering into a question that had vexed Arizona officials — whether it was worth it to spend a few thousand dollars to get back a couple of suspects in a case that would result in "probably probation, to be honest with you," said Navajo County Sheriff Gary Butler.

Butler said Monday that last April his deputies caught the couple, house-sitting for someone else with a small amount of methamphetamine and gained their promise to help in an investigation.

"But when we went back to talk to them, they were gone," Butler said.

He said deputies didn't know the whereabouts of the couple until last week.

That was when one of his drug investigators heard the snowbound story and remembered a long-standing complaint that the department had filed with the county prosecutor. It had finally resulted in charges against the Higginbothams, coincidentally a few weeks earlier, Butler said.

Such a delay is not unusual, he said. A prosecutor concentrates on cases in which a suspect is in custody, Butler said, because those people are entitled to speedy trials. A case involving somebody who hasn't been detained is a lower priority, he said.

## Kuna courts Oregon college

BOISE (AP) — Officials in Kuna plan to meet with representatives of Treasure Valley Community College of Orem, Utah, on Wednesday to discuss bringing classes to the city.

"That college offers some educational opportunities that don't exist at the present time," Kuna Mayor Dean Obry told The Idaho Statesman.

Kuna, located about 20 miles southwest of Boise, has grown from about 1,000 residents 15 years ago to 12,000 now. Like other areas of the state, it is looking to expand the number of community colleges in Idaho from the two that now exist: North Idaho College in Coeur d'Alene and College of Southern Idaho in Twin Falls.

Two community college bills were introduced in the Idaho Legislature this session after business and education leaders said not enough Idaho students go on to college.

Earlier this month, Gov. Dirk Kempthorne and legislators agreed on a compromise plan that would establish a statewide community college system.

## Chance of kennel closure has officials scrambling

PAYETTE (AP) — Officials in Payette County in Idaho and Malheur County in Oregon are scrambling to deal with up to 1,500 stray dogs a year with the possible closure of a local kennel.

Altherton Kennels, located in Oregon near the Idaho border, is up for sale because its owners say it does not bring in enough money.

"My husband and I have been working far free the last nine years," Lana Laughlin, who owns the business with her husband, Michael Laughlin, told The Associated Press on Monday. "We just didn't feel that it was at all financially possible."

Officials in Malheur County asked the Laughlins to submit a proposal on what it would take to keep the kennel open after their contract runs out in June. Earlier this month the Laughlins submitted a proposal for \$160,000 per year for the next five years.

They had been operating on a \$36,000 annual budget, Lana Laughlin said, but that wasn't enough money to perform such basic tasks as vaccinations.

She said she and her husband continue to look for other employment while Malheur County officials consider the proposal.

Payette Mayor Doug Henderson in Idaho said the city is trying to find a cheaper alternative. He said that in 2005 the city paid \$75 per stray dog, of which there were about 130. That added up to nearly \$10,000.

"In my mind that's already too much to expect the citizens to pay for stray dogs, and I'm going to look for a cheaper alternative," Henderson said.


He said the proposal the Laughlins submitted would have Payette paying about double what the city now pays.

"If I got to that amount of money, I think we would be looking at creating our own facility," he said.

He said the state requires the city to hold strays for a minimum of 72 hours. Besides considering building a facility to hold strays, Henderson said he's also looking for other kennels in the area that might agree to handle the strays at a cost to the city of \$25 per dog.


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Above, on a recent Monday morning, 16-year-old Matt Corle feeds some of the 20 horses at his family's home in Hansen. Corle says he does not mind feeding the animals every morning. "The cool air — it wakes me up."

Below, white Chinese geese mill about the Corle farm in Hansen.



By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

**H**ANSEN — Most of Matt Corle's friends are still asleep this early, cold March morning.

Matt is ankle-deep in muck, lugging a 110-pound bale of hay out to his family's eight cows. Steam seethes from his mouth, lingers a moment in the frigid air, then disappears.

It's darn cold.

Almost 7:30 — an hour before school starts — and he's been awake for a half hour. The 20 or so horses are already fed. Next are the cows. Then the goats.

Sometimes, he's the last one on the farm to eat breakfast — if he has time to eat at all. Sixteen-year-old Matt is the Corle family's primary laborer on their 5-acre spread near Hansen. His father, Don, is a trucker and on

the road most days. Older brother Ben moved out two years ago. Younger brother Andy, well, he's never been much for chores.

So it's up to Matt, who like hundreds of other Magic Valley youngsters, does farm chores. Twice a day, every day. But it's not as bad as it seems. Ask most country kids, and they'll tell you chores build character, teach responsibility — heck, sometimes they're even fun.

"This morning, though, there wasn't anything playful about frozen hay bales. "Winter is the toughest because it's cold," Matt said. "My fingers don't work exactly right." He glanced down to his gloved hands and wiggled his fingers. "The rain and snow don't do me any good, but I've gotten used to it."

Matt's mother, Tonya, wandered over from feeding the chickens.

"You know," she said, "this is supposed to keep kids out of trouble."

The chores have, she said, "But does Matt ever complain?" "We're talking about a teenager," she said and laughed. "But no, not often."

Matt said if he complains, he does it silently. "Sometimes I say to myself, 'I don't wanna do this anymore.' But then I just go and do it anyway."

"Matt's really good about the chores," Tonya said. "He's always taken on whatever we ask him to do."

Matt's been doing the hardest chores — feeding and watering livestock — for as long as

**Meet the family**  
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he can remember. At least since he was big enough to hoist a hay bale.

Melissa Brownfield's daughters — 10-year-old Adreanna, 8-year-old Mikaila and 6-year-old Kaitlyn — aren't quite big enough yet, so she helps the girls feed about 20 horses on the 5-acre farm south of Hansen that belongs to her friends, Suzanne and Duane Broner. Brownfield and her girls have been staying at the Broners' since her divorce earlier this year.

Duane does the morning chores, the girls the afternoon ones.

After school, the girls pull on their knee-high black rubber boots and walk down the hill to feed Laz and Lasso — two giant German shepherds. Then it's off to the horse pen to give Lucky, the stud horse, and his five companions their dinners, three armloads of hay at a time.

By then, Melissa is home from work and helps the girls drive the tractor across the creek to the other pen where about 20 more horses wait to be fed. Adreanna sits on her lap and takes the wheel after Melissa maneuvers the machine away from the house. Mikaila and Kaitlyn, smiling, hitch a ride in the bucket.

Outside the pen, the girls help load hay bales

onto the tractor, then open the gate for Melissa to drive through. The sisters use the few minutes of downtime to play on the mountain of hay.

"I like to do our chores," Mikaila said, "because I like to spend time with the horses."

And even though most of their friends don't have chores like the sisters do (either they're city kids or their parents do most of the farm work), these sisters never complain.

Perhaps because each is rewarded with \$40 a month if the chores are done right and on time.

"The girls are saving up."

"We might take a trip to Disneyland," Kaitlyn said.

Besides financial responsibility, farm work teaches children accountability, Melissa said.

"If they don't clean their rooms, the rooms just don't get clean. If they don't feed a horse, the horse gets sick. If they complain about the work, I ask them, 'How would you like to not get paid?'"

The girls know this lesson well. All the animals eat before the family sits down to dinner. As the sisters get older, their responsibilities increase. This spring, they'll care for 4-I sheep.

And, of course, they're looking forward to it.

"This is fun," Kaitlyn said. She giggled and climbed a bale higher on the hay mountain.

Times-News features writer Matt Christensen can be reached at 735-3243 or at matt.christensen@tnc.net.

## The rural ROUTINE

—YOUNGSTERS LEND A HAND WITH CHORES

## Come watch horse, mule teams on planting day

The Times-News

**BUIHL** — Have a hankering to see a bit of old-fashioned farming?

The Southern Idaho Draft Horse and Mule Association is inviting the public to watch its second annual spring planting "play day" in the Snake River Canyon, between Buhl and Hagerman, this weekend.

The event is set for 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Up to 25 teams of horses and mules will pull equipment to disk, harrow and

plant eight acres of wheat, association member Bill Holloway said. Yes, animal-powered equipment will do all the work.

Observers will pay admission of \$1 per person or \$5 per carload, and they'll be served pie and coffee.

From Highway 30 between Filer and Buhl, turn north on 2000 East; travel seven miles north from the highway to a farm spot dubbed Aztec Station. It's near the steel-head hatchery.

For more information, call Holloway at 539-0943.

Bob Holloway of Filer uses a team of mules to work a field in the Snake River Canyon in April 2005. The Southern Idaho Draft Horse and Mule Association planted a 10-acre field with oats that day, using vintage equipment.



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# THE ACES ON BRIDGE®

Bobby Wolff

"Nothing in the world is single; All things by a law divine. In one another's being mingle. Why not I with thine?"  
— Percy Shelley

On today's three-no-trump contract from last year's Bracketed Knockout Teams held in Pittsburgh, you might cover up the South and East hands to give yourself the problem faced at the table.

Sitting West, you start with the diamond four to dummy's king. At trick two, declarer plays dummy's spade queen, letting it ride to your king. How do you continue? Consider your answer before reading on.

At the table, Rich Rothwarf, playing with John Diamond, made the killing switch — the club nine. Check out the complete deal to see why this precise shift was essential. If, for example, West had played the club ace followed by the club nine, East could win the club king, dropping South's queen, but then dummy's guarded 10 would remain as a stopper with East on lead. Similarly, if West plays a low club to the king and wins the return with the ace, declarer can play low on the nine, leaving West on play with no fourth club to lead.

However, the play of the club nine allowed East to win the king and return a low club to the queen and ace. Now West could lead the club three, while East sat poised over dummy's 10 of clubs with the J-8, ready to take two tricks whichever club was played from dummy.

South should have played on hearts at trick two. If West had got on lead with the heart queen, he might not have known whether to play spades or clubs.

**NORTH** 03-28-A  
 ♠ Q 10 9  
 ♥ K J 5  
 ♦ A K 3  
 ♣ 10 6 5 4

**EAST**  
 ♠ 7 5 3  
 ♥ Q 7 2  
 ♦ 10 8 7  
 ♣ K J 8 7

**WEST**  
 ♠ K 8 4 2  
 ♥ 6 3  
 ♦ J 9 5 4  
 ♣ A 9 3

**SOUTH**  
 ♠ A J 6  
 ♥ K 10 9 8 4  
 ♦ Q 6 2  
 ♣ Q 2

Vulnerable: North-South  
 Dealer: East

The bidding:  
 South West North East  
 1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass  
 2NT Pass 3NT All pass

Opening lead: Diamond four

**BID WITH THE ACES**

South holds:  
 ♠ Q 10 9  
 ♥ A J 5  
 ♦ A K 3  
 ♣ 10 6 5 4

South West North East  
 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass  
 2NT Pass 1♠ Pass

**ANSWER:** Pass. As a third-hand opener facing a passed partner, you seem to have found your best fit. You have no wish to go any higher — how can game be close to making? If the opponents balance, your partner will know you have a minimum hand with three spades and be able to make his own decisions about what to do.

If you would like to contact Bobby Wolff, e-mail him at [bobbyw@comcast.net](mailto:bobbyw@comcast.net).  
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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

High School BASEBALL: Burley at Madison, D.H. 3:30 p.m. Jerome at Minico, D.H. 4 p.m. Naappa Christian at Glens Ferry, 4:30 p.m. GOLF: Magic Valley Christian, Hagerman, Gooding, Richfield at Carmela Vineyards, Glens Ferry, 2 p.m. Jerome at Burley, Burley Municipal Golf Course, 10 a.m. SOFTBALL: Filer at Declo, D.H. 3:30 p.m. Minico at Twin Falls, D.H. 4 p.m. Naappa Christian at Glens Ferry, 4:30 p.m. TENNIS: Twin Falls at Burley, 3:30 p.m. Gooding at Minico, 3:30 p.m.

NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Terps edge Utes in OT

Maryland in Final Four with 75-65 win.

By Tim Korte Associated Press writer

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Kristi Tolver made just about everything she put up and, Crystal Langhorne was as reliable as ever, sending Maryland back to the Final Four after a 17-year absence. Tolver set career highs with 28 points and six 3-pointers and Langhorne added 16 points and 10 rebounds, leading second-seeded Maryland to a 75-65 overtime victory over No. 5 Utah on Monday night. Laura Harper scored six points in overtime for the Terrapins (32-7), who are returning to the Final Four for the first time since 1989 and play Sunday against the winner of the Cleveland Regional final between North Carolina and Tennessee. "Final Four Final Four" the Terps fans chanted.

It was hardly easy for Maryland, though, not with the Utes (27-7) putting up a heck of a fight.

Kim Smith had 17 points and 18 rebounds to lead the Mountain West champions, and Shon Thorburn finished with 10 points after missing the last 5 minutes of the first half to handle an ankle injury.

But Thorburn, a 71 percent free-throw shooter, hit 1-of-2 from the line when she could have sent Utah to its first Final Four ever by making them both with 7.8 seconds to go in regulation. Instead, it was tied at 63 after 40 minutes.

It was all Maryland in the overtime. Harper scored the first two buckets, Shay Doron and Langhorne each added a layup and the Terps made away.

The Utes, who rallied from 15-point deficits to win in the first and second rounds and erased a late seven-point margin against Maryland, opened the extra period by missing their first three attempts, but they didn't have enough left to come back again.

Langhorne posted her second double-double of the regional. After scoring 39 points against St. John's to lead Maryland to Albuquerque, she had a career-high 34 points and 15 rebounds in the win over defending NCAA champion Baylor.

Smith, coming off a seven-point, 3-for-13 shooting performance against the Lady Bears, couldn't find her range in the first half and missed all six of her attempts. But she finally got going after the break, scoring Utah's first 16 points of the second half.

Tolver, though, was just heating up, too.



Maryland guard Shay Doron, center bottom, picks up teammate Kristi Tolver after defeating Utah on Monday at The Pit in Albuquerque, N.M. during the NCAA basketball tournament regional final. At far right is Crystal Langhorne.

She scored 13 of Maryland's first 21 points in the second half, confidently raising her arms after hitting three 3-pointers as the Terps built a 51-44 lead with 11:30 remaining.

That's also when Langhorne, held to four first-half points, got involved — and it was Tolver who usually found her underneath for layups. Maryland led 53-44 with 10:25 to go after Langhorne took a feed from Tolver, capping a 9-2 burst.

Utah pulled to 61-58 after Thorburn's two free throws with 4:10 on the clock. Then freshman Morgan Warburton drove for two layups, getting the Utes within 63-62 with 1:55 remaining.

Thorburn missed two layups near the 1-minute mark, but Utah tightened its defense and another freshman, Ibi-Teena Filipe, came away with a rebound after Maryland's Marissa Coleman missed an 16-

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IN BRIEF

Larry named to all-tourney team

HUTCHINSON, Kan. — College of Southern Idaho sophomore forward Reggie Larry was recently named to the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball National Tournament All-Tournament Team. The 6-foot-6 Larry averaged 21 points, 13 rebounds and 1.3 blocks per game in the Golden Eagles' three tournament games. Tournament MVP honors went to the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith's Itala Passos, who led his team to the tournament championship with a 60-59 victory over Tallahassee (Fla.) Community College.

Larry's one of eight CSI sophomores who will spend the coming months feuding out of schools. From the NCAA Division I schools, the NCAA national letter of intent late signing period for basketball begins April 12 and runs through May 17.

Adult softball umpires needed in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Parks and Recreation Department is looking for adult softball umpires. The first informational meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 26 at the current location. Games start at 6:30 p.m. weeknights, with some weekend games. For more information, call Luis at 733-5033.

Cave-Pepsi best ball deadline is today

TWIN FALLS — The entry deadline for this year's Cave-Pepsi best ball tournament at the Twin Falls Municipal Golf Course is at noon today. The entry fee is \$120 for each two-person team. All players must have a current USA handicap, with a maximum of 27 for men and 36 for women. The maximum handicap spread between partners is six for the men's division and 10 for the women's.

The men's championship flight will have both gross and net payoffs, while all other men's flights will have a net-only payoff. Women's payoffs will be determined by the number of entries and handicap differentials.

Pairings will be made available on Thursday. For more information, call the clubhouse at 733-3326.

Semi-pro league needs players, umpires

TWIN FALLS — The North West Triple-U semi-pro baseball league needs players and umpires for the upcoming spring season, which starts in April. Call Cates today at 212-4084 for more information or to sign up.

Summer recreation sign-ups set for Filer

FILER — The Filer Community Recreation District will hold registrations for the summer program on Thursday, April 6, and Friday, April 7, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Filer Community Center. Programs available include baseball, softball, and 8-year-old pitching machine league, tee-ball and swimming lessons.

The cost of each activity is \$30 with the exception of tee-ball which is \$25. There will be an additional \$0.50 fee for insurance, if needed. For more information, contact Bob Hansing at 326-3327.

Bonds: 'My life is in shambles'

By Janie McCauley Associated Press writer

SCOTSDALE, Ariz. — Seven home runs shy of passing Babe Ruth, this should be a time of celebration and excitement for Barry Bonds.

Not so, he says. "My life is in shambles. It is crazy," Bonds said Monday in San Francisco's Chronicle. "Except for Press. It couldn't get any crazier. I'm just trying to stay sane."

Then, clearly joking, he went for shock value.

"Go to the Empire State Building and jump off, commit suicide and people can say, 'Barry Bonds is finally dead.' Except for in San Francisco," he said. "I'll leave something for them."

Despite those pronouncements, the 41-year-old Bonds has been upbeat and approachable — by his standards — this spring despite the recent release

of "Game of Shadows," the book detailing his alleged longtime regimen for taking performance-enhancing drugs.

It appears unfazed on the plate. 1165 10-for-16 with three homers in exhibition play despite being held out of San Francisco's lineup for the third straight day because of a tender left elbow.

Bonds starts the season next Monday at San Diego with 708 homers, close to Ruth and 40 from breaking Hank Aaron's mark of 755.

Asked how he blocks out distractions, he says:

"What's my job description? That's what I'm doing at that time," Bonds said. "No, I don't forget (what is said). I will

never forget. I forgive you but I don't forget. I forgive everybody."

Bonds teased about starting the season on the disabled list — saying "It could happen" — then changed his stance completely and said he "will" play in one of the Giants' exhibition games back in the Bay Area later this week.

Bonds certainly looks healthy and vibrant, though still a little heavier than usual.

He spent the morning slurping a smoothie while sitting in his corner, locker, and wrestling with his personal videographer in the clubhouse. He stopped by the card table to socialize with teammates, too. Later, he had a lengthy sidwown with players' union head Donald Fehr.

Bonds is scheduled to return to California on Tuesday, one day before the Giants' official break camp in Arizona — and work out Wednesday in

San Francisco.

Bonds played in only 14 games last season, all in September, following three operations on his troublesome right knee. An exam over the weekend revealed inflammation.

"It's fine," Bonds said. "The knee is good... I've just got to get my strength back. My legs are fine. I just took a couple weeks off from training."

Bonds joked that he is ready for the season to start because then "it's closer to being over."

He is in the final year of a \$30 million, five-year contract and will be eligible for free agency after the World Series.

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Redick, Morrison unanimous All-Americans

By Jim O'Connell Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — JJ. Redick of Duke and Adam Morrison of Gonzaga spent all season locked in a basketball scoring race. Finally, they ended it as the only unanimous selections for The Associated Press' All-American men's basketball team.

Redick, the most prolific 3-point scorer in college history, was a repeat choice. He and Morrison were named on the first team Monday by Redick's teammate Sheldon Williams, Randy Foye of Villanova and Brandon Roy, Washington's first All-American in 53 years.

Redick and Morrison gave fans a "Can you top this?" scoring competition that will both be receiving all 72 first-team votes from members of the national media panel that selects the weekly Top 25. The voting took place before the

AP ALL-AMERICA BASKETBALL TEAM

Morrison, Redick lead the way

The nation's top scorers, Adam Morrison and J.J. Redick, were unanimous choices on The Associated Press' All-American team

Table with 5 columns: Player Name, School, PPG, FG %, FT %, 3P %, REB, AST. Includes Adam Morrison, J.J. Redick, Randy Foye, Sheldon Williams, and Brandon Roy.

NCAA tournament. Morrison, the only junior on an otherwise all-senior first team, won the scoring title with a 28.4 average, just ahead of

Redick's 27.4. Morrison shot 43.7 percent from 3-point range, while Redick hit 42.1 percent from beyond the arc.

It is a testament to the type of

season each of us has had," Redick said. "Adam is certainly a great player and it is an honor to be unanimous pick along with him."

Morrison said being an All-American isn't "something you think about receiving when you start your collegiate career, but to be associated with some of the great names of college basketball is an honor. I guess to be a unanimous pick with JJ, seems only fitting since the two of us have been followed so closely this year. It's a great playar."

Redick and Williams, a senior center who averaged 18.4 points and 10.3 rebounds while shooting 58 percent from the field, are the ninth set of teammates to be selected to the first team and the first since Isean Williams and Shane Battier of Duke in 2001. Foye, who averaged 20.1 points, 5.6 rebounds and 3.2 assists as the key in Villanova's four-guard offense, was the

George Mason relishing spotlight

By Joseph White Associated Press writer

BIRMIHAX, Va. — The coach of perhaps the most improbable Final Four team in NCAA history was running on pure adrenaline. George Mason's Jim Larranaga had slept for only two hours, and his extremely hoarse voice didn't deter him from what essentially became a day of nonstop talking.

"This idea of lunch was to take four reporters out for hamburgers at a fast-food restaurant, where our coaches kept stopping at the table to offer congratulations. And, of course, his cell phone wasn't quiet, either."

"I'm sick. How are you?" Larranaga's voice boomed as he took a call.

"Sick" is Ralph Sampson, who played at Virginia when Larranaga was an assistant coach there. Sampson and Larranaga were on the wrong side of the greatest upset in college basketball history, when NGA Chamblade upset the No. 1 Cavaliers in 1985.

Now the tables have been turned. Larranaga's Patriots have put together the greatest run of upsets the NCAA tournament has ever seen. The 11th seed has defeated half of last year's Final Four and the two previous national champions, culminating with Sunbelt's 86-84 overtime stunner over Connecticut.

"Thank you, Ralph," Larranaga said. "You know how hard it is to get there. To have this team do it, beating Michigan State, Carolina, Wichita State and Connecticut is just unreal."

Unreal, yes, but it would have never happened if the NCAA tournament selection committee had not ventured into a brave new world three weeks ago. Chairman Craig Littlepage and the panel decided to invite an at-large team from the Colonial Athletic Association.

It had only happened once before, and that was when David Robinson was at Navy in 1986.

At least that's how the outside world saw it. Littlepage said Monday that the significance of picking a second CAA team "didn't come up at all" because "the Patriots were being blessed. It was just more of a sense of whether the committee should take George Mason or Hofstra, another CAA team that had beaten the Patriots in the past.

"Certainly Hofstra had a very good year and has an excellent team," Littlepage said. "But I did feel as though if there was a tipping point, it was that this was the team that was tied for the league championship with North Carolina-Wilmington."

Littlepage also cited George Mason's upgraded nonconference record.

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third-leading vote-getter named a 55 first-team pick. He is the Wildcats' first All-American since Kerry Kittles in 1996.

Joy is Washington's first All-American since Bob Hainburg in 1953.

Roy, a 6-6 swingman, averaged 19.9 points, 5.7 rebounds and 4.1 assists while shooting 51 percent from the field and 81 percent from the free-throw line.

Dee Brown of Illinois was the leading vote-getter on the second team and was joined by fellow senior Rodney Carney of Memphis, junior J.J. Redick of Texas and sophomores Tyler Gay of Connecticut and Iason Pove of California.

The third team includes senior Craig Miller of Boston College and Alan Bay of Iowa, junior Nick Pavsekis of Nevada, sophomore Glen Davis of LSU and freshman Tyler Hansbrough of North Carolina.





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SPORTS IN BRIEF

WHAT'S ON T.V.

Table listing TV programs including Basketball (Postseason NIT, SEC), Soccer (UEFA Champions League), Tennis (NIT Masters Series), and Baseball (MLB).

Area ski report

Area ski report detailing conditions at various resorts including Regas, Teton, and Snake River. Includes snow depth, lift status, and trail conditions.

APL Center

APL Center basketball scores and statistics for various teams including Idaho State, Boise State, and others.

Jaldee to become first Thal in Masters

Article about J. B. Holmes becoming the first Thal to win the Masters tournament, discussing his career and the significance of the win.

Utah promotes Jones to assistant coach

Article about Utah promoting a former assistant coach to a new position, highlighting his experience and coaching record.

No committee yet for Tagliabue successor

Article discussing the search for a successor to the current commissioner, mentioning potential candidates and the timeline.

Boxer pleads guilty in death of sports writer

Article about a boxer pleading guilty to the death of a sports writer, detailing the circumstances of the crime and the legal proceedings.

DNA samples from Duke team to be tested

Article about DNA testing of a Duke lacrosse team, discussing the controversy surrounding the case and the implications of the results.

Panthers give Fox contract extension

Article about the Carolina Panthers extending the contract of their head coach, discussing the terms of the deal and the coach's performance.

Mayweather Jr. relinquishes WBC title

Article about Floyd Mayweather Jr. relinquishing his WBC welterweight title, discussing the reasons behind the decision.

Hernandez likely to start season in minors

Article about a baseball player likely starting the season in the minors, discussing his performance and the team's plans.

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MLB American League scores and statistics for various teams.

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National League baseball scores and statistics for various teams.

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**Market Watch**

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Con Agri	\$21.08	▲ .19
Dell Inc.	\$30.10	▲ .04
Idacorp	\$31.86	▲ .24
Micron	\$14.77	▲ .30
Sempra	\$46.67	▲ .55

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**Stocks of local interest**

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**Sempra to sell off a subsidiary**

SAN DIEGO — Sempra Energy said Monday it is selling its energy services group to a Honeywell-International subsidiary for an undisclosed amount. The group, part of the company's Sempra Generation unit, provides contracting services to customers to lower energy expenses through alternative energy sources or increased efficiency.

Richard R. Nigdi, president of Sempra Generation, said the sale will allow the unit to concentrate on its existing power plants in California, Arizona, Texas, Nevada and Mexico. The company expects the sale, to Honeywell's Building Solutions unit, to close early in the second quarter.

**Learn about doing business in Canada**

BOISE — Idaho businesses can learn more about entering markets in Canada at a workshop from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 4 at the Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce, 250 S. Fifth St.

"Business Opportunities in Canada" will feature presentations from Thomas Boam, minister counselor for commercial affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Ottawa and Canada Consul General Jeffrey Parker. It is co-sponsored by Idaho Commerce & Labor, the Consulate General of Canada, the Idaho State Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Commercial Service.

The cost is \$25 and includes a box lunch. Registration deadline is March 29. Online registration is available at [www.tradeidaho.gov](http://www.tradeidaho.gov) or by contacting Jill Jenkins at 234-2470 or [jill.jenkins@tradeidaho.gov](mailto:jill.jenkins@tradeidaho.gov).

**E.U. negotiating air travel pact with U.S.**

BRUSSELS, Belgium — The European Union hopes to get a preliminary "open skies" air services agreement with the United States in the first half of the year, its top transportation official said Monday. Such an agreement covering the world's two largest aviation markets would allow EU and U.S. airlines to fly to wherever they want and change whatever they want on trans-Atlantic flights, a move that could lead to lower ticket prices for passengers.

**Insurance bid rigging case settled**

ALBANY, N.Y. — Thousands of companies and governments nationwide that bought insurance through a broker expecting the lowest rates will share in the proceeds from a \$153 million settlement of a bid-rigging scheme involving Zurich American Insurance Co. The claims, which include small, mom-and-pop retailers, governments and large corporations, will receive \$88 million, said New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, who led the investigation and announced the settlement Monday.

— Compiled from wire and staff reports

## U.S. wants Japan's market back before cutting mad cow testing

By Libby Quaid  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns said Monday he wants to persuade Japan to resume U.S. beef shipments before deciding whether to scale back tests for mad cow disease.

Johanns and his staff have indicated they want to reduce the level of testing, which was ramped up after the first case of mad cow disease appeared in the United States.

A decision will not come soon, Johanns told reporters. "We just haven't been in a hurry," he said during a news conference. "We would like to see if we can get things strengthened out with Japan and some of our other trading partners."

That's where set to begin Tues-

day in Tokyo between department and Japanese officials. Japan's market is worth millions to U.S. beef producers.

Japan blocked American beef shipments in January after inspectors found veal cuts containing backbonc, which Japan has banned from its food supply. The cuts are considered safe to eat in the U.S.

Japan had just ended a ban on American beef imposed after the first U.S. case of mad cow disease in 2003.

"It is a very important market on both sides of the ocean, so my hope is that we can resolve whatever questions are left and work toward reopening the border," Johanns said.

Before deciding on a reduction, the U.S. will talk about testing with Japan and other trading partners and will con-

sult experts on the disease, Johanns said.

About 1,000 tests are run daily compared with about 55 in 2003. Under the department's budget proposal, about 110 tests would be run daily, or 40,000 tests annually. Officials say the number is merely a placeholder for budgeting purposes.

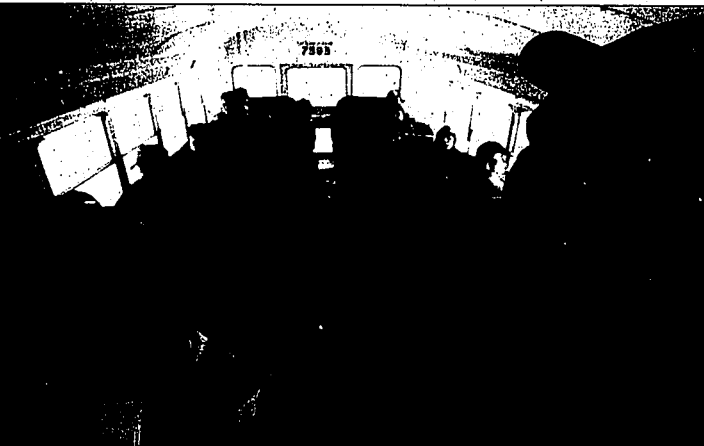
"There is a point here where we will define future surveillance. We will always have surveillance," Johanns said. "I just hate to even get pinned down to a date. Re-establishing trade is certainly ahead of that."

Government tests are the subject of a lawsuit filed last week against the department by Creekstone Farms Premium Beef, a Kansas meatpacker that wants to test all of its cattle for mad cow disease.



Visitors to an Aussie Beef Retail Seminar look at cuts of Australian beef at a Tokyo hotel Wednesday. There's no doubt the Australian beef industry has been the biggest benefactor from the serious troubles U.S. beef is facing in regaining consumer acceptance in Japan — the world's second largest economy and once a \$1.4 billion export market for American beef.

## IMMIGRATION REFORM



An agent of the Beta group, a Mexican government-sponsored group that tries to discourage migrants from crossing into the U.S. and aids those stranded in the desert, talks with migrants inside a bus, at Las Palomas, Mexico, near the border with New Mexico on March 13. Mexico officials are optimistic that the Immigration bill in the U.S. Congress can be transformed into something that will ultimately benefit millions of illegal migrants.

## Mexico remains hopeful about guest-worker OK from Congress

By Olga R. Rodriguez  
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — Heartened by huge marches across the United States and President Bush's support for a guest-worker program, Mexico remains optimistic the immigration bill in Congress can be transformed into something that will benefit millions of illegal migrants.

Mexican President Vicente Fox has been pushing for a migration accord that would grant legal status to many of the estimated 6 million undocumented Mexicans in the United States. He is likely to bring up the topic when he meets with Bush starting Thursday in the Caribbean resort city of Cancun.

"The recent demonstrations in different places in the United States show the imminent need for an immigration accord that meets the interests of both countries," presidential spokesman Ruben Aguilar said Monday.

Debate began Monday in the Senate on bills that would make it a felony to be in the United States illegally, impose new penalties on employers who hire illegal immigrants and erect additional fences along one-third of the U.S.-Mexican border.

Discussion on Capitol Hill began two days after thousands of people took to the streets of Los Angeles and cities across the U.S. to protest stricter limits on illegal migrants. Bush called efforts to balance the United States' need for low-wage workers with the tightening of its borders an "emotional debate."

Although a bill granting amnesty to illegal immigrants is unlikely to be approved by Congress, Fox has remained hopeful a guest-worker program will be put in place before he leaves office on Dec. 1.

Illegal migration has also emerged as a significant issue in Mexico's presidential race. The three top candidates in the July 2 elections have all pledged to strengthen the economy and create Mexican jobs attractive enough to keep people from heading north.

If the United States approves a guest-worker program, it would bolster Fox's image and aid the prospects of Felipe Calderon, presidential candidate for Fox's National Action Party, or PAN, said George Gimson, a Mexico expert at the College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Va.

Fox, who ended the seven-decade dominance of the Institutional Revolutionary Party or PRI, in 2000, began his term promising to fight for a comprehensive immigration

reform that would legalize the status of millions of Mexican migrants in the United States.

But the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks turned the U.S. focus to enhanced border security, not immigration reform.

"Fox is looking for some way to be remembered in history, other than (being) the politician who ousted the PRI from power," Grayson said.

Immigration and border security — and the balance between the two — is expected to dominate the two days of meetings between Fox, Bush and Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper in Cancun.

Mexican Foreign Secretary Luis Ernesto Derbez said Monday it was necessary not to focus the immigration debate on solutions based only on security.

"The international community must share responsibility so that those forced to migrate be regulated by plans that include respecting their dignity," Derbez said.

The United States has asked Mexico to do more to

strengthen security along their common border in a document approved by the Mexican Congress in February, Mexico pledges to fight people-smuggling networks and to work closely with the United States to tighten border enforcement.

Among the report's suggestions are creating more jobs at home for would-be migrants and providing housing credits.

A portion of the report was published as a paid advertisement last week in major Mexican newspapers and in The New York Times, The Washington Post and the Los Angeles Times.

With Bush's approval ratings falling and Fox about to leave office, analysts say their summit this week will have little influence on the immigration debate.

"Bush is so weak that he won't be able to deliver on any of his promises," Grayson said. "You've got one lame duck meeting with a probably lame duck. What you'll see is two lame ducks fluttering around."

## Bill aims at dairies that self-bottle

Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — It seems as if everyone in the dairy business is out to stop Holm Hettiga, a prosperous dairy farmer who happens to sell about the cheapest milk in the nation!

First the U.S. Department of Agriculture passed regulations effective April 1 that would effectively curtail Hettiga's business. Now, Congress is considering a bill that would do the same thing. It's scheduled for a vote in the House and Senate.

The government's actions have come at the behest of some of the nation's biggest milk bottlers and cooperatives who believe that Hettiga has an unfair advantage. Unlike most dairymen, Hettiga milks cows and bottles the milk himself, a sequence that usually involves a farmer, a cooperative and a bottler.

But where typical bottlers are regulated by the government, which requires them to pay dairy farmers a minimum price, determined by the USDA, Hettiga and the few other "producer-handlers" in the nation have long been exempt.

The reason that Hettiga has caused such a stir is that unlike most other producer-handlers, who are relatively small and local, he is among the largest dairy farmers in the nation, with 15 massive dairies from California to west Texas.

His five dairies in Arizona send milk to two bottling plants in Yuma, on the border of California, and they ship milk to Costco, Wal-Mart and other retail outlets in Arizona and southern California. There, Hettiga's milk sells for less than \$1.99 a gallon, sometimes less.

The vote in Congress is scheduled a day before Hettiga is scheduled to appear in federal court in Texas, where he has filed suit against the USDA to block their regulations from taking effect.

### Gas rises about 15 cents over last two weeks

The Associated Press

CAMARILLO, Calif. — Retail gas prices across the country climbed an average of nearly 15 cents in the past two weeks, according to a survey.

The weighted average price for all three grades increased to \$2.52 a gallon by Friday, according to Trilly Lundberg, who publishes the semi-monthly Lundberg Survey of 7,000 gas stations in the country, which was released Sunday.

Gas prices are 40 cents higher than they were a year ago.

Self-service regular averaged \$2.49 a gallon nationwide in the latest survey.

Among stations surveyed, the lowest average price in the country for regular unleaded was in Salt Lake City at \$2.25 a gallon. The most costly was in Honolulu, where drivers paid \$2.80 a gallon.

A border patrol car parks near Las Chapas, Mexico, near the border with New Mexico on March 13.



MARKETS

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Lawsuits claim Blue Cross dumps costly patients

By Lisa Orton Los Angeles Times

California's largest health insurer systematically — and illegally — cancels coverage retroactively for people who seek expensive care, 10 former Blue Cross members claim in lawsuits filed Monday.

The suits, filed simultaneously in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, allege that Blue Cross of California and Blue Cross Life & Health operate a "retroactive review department" devoted to finding ways the company can escape its obligations to members who become seriously sick.

"Blue Cross' conduct is particularly reprehensible because it was part of a repeated corporate practice and not an isolated occurrence," according to the suits. The members seek compensatory damages and court orders prohibiting the alleged practice.

Blue Cross, which is owned by InlandPacross-based insurance giant Wellpoint, declined to comment on the suits. Christopher Ohman, president and chief executive of the California Association of Health Plans, a trade group, said he could not address the suits directly but said that if health plans are vigilant in watching for fraud, rates would go up.

In each case, the suits allege that the Blue Cross didn't bother to check the member's medical history until an expensive claim came in. Then, the plaintiffs contend, Blue Cross retroactively scrutinized their records looking for something that had not been disclosed — and seized on whatever discrepancies it found to justify revocation of the policy even if they were inadvisory or irrelevant to the claim.

Yenny Sliu of Los Angeles, for instance, contends his coverage was canceled after she was diagnosed with breast cancer at 46. In his letter rescinding her coverage, Blue Cross allegedly told her that she failed to disclose her history as a child to the hepatitis B virus.

Ohman said that, in fact, disclosed the information Blue Cross accused them of omitting.

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