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## JEROME SCHOOLS Students to turn dirt and future

By Cathy Roemer  
Times News correspondent

JEROME — Jerome School District's newly approved multi-million dollar two-school project will begin like most — with the ceremonial turn of a shovel.

It's a groundbreaking the school district has long awaited. Attempts to pass bonds for new buildings failed numerous times in as many years. But the last bond passed readily and with record voter turnout.

New schools were needed to accommodate a growing student population and replace Central Elementary, a decades-old building that is (by all practical standards) beyond renovation.

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**WHO:** Students with shovels  
**What:** Ground-breaking for new elementary and middle schools  
**WHEN:** Today at 11 a.m.  
**Where:** Birch Street and 10th Avenue West in Jerome  
**WHY:** Jerome voters passed bond for new school construction

## A NASCAR first



Will Harris, a mechanic with Thompson Motorsports in Jerome, grounds wires on the instrument panel of a new stock car the team will be using on Saturday during the West Series 150 in Stockton, Calif.

## Local shop to race first composite-body stock car

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

JEROME — This weekend Brett Thompson will be first in the NASCAR Grand National Division, and he will do it before the race even begins.

This Saturday, Thompson Motorsports will race the first composite-body stock car at the Stockton 99 Speedway in Stockton, Calif. It will break away from the traditional metal body, which stock cars have used to cover their tube frames and small-block engines, and test the possibility of a lighter and more affordable body.

And really, it's befitting of a family-owned business that has never embraced tradition.

"When we first started out at the Magic Valley Speedway, my dad just bought an old car that we would leave outside when we weren't racing it. Then we eventually started moving up to bigger cars," said Brett Thompson, who races the No. 61 stock car. "But NASCAR is really like a family thing, when someone says that you can build a good car, they'll tell other people that they have to go up to Idaho to get a good car."

What started out as Rich Thompson's weekend hobby with his son Brett, is now a growing business that's being fueled by the growing popularity of NASCAR racing. Although Thompson Motorsports moved into its current facility a little more than a year ago, it is already outgrowing the 12,000-square-foot shop on Victory Lane in Jerome.

The business recently began working with the College of Southern Idaho to

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## Burley fire chief's son killed in Iraq

By Renee Wells  
For The Times-News

BURLEY — Burley Fire Chief Bruce Allcott and his wife, Maureen, were told last week that their son, Pfc. Jacob H. Allcott was killed in combat in Baghdad, according to city officials.

The U.S. Defense Department announced this week that Jacob Allcott of the 1st Squadron, 67th Armored Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, out of Ft. Hood, Texas, was killed Saturday along with three other soldiers when an improvised explosive device detonated near their Humvee, causing a fire.

The four were engaged in combat at the time, the department's press release stated.

Allcott is a 2002 graduate of Caldwell High School. His father was fire chief in Caldwell for a number of years before moving to Burley where he is now chief of the Burley Fire Department.

Allcott's parents were out of the country attending a reunion at the time of his death, said a member of the Burley Fire Department.

Burley Mayor Jon Anderson ordered the city's flags lowered to half-staff in memory of Allcott. "It's such a sad thing," Anderson said. "Bruce and Maureen were on a long-planned vacation to Europe, and to have to come back home because of this kind of thing is just so tragic and sad. They have become such upstanding citizens of our community and such friends to so many that we are all just grieving so personally for their loss."

Anderson said his heart hurts each time he hears of the death of an American soldier, but when the tragedy strikes so close to home, it is doubly hard.

"I heard the news yesterday morning that an Allcott from Caldwell had died and I asked if it was Bruce's nephew or something," Anderson said. "When I was told it was his son, it just knocked the wind out of me."

He said the city's flags will remain lowered to half-staff until after Allcott's funeral, which has not yet been scheduled.

Renee Wells writes for the South Idaho Press in Burley. She can be reached at 678-2201.



President Bush shakes hands with Tony Snow, left, after he announced the appointment of Snow as his new press secretary, replacing Scott McClellan, right, on Wednesday.

## Tony Snow's new job

By Ron Hutcherson  
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — President Bush reached outside his inner circle Wednesday for the first time in his staff shakeup, naming a new White House spokesman who recently called the president "something of an embarrassment."

The selection of Tony Snow, a conservative Fox News com-

mentator, broke Bush's pattern of filling top jobs with trusted loyalists. As the public face of the administration, Snow will take a leading role in White House efforts to reverse Bush's slide in the polls.

The job will give Snow a chance to put into practice his advice that Bush should be much more aggressive in con-

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## 'Nothing Gringo'

Firms say Mexico boycott may hurt immigrants

By Alan Clendenning  
Associated Press writer

MEXICO CITY — U.S. lobbyists lashed out Wednesday at the Mexican "Nothing Gringo" campaign timed for May 1 to coincide with the "Day Without Immigrants" boycott in the United States.

The American Chamber of Commerce in Mexico said organizers are risking a backlash and foolishly tar-

geting some of their best allies, since U.S. corporations have actively lobbied the U.S. Congress for immigration reform including legislation for many of the estimated 11 million undocumented immigrants.

Mexicans' refusal to "buy American" on May 1 could further polarize the debate and make reform supporters seem anti-American at the

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Three-day  
series  
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Friday

TWIN FALLS FORECAST
Today: Sunny and mild
Tonight: Highs low 70s
Tomorrow: Mostly clear and a little breezy

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST
Today: Sunny and mild
Tonight: Mostly clear and a little breezy
Friday: More sunshine and spring heat
Saturday: The warm and dry spell continues
Sunday: A fantastic finish to the weekend
Monday: A miserable Monday

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST
Today: Mostly sunny and mild
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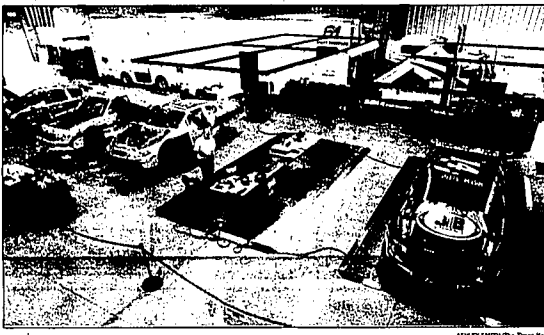
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Today is a big day in the history of Jerome. Schools, school district superintendent Jim Cobble invites the community to join him and other scheduled guests at 11:00 a.m. today at the corner of 10th Avenue West and Birch Street.

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Senate panel says abolish FEMA
WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's beleaguered disaster response agency should be abolished and rebuilt from scratch to avoid a repeat of making government failures exposed by Hurricane Katrina, a Senate inquiry has concluded.

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It was an aerobic basin
The aerobic basin was pictured in the secondary photo for the Gambia story on Wednesday's front page.

NATION

# Senate committee demands oil companies' tax records

By H. Josef Habert  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A Senate committee Wednesday announced an investigation into taxes paid by major oil companies and asked the Internal Revenue Service for the companies' tax returns.

The Senate Finance Committee promised "a comprehensive review of the federal taxes paid" by the 15 largest oil and gas companies.

I want to make sure the oil companies aren't taking a speed

pass by the tax man," said Grassley in a statement.

With gasoline prices soaring and oil companies announcing record profits, "it's relevant to know what the real financial picture is for this industry," Montana Sen. Max Baucus, the ranking Democrat on the committee, said.

It's highly unusual for the Senate committee to seek corporate tax records. The last time it was done was when the panel asked the IRS for the tax records of Enron Corp.

The committee announcement came as Congress showed increasing concern amid political fallout over high gasoline prices and oil industry profits. Lawmakers began moving on various fronts to eliminate loopholes and some tax provisions

that save oil companies billions of dollars.

In a letter to the IRS, Grassley and Baucus said the tax records of the major oil companies are needed to conduct "a comprehensive review" of the companies' compliance with tax laws.

"The pressure mounts to address extraordinarily high gas prices that consumers are facing at the pump, we feel we should better understand the federal tax posture of the industry," the two senators wrote IRS Commissioner Mark Everson.

In their request, the senators noted not only the industry profits, but "an extremely lucrative retirement plan by one oil and gas industry executive, benefits which may have been subsidized in part by the taxpayers."

The retirement pension contribution by Exxon Mobil Corp. to outgoing Chairman Lee Raymond is said to total \$400 million when all pension payoffs and stock options are included.

Anger over soaring gasoline prices and record oil profits is putting pressure on Congress to eliminate loopholes and some tax provisions that save oil companies billions of dollars.

A House-Senate conference, negotiating a large tax bill, is considering a provision that would change accounting rules for oil inventories and require the five biggest oil companies to pay \$4.3 billion more in taxes.

The measure passed the Senate but was viewed as essentially dead this week because of opposition from House GOP lawmakers. The White House

opposed the idea, too, when it surfaced in November and threatened to veto the entire bill because of it.

Grassley said Wednesday that high fuel prices revived the inventory tax plan and it "is still being negotiated."

His House counterpart in the negotiations, Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas, R-Calif., said the issue has not been decided. He denied

he had rejected it.

Additionally, there is bipartisan support for scuttling other breaks given to oil companies only eight months ago when President Bush signed an energy bill.

Bush on Wednesday urged Congress to remove those tax provisions, worth \$2 billion over 10 years. He said people should not pay for such subsidies when the industry is wallowing in cash,

# Lay and prosecutor slug it out at Enron trial

Former CEO takes the stand in his own defense

By Erin McClam  
Associated Press writer

HOUSTON — Now playing at the Enron trial: Dr. Jeckyll and Mr. Lay.

Enron Corp. founder Kenneth Lay, who told jurors about the huge successes of the company's heyday and of the millions of dollars he freely gave to charity, faced cross-examination by a federal prosecutor Wednesday in his fraud trial.

The result was explosive. Lay scowled, bickered, quibbled and interrupted his way through extraordinarily contentious questioning by John Huston of the government's Enron Task Force, who all but accused him of witness tampering in his own trial.

Huston said Lay had sent word through a mutual friend that he wanted to speak with Vince Kaminiski, former top risk analyst at Enron — five days before Kaminiski took the stand against him as a government witness.

"I was more interested in talking to Vince Kaminiski about some general risk-management issues," Lay offered.

Later, Huston scolded Lay for standing by while his own lawyer publicly called Ben Gilsan Jr., the former Enron treasurer and a government witness, a "monkey" who "contradicted the theory of intelligent design."

Then, just moments later, Lay admitted he had sidled up to Gilsan himself during the trial and offered him words of encouragement: "I did tell him I was sorry he was going through what he was going through."

The cross-examination seemed to stir jurors awake after almost three days of questioning by a Lay defense lawyer that included long recitations of minutes of years-ago meetings.

From the start, the prosecution questioning crackled with tension.

Huston took a marker and wrote on an easel pad the words Lay's lawyer used during an opening statement: "By our deeds we are known." Huston then asked whether Lay, who had been chairman and chief executive, had repaid a single dollar of a \$7.5 million loan he took out from Enron in late 2001.

"We tried to, and you blocked it," Lay said.

The prosecutor pressed for an answer again.

"Mr. Huston, you know you blocked it."

Huston asked once more. "Mr. Huston," Lay told him, "I was sworn to tell the truth and the whole truth. Not the partial truth."

The cross-examination unfolded the enormous risk corporate executives assume when they take the witness stand in their own defense.

Bernard Ebers, former chief executive of WorldCom Inc., and Frank Quattrone, once a high-profile investment banker, both were convicted in their own corporate-scandal trials after bruising cross-examination battles.

Ebers is appealing his fraud conviction, and earlier this year a federal appeals court threw out Quattrone's obstruction conviction based on improper instructions by the trial judge.

But neither man's cross-examination came close to the animosity that rippled through Huston's questioning of Lay on Wednesday.

Huston confronted Lay with the revelation that lawyers for brokerage firm Goldman Sachs & Co. had to ask Lay's lawyers twice, as recently as April 4, to get the Enron founder to stop calling Goldman officials who were potential witnesses at the trial.

At issue is a late 2001 meeting Lay and former Enron Chief Fi-



Lay

nancial Officer Andrew Fastow had with Goldman officials, at a time when Enron's stock was declining dramatically.

Fastow testified he and Lay talked to Goldman about restructuring an unhealthy Enron — all while Lay was singing its praises to the public. Lay said the meeting happened because Goldman was worried Enron's underpriced stock made it a takeover target.

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# Senate diverts war money to borders and port security

By Andrew Taylor  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Senate voted Wednesday to divert some of the money President Bush requested for the war in Iraq to instead increase security on the nation's borders and give the Coast Guard new boats and helicopters.

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Among those add-ons is a \$700 million project to relocate a rail line along the Mississippi coast so the state can build a new east-west highway to spur economic development and ease transportation woes. Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., moved Wednesday to strike the project and 18 others, totaling \$2.7 billion, saying they don't belong in the emergency war funding bill.

On border security, the Senate voted 59-39 to add \$1.9 billion to Bush's Iraq request by \$1.9 billion

to pay for new aircraft, patrol boats and other vehicles, as well as border checkpoints and a fence along the Mexico border crossing near San Diego.

While the border security funds had broad support, Democrats and Republicans argued over whether the cuts to Pentagon war spending would harm troops in Iraq. The cuts, sought by Judd Gregg, R-N.H., would trim Bush's request for \$1.9 billion for the program, but he doesn't specify how.

Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., said Gregg's cuts would "take money from troops, pay body armor and even the joint improvised explosive device defeat fund. Now that is a false choice and it is a wrong choice."

Gregg argued that the cuts eventually would come from other parts of the massive Pentagon budget rather than U.S. forces in Iraq.

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# Justices split in lethal injection case

By Charles Lane  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Few issues test the Supreme Court's unity more than the death penalty, and the justices' deep disagreements were evident Wednesday during oral argument on the rights of death row inmates to challenge lethal injection as a cruel and unusual punishment.

With questions and comments from the justices revealing an even split along liberal-conservative lines, the outcome could depend on Justice Anthony Kennedy, the centrist who is the court's swing voter now that Sandra Day O'Connor has retired.

Kennedy was in no mood for joking as he weighed Florida death row inmate Clarence E. Hill's contention that the three-drug injection used by Florida, 36 other states and the federal system risks harsh but undetectable pain.

When his colleagues engaged in some light banter, as they often do during oral arguments, Kennedy interrupted: "This is a death case. It's not that amusing."

The case comes at a time when the three-drug lethal injection is under renewed legal attack. Death row inmates' attorneys have won stays of execution based on what they

say is new medical information showing a risk of great pain if poorly trained personnel mishandle the anesthetic that is supposed to render inmates unconscious.

The anesthetic precedes a dose of a paralyzing agent; then comes potassium chloride, which burns the lining of the veins on its way to the heart. But if a prisoner is still conscious when the potassium chloride arrives, he will feel excruciating pain; paralyzed, he will be unable to show it, the lawyers claim.

But the precise issue before the court is not whether lethal injection is unconstitutional. Rather, it is a related procedural question: Should courts treat a prisoner's assertion that a particular method of execution is unconstitutional as a federal civil rights lawsuit, as Hill argues, or as a petition for habeas corpus, as Florida says?

The question is critical, because Congress has put strict limitations on civil rights suits, but not on civil rights suits.

If the court agrees with Hill, death row inmates could engage states in time-consuming litigation over the particulars of their lethal-injection protocols, even if the prisoners, like Hill, have already used up their habeas corpus petitions.

But if the court accepts Florida's position that Hill's

true purpose is to evade a death sentence through protracted litigation, then it will bar his claim as the equivalent of a belated habeas corpus suit — thus affirming the states' wide discretion in execution methods.

D. Todd Doss, Hill's attorney, insisted that a victory for his client "would not leave open a total series of challenges." He accepted Justice David Souter's proposal to amend Hill's lawsuit "so everything can be resolved in this one case."

Kennedy did not seem entirely satisfied, noting that, if Hill wins, a state might risk a new lawsuit each time it changes its protocol, even if its goal is a less painful death. That might create "a disincentive for states to try to make the process less painful," Kennedy said.

Even members of the court sympathetic to Hill sought reassurances Wednesday that he is not out to game the system, probing Doss on why he did not sue until shortly before Hill's Jan. 25 execution date.

"You did know there was a lethal-injection procedure for another prisoner, but you didn't challenge it then," asked Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Doss argued that he had no choice because the state re-

lused to say precisely what would be done during the execution.

But Ginsburg was even tougher on Florida's assistant deputy attorney general, Carolyn Smurkowsky, noting that nothing in the state's laws "binds" it to a promise of a humane execution.

When Smurkowsky suggested that Hill's claim is weakened by the fact that he has not proposed an alternative method, Souter pounced: "Why does he have an obligation under the Eighth Amendment or any other ground to tell the state how to execute people?"

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# Archaeologists decry history buffs' digs

By Bright Schultz  
The Washington Post

The buzz began in the clow line. "Did you hear?" asked one relic hunter.

"Yeah. A Mississippi plate," said another. "Absolutely perfect."

The proud new owner of the Confederate belt plate, embossed with an eagle held out his treasure on his dirt-caked palm.

A man with a long beard and flannel shirt whistled low. "That's \$12,000 right there." It was the prize find of a three-day relic hunt called Diggin' in Virginia, one of a new breed of organized digs in the history-rich state.

To alarmed archaeologists, these "safari" digs — though legal — represent the wholesale destruction of the past. Stripping sites of their artifacts also strips the ability to learn what stories they could tell.

"These digs are like reading a book, flipping the pages out as you read and setting them on fire," said Kathleen Kilpatrick, director of the state's Department of Historic Resources. "It's an outrage."

Members of the Council of Virginia Archaeologists are protesting to state legislators and other officials and enlisting the aid of local historic preservation groups.

Last year in the state's General Assembly, lawmakers considered a measure that would have required relic hunters to get written permission from landowners before digging, and to catalogue and report what they found. The bill also would have established that relics belonged to the state, not any individual.

It was resoundingly crushed in committee.

Yes, relic hunters concede, there are bad guys — the ones who use night-vision goggles and sneak into protected sites to dig, or the ones who sell what they find on eBay.

But others have such a passion for the past, particularly the Civil War, that they write books on what they find. Some take photographs or use the Global Positioning System to pinpoint what they dig up. And others have donated hundreds of hours to help archaeologists catalog finds.

# Steps taken for more screening for postpartum depression

By David Crary  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — The attention goes to celebrity sufferers, such as Brooke Shields, or to grim cases in which mothers kill their children. But beyond the headlines, about postpartum depression, states are making strides in raising awareness of the disorder and screening more mothers for it.

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What New Jersey has done is phenomenal — it's what we want to have in every state in the union," said Cheryl Hill, president of the Washington-based Family Mental Health Institute.

Several other states have launched awareness campaigns, including TV and radio spots in New York. On May 12, advocates for more ambitious federal action will lobby on Capitol Hill, including Edith Green, co-chair of Texas, who was battling postpartum depression when she won the 2004 Mrs. United States beauty pageant.

"I learned the hard way that there is a need for more educational awareness, emotional and physical support, and medical resources to be at the fingertips of women," Carter says. "In today's news, we've heard of too many cases that have ended in tragedy."

Among recent criminal cases in which postpartum depression was cited as a possible factor were the 2001 drowning of five children in Texas by Andrea Yates, another Texas case in which a mother severed her baby's arms, and the drowning of three sons by a Norfolk, Va., mother.

Hill, who suffered from depression after her now-grown children were born, said the publicity about such cases has mixed consequences.

"People are starting to understand the disease a little bit more — that's been helpful," she said. "But it hurts women who suffer from postpartum depression. They're afraid of coming forward. They don't want to be labeled as crazy."

Doctors and researchers say most new mothers experience occasional sadness and anxiety, known as the "baby blues," that does not require treatment.

Roughly 10 percent to 15 percent of new mothers suffer postpartum depression, a more serious condition which often affect a woman's well-being and which, experts say, should be treated through

therapy, group support or medication.

New Jersey's program stresses a proactive approach. Over the past nine months, the Health Department has trained more than 4,500 doctors, nurses, psychologists and social workers to provide screening, referrals and treatment for postpartum depression.

Celeste Andriou Wood, assistant commissioner for family health services, said the department isn't mandating a particular screening method. Its recommendations include the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale, which asks 10 simple questions about emotions.

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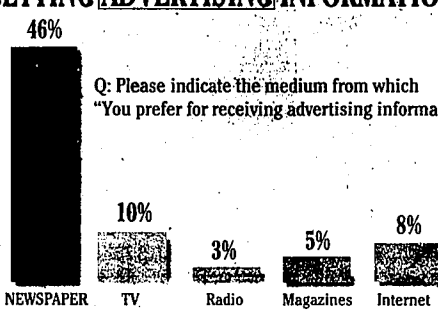


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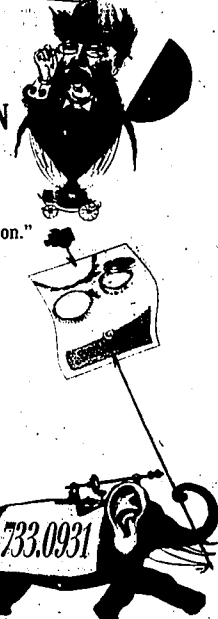
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# Hundreds of detainees abused in war on terrorism, report finds

By Drew Brown  
Knight Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Three human rights groups said Wednesday that they had found credible evidence that U.S. troops and government civilians in Iraq, Afghanistan and Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, had abused, tortured or killed at least 460 detainees.

The researchers said they had found 430 cases of abuse and that only about half of them had been fully investigated, and one-third never were investigated or remained unresolved. The findings are in a report by New York University's Center for Human Rights and Global Justice, Human Rights First and Human Rights Watch.

At least 600 U.S. service members or civilians have been implicated in the cases of abuse.

About 400 of them have been investigated, and only one-third of those who have been investigated have faced punishment of any kind, researchers said.

Also Wednesday, Army officials confirmed that criminal charges were being considered against Lt. Col. Steven L. Jordan for his role in the Abu Ghraib prison scandal. Col. Joe E. Dunford, an Army spokesman, said no decision had been made.

Jordan is the former head of the interrogation center at Abu Ghraib. If he's charged, he would be the highest-ranking officer charged in a case of detainee abuse.

The report by the human rights groups is the first full independent accounting of credible allegations of torture and abuse at American detention facilities in Iraq, Afghanistan and the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo Bay,

according to the researchers.

It shows that detainee abuse has been more widespread that government officials have admitted and the American military and other government agencies have made only limited attempts to investigate and punish those responsible, the rights groups charged.

"Our findings show that the abuses and torture revealed in the Abu Ghraib photos were not the isolated acts of individual soldiers," said Meg Satterwhite, the faculty director of the Center for Human Rights and Global Justice.

The Pentagon wouldn't address specific findings in the report. A spokesman said the Defense Department had investigated more than 600 allegations of abuse and had held more than 250 service members responsible.

Of the 12 major reviews of U.S. military detention operations that have been conducted, "none of them found that the department directed, sanctioned, encouraged or condoned abuse," said Lt. Col. Mark Ballstrom, a Pentagon spokesman.

"When there have been allegations of wrongdoing, they are taken seriously, investigated thoroughly and individuals are held accountable when appropriate," he said.

Tom Mallinowski, the Washington advocacy director for Human Rights Watch, said recent interviews with troops suggested that detainee abuse was less widespread than it was two years ago. But he and other researchers said civilian and military leaders needed to send a strong message that abuse would be tolerated and would be punished.

# Missing student found dead in landfill; police don't suspect foul play

EWING, N.J. (AP) — Searchers at a Pennsylvania landfill found the body of a college student who disappeared more than a month ago, but authorities said Wednesday they don't suspect foul play.

John Fiocco Jr., a freshman at The College of New Jersey, was last seen early March 25 when he returned to his campus dormitory after a party.

Investigators later found his blood on the dormitory's trash bin, which led them to the landfill in nearby Tullytown, Pa. After more than three weeks of searching, they found the body there Tuesday. Fiocco was identified through dental records, state police and prosecutors said Wednesday.

"Our sincere condolences go to his parents, John and Susan Fiocco, and the entire Fiocco family and to the administration and students of The College of New Jersey," said state police Superintendent Rick Fuentes.

Fuentes said there is no evidence that Fiocco was stabbed or shot. He said the investigation is continuing, but Fiocco's death is not classified as a homicide. Investigators contacted 1,000 students and school workers, and interviewed more than 150 of Fiocco's friends and relatives, and don't suspect foul play, he said.

Fiocco's family declined to comment Wednesday. His uncle said Tuesday after the body was found that the family was in mourning.

"Johnny was caring, sensitive, smart and witty," Joseph Fiocco said. He asked anyone with information about what had happened to his nephew to contact authorities.

# Songbirds are expert at grammar, say linguists

By Seth Borenstein  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Grade-school grammar students should put away their excuses. Scientists say even a bird brain can grasp one of grammar's early concepts.

Researchers trained starlings to differentiate between a regular birdsong "sentence" and one that was embedded with a varied clause, according to research in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature.

This "recursive grammar" is what linguists have long believed separated man from beast.

phrasing, but they failed. It was seen as upholding famed linguist Noam Chomsky's theory that recursive grammar is uniquely human and key to the facility to acquire language.

But after training, nine out of Genener's 11 songbirds picked out the birdsong with inserted warbling or rattling bird phrases about 90 percent of the time. Two continued to flunk grammar.

"We were dumbfounded that they could do as well as they did," Genener said. "It's clear that they can do it."

Genener trained the birds using three buttons hanging from the wall. When the bird pecked the button it would play different versions of birdsongs that Genener generated, some with inserted clauses and some without. If the song followed a certain pattern, birds were supposed to hit the button again with their beaks. If it followed a different pattern they were supposed to do nothing. If the birds recognized the correct pattern, they were rewarded with food.

Genener said he was so unprepared for the starlings' successful learning that he hadn't bothered to record the songs the starlings sang in response.

"They might have been singing them back," Genener said.

"To put the trained starlings' grammar skills in perspective, Genener said they don't match up to either of his sons, ages 2 and 3 months.

It took University of California at San Diego psychology researcher Tim Genener and his colleagues more than 15,000 training attempts, with food as a reward, to get the birds to recognize this grammatical structure in their own bird language. What they learned may shake up the field of linguistics.

While many animals can roar, sing, grunt or otherwise make noise, linguists have contended for years that the key to distinguishing language skills goes back to our elementary school teachers and basic grammar. Recursive grammar — inserting an explanatory clause like this one into a sentence — is something that humans can recognize, but not animals, researchers figured.

Two years ago, a top research team tried to get tamarin monkeys to recognize such

# Legislators in Florida agree to end juvenile boot camps

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — It's not yet clear whether a 14-year-old boy's death, hours after guards beat him at a boot camp, was a crime, but legislators agree that the military-style setting, marked by verbal harassment and forced exercise, is not the way to reform troubled juveniles.

Opponents of the state's four remaining juvenile boot camps praised the agreement by House and Senate negotiators that will replace the facilities with a program that aims to minimize physical contact between juveniles and guards. They regretted, however, that change only came after the Jan. 6 death of Martin Lee Anderson.

"Now there won't be any more children being abused while in the custody of the state," said attorney Ben Crump, who is representing Anderson's parents in a lawsuit against the Duval County Sheriff's office, which operated the camp where their son collapsed, and the state Department of Juvenile Justice. "It is something good to have a legacy knowing that his death wasn't in vain."

In finalizing their agreement, House and Senate negotiators tacked on another \$32.6 million at the last minute to fund the new program, increasing juvenile justice spending to nearly \$295.5 million for the fiscal budget year beginning July 1 if approved by the full Legislature.

"Unfortunately it has taken the death of a young man to get to this point," said Rep. Gus Barreiro, a Miami Beach Republican.

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# U.S. commander expresses hopes for withdrawal from Iraq

By Anne Bureau and Robert Gerns  
Associated Press writers

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Symbolism speaks volumes in the world of diplomacy. So the U.S. military's first two foreign policy officials calling on Iraq's new leaders sent the message loud and clear — we're here what you want our government to succeed.

And in case the subtlety of Wednesday's unannounced visit by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld was unclear, the top U.S. military commander on the scene

strolled it out. Army Gen. George Casey, the top U.S. military commander, said Iraq's success in forming a new government might allow the U.S. to withdraw some of its troops from the war zone later this year.

"We are seeing the situation a little clearer, I'd say," as a result of the latest political progress, Casey told reporters. "And the clearer it is, the better I can make my recommendations" about withdrawals.

"I came with most encouragement," Rumsfeld said after he and Casey spent a day meeting with Iraqi politicians and U.S. military and diplomatic advisers

in the capital city. Rice called the priorities and commitment of Iraq's newly selected prime minister, Nouri al-Maliki, "refreshing and really heartening."

The double-barreled show of support for Iraq's first permanent democratic government was meant to resonate in Iraq and among Americans, whose frustration with the war effort has helped drive President Bush's poll numbers to new lows.

A four-month political stalemate had sapped support for U.S. involvement in Iraq. The administration remains under election-year pressure from the

public and many in Congress to draw down its forces there.

"There is no question but that as the new government is formed and the ministers are in place, that it's appropriate for us to begin discussions with the new government about the conditions on the ground and the pace at which we'll be able to turn over responsibility in the provinces," Rumsfeld said.

After meeting with Rumsfeld, Casey told reporters, "I'm still on my general timeline" for a possible withdrawal.

Casey used no figures. There are about 130,000 U.S. troops in Iraq, and military officials have spoken before of their hopes of

reducing that number below 100,000 by the end of the year if the insurgency does not grow worse and if Iraq makes continued progress on political and security fronts.

Casey said breakthrough agreements last weekend to name al-Maliki as prime minister and to fill six other top government posts "certainly is a major step in the process" of

reducing troop levels this year. He said more must be done on the political side, particularly filling key government ministry jobs.

The Pentagon has not said when it expects to make decisions about further troop reductions. Casey had said late last year that he expected to submit his recommendation this spring.

# Egypt hit by two more suicide bombings

By Milet El-Naggar  
Knight Ridder News Service

CAIRO, Egypt — Two suicide bombers detonated explosives in Egypt's northern Sinai Peninsula on Wednesday, killing only themselves, but unsettling a country still recovering from triple blasts Monday that killed 24 and wounded as many as 160 in a tourist resort on Sinai's Red Sea coast.

Officials said the bombers apparently were targeting international peacekeepers in one bombing and Egyptian police in the other, with a warning of El-Arish. Links to Monday's bombings were unclear, however, and both officials and independent analysts said they could comment on a possible tie until investigators complete their work.

Egyptian officials have long blamed Sinai unrest on local Bedouin tribes who accuse the Bedouins have no ties to terrorist groups such as al-

Qaida. In the aftermath of a bombing at the resort city of Taba in 2004, Egyptian security forces arrested 2,000 Bedouins in connection with the explosion. As many as 80 local Bedouins were arrested after Monday's bombings in the town of Dahab.

An Interior Ministry statement said the second of Wednesday's bombings involved a Bedouin on a bicycle who blocked a police car carrying two Egyptian officers responding to the first bombing. The bomber blew himself up, but neither officer was injured.

The first bombing occurred near an airport used by U.N. supervisory and security force peacekeepers assigned to enforce a 1979 peace agreement between Egypt and Israel. The Interior Ministry said an Egyptian police officer and two members of the Multinational Force and Observers were on the way to the airport when

they passed a man holding a package. As they passed, the package exploded. They weren't harmed, the statement said.

Egyptian authorities gave new figures for dead and injured in the bombing in Dahab, saying 24 people had been killed and 160 injured. Most of the dead and wounded were Egyptian.

Interior Ministry officials refused to speculate on the motive for Monday's bombings, which struck as Egyptians were enjoying a long weekend that coincided with the Coptic Christian celebration of Easter and of Sinai Liberation Day. It marks the anniversary of Egypt regaining control over the entire Sinai Peninsula in 1966 from Israel.

While declining to speculate on Wednesday's blasts, independent analysts said they believe the Dahab bombing was linked to two earlier bombings of Sinai tourist resorts and the Taba bombing in 2004 and

attacks in Sharm el-Sheikh last year.

Dina Rashwan, an expert on Islamist movements at the Aham Center for Strategic Studies, called the relationship among the three attacks "definitely" as noted that all took place on national holidays, targeted tourist resorts and involved simultaneous bombings.

The Taba bombing in October 2004 came on the 31st anniversary of Egypt's 1973 war with Israel. The Sharm el-Sheikh bombings came on July 23, the anniversary of the Egyptian revolution.

Rashwan said there was no evidence linking al-Qaida or Osama bin Laden to the attacks. "Neither Osama bin Laden nor Ayman al-Zawahiri have praised any of the attacks, which shows the attackers are Islamists from their group," Rashwan said, referring to the Egyptian cleric who is bin Laden's No. 2.

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# Abbas calls for global conference on Mideast

The Associated Press

OSLO, Norway — Yehonoud Abbas called Wednesday for an international conference to end his people's conflict with Israel.

With the Palestinian president sidestepping the Hamas government and leading the talks himself.

The idea, raised in the city that gave its name to the historic Oslo peace accords, stems from Abbas' power struggle with Hamas, the Islamic militant group whose recent election victory has isolated the Palestinians and reinforced Israel's determination to draw borders without negotiations. Israel has long opposed international conferences, but now has refused to comment on the idea.

Abbas' use of a foreign capital to float the idea of peace talks was the latest installment in his increasingly convoluted and public power struggle with Hamas, which swept his long-ruling Fatah Party from power in Jan. 25 parliamentary elections. Hamas' West Bank territory, trying to force Hamas to renounce its violent ideology by cutting vital aid and tax transfers to the Palestinian Authority, Abbas apparently is trying to use his international legitimacy to ease the pressure on his increasingly isolated people.

Abbas said an international group should serve as a broker, possibly the so-called Quartet of the United States, the European Union, Russia and the United Nations.

# Communist rebel group declares three-month cease-fire in Nepal

By Binay Gurubacharya  
Associated Press writer

KATMANDU, Nepal — Nepal's communist rebels declared a three-month cease-fire in attacks Thursday, easing a stalemate on the new government poised to take control after weeks of bloody protests forced the king to reinstate Parliament.

The parliament was scheduled to reconvene in Katmandu on Friday, and was expected to elect a new prime minister and initiate the process for electing a special assembly that would write a new constitution.

The elusive leader of the Himalayan country's Maoist rebels, Prachanda, said in a statement that his group's fighters would refrain from any assaults to give the country a chance for peace.

"We declare a unilateral cease-fire for three months through this statement to express deep commitment to people's desire for peace," Prachanda said.

Until early this week, the country had been rocked by weeks of bloody anti-monarchy protests organized by the opposition coalition of Nepal's seven main political parties and backed by the rebels. The two groups wanted to force King Gyanendra to relinquish control over the government that he seized early last year.

Security forces killed 15 protesters in clashes before the king announced late Monday that he would meet a key demand of the parties by reinstating Parliament and effectively handing power back to elected politicians.

The parties welcomed the move, but the rebels initially rejected the gesture. They want the king to hold onto his crown and warned the parties that their acceptance of the deal was a betrayal of previous agreements between the rebels and political parties.

Both want a national convention to rewrite the constitution to end the monarchy — or eliminate it altogether.

By Wednesday the rebels had softened their position — lifting a weeks-long blockade of key highways. The cease-fire announcement clearly reflected a willingness by the rebels to give the country's politicians a chance to set up a constitutional convention.

The declaration followed a conversation between Prachanda and Girija Prasad Koirala, the man chosen by the country's political parties to be the next interim prime minister.

The conversation helped ease misunderstandings between the two groups, said Koirala, a former prime minister.

The rebels had declared a cease-fire in September 2005 that lasted four months. They pulled out earlier this year, accusing the royalist government of failing to show any initiatives to resolve the conflict peacefully.

Soon after that, the rebels escalated attacks against government targets and troops.

The rebels, who claim to be inspired by Chinese revolutionaries Mao Zedong, began their violent campaign to replace the monarchy with a communist state in 1996. The insurgency has left more than 13,000 dead.

Marika Yadav, the highest-ranking Maoist leader rejected by the government, insisted Wednesday that the rebels were not giving up on their ultimate goals.

The rebels use for now "being flexible in order to trust the parties" to help overthrow the king, Yadav said, striking a rare conciliatory note in a more than hour-long jailhouse interview with The Associated Press.

But he warned: "If anyone goes against the people, their downfall is inevitable, whether it is the political parties or the monarchy or any force."

In an indication that peace remained elusive, soldiers opened fire Wednesday on a crowd of thousands of villagers angry about the death of a local woman at an army base in southwestern Nepal, killing six and wounding at least 11, officials said.

Kunjan Aryal of the rights group INSEC-Nepal said the villagers were protesting peacefully.

But Bhupendra Poudel, the defense ministry spokesman, said the crowd tore down the camp's barbed wire, sought to snatch soldiers' guns and tried to storm the small base.

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Woman celebrates 90 years with open house

**WENDELL** — Beulah E. Lesneski will celebrate her 90th birthday during an open house set for 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Wendell Senior Center, 105 W. Ave. A.

Beulah married Richard A. Lesneski on April 26, 1937, in Burlington, Conn. They moved to Wendell in 1993. She enjoys gardening, cooking and reading. She has three sons, Frank R. (Claire) Lesneski of Buhl, Paul R. (Berndel) Lesneski of Wendell and Erik (Cheryl) Lesneski of Durham, N.C.; one daughter, Judith L. Lesneski of West Palm Beach; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. The event is hosted by her family. No gifts please. Cards and memories are welcome.

### Jerome teen earns Eagle Scout Award

**JEROME** — Dominic Pratt has earned an Eagle Scout Award, which will be presented to him at a court of honor set for 3 p.m. Saturday at his home, 429 20th Ave. E.

Pratt, 15, is the son of Tony and Nancy Pratt of Jerome.

He is a freshman at Jerome High School, where he participates in football, track and wrestling. He is in Troop 94, sponsored by the Jerome LDS 4th Ward. He has completed 38 merit badges and is qualified for bronze, silver and gold palms. For his Eagle project, he painted the kitchen at the Jerome Senior Citizen Center.

### Groups host carnival, dinner and auction

**BURLEY** — Zion Lutheran Early Education and Youth Group are hosting a carnival, Italian dinner and auction from 3 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday in the gym at the Zion Lutheran Church, 2410 Miller Ave. The silent auction and Italian dinner of lasagna, salad, French bread and dessert will start at 6 p.m. Silent auction winners will be announced at 8 p.m. Suggested dinner donation is \$3 adults and \$4 for children under 12.

Various businesses in the Burley-Rupert and Twin Falls areas have donated items for the auction, such as gift certificates for a European facial, collectibles, dinners, tans and other services. Gift baskets, handmade gifts and other items also will be sold.

Half of all proceeds will be matched by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and used to send community youth to church camp and benefit the child care preschool and kindergarten programs.

For more information, call 677-2273.

### Boy Scout Troop holds pancake dinner Saturday

**FILER** — Boy Scout Troop 7 will hold a pancake supper from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday at the American Legion Hall on Main Street. Suggested donation is \$5.50 per person or \$14 per family.

### Buhl woman celebrates her 90th birthday

**BUHL** — Charlotte Westby will celebrate her 90th birthday at an open house set for 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Buhl Presbyterian Church, 516 Main St.

Charlotte Cagle was born May 1, 1916, in Tennessee. She came to Buhl in 1918 and married Norris Westby in 1945. She has one daughter, Linda (Gary) Swanson; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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**TWIN FALLS** — The College of Southern Idaho Symphonic Band, featuring piano soloist Janessa Nye, will perform George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue" and other selections at 3 p.m. Sunday in the CSI Fine Arts auditorium. CSI music professor George Halsell will conduct the band through works by Persichetti, Auber, Sousa, Holst and others. Admission is free. Donations to the CSI Music Scholarship Fund are welcome.

### Red Cross holds blood drive in Rupert

**RUPERT** — The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive from noon to 6 p.m. Monday at the Rupert City Building. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Ann at 436-1344.

### All are welcome at Buhl Adult Community Prom

**BUHL** — An Adult Community Prom will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday at the Seventh Street Gym, 216 Seventh Ave. N. All adults in the community are invited to come for a night of dancing and company with live music by the Bob Nora Band. Refreshments will be served. The event is sponsored by the Key Club and National Honor Society at Buhl High School. Admission is free. For more information, call Trish Westzstein or Kathy Schofield at the high school, 543-8262.

### Arts Council presents Buhl history night

**BUHL** — The Buhl Arts Council, in partnership with the Twin Falls County Historical Society Museum and the Buhl Centennial Museum, will present "Tell Us About Buhl," an evening of learning about the history of Buhl and techniques for collecting the oral history of a community, on Wednesday. The event begins at 6 p.m. with a tour of the Buhl Centennial Museum, 206 Broadway Ave. Participants will stroll through the history of Buhl in the keepsakes of the community's founding families. "A History of Our Time: Oral History in Idaho" will be presented from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St.

Troy Reeves will offer an overview of Idaho's oral history, focusing on a few of the myriad oral history collections at the Idaho State Historical Society's oral history center. He also will provide tips for those planning to conduct oral histories. Reeves has been Idaho's oral historian at the Idaho State Historical Society since 1999.

The program is supported in part by a grant from the Idaho Humanities Council as part of the "We the People" Initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities, the Idaho Humanities Speakers Bureau Program and is part of the events surrounding the "Key Ingredients: America by Food" exhibit, a collaboration between the Idaho Humanities Council and the Smithsonian Institution. Admission is free to both events.

For more information or reservations, call the Buhl Arts Council at 543-2888 or the Twin Falls County Historical Museum at 736-4675.

## Rodeo queen competition set for Saturday at Magic Valley Mall

**TWIN FALLS** — The Sixth District High School Rodeo queen competition will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Magic Valley Mall. The contestants will be judged in speeches, modeling, impromptu questions and personal interviews.

This year's royalty is Crystal Wheeler, rodeo queen; Cherry Ward, first attendant; Sandy Davis, second attendant; and Marissa Caldwell, third attendant.

Crystal Wheeler, daughter of Rich and Shelby Wheeler, is a Declo High School senior who competes in barrels, poles and breakaway roping.

Cherry Ward, daughter of Marvin and Arlene Ward, is first attendant and a Raft River High School senior and competes in goat tying.

The queen contestants are: Sandy Davis, daughter of

Clint Davis and Cheryl Young, is second attendant and a Minico High School sophomore who competes in barrels, poles, goat tying and breakaway roping.

Marissa Caldwell, daughter of Midge and Champ Gummow, is third attendant and a Minico High School sophomore who competes in barrels and breakaway roping.

Hali Stutzman, daughter of Howard and Laura Stutzman, is a Kimberly High School sophomore who competes in goat tying, barrel racing, pole bending and breakaway roping.

Brandee Durfee, daughter of Steven and Cindy Durfee, is a Declo High School junior who competes in breakaway roping, barrel racing, pole bending and goat tying.

Kathlyne Osterhout, daughter of Kip and Cheryl Osterhout, is a Minico High School sophomore who competes in goat tying, barrel racing, breakaway roping and pole bending.

Calltin Thornton, daughter of Patricia and Dan Thornton, is a Twin Falls High School junior who competes in goat tying, barrel racing and pole bending.

Katherine DeHaan, daughter of Harry and Susan DeHaan, is a Trier High School junior and competes in cow cutting.

The coronation of the queen will be held June 3 in the rodeo arena at the Minidoka County Fairgrounds in Rupert.

The final district rodeo starts at 1 p.m. For more information, call Duddy at 731-9958.

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## A partnership between Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and St. Luke's means...

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## EDITORIAL

### Vailas' new home at ISU includes Magic Valley

Given the lack of a four-year university in southern Idaho, it's a rare occurrence to see a university president in our midst.

That changed last week when new Idaho State University President Arthur Vailas came to Twin Falls to meet our community leaders, visit the College of Southern Idaho, and drop by the local newspaper.

**Our view:** The new president at Idaho State University means a new era for southern Idaho as well.

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

degrees of success and failure. But the Magic Valley, in spite of its strong growth rate, is fighting for scraps beneath the table. Not that we don't appreciate the higher-education attention thrown our way. (One item of disclosure: Community editorial board member Traci Bliss is an associate professor at ISU and coordinates the ISU teacher education program at CSI.) But there's always room for more.

In speaking with Vailas, there's a sense that Magic Valley could be a critical part of ISU's mission. Vailas, most recently a vice president at the University

of Houston, noted successful conditions made in the Texas higher ed system with various institutions. He noted three major opportunities at ISU — providing top health care opportunities, energy study, and delivery of education through distance programs.

Note that last one because it could become a key component for Magic Valley in coming years. The time has come for Idaho's universities to recognize the potential in this region, and ISU and its new president are wise to recognize the possibilities.

Absolutely we do," said Kent Tingey ISU vice president for university advancement. "We look forward to including CSI and providing many opportunities for residents of that area." That concentration will include a collaborative expansion with CSI and ISU in the Wood River Valley and its facilities there.

Southeast Idaho has waited a long time for new leadership at ISU. But the change appears to be just as fortuitous for higher education in the Magic Valley.

## Growing silence at White House

Two events in the past week have thrown the spotlight on the troubled relationship between the Bush administration and the nation's news media, raising questions that are worrisome on both sides of the divide.

The resignation of Scott McClellan as the White House press secretary was followed within days by the announcement that a senior Central Intelligence Agency employee, later identified as Mary McCarty, had been fired for improper contacts with reporters.

Neither incident is entirely clear in its origins. McClellan had been asked to be fired, but his stepping down was part of a continuing reshuffle ordered by the new White House chief of staff, Josh Bolten, who had made it clear he regarded press relations as a trouble area.

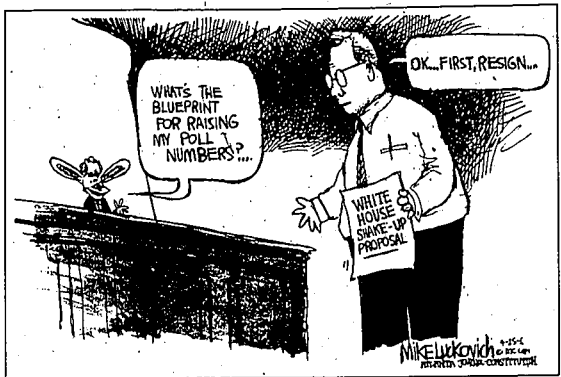
The firing of McCarty, a veteran intelligence officer who had held sensitive administrative posts, came after CIA Director Porter Goss and his White House superiors had ordered an intensive crackdown on leaks to the Daily Beast.

McCarty had already initiated steps toward retirement and was apparently only days away from ending her career when she and others were asked to take lie detector tests — and then she was dismissed.

For the first few days after the tests were announced, the agency and the White House let stand the impression that McCarty had been a source for disinformation about secret U.S. detention centers in Europe that won a Pulitzer Prize on April 17 for The Washington Post's Dana Priest. But when McCarty's lawyer said she had no part in that transaction, CIA officials confirmed that was the case — leaving it unclear exactly what she had done to bring down the punishment.

Priest, of course, has said nothing about her sources beyond the generic description of "a source of information" in current and former intelligence officials.

This is a troubling case for those of us in journalism. Our



DAVID BRODER

view is that it's the government's responsibility to keep its secrets secret, and it's our responsibility to ferret out information so the public is aware of the actions being taken in its name.

We recognize there are sometimes legitimate national security considerations for withholding information. In the case of Priest's stories, the Post agreed to the government's request not to identify the countries where the secret prisons were located.

But we also know that administrations of both parties tend to restrict information — and that the only way for the public to learn of questionable policies or actions is for conscientious individuals to break that official code of silence.

Government has a legitimate claim to enforce the promise of confidentiality that officials sign

when they go to work for an agency such as the CIA. The tool of enforcement can be humiliating and distasteful — and a lie detector test is both. But its use is not unprecedented. When it was talk of polygraphs for top officials in the Reagan administration, Secretary of State George Shultz said he was prepared to resign if the prospect disappeared.

The tension between the legitimate claims of secrecy and the need for public accountability remains, however, and in many respects has grown worse. The main reason is the reluctance of this president and his administration to accept a broad and continuing responsibility to keep the public and the press informed on the reasons for the policies they have adopted.

President Bush's approach has been one of announcing a policy after it has been completed in his relatively closed circle of decision-makers and then simply reiterating that policy in any number of prearranged settings. His news conferences and interviews are infrequent, and rarely offer in-

sights into the reasoning behind his conclusions.

That is why McClellan suffered both burnout and a loss of credibility in his job. Under tight orders from the top, he could do little to satisfy the curiosity — or assuage the doubts — of the reporters who sit frustrated in the briefing room, knowing full well that the real decision-making in the White House is shielded from their view.

Unless the president comes to understand that it is in his interest — as well as the country's — to conduct a more open governing process, the new press secretary Tony Snow will find himself inevitably as much of a punching bag as McClellan became. Only George Bush can signal to the White House staff and administration that he wants a government more open and eager to explain itself to the people it is trying to lead.

When he has given that signal, there may be fewer Mary McCarty's contemplating life in the coasts — and burders — of leaking to the press.

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## LETTER

### Kramer attracts support from valley Democrats

I believe Terry Kramer is the one to represent Twin Falls County as a commissioner. I've voted for Cassel for 60 years ago, and Terry's grandparents were among our first farmers. They were farmers and AI served on various committees in church, water, roads, and his Ida was very active with betterment of her community. Their son followed in his father's services and taught his son, Terry to also be a leader. A committee was formed when the question of joining

with a hospital came up, and several from Cassel served and spent time in discussion. Their findings were discarded until months later as a decision of the commissioners.

At a family dinner, I tried talking to a county fair board member, who turned his back and walked away. I had worked for years at the fair office and discussed ever to discuss a situation for the fair, so I was surprised at his rudeness.

I have been a Democrat all my voting years, but my family and I will vote for Terry. CLADYS SILL, Castelford

## Duke rape case plays before media judge

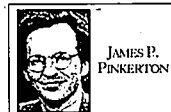
The Duke University rape allegations will be remembered as a turning point in the history of judicial-media relations.

Lawyers in the case have been shameless in their effort to manipulate the case to their side's advantage, and the media have been eager co-conspirators, such that the trial has, in effect, already begun. It is being conducted, not in the court of law, but in news papers and on TV.

So here's a modest proposal: Why not make it official? Why not just turn the trial proceedings over to the media? This is expensive, and courts are overcrowded. By contrast, the cable news is flush, and each of the cable networks has 168 hours a week to fill.

Admittedly, the cable news viewers won't be interested in swallowing up all litigation, but they will be interested in the situation. At a family dinner, I tried talking to a county fair board member, who turned his back and walked away. I had worked for years at the fair office and discussed ever to discuss a situation for the fair, so I was surprised at his rudeness.

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has seen itself as being above such tabloidy fare.

So why the changing Times? The main reason is competitive pressure; no paper can resist the public fascination with the case. Yet blogger Steve Scalet offers another reason: The Times, he says, loves a story in which blacks might have been criminally victimized by whites, because it breaks the all-too-familiar pattern. So the Times jumps at the chance to show whites acting badly, thus elevating the paper's self-appointed status as the arbiter of social and racial justice.

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surely that's just a detail, since for all intents and purposes, the trial has already started. So ladies and gentlemen of the jury, whom do you believe, the incalculating "second stripper," Kim Roberts — you know, the one who sent an e-mail to New York City public relations firm in which she wrote, "I'm worried about letting this opportunity pass ... and was wondering if you had any advice as to how to spin this to my advantage?" — or the exculpating cab driver, Moez Mossafa. But what if you drop Seligmann back to his doom?

So why not get this show on the air, right now? Many of the big names covering this story on the left include the likes of Tobin, Catherine Crut, Nancy Grace — are experienced trial lawyers. Why not let them divvy up the work and get it rolling? But even if you're not a media-fication of the Duke case make for justice? Probably not. But justice is the last thing this case is about.

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## Doors will stay open at school for deaf and blind

Rumors usually assume the worst case scenario. Such is the case with rumors swirling about the future of the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind. Over the past few months, I've been told the school is closing its year.

It's true the State Board of Education and the Legislature have been talking about the future of the school, but the timetable for final action on the school is years away, not months. The soon-to-be appointed State Board Working Group would bring a New Service Delivery Model to the 2007 Legislature, along with more statute changes necessary to keep the process moving.

Although a proposed bill did not pass the Legislature, it did contain some good points that



READER COMMENT Laird Stone

the Working Group will certainly want to consider. It may even become the jumping off point for further research and discussions. The board has taken a deliberate and thorough approach in evaluating not only the school but what services students are offered statewide. Almost a year ago, the State Board formed a committee to look at how deaf and blind students receive their education throughout Idaho, not just at ISDB. The committee created a report listing 10 areas of general concerns. Issues included a wide range of topics from teacher certification to technology and outreach. With

these areas in mind, the State Board is poised to appoint a working group to address the issues in more in-depth. The working group would create a timeline for action and gather the necessary information to approach the Legislature in 2007 with a statewide plan.

The Legislature has also been considering the future of the agency as a whole. The Office of Performance Evaluations, overseen by the Legislature, also did a study on ISDB. OPE's report complimented the board's efforts to further evaluate the needs of deaf and blind students. As it does every year, the Legislature recently approved ISDB's \$0 million budget for the next fiscal year, including many of the requested items. But it also included legislative direction for staff reductions and to consolidate existing student housing to offset declining campus enrollment.

Full implementation of any new statewide service delivery

model will require a phased approach over several years; it simply cannot all just happen at one time. For instance, careful deliberations among school districts, ISDB and the State Board will be necessary to provide the appropriate incentives for school districts to come into consortium and create the Regional Day Campuses that some propose. But even if the day camps the rumors churning around the school are mere speculation on what could happen but probably won't happen any time soon. As a governing body, and the chair of the State Board's committee on the education of the deaf and the blind, I look forward to working with all stakeholders to find the best educational opportunities for all Idaho students who benefit from the School for the Deaf and Blind.

Laird Stone is an attorney in Twin Falls and president of the Idaho State Board of Education.

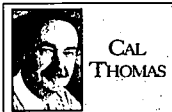


# Not only is 'United 93' not too soon; it isn't soon enough

The first impression one gets from the film "United 93," which opens tomorrow, is that it's predictably normal. Pilots and flight attendants go about routine business, from safety checks to making sure there is enough sugar for passengers. Conversations are about nothing consequential. This normally contrasts with the utter abnormality of 9/11 and it is what grips our stomachs, refusing to let us go until long after the 111-minute film ends.

The debate about the movie started a few weeks ago when some people reacted strongly to the showing of the trailer at several New York City theaters. They claimed it was "too soon" to make such a film, though two others already have been shown on the A&E Television Network and the Discovery Channel, drawing 5.9 million and 7 million viewers respectively.

Director/writer Paul Greengrass' "The Bourne Supremacy" and "Bloody Sunday" has created a profound and needed film that reminds us of what we must never forget and why people who hate us and want us dead; they will not be reached by sympathy, empathy or anything approaching an appeal to our common humanity. It is the complete indifference to human life and their religious fanatism



CAL THOMAS

— portrayed powerfully as the hijackers pray and shove their bodies in preparation for "martyrdom"—is a necessary reality check for those with very short memories. If anything, this is a film that isn't too soon; it isn't soon enough.

There are no well-known actors in this movie, allowing us to focus on the real "star"—the heroism of the passengers. Their phone calls to people on the ground inform them two planes have already struck the World Trade Center and they conclude that people who want to strike another target have commandeered their flight. They concoct a plan to disable and disarm the hijackers, who had knives and what turned out to be a fake bomb. A passenger who has experience flying single-engine planes says he "thinks he might be able to fly the jumbo jet if he can get to the controls. The plan is to overtake the hijacker from the cockpit and install the inexperienced pilot in the cap-



tain's seat. Instead, the lead hijacker crashes the plane into a field in Shanksville, Pa. Greengrass was fortunate to have had cooperation from all of the passengers' family members. On a DVD provided by Universal Pictures, David Beamer, the father of Todd Beamer, who famously uttered the words "be a hero," said: "This war and that attack on our homeland that day rages on

and isn't over. The enemy has not been defeated. The enemy has not surrendered. The enemy's purpose to take away our freedoms and way of life is still very much with us. If this project helps remind us of this, it's important and very timely." David Beamer added, "This is part of our history. It is an accurate account of our first counterattack in this war."

None of the passengers is identified by name. There is no time for introductions. They not only share a sense of ultimate danger; they also share a sense of ultimate purpose. This is a value we like to think is, if not uniquely American, than a unique character trait of free

people. These are Americans banding and bonding together in the sudden realization that they are part of an enormous event. There are no politicians leading them, no military officers commanding them. They more than rise to the occasion; they transcend it by doing the right thing and exemplifying true heroism.

Yes, the film is difficult to watch, but that should not be an argument to watch. Vivid pictures of the consequences of drug use, promiscuous sex, drinking and driving and other harmful behavior have long been used to cure apathy and to positively motivate. This film demonstrates the consequences of not being prepared and the wisdom of constant vigilance.

The show business publication Variety reported that studio tracking of "United 93" shows a high percentage of people are "definitely not interested" in seeing it, though by a slim margin, the picture is the top choice among males. It should be a top choice for everyone. "United 93" is a valuable weapon in our counterattack against terrorism. No American should miss it.

Readers can write to Cal Thomas at Tribune Media Services, 2225 Kinnon Ave., Suite 114, Buffalo, N.Y. 14207. E-mail: cal@calthomas.com.

## Sempra is gone, but energy input awaits

We owe Sempra (aka Idaho Valley Energy Inc.) a thank you for waking us up and getting Idaho involved in developing an energy plan. I also thank Sen. Clint Smetten, Rep. Sharon Block, Speaker of the House Bruce Newcomb and most of our elected officials for passing a two-year moratorium which gives us time to address the complex issues surrounding electrical energy. We must remain actively involved to ensure the outcome is in our best interest.

We need to contact the Idaho Board of Environmental Quality (Idoba, idoba@idoba.gov or Debra Cline, DEQ State Office, 1410 N. Hillon, Boise, ID 83706) now and urge them to opt out of the Environmental Protection Agency mercury cap and trade program. They should address this issue in June. We can always opt in at a later date if we want to, but once in, we cannot opt, but except now. If Idaho does not make a decision by November, the federal government automatically enrolls us and there is no way to get out. We must make this decision and not allow the federal government to dictate our future.

Another important point of involvement will be with the Interim Energy Committee, which will meet at least monthly. Input to it at any time over the next year or so is appropriate. Reps. Maxine Bell, Tom Gannon and Bert Stevenson are on the Interim Committee. CARL H. NELLS is Jerome.

## Event center override is still a bargain

I intend to vote in favor of the Pioneer Event Center at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds on May 23.

We have needed an event center like this in the Magic Valley for quite some time, and it makes sense to me to build it where we already own the property. The planners have put a lot of thought into making sure that this will be a building that can be used for a variety of purposes.

The cost for the two-year override levy is only \$20 per year for a \$100,000 of added home valuation. That seems like a bargain to me. Please join me in voting yes on May 23 to approve the first phase of the Pioneer Event Center. THORLEIF RANGEN is Butte.

## Perseverance pays off for working mother

It does seem that the government is encouraging a welfare state. But to my reason for writing—this is in answer to Claire Jansson's letter in the Saturday, April 22, paper. You sure brought back memories of days gone by. I was also the single mother of five, in Aid to Dependent Children, working 40 hours a week, no support from dad (he ran to Canada to avoid support). And every time I received a raise, I lost dollars from my ADC money.

The kids, ranging in age from 2 to 9, were at a baby sitter that I also had to pay for in school. Kids sick — good heavens, I hope not. No car, public transportation. After I took the youngest to the sitter (three miles away), we walked. (Dad took the wheels.) I caught the bus and went to work at 5 p.m. I repeated the process rain, shine, snow (Syracuse, N.Y.).

But what I really want to say is that perseverance pays. Keep your chin up and, when the time comes, you will be able to call state assistance and thank them for helping you keep your family.

It's really said, "Been there, done that," and in spite of all the pitfalls, I made it and so will you.

Cod bless. BARBARA SCHMITZ is Twin Falls.

## Yet another sales tax for public schools

Several years ago, the "poppers that be" decided to put a sales tax of 3 cents that I assumed to be for the schools. Later, it was 4 cents, then 5 cents, then 6 cents, then back to 5 cents and now they want to raise it to 6 cents again.

I'm not sure of the date when the "poppers that be" decided we needed a sales tax for the schools, but hundreds of thousands of dollars later, we still have bond elections to fund the schools. I am puzzled. Why, if all the lottery and sales tax monies were for the schools, are we still fishing around for funds to build, update and refurbish our schools?

Perhaps I'm wrong and the lottery and sales tax were designated for something entirely different. Please, won't someone enlighten me! EDITH ROBERTSON is Wendell.

## Illegal workers don't deserve immigrant status

Those in the United States illegally should not be referred to as immigrants—they are illegal aliens.

Immigrants migrate to this country legally, pledge their allegiance to the United States, care what happens to us people and are an asset to us all. Illegal aliens sneak across the border and glean what they can from us before returning to their homeland.

They should not be allowed to drain our resources, protest in our streets and demand rights only citizens of this country should be allotted.

Employing them should result in fines and/or jail time. These laws are already on the books; they just need to be enforced. All programs and benefits should be cut off. Once there are no jobs or handouts available, they can either become legal or leave.

The illegals' slogan is "Si, Se Purde." Ours is "Get legal or get out!" KRISTI ATKINSON is DON ATKINSON is Hagerman.

## Board's block of recount warrants a recall

On March 15 after the bond election, I called the school district about how to go about a recount of the ballots. After two days, I was informed that by State Statute 34-2301, you cannot get a recount.

The district lawyer recommended against offering one. There were about 500 people registered to vote on the same day that I consider invalid. The measure only passed by 50 votes. I believe the final count wrong. The board should offer a recount to be fair.

It was after my request that the board voted to prohibit anyone from appearing and talking to the board. This tells me they do not want to discuss recount or anything else from the voters.

Now after being shipped in the face by the board, I want to

propose a recall of the entire board. Once we do that, we fire the superintendent and hire one who has a working relationship with the voters.

Something must be done before the district sells bonds to build an unneeded high school.

If there is anyone out there who has experience with re-

calls, I will be more than pleased to help.

If you look real close in the law, the school board is a law unto themselves. They are not, so it seems to me, responsible for anything to the voter. So recall — set some rules. ROBERT L. HECKMAN is Twin Falls.

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WORLD

# Ukrainians hope to return life to region devastated by Chernobyl

By Natasha Llova  
Associated Press writer

CHERNOBYL, Ukraine — The concrete-and-steel sarcophagus being built to enclose the No. 4 at the Chernobyl nuclear plant is crumbling and dotted with holes. Birds have found their way inside, and radiation has increased.

The \$1.1 billion project to replace the sarcophagus remains on the drawing board, 20 years after the explosion and fire that

speeded radiation across much of Europe. A storage shelter for used fuel from Chernobyl's other reactors also has yet to be built.

But international experts say radiation levels are decreasing a hundredfold in some areas around the shuttered plant. And the United Nations says it is time to transform the population from victims into survivors.

Arriving by helicopter at the shuttered Chernobyl nuclear power plant Wednesday for

commemorations of the catastrophe's 20th anniversary, Ukrainian President Viktor Yushchenko said his government supports change.

"Chernobyl must not be a mourning place, it must become a place of hope," Yushchenko said after laying two red carnations beneath a monument to the victims in the explosion.

Yushchenko has called for studies to determine how the land could be used, and has floated the possibility of every-

thing from tourism to a storage site for used nuclear fuel to a nature preserve. The area, largely bereft of humans, has become a wildlife preserve of sorts with the reappearance of species that hadn't been seen for decades.

"I see nothing wrong if in Kiev there will emerge a couple of tour excursion companies," the president told state television in an interview. "To see Chernobyl villages with their open windows, unlocked doors and overgrown gardens are also les-

sons, and some people can be more impressed by that than the destroyed reactor."

Thirty-one people died within the first two months from illnesses caused by radioactivity, but there is heated debate over the toll that will be taken over the years.

A report from the U.N. health agency estimated last week that at all 9,300 people will die from cancers caused by Chernobyl's radiation. Some groups, such as Greenpeace, insist the toll could

be 10 times higher.

Some 5 million people live in areas where radioactive particles fell in Ukraine, Belarus and Russia, and a U.N. report last year found that many suffer from a deep sense of gloom about the future.

The shuttered reactor, which spewed out radioactivity for 10 days, contaminated 77,220 square miles and forced the Soviet government to permanently evacuate more than 300,000 people.

## UK's warrior Prince Harry wants the right to fight

By Mary Jordan  
and Kevin Sullivan  
The Washington Post

LONDON — If it's war Harry Wales wants, it's war he shall have.

British Defense Secretary John Reid, addressing noisy speculation in the British media, said this week he saw no problem with Prince Harry — better known as Prince Harry — to Iraq or Afghanistan.

"I believe that the young prince should be treated like any other member of the British armed forces," Reid told the BBC, speaking live on the radio from Afghanistan, where he was visiting hundreds of British soldiers whose mother was not Princess Diana. Reid pleaded with the British media, known to take more than a passing interest in the royal family, to "let him alone" so he can get on with being "a potentially very good young officer."

Harry himself is on record as saying he has no intention of staying home while his mates from Sandhurst, the elite military academy from which he graduated this month, put their lives on the line. "There's no way I'm going to put myself through Sandhurst and then sit on my arse back home while my boys are out fighting for their country," Harry, the redheaded younger son of Diana and Prince Charles, said in a rare interview last September, marking his 21st birthday. "That may sound very patriotic, but it's true."

In that interview, he said he could foresee a long military career. "I do enjoy running down a ditch full of mud, firing bullets," he said. "It's the way I am. I love it."

But he was quoted in the Mail on Sunday newspaper as telling his superiors, "If I am not allowed to join my unit in a war zone, I will hand in my uniform."

That set off a debate about whether Harry should or shouldn't go and if the military would let him. Could he really be just a soldier doing his duty? Or would he become a "trophy target" whose presence would recklessly endanger his fellow soldiers?

Commissioned in the Household Cavalry's Blues and Royals, the oldest and most senior regiment in the British Army, Harry is about to begin a five-month training course to become a troop commander. His regiment has been deployed in most major military operations in recent decades, including the Falklands War, both Gulf wars, Bosnia and Kosovo. After his training military officials have said, it is quite possible that Harry's regiment could be assigned to Iraq or Afghanistan.

## Brazilian farmer pleads guilty in killing of U.S. nun

BELEM, Brazil (AP) — An Amazon farmer charged in the killing of American nun and rainforest defender Dorothy Stang pleaded guilty Wednesday and said two ranchers ordered her murder because of her opposition to their plan to log a patch of forest.

Arnold Feijoi da Cunha, 38, told a jury he offered money to two gunmen to shoot the 73-year-old nun on Feb. 12, 2005, at the behest of ranchers Vitalmino Moura and Regivaldo Galvao.

Feijoi testified that Galvao told him, "Until we put an end to this woman, we won't have peace on these lands."

He said Galvao told him to offer \$24,000 to kill Stang. Feijoi said Moura supplied the .48 caliber revolver used in the killing.

The two ranchers have been charged with Stang's killing, but legal maneuvering has kept their cases from coming to trial.



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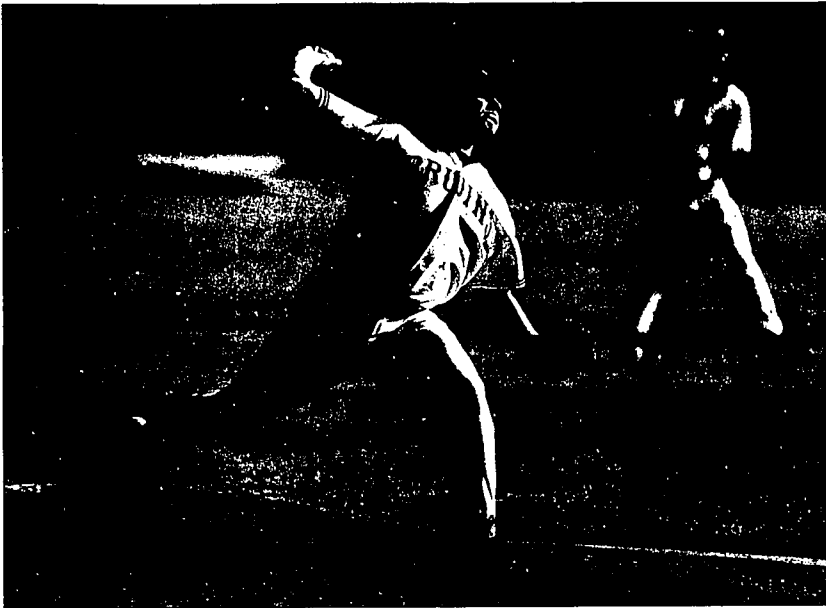
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## Bruins stumble



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Twin Falls High School pitcher Nick Yergensen throws the ball Wednesday during the third inning of the Bruins' game with Highland at Twin Falls.

## Highland shuts out Twin Falls in conference play

By Nathaniel Garrabrandt  
Times-News writer

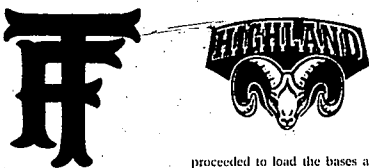
TWIN FALLS — With home field advantage for the Region Four-Five-Six tournament already locked down, Wednesday's home game against conference rival Highland, was, technically, a game of little importance to the Twin Falls Bruins.

And so it seemed to play out on the field, with the little things ganging up over the course of the game to dash Twin Falls' hopes of a perfect conference record as Highland left town with an ugly 6-0 win.

"We work all the time on details and little things and we just didn't do that today," said Bruins head coach Mike Federico.

Highland (6-5, 3-2) scored two runs on balks, one on a wild pitch, and another pair on an error in left field, while the Bruins equaled the Rams' six hits only to leave seven men on base.

"Those things cost you games,"



said Federico. "The significance for us is that we wanted to play well at home and finish off our regional season," said Federico. "Is it bigger for them than it was for us? Yeah, you could say that. But I just think that every game, every pitch is big."

A balk in third inning gave the guests their first run of the game and another made it 2-0 in the sixth.

From there, things rapidly went south for the hosts as Highland

proceeded to load the bases and drive in a run followed two batters later by an error in left field on a fly ball, that sent two runners home and put the Rams up by five.

"For us it's huge," said Highland head coach Kurt May, "because we've now put ourselves in position where we can get a home field game in the first game of districts. I told my kids that we've got to come out and take care of business today. So for us, it was a very big win."

Rams pitcher bracken Ilverson threw an excellent game, striking out six.

"We got a good outing from Brack," said May. "He's in the strike zone a lot. He just goes out and gives us a chance to win and tonight he was on his game."

Even so, he wasn't unhittable and the Bruins (5-1 conference) were presented with plenty of opportunities, two of which came from sophomore first baseman Bo Folkings, who had a solid day at the plate with a single in the second inning and a double in the fourth to go 2-for-3 on the day.

"We just didn't do the little things that you need to win a game," said Folkings. "We didn't execute with runners in scoring position."

Remington Pullin and Bryant Ward also doubled for the 14-7 Bruins, who host the defending 4A state champion Minico Spartans on Friday.

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## Wendell's Kelsey signs with Yakima Valley CC

By Eric Larsen  
The Times-News

WENDELL — Mission accomplished.

Wendell High School senior Hailee Kelsey will realize her dream of playing collegiate basketball after signing a national letter-of-intent to play for Yakima Valley Community College (Yakima) of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges. Yaks head coach Cody Butler announced on Wednesday.

"It's a dream come true," Kelsey said in a Wednesday phone interview. "It's something I've worked for my whole life and I feel pretty lucky to be able to do this. It's something I've wanted forever."

Kelsey led the Trojans to a 13-9 record and within a game of the Class 2A state tournament as a senior. The co-captain averaged over 18 points per game and led 2.75 three-pointers per contest.

She has been excited to have signed a player with Hallie's shooting ability and work ethic," Butler said in a Wednesday press release. "When we first met Hailee, we could immediately tell that she is a player that has a strong desire to improve and to win games. More importantly, she is the type of player that is willing to put in the work required to accomplish both."

Kelsey will join her older brother, AJ Kelsey, who will join the Yaks men's basketball team after returning home from a church mission. The Yaks finished 28-5 and 12-2 in NWAAC East



Hailee Kelsey

Conference play last season. They finished sixth in the NWAAC tournament. Kelsey was given a taste of the competition she'll face next year while practicing with the College of Southern Idaho women's team earlier this basketball season.

"I think it just showed me how much work I have to do," Kelsey said. "It's just really good competition and good basketball. I'm excited to go do it."

Kelsey, who will study radiology, will continue to work on her game over the summer and join the Yaks in August to start working out before the Sept. 19 start of classes.

"I think I have to work on everything, but I think shooting is what Coach is expecting most out of me," Kelsey said. "I'd like to be a spark, I'm imagining."

Kelsey and the Yaks will be in town next year during the College of Southern Idaho's Thanksgiving tournament in November.

## Bruins shut down Skyline

### Petersen strikes out 14 batters; Easter homers in first

By Nathaniel Garrabrandt  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's starting to look almost routine by now — commanding pitching from sophomore Amber Petersen, solid defense, a lineup full of hot bats and another win for the Twin Falls Bruins softball team.

This time, it was Region Four-Five-Six rival Skyline on the receiving end as the Bruins moved to 3-0 in conference with a 6-0 shutout at home Wednesday afternoon.

Petersen was her usual self, dealing out 14 strikeouts while giving up only a pair of hits and the Bruins jumped out early with a series of big hits.

"We came out swinging the bats," said Bruins head coach Ken Johnson. "We really hit the ball well for the first three innings."

Leadoff batter Natasha Brenner got things started with a single on the second pitch and was sent home two batters later off of a double by senior cleanup hitter Arie Pullin.

"We just came in to win," said Pullin, "because it is a conference game. We need to play hard because we want to host the (district) tournament. We've been working really hard lately on our bats."

Junior Dusty Easter then followed up,



MEAGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News

Twin Falls junior Dusty Easter slides safely into third base during the Bruins' game against Skyline in Twin Falls on Wednesday night.

on Pullin's hit on the next at bat with a full-count, two-run shot over the left-center fence to put the hosts up 3-0.

"It was just a perfect pitch," said Easter. "It was right down the middle. We've been practicing a lot and just getting on the ball. It works."

Of the Bruins' eight hits, five came on two strikes.

"That's one of the things we work on," said Johnson. "You don't want to leave it up to the umpire."

First baseman Ericka Lee tacked on

another run in the second, scoring from third on a wild pitch after reaching base on a single. Easter then made it 5-0 on the third with an RBI double to score Petersen before crossing home herself on an error.

"They came out and hit and we didn't," said Grizzlies' head coach Tony Arheart. "(Petersen) is a very good pitcher."

The Bruins took the nightcap as well, winning 6-1. Kia Scruggs went

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## Goodbody heads for California

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

WENDELL — This won't be an easy act to follow.

Wendell High School athletic director Jack Lancaster announced the resignation of current Trojans head football coach Steve Goodbody on Wednesday, and that at the conclusion of the school year, Goodbody will also step down as Wendell's head track and field coach. Goodbody, who has coached at Wendell since 1997, will move to Salinas, Calif., to become the head football coach at Salinas High School.

"It's going to be a huge challenge for me and a much different situation, but I'm ready for the opportunity down there," Goodbody said in a Wednesday phone interview. "I'm going to try to be there as close to June 1 as possible and ready to work. We'll have a ball game to coach in early September, so we'll start a whole new football season, just in a new city."

In his two years as head football coach, the Trojans compiled a 16-4 record, a third-place finish in the 2004 Class 2A state tournament, and a state tournament berth in 2005. Goodbody served as a defensive coordinator of the vaunted Blue Storm defense from 1997-2002, and was the offensive coordinator under Jerry Diehl during the Trojans' undefeated 2003 season.

"I think it's a long history of football here at Wendell, and first of all, we have great families and great kids here," Goodbody said.

Goodbody is currently in his eighth season as Wendell's head track coach. He has led the Trojans to five consecutive Canyon Conference titles over Glenns Ferry and Valley.

"We're real proud of that tradition also," Goodbody said. "We're hunting for our sixth-straight conference title. It's going to be tough with Glenns Ferry and Valley, but we want to finish the year right and get that sixth trophy. But between all those things, it always comes down to the kids."

Goodbody will take over at a Salinas school with a 2,600-student enrollment. Salinas plays in the Tri-County Athletic League of California's Central Coast Section. The Coyotes football team finished 1-9 last season after it was forced to forfeit seven games as part of a school-wide disciplinary act stemming from 80 students — 21 of them athletes — who provided falsified addresses to gain eligibility to attend the school this year.

Goodbody, who has made a name for himself as a quality educator and mold of young athletes through his tenure at Wendell, will look to bring those same attributes to Salinas.

"One thing we always talk about and impart on our kids is: 'classroom, hallway, street corner, field,'" Goodbody said. "We really believe in that and impress that on our student-athletes and want them to be well-rounded individuals and members of society."

The move will allow Goodbody to be closer to friends and family. His daughter, Jaymie, is currently a freshman on the Stanford University track and field team. Goodbody grew up in southern California and was a four-year starter in football at the University of San Diego.

"That's a huge pull to get to see my daughter compete," Goodbody said. "It's not my only reason, but my brothers, nieces, nephews are there. I've loved the Magic Valley and I've loved living here and that's a strong pull."

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SPORTS

Bruins take Falls Classic

The Times-News

IDAHO FALLS — The defending Class 5A state champion Twin Falls Bruins made the rounds at Idaho Falls' Sand Creek Golf Course to take the 2006 Falls Classic by seven strokes with a 330. ...

Local sports

Down 1-0 in the top of the third, Jerome Carrillo hit a shot over the fence to drive in Em Powell and Matt Bos. In what would spark a four-run performance. ...

On the mound, Ben Edwards went six innings, striking out five, walking four and giving up only two hits. ...

He worked himself out of many jams," he said, noting that many no-out, bases-loaded situations were defused by the senior pitcher. ...

Jerome (1-1), 3-2 faces Burley on Tuesday, but tournament seeding is locked in. ...

Spartans sweep Burley RUPERT — The Minico Spartans used a combination of solid pitching and hitting Wednesday night that left little doubt as to why they are the defending 4A state baseball champions. ...

Her girls have placed really nicely, especially the last month, so we like our situation going into regionals in two weeks," Burke said. ...

Burley's Brianna Pace and Nicole Davis both shot 37s to lead the Bobcats to a seventh-place tie with Hilly. ...

Results Jerome 5, Wood River 4 ...

Baseball

Jerome 5, Wood River 4

IDAHO FALLS — The Jerome Tigers looked in the 2006 Falls Classic for the Great Basin Conference West tournament in May with a 5-1 victory over Wood River on Wednesday in Idaho. ...

The night was a little different. ...

Avalanche drop Stars in OT

DENVER (AP) — Alex Tanguay scored 1:09 into overtime to give the Avalanche a 3-0 lead in their best-of-five series, downing the Stars 4-3. ...

But he allowed the tying goal with less than a minute left in the third period, then gave up the two-minute, just over a minute into the extra period. ...

Devils 3, Rangers 0

NEW YORK — Patrick Elias set up Jamie Langenbrunner, 68 seconds after the opening face-off and then scored his third goal of the series 8 minutes later in the Devils' 3-0 victory over surprise starter Jaromir Jagr and Robert Esche of the New York Rangers on Wednesday night. ...

Goal 4, Sabres 2

PHILADELPHIA — Peter Forsberg scored two goals and Robert Esche had two assists to give the Philadelphia Flyers some home-ice tonic. ...

Pistons 109, Bucks 98

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Tayshaun Prince scored 22 points and Chauncey Billups had 20 to lead the Detroit Pistons to a 109-98 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Wednesday night, and a 2-0 lead in their first-round series. ...

Skyline

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combination of curveball and fastball to keep the Burley batters off balance all game long on out to a season-high in strikeouts. ...

"He was unbelievable," said Minico coach Ben Frank. "To strike out 14 in a seven-inning game (is amazing). He was on with his breaking ball." ...

They got all the offense he would need in the in the first inning, as the Spartans plated four runs. ...

Dallas Garner singled home a run, while Dana Breadhead brought home the final run with a sacrifice fly. ...

In a shift of momentum, the Spartans added three more runs in the fifth inning to put the game away. ...

Burley's half of the fifth, the Bobcats loaded the bases, but failed to score a run, as Tracy struck out the next three batters to get out of the jam. ...

On the nightcap, the bats came alive for Spartans, as they pounded out nine hits in the five inning game. ...

Douglas led a pivotal six-run third inning for Minico with his first home run, a two-run shot, over the left field fence. ...

His second home run, also a two-run shot, ended the game in the fifth. ...

Minico (15-4) will return to action Friday at a x-gam at Twin Falls, and Burley (4-12) will play at Pocatello on Saturday. ...

Game 1, Burley 0 ...

Game 2, Burley 0 ...

Game 3, Burley 0 ...

Game 4, Sabres 2 ...

Game 5, Sabres 2 ...

Game 6, Sabres 2 ...

Game 7, Sabres 2 ...

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Game 16, Sabres 2 ...

Game 17, Sabres 2 ...

Game 18, Sabres 2 ...

Game 19, Sabres 2 ...

Bonds hits No. 711, but Giants lose

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Chris Woodward lined a go-ahead double in the 11th inning and scored on Jose Reyes' single, lifting the New York Mets over the San Francisco Giants 7-3 Wednesday. ...

Barry Bonds led the score with a pinch-hit, two-run homer in the ninth off Billy Wagner, his 711th home run. It was Bonds' third homer of the year and second in as many games. ...

Bonds remained in the game to play left field, and appeared to have difficulty chasing Woodward's double off Scott Munter (0-1). ...

Darren Oliver (1-0) got the final out in the 10th and worked the 11th. ...

New York's Julio Franco, who is 47, became the second-oldest player to steal a base, according to the Elias Sports Bureau. Adam Latham and third baseman Chipper Jones — in 5-1-3 innings. ...

Mets starter Brian Bannister strained his right hamstring in the sixth running the bases. ...

Astros 8, Dodgers 5 HOUSTON — Lance Berkman had a two-run homer and three RBIs to back Wandy Rodriguez (4-0), who tied his career high with six strikeouts and allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings. ...

Chris Burke had a career-high three hits and two RBIs as the Astros capped a 7-2 home stand with their ninth win in 11 games. ...

Odalis Perez (3-1) gave up seven runs — six earned — and 11 hits in 4-1-3 innings. ...

Phillies 9, Rockies 5 PHILADELPHIA — David Bell hit a three-run homer and Pat Burrell drove in two runs. ...

Uley each had three hits for the Phillies, who improved to 5-9 at home. ...

Cory Sullivan had four hits, including a solo homer for Colorado, which lost for only the third time in nine road games. ...

Ryan Madison (2-1) allowed four runs and 10 hits in five innings. Jason Jennings (1-1) gave up seven runs and nine hits in five innings. ...

Cardinals 4, Pirates 3 ST. LOUIS — Albert Pujols hit a game-winning single off Roberto Hernandez (0-1) in the ninth after Jason Irahiguera (1-2) allowed a tying home run to lose Hernandez to the top. ...

St. Louis completed a three-game sweep. The Cardinals are 29-10 against the Pirates since 2004 and swept them for the first time since May 23-25 last year. ...

Marlins 7, Cubs 5 CHICAGO — Pinch-hitter Wes Helms hit a two-run double that broke a 3-3 tie in the eighth after Scott Williamson (1-1) walked the bases loaded, and former Cub Ricky Nolasco (1-0) got his first major league win. ...

Borowski, another former Cub, got three outs for his third save, completing a four-hit Florida, managed by ex-Cub Joe Girardi, stopped his three-game losing streak and Chicago's three-game winning streak. ...

Angels 4, Tigers 0 ANAHEIM, Calif. — John Lackey (3-1) allowed one hit over eight innings — a fifth-inning single by Craig Monroe — and Vladimir Guerrero hit a two-run homer. Scott Shifflett finished the two-hitter. ...

Mike Maroth (3-1) allowed four runs, nine hits and four walks in six-plus innings. ...

Indians 7, Red Sox 1 CLEVELAND — Cliff Lee gave Cleveland's banged-up bullpen some needed rest, and Johnny Peralta hit a three-run homer. ...

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Wily Mo Pena homered for Boston, which lost for the first time in seven games at Jacobs Field. ...

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Boston's Josh Bard was charged with four passed balls and has 10 on the year. ...

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Brewers 5, Braves 4

MILWAUKEE — Ben Sheets (1-2) struck out nine in six innings to win for the first time since tearing a back muscle last August. ...

He allowed two runs and six hits. Milwaukee won three straight for his first sweep of any length over the Braves since moving from the AL to the NL in 1998. ...

Closer Ben Lincecum turned back Jorge Sosa (0-4) gave up four runs — all unearned due to errors by first baseman Adam LaRoche and third baseman Chipper Jones — in 5-1-3 innings. ...

Reds 5, Nationals 0 WASHINGTON — Bronson Arroyo (4-0) threw eight innings of one-hit ball, allowing only Ryan Zimmerman's fourth-inning single, as Cincinnati completed a three-game sweep. ...

Arroyo struck out eight and walked two. ...

Ken Mercker and David Weathers combined for a hitless ninth for the Nationals, who won with more errors (two) than hits. ...

Ramon Ortiz (0-3) gave up five runs — four earned — and seven hits in 6-2-3 innings. The Nationals dropped to 1-7 at home. ...

Diamondbacks 3, Padres 2 SAN DIEGO — Orlando Hernandez (2-3) struck out nine in six innings and rookie Connor Jackson homered for the go-ahead run as Arizona finished a three-game sweep. ...

Mike Piazza hit his 400th career homer with two outs in the ninth, his third with the Padres. ...

Jose Valverde, Arizona's fourth pitcher, got three outs for his first save and completed a three-hitter. ...

Woody Williams (1-1) allowed two runs and seven hits in 6-2-3 innings. ...

American League Athletics 6, Rangers 4 ARLINGTON, Texas — Kevin Mench hit a grand slam to set a Texas Rangers record by hitting in his sixth straight game. ...

Francisco Cordero blew another save and by Payton hit a two-run single in the 10th inning that gave the Oakland Athletics a 6-4 victory Wednesday. ...

Texas led 4-3 until Dan Johnson led off the ninth with a homer off Cordero, who blew his third straight save chance. ...

Payton's single off C.J. Wilson (1-2) went through a drawn-in infield game after his first RBIs of the season. ...

Justin Duchesneer (2-1) pitched two innings, and Joe Kennedy retired Hank Block on a bases-loaded flyout for his first save. ...

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SPORTS



Phil Mickelson gestures to a fan after coming off the course at English Turn in New Orleans, Wednesday. Mickelson will compete in the Zurich PGA Golf Classic starting Thursday.

# A Masters champ again, Lefty returns to work

**NEW ORLEANS (AP)** — Before they start playing for \$6 million at the Zurich Classic, Masters champion Phil Mickelson, David Tompan and other players at English Turn are giving money away to help rebuild New Orleans.

Tompan, the only Louisiana native to win this tournament, already has raised about \$1.6 million through his foundation. On Wednesday, he teamed with one of his sponsors, Humana, to hand out \$100,000 checks to local groups trying to help children and families recover from Hurricane Katrina. One of those charities is Desire Street Academy, run by former Heisman Trophy winner Danny Wuerffel.

Mickelson wrote a \$250,000 check last year to foundations run by Tompan, Kelly Gibson and Hal Sutton.

When he registered for the Zurich Classic, his first tournament since winning the Masters, he decided to donate his entire earnings this week to hurricane relief. Mickelson said he also would designate one tournament for at least the next five years in which he will give the money he makes to Katrina relief funds.

"It's going to take time and it's a tough situation," Mickelson said. "But it's going to get done."

How much he gives this week depends on how he plays, and while Lefty said any player is only as good as his last tournament, he's not putting much stock in his victory earlier this month at Augusta National, which brought him his second green jacket and his third consecutive year winning a major.

The two-week celebration was sweet, but certainly different from two years ago. "I didn't ring the bell at the New York Stock Exchange. He didn't jump at the chance to go on talk shows. And until 2004, he'd walk around in a daze, still having a hard time believing

he was a major champion. "I was not just excited, but almost in disbelief for a week or two," Mickelson said. "This time, there is a great sense of satisfaction having won, and having been able to beat such a great field."

He hasn't played much golf in the last two weeks, and while he spent Tuesday at Winged Foot — already thinking about the U.S. Open and a chance to win his third straight major — Mickelson only went around the course with a putter.

"I've got a ways to go before I'm ready to play some top golf this week," he said. "I haven't done the drills as diligently as I did leading up to the Masters, but it doesn't feel far off. It feels pretty close. I will need a couple of good practice sessions. Fortunately, I've got a late tomorrow — already thinking about the U.S. Open and a chance to win his third straight major — Mickelson only went around the course with a putter.

"There wasn't much time to work on his game Wednesday. New Orleans was socked with rain much of the morning, cutting short the pro-am. No one played more than nine holes on an English Turn course suddenly. One helps him with a fade, the other a draw.

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body enough shots, they'll eventually beat you," Mickelson said. "I didn't want them to be intimidated. So I just hit a couple in the water to show them that it's OK. They relaxed and we had fun."

Mickelson nearly won the Zurich Classic two years ago in his first appearance since winning the Masters, but he didn't make enough birdies down the stretch at English Turn and was overcame by a closing 63 from Vijay Singh.

The defending champion is Tim Petrovic, and the field includes four of the top 10 players on the PGA Tour money list — Mickelson, Tompan, Houston Open winner Stuart Appleby and Players Champion Stephen Ames.

Mickelson will be trying to win his third straight PGA Tour event, and he's keeping one part of the equation in place. He said he likely would use two drivers at English Turn, as he did at the Masters and BellSouth Classic.

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# Winfield, Dedeaux among 10 elected to college baseball hall

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Dave Winfield is a Hall of Famer again, this time for his pitching and slugging excellence back when he was the big man on campus.

The former University of Minnesota star, enshrined in Cooperstown after greater success in the major leagues, was among 10 former players and coaches elected Wednesday as the College Baseball Hall of Fame's inaugural class.

Winfield was joined by fellow former big leaguers Will Clark (Mississippi State), Bob Hornor (Arizona State), Brooks Erickson (Texas) and Robin Ventura (Oklahoma State) as the other players selected.

The late Rod Dedeaux, who led four out of the nation's 11 College World Series titles — including an unprecedented five straight from 1970-74 — headlined the list of coaches inducted, and he called the honor "emotional about it," said John Askins, chairman and CEO of College Baseball.

The inaugural class will be honored during a two-day event, which will be held at the site of the new hall. The hall of fame museum will be part of a new baseball stadium complex, which will be built on campus.

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This is an undated hand-out photo provided by the College Baseball Hall of Fame of Southern Cal head coach Rod Dedeaux. The late Rod Dedeaux was inducted into the new college baseball hall of fame on Wednesday.

Palmeiro, Jeff Brantley and Bobby Thigpen to the College World Series. Clark, the '85 Golden Spikes Award winner, still holds the school career record with a .391 batting average.

Hornor, one of the majors' top sluggers in the early 1980s, helped lead the Sun Devil to the national title and was the tournament's Most Outstanding Player in 1977. He was the first Golden Spikes winner the following season, and the top overall draft pick.

Kieschnick was one of college baseball's most versatile players, hitting .350 with 43 homers, 215 RBIs and going 34-8 with a 3.05 ERA for Texas from 1991-93.

Ventura gained national recognition in 1987 with a .581 career hitting streak and a Division I record — and had a career batting average of .428 at Oklahoma State. The 1988 Golden Spikes winner went on to a 16-year major league career.

Players are eligible for the hall five years after their final college season, and can be active at any level of professional baseball. Coaches are eligible after they end their college careers, but can't be active as coaches at the level.

Dedeaux won 1,332 games from 1942-86 and retired as the winningest coach in Division I history. He coached nearly 60 future big leaguers, including

Mark McWine, Randy Johnson, Tom Seaver, Dave Kingman, Fred Lynn and Roy Smalley. Dedeaux, who died in January at 91, had winning seasons in 41 of his 45 years with the Trojans.

Bertram led LSU to five College World Series titles — in 1991, '93, '96, '97 and 2000 — in 18 seasons before retiring from coaching in 2001 and becoming the school's athletic director.

Fraser won 1,271 games at Miami from 1962-82, including two national titles in 1962 and '65. He was nicknamed "The Wizard of College Baseball" for his innovative marketing and promotional plans that helped fill the stands at Coral Gables.

Gustafson guided the Longhorns to College World Series titles in 1975 and '83, and had success as Miami's winningest coach in Division I history when he retired in 1996 with 1,427 victories.

Winkles took over Arizona State's program when it was 11th in Division I history in 1959 and led the Sun Devils to the national title just five years later. He won two College World Series titles in 1967 and '69, before leaving in 1971 to manage in the majors for four years.

Later this year, the voting committee will also select two pre-1917 players or coaches for induction from a 12-man list that includes Lou Gehrig (Columbia), Christy Mathewson (Brockton) and Joe Sewell (Alabama).

# Young proves the ultimate conundrum for scouts

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Nobody quite knows what to make of Vince Young.

A question mark? For sure. The best one on this weekend's draft board? Well, it's funny how a player's stock can rise and fall in the span of weeks and months.

Young's stock rose in the draft, once struggled so much with the Longhorns that some felt he'd be better off another position. These days, that conversation is long gone. But so is some of the luster from his Rose Bowl performance, a game in which he led Texas to a fourth straight national title and, at least for a time, surpassed USC's Matt Leinart in many opinions as the best quarterback, maybe the best player, in the draft.

"It's been kind of up and down," said ESPN draft expert Mel Kiper, who most recently had Young as the fourth-best player available. "But my attitude is that any quarterback taken in the draft is going to be a project."

Floyd Reese, general manager for the Tennessee Titans, who are considering taking Young with the third pick, said "I don't think we've seen a quarterback with the athletic gifts he has and we had Steve McNair for a while."

Indeed, Young's athleticism is stunning. And his timing was impeccable. He showed off the whole package, playing for the national title on Jan. 4 in the Rose Bowl. He passed for 267 yards, ran for 200 more and scrambled 8 times on a fourth-down play on 19 seconds left for the winning touchdown — his third of the night — in a 41-38 win over Leinart and USC.

losing the Heisman Trophy to USC's Reggie Bush. And Young outplayed Leinart, who came in as the top pick, with more polished, more NFL-ready quarterback.

Suddenly, a player who wasn't even sure if he would leave Texas for the NFL might be the best player in the college game. He decided to go pro. With his hometown team, the Houston Texans, picking first, Young said it would be a perfect fit.

Like most coaches who have seen Young work out, Kubiak said he was impressed. Still, the Texans signed him to a three-year extension in February, signaling they're set at quarterback for a while. On Wednesday, they said they will select either Bush or North Carolina State defensive end Mario Williams.

There's too much time from the end of the season until draft time, so everyone gets over-tightened. Longhorns coach Mack Brown said.

There is, indeed, a lot of time for opinions to change after the gleam of the championship game fades.

That's especially true for a player like Young, first picked by nobody who has been before the kind of player who doesn't fit a particular mold.

There's the fact he played almost exclusively out of the shotgun in 1967 and '69, before leaving in 1971 to manage in the majors for four years.

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There's his penchant to think run first, which worked at the college level but hasn't proven to work in the pros, as the Michigan Vicks experience in Atlanta is showing.

But, says Billick, "He really doesn't fit into that category."

He doesn't really fit into any category.

Maybe because of it, Young has hardly been traded, as a player who thinks he'll be chosen in the top five.

Since the NFL combine, he has had a successful workout in Austin, and has traveled the country for more individual workouts and interviews with teams — stopping in Minnesota, St. Louis, Oakland, Cleveland, Baltimore, Miami and Houston for a workout with the Jets.

Scouts want to see him with their own eyes and coaches want to sit down and talk to him to find out what kind of person he really is.

Adams did not respond to several Associated Press requests to interview Young for this story.

The quarterback did tell his hometown paper, the Houston Chronicle, that he keeps pushing forward, ignoring the critics and hoping for the best.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Star talk at CSI

TWIN FALLS — How far are the Stars? will be the topic of the Astronomy Talk, set to begin at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science.

Chris Anderson, Centennial Observatory manager, will discuss the various ways astronomers measure vast stellar distances.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students and \$5 for families. After the talk, the observatory will be open for telescope viewing, weather permitting. For those who do not attend the Astronomy Talk, admission to the observatory is \$1 per person. Observatory admission is free with paid admission to the 7 p.m. showing of "StarSigns" in the Faulkner Planetarium.

For more information, call 732-6266 or visit the Herrett Center's Web site at [www.csi.edu/herrett](http://www.csi.edu/herrett).

### Symphony auditions youth soloists

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Symphony announces auditions in its 2006 Youth Soloist Competition. Contestants will compete June 10 at the CSI Fine Arts Building. Winners receive scholarships and may be invited to perform with the symphony in Coeur. Instrumentation and repertoire will perform a movement of a standard concerto or concert piece composed for orchestra accompaniment ten to twelve minutes in length. Vocalists will present an aria or song of similar length. Any music student who has not reached age 21 as of the audition and with a connection to the Magic Valley or Wood River Valley is qualified. Applications must be submitted by May 19. Information and forms can be obtained from George Haisell at 732-6767 or [ghaisell@csi.edu](mailto:ghaisell@csi.edu).

### Arbor Day in Twin Falls is this Friday

TWIN FALLS — The city of Twin Falls will celebrate Arbor Day 2006 with a ceremony to begin at 4 p.m. Friday at Harry Barry Park located at the corner of Blake Street North and Borah Avenue West.

As part of the ceremony, the Twin Falls Tree Commission, Twin Falls High School Kappa Kappa and Twin Falls Boys & Girls Club will plant seven trees at Harry Barry Park, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Donations for this year's event are from Modern Woodmen of America, Earleen Peterson and Nadine Koepnick. All who attend will receive a blue spruce seedling.

### Students compete in Economic Summit

TWIN FALLS — The Idaho Council on Economic Education and the College of Southern Idaho are sponsoring the Region IV International Economic Summit. The event will take place today in the CSI gymnasium from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

More than 300 students from Twin Falls, Buhl and Valley high schools are expected to participate in the summit. For more information, contact Pam Reich at CSI at 732-6450.

### Head Start health fair

The Twin Falls/East End Head Start Health Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the Magic Valley Boys & Girls Club, 999 Frontier Road. For info, call Tahina Cooper at 734-5550.

— compiled from staff reports

## Officers carry the torch

### Law enforcement benefits Special Olympics

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Pedaling and jogging, waving flags and bearing a torch, for a brief moment the clan of torch runners almost brought to Blue Lakes Boulevard a pedestrian-friendly air.

Police escorts — two motorcycles leading, a van trailing — and Special Olympics athletes and police officers roared and rolled northward along the outer lane. The trek from east to north across the city took the 2006 Idaho Law Enforcement Torch Run participants about 40 minutes to travel.

Reaching the finish line, in the Perkins Restaurant parking lot, nearly two dozen participants fueled with good humor tossed compliments back and forth. "You guys did awesome!" said Special Olympics athlete Jared Dickinson to a group of city policemen. No sooner had the cops reciprocated, "you



Police Benefit...  
...to benefit the Special Olympics.

too," Dickinson fired-back a quick "I know."

No street could have better suited the cause of drawing publicity than the ubiquitous Blue Lakes Boulevard. For some stuck in line or forced to detour, it should be stated that the event's intended goal was not to create congestion on what is typically the city's most congested street. Although smiles and an adrenaline-infused atmosphere at the finish line indicated that part probably didn't go unnoted.

According to Leslie Jones, lead dispatch for the city po-

lice, the intention is to let the public know law enforcement supports the special Olympics.

The first run took place 11 years ago, following a shorter route. Three years ago, Jones took the initiative to extend the route. "They weren't even breaking a sweat," she said.

In addition to TFD, law enforcement from Jerome, Twin Falls County and Idaho State Police joined in the event.

"Law enforcement officers are guardians of the flame," said Tracy Perreira of the TFPD. Not only in Twin Falls, she said, but worldwide.

The second facet of that responsibility is fundraising. For that reason 20 police officers will wait on tables today at Perkins to collect tips for the Special Olympics.

Indeed, the same man who ticketed your grandmother last week for not signaling may be waiting on your table today.

Perkins will also host a silent



Tom Fowers, Twin Falls County Sheriff's Dept., (right) runs next to Tim Hopkins (center) and Kevin Haight (left) both of the Idaho State Police along Blue Lakes Boulevard near the finish line of the 2006 Idaho Law Enforcement Torch Run.

auction that will last all day long. The restaurant's owner, Mike Nelson, will also be donating half of his proceeds to the cause.

Last year, \$5,500 was earned for the Special Olympics through Perkins. Radio DJs included a competitive spirit among the auto dealerships that line the strip, many who tipped their waiters generously.

This year, the goal is \$5,001. "Can I just put in my two cents?" asked Estelce Pendleton, a server at Perkins. Then without waiting, she belittled "Show us the money!"

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## One Magic Valley student moves from SETBACK TO SCHOLARSHIP

### Sold out event and fundraiser aims for \$85K

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Homeworker Sonia Garcia just couldn't get it done.

That was then, five years ago. This is now after joining the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley.

In February, Sonia was named the club's "Youth of the Year."

"My brother and I wanted to come here," Sonia said. "I wasn't doing my homework because I couldn't get any help." The 14-year-old explained that back then her parents didn't understand English well enough to offer her homework assistance. Instead, they signed a paper requiring Sonia and her brother to attend the club each day after school for at least the "Power Hour," (time set aside each afternoon for students to receive and help each other with homework).

"It was falling school," said the eighth-grader from Robert Stuart Junior High.

Now Sonia is somewhat of a poster child for the success some students achieve through the club's program. "Now I am getting mostly A's and B's," she said. "But still need some work with my science."

The title was earned after Sonia went through the competitive process of writing three essays and preparing a speech.

"We talked to a few of the members here about the competition," Branch Director Leah Lewis said. "Then they decide if they want to do it. It is up to them and it takes a lot of hard work and determination."

She is proud of the progress Sonia has made at the club



Sonia Garcia, 14, poses Wednesday afternoon as Walker Stevens, 7, runs through the lobby area of the Boys and Girls Club of Magic Valley. Because of her volunteer work at the club as a junior staff member, Garcia is the "Youth of the Year" for the club's Magic Valley chapter.

and said the trip to the state competition was awesome.

"She got to go to Boise and tour the Capitol building, as well as meet some legislators and sit in on a session," said Lowe. "The kids in the competition were treated to a fun dinner and got to ride in a limo to the Capitol. It was an experience she may not have otherwise gotten."

Sonia enjoyed the trip even though she didn't win. "I got a \$1,000 scholarship (from the local competition)," she said. "But I don't know what I want to go to college for."

Maybe law school, she said, but being so young there are a lot of doors yet to open and explore.

It is the blossoming of students like Sonia that is the program's goal — but it's only made possible through the generosity of the community.

This weekend the Boys and Girls Clubs of the Magic Valley have prepared for a weekend fundraising event, hoping to raise at a minimum of \$95,000.

A big draw for the event is the Oasis Two-Person Best Ball Golf Tournament. The amateur event has helped raise funds for the Boys and Girls Club the last four years.

"It is getting bigger each year," said Dan Willie, member of the Boys and Girls Club board of directors and president of Oasis, host of the event. "The first year we raised \$22,000."

About 500 players are expected to play on courses that include Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl and Blue Lakes Country Club and Canyon Springs Golf Course in Twin Falls. The tournament is one of the biggest in Idaho, with players coming from around the state as well as Utah and Nevada for their chance at the \$40,000 payoff, said Willie.

Sponsors, such as Mid-dieback Automotive, make the event possible and attract players by enticing them with exciting incentives. Sink a hole-in-one on a designated hole and drive away with a car, grants the dealership.

"Membership for the Boys and Girls Club runs \$20 a year, so we have to raise money for activities that the kids do," said this year's event

co-chair Shawna Obenchain. There are over 200 members in Twin Falls alone, of which the club sees about 120 daily. The students are given snacks after school, take field trips and participate in a number of activities such as swimming and baseball.

Although it's too late to get in on this year's action, as the event is sold out, it is never too early to plan on attending next year's tournament and dinner.

"It will be held every fourth weekend in April," Willie said. "It is really a great cause to be associated with."

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## Hospital foundation honors donors, volunteers

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Some people do good beyond the call of duty to help others.

The Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation recognized some of those people earlier this month at its annual Legacy Society dinner.

The annual Legacy Society dinner recognizes generous individuals, businesses and organizations who make up the Legacy Society.

Each of them has provided accumulative gifts of at least

\$1,000 to the foundation.

Patricia Neale, a highly skilled nuclear medicine technician, along with her husband, Ray, was presented with the Philanthropist of the Year Award.

Neale has been an employee with Magic Valley Regional for half a century and she's been on the foundation board for five years.

When asked to describe Neale, foundation director Larry Baxter summed her up in one word — "Dedication."

"She's an extremely loyal and dedicated employee who's

always striving to do her best for patients," Baxter said.

Neale and her husband, Ray, have also given generously from their pocketbooks, which is why they earned the title, "Philanthropists of the Year."

Baxter said they recently donated some real estate, and they've given dollars to the Foundation "ever since we've had records."

Virginia Becker received the Outstanding Hospital Family Volunteer of the Year Award for the thousands and thousands of hours she's given of her time to the hospital. She works at

the hospital's front desk. "Virginia is full of life and she always has a ready joke to try to relieve the tension of patients," Baxter said. "She's a hoot."

Becker also served two terms as the president of the Magic Valley Regional Auxiliary.

In addition to Becker and the Neales, other award winners included Craig H. Neilsen, Miles and Nikki Daisher, Loren Butler, Margaret Sincin and Sheepsquin Coat Factory and Fur Salon.

The Magic Valley Regional

Medical Center Foundation is a nonprofit charitable organization separate from the hospital. In 2005 alone, the foundation awarded \$540,000 in health-related grants for education, equipment, hardship assistance and wellness programs for all ages.

Overall, the foundation has given more than \$5.6 million in support of health care programs.

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### Snowpack peaks

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak
Upper Snake River	100%	101%
Henry's Fork/Teton	123%	118%
Big Lost	135%	136%
Little Lost	127%	128%
Salmon	120%	118%
Big Wood	159%	132%
Little Wood	178%	137%
Snake River	150%	123%
Oakley Basin	173%	139%
As of April 20		

"A comparison of basin snowpack, on the Snake River, with a 30-year average."

"An indicator of basin snowpack."

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Dayton D. Shields

VIRGINIA CITY, Mont. — Dayton "D" Cogder, Shields, age 59, of Virginia City, Mont., died Monday, April 24, 2006, at Emis, Mont.

He was born Jan. 2, 1947, at Chicago, Ill., to Wesley and Audrey (Lundsten) Shields. He received most of his schooling in Minnesota and California. He moved to Jerome, Idaho, in 1974, where he worked for a business forms company for 24 years. When the plant closed, he moved to Montana. He worked seasonally in Virginia City, Idaho, and then in California until establishing residency in Emis, Mont. He recently moved to Virginia City.

He loved his visits with his children and grandchildren. As a young man, he was an avid marshall artist and coached baseball and soccer.

He enjoyed the outdoors, bird watching, fishing and camping. He enjoyed muzzie lording and was very active in cowboy poetry. He was active in the Helping Hands organization which helped handicapped children learn to ride and work with horses.

While in Virginia City, he enjoyed meeting people from throughout the world.

He was preceded in death by his mother. Survivors include his children, Justin and Sarah

Shields of Hansen, Kathleen and Kerrin Shields and her fiancé, Gary Dault of Boise; grandchildren, Audrey and Wesley Shields; father, W. Dayton Shields of Tracy, Calif.; sisters, Sue Shields of Riverbank, Calif., and Jan Noll of Stockton, Calif.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Helping Hands Freedom Trails. For information, call Justin Shields at 421-0806. A memorial service will be held Saturday, April 29, at 10 a.m. at the Virginia City Elks Lodge at Virginia City, Mont. K&L Mortuaries of Sheridan is in charge of cremation arrangements.

Charles Edward Thomason



the last four years, he and Harriet have resided at Bridgeview Estates.

Ed is survived by his wife, Harriet; three daughters, Alice S. (Joel) Nielson of Murray,

Utah; Patricia A. (John) Scott of Pocatello, Idaho; and Delores Leah Thomason of Benton, Wash.; three grandchildren, Yvica, Matthew and Emily Scott; and a sister-in-law, Catherine Thomason of Shoshone, Idaho.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, one sister and a nephew. There will be a reception held at White Mortuary Chapel, 710 Sixth St., on Saturday, April 29, 2006, from 2 to 4 p.m. for family and friends. At Ed's request, cremation took place under the direction of White Mortuary and Crematory.

The family suggests memorials be given to the Shriner's Hospital for Crippled Children, Memorial Fund-Intermountain Unit, Fairfax Avenue at Virginia, Salt Lake City, UT, 84103.

Thurlow R. Smith



son, Dennis Kay Smith; a second daughter, Carol Jean Smith; and a second son, Kevin Thurlow Smith.

Thurlow went into business with his brother, Percy, starting an International Harvester dealership. One of his joys in life was helping area young farmers in the Oakley and Burley regions with equipment and property. He wanted to help others

around him in the pioneering spirit that he was raised with. He loved his family and enjoyed raising them in the business and on his farm and ranch in the Oakley area. He had great joy in his posterity and loved his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

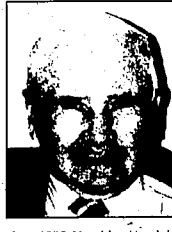
Thurlow was active in the Oakley American Legion Post and served as a board member of the Oakley Center Company, the Oakley Vigilantes and the Oakley Fire Department. Thurlow served on the founding board of the Cassia County Historical Museum, as well as the Oakley Swimming Pool construction. He also was instrumental in preserving and transferring the Howell's Open House to the Oakley Valley Arts Council. Thurlow loved the gospel of Jesus Christ and raised his family in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He served in various callings through the life of his wife, Thurlow and Lattene enjoyed serving a

mission to Charleston, WVa. Survivors include his children, Judith Ann (Blaine) Baylor of Richmond, Texas, Dennis Kay Smith of Oakley, Carol Jean (Kent) Nyman of Providence, Utah, and Kevin Thurlow (Trina) Smith of Oakley; his sister, Dorcus Wilson of Burley; 13 grandchildren; and 27 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert and Edna Smith; his wife, Lattene; an infant son; his brothers, Eldoras, Delbert and Percy; and his sister, Zelma.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, April 29, 2006, at the Oakley Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 301 N. Center Ave., with Bishop Randy Hardy officiating. Burial will follow at the Oakley Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 130 E. 6th St., in Burley, and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Harold D. Murphy



since 1936. Harold enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with family.

He and Eileen celebrated

their 65th wedding anniversary just a few short months before she passed away in 2004.

Harold is survived by his children, Betty Marie Turner of Oregon and Dan (Donna) Murphy of Tennessee; and one sister, Ina Felger of Nebraska. Also surviving are four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Eileen; and his brother, Don.

A rosary service will take place at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 27, 2006, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2460 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls, with Deacon John McKinley reciting. A funeral Mass will be celebrated

at noon Friday, April 28, 2006, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, 161 Sixth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, with Father John Koelsch celebrating. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery. Friends may call on Thursday from 3 p.m. until the time of the rosary, with family to greet friends from 5 p.m. until the time of the rosary.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be given in Harold's name to the St. Edward's Catholic School Angel Fund. Contributions may be given to funeral chapel staff or mailed to Reynolds Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Ruth Christine Breault



preceded in death by her parents; her daughter, MaryAnn; brothers and sisters, Gordon, Mabel, Joseph, Gertrude,

Robert, Herbert, Corinne and David.

A vigil for Ruth will be conducted at 7 p.m. Friday, April 28, 2006, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 29, 2006, at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with Father Ronald Wekerle presiding. Interment will follow in the Wendell Cemetery in Wendell, Idaho. The family suggests that memorials be made in Ruth's name to Home Health and Hospice, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, P.O. Box 2231, Twin Falls, ID 83303. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

SERVICES

Louise (Lou) Rachel Sabala of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley area, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Summers Funeral Home in Boise; lunch for family and friends will follow at Leku Ona, 117 S. Sixth (Sixth and Grove) in Boise.

Carlus Silva of Heyburn, Friday at 11 a.m. at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 802 P St. in Rupert; viewing from 6 to 8 p.m. with reciting of the rosary at 7 p.m. today at the church (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Crown Hill Cemetery in Denver, Colo.

Lelle E. Poppletton of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Roper Auditorium on the Twin Falls High School campus; reception following at Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel).

Jacquelin "Jackie" Eldora Ferrenburg of Anchorage, Alaska, and formerly of Wendell, memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Hagerman Mortuary (White Mortuary), 15 Venore Arnold of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 10 a.m. Friday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E.; friends may call from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Friday at the mortuary.

Kathryn (Kaye) M. Russell of Donnelly and formerly of Burley, graveside service at 3 p.m. Saturday at Holmes Mortuary on Gold Fork Road in Donnelly; celebration of life following from 4 to 7 p.m. Saturday at The Vigilantes in Donnelly.

Melody Lynne Fox of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at the Rupert LDS 2nd Ward Chapel, 26 S. 100 W.; family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the funeral Friday at the church.

Penny Lou Hepworth of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Twin Falls LDS 24th Ward Chapel, 847 Eastland Drive N.; friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday at White Mortuary and from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Kelly (Kicer) Einsminger of Arid, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 3 p.m. Saturday at the Olinger

DEATH NOTICES

Charles C. Kimball — Charles C. Kimball, 79, of Hazelton, died Tuesday, April 25, 2006, in Twin Falls.

A services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 29, 2006, at the Hazelton LDS Church. Burial will follow at the Hazelton Cemetery. Viewing will be held from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

James Anthony Hall — James Anthony Hall, infant son of

Brynn Moss and Jim Hall of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, April 26, 2006.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by White Mortuary.

Lyle E. Sisson — Lyle E. Sisson, 86, of Burli, died Wednesday, April 26, 2006, at his home in Burli.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Farmer Funeral Chapel in Burli.

John Fleming — John Fleming, 86,

of Boise and formerly of the Magic Valley, died Tuesday, April 25, 2006, at home.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 29, 2006, at the Hagerman Cemetery. Arrangements under the direction of Bell Funeral Home in Boise.

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# MAGIC VALLEY ELECTIONS

## Lincoln commissioner races heats up

By Rusty Teus  
Times-News correspondent

**SHOSHONE** — Lincoln County politics have intensified this spring with contested races in four of the six elected positions on the May primary ballot.

Challengers have listed planning and zoning, conflicts of interest and impact fees as motivating factors in their decision to seek office.

Parker, a real estate agent and developer, originally ran for commissioner six years ago because of his concerns about planning and zoning issues. "I soon found out that it wasn't easy to

change the way things were done," Parker said. "There are state regulations that tell you how things are done."

Parker cites his leadership in developing countywide transportation plans as a recent success in office.

"I like local control of the county's business," said Parker. "I enjoy the work and meeting people in the valley."

Parker's Republican challenger, Jay Loesch, is a relative newcomer to Lincoln County and to politics.

"I've lived in a lot of places," said Loesch, a six-year resident. "But this is the best community I've found."

Loesch, a feed plant manager and rancher, has degrees in animal science from Washington State University and from Dakota State University. He lists as a recent accomplishment his leadership in securing a bond grant for reconstruction of the fire station in north Shoshone.

"We worked on this as a

### Voter information

Eligible voters must be a citizen of the United States, 18 years of age, a resident in the county 30 days prior to Election Day and registered in their county of residence. Idaho does not register voters by party affiliation.

For further information on voting in Lincoln County, contact Lincoln County Clerk Liz Kime at 208-886-7614.

"I'm excited to be a part of this community," said Loesch. "This community pulled together to fund construction."

Concerns for community development and integrity in public office led Loesch to seek election. "We need to pay for community infrastructure before we develop new subdivisions."

"We need some type of impact fee to pay for essential services such as EMS, police, fire and schools."

The winner of the May primary election will face Charlie Hitter, also a rancher in north Shoshone. Hitter, a third-generation rancher, will run as an independent candidate and, according to County Clerk Liz Kime, will not appear on the May primary ballot.

A fourth candidate, Alton Huser, withdrew from the campaign.

Huser cited time constraints from family and business in his decision.

The three candidates will participate in community forums sponsored by the Lincoln County Republican Committee. One of those forums will take place at 7 p.m. in the Dietrich Grange Hall and will be moderated by Judge Mark Ingram.

Rusty Teus lives in north Shoshone. His email address is teusanch2@yahoo.com.

## Deadline to get on voting rolls is Friday

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — It's almost time to go to the polls, and Friday is the last day to register to have your name on the official poll book for voting on election day.

However, people can still sign up to vote at their polling place just before casting their primary election ballot May 23.

"People can still register at the polls," said Ken McClurg, deputy auditor for Twin Falls County.

Either way someone decides to register, they will still need their driver's license or the last four digits of their Social Security number. In order to cast a ballot, a person must meet the following requirements:

- Citizen of the United States
- 18 years of age
- Resident of the state and county for 30 days prior to the election day
- Registered as required by law

People can register at the polls on election day by providing proof of residence. All documents used in providing proof of residence must be accompanied by a photo identification. One of the required documents showing the registrant's current address in the precinct are authorized:

- Valid Idaho driver's license or identification card issued through the Idaho Transportation Department

## North Idaho College may lift alcohol ban

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — Officials at North Idaho College have drafted guidelines that would lift a ban on alcohol at the campus for certain events.

The plan would allow alcohol to be served for nonprofit, charitable or civic organizations, but for events limited by ticket sales, registration or personal invitations.

"At the events, alcohol would be served in a restricted and controlled areas."

"Whatever we do, we have to do it carefully and with a lot of forethought," college President Michael Burke told the Spokesman-Review.

Christie Wood and Mic Armon, members of the NIC Board of Trustees, said community groups have asked them to reconsider the ban on alcohol. The proposal must be approved by the college senate and a majority of staff, students, and the president's cabinet.

"It seems like a relatively minor event to me," said Jim Debs, a library and arts vice chairman of the senate. "It's not like they're opening up the campus (to alcohol). It's still going to stay on campus."

Glenn Gittel, student body president, said there are benefits and drawbacks to allowing alcohol to be served at some events.

Rental fees could help pay for the student union building and decrease the financial load on the state, he said.

But he said he was concerned about increased traffic for events during the week that could use up parking spots.

"It just kind of all led to a bunch of questions: How is it going to be regulated? How is it going to affect students on campus? Will it bring more revenue?" he said.

He said that the student body leadership generally supports the proposed policy change.

Kent Probst, NIC spokesman, said the college would not obtain a liquor license or let sponsoring organizations bring alcohol. Instead, the college would contract out those services.

An annual event that would benefit from a change in policy is Arts on the Green, an arts and crafts outdoor festival, organized by the Citizens Council for the Arts. Mike Dodge, a member of the council, said his group has considered serving wine at the event but didn't because of the college's alcohol policy.

But now it could be an option.

"If NIC allows it, we will discuss it," Dodge said.

Records don't offer a match, and that the person's identity should be known within a century.

**SKELTAL REMAINS ARE FOUND NEAR IDAHO FALLS**

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Fragments of a human jaw found by a hiker will be compared with recent records of possible victims for identification, officials say.

The jaw and other skeletal remains found Monday about 18 miles northeast of Idaho Falls are believed to be those of a male and to have been in the area for possibly more than 20 years.

"This was not a fresh scene," Bonner County sheriff's Deputy Paul Wilde told the Post Register.

Investigators said the remains might be those of a Navy serviceman who disappeared in June 1983, though three other local residents have also gone missing in recent years.

Wilde said the discovery is being treated as a homicide, but that could change.

"We're going to go with the best information we have right now, and we'll make our way from there," he said.

Wilde said deputies think the remains are those of a male.

He said a forensic scientist will be called in if dental

## Groups say Idaho's 'informed consent' booklets misleading

BOISE (AP) — Booklets required to be handed out to women seeking an abortion in Idaho in accordance with a new law contain manipulative and misleading information, abortion rights groups say.

But an official with the state agency that produced the booklets said they are fair.

"We tried so hard to make this unbiased and to not include one side or the other," Jane Smith, chief of the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare's Bureau of Health Policy and Statistics, told The Idaho Statesman. "To me, it's as balanced an approach as we could do."

The "informed consent" law requires nearly all women seeking to terminate a pregnancy in Idaho to receive three booklets and wait 24 hours before being allowed to undergo the procedure. It takes effect July 1.

Idaho has had an informed consent law since 1993, but the state attorney general deemed it unconstitutional because it allowed no exceptions for medical emergencies, a provision mandated by separate U.S. Supreme Court rulings. The new Idaho law includes such exceptions.

Anti-abortion advocates said the old law didn't make sure women received the booklets.

The new law penalizes health care providers who don't provide the materials. Those opposed to abortion said the booklets allow a woman to make an informed choice.

The three booklets are "What You Should Know About Abortion," "Fetal Development," and "Directory of Pregnancy and Child Health Services."

Rebecca Poedy, president of Planned Parenthood of

Idaho, said the new law doesn't make exceptions on who must get the booklets.

"The law says who has just been raped, I think it's misapplied and it's inappropriate to be showing her the development stages of a fetus," Poedy said.

She also said the booklets emphasize the risks of abortion but do not describe risks of childbirth.

Abortion is a very safe procedure," Poedy said.

Kerry Uhlenkott, legislative coordinator for Right to Life of Idaho, said many women who have abortions in Idaho did not receive information first.

Uhlenkott said some women afterward learned that the fetuses had developed organs and heartbeats, and that they might have made different choices if they'd had that information.

In making the booklets, Smith said the state avoided the more controversial issues that some other states include in their booklets. One is an alleged link between abortion and breast cancer, an idea denounced by the American Cancer Society.

When the informed consent law was being debated earlier this month in the Idaho House, Rep. Bill R. Kuna, an abortion opponent, insisted on discussing what he said is a link between abortion and breast cancer.

Wendy Jaffer, D-Ketchum, a breast cancer survivor, took offense, and she and the rest of the Democratic delegation walked out.

In 2004, there were 963 abortions performed in Idaho, Smith said.

That's down from the 1,047 abortions in 1994, Smith said, even though the state's population has increased.

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Court overturns conviction of 'Guru of Ganja'

By David Kravets Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — A federal appeals court Wednesday overturned the pot-growing conviction of the self-proclaimed "Guru of Ganja," a marijuana advocate who has written books on how to grow pot and avoid getting caught.

The court cited jury misconduct in overturning Ed Rosenthal's conviction, but it otherwise upheld federal prosecutors' charge marijuana growers. Rosenthal was convicted in 2003 for cultivating hundreds of marijuana plants for a city of Oakland medical marijuana program. U.S. District Judge Charles Bryer sentenced him to one day in prison, saying Rosenthal reasonably believed he was immune from prosecution because he was acting on behalf of city officials.

The government sought a two-year prison term and appealed. Rosenthal's conviction was overturned by a three-judge panel of the San Francisco-based appeals court, said a juror had had inappropriate communication with an attorney.

"Juror A" had asked a friend who is an attorney whether she had to follow the law or could vote her conscience, the court suspected Rosenthal was growing marijuana for medicinal uses.

The attorney told her she must follow the judge's instruction.

Three Idaho anglers drop anchor, sink, get rescued

OXBOW, Ore. (AP) — Three Idaho fishermen dropped anchor in at Snake River reservoir and nearly got themselves killed.

The anchor caught hold in high, swift water, a sheriff's deputy said.

The back of the 17-foot jet boat filled in less than a minute, he said, and short, after that it was pulled under.

The three were in 50-degree water. Although they weren't wearing flotation devices, they grabbed one vest and a floating cooler.

They were rescued by three more fishermen in a 12-foot boat about 400 feet away. They motored over, held the three men to the side of the vessel and returned to shore.

Lt. Jerry Weir, marine patrol supervisor for the Adams County sheriff's office, said the three men who sank Tuesday were experienced on the water but surprised by the flow in the reservoir behind Oxbow Dam.

"It's deceptive. It's not the placid water it is in the summertime," Weir said. "They wouldn't have lasted long out there if the other fellows hadn't seen them."

He said the water, 70 feet deep, is flowing at 60,000 to 80,000 cubic feet a second. Summer flows are typically 10,000 cubic feet a second, he said.

The three pulled from the water were identified as Thomas Felkel, 56, of Grangeville, Idaho; Thomas Parker, 65, and Lawrence Weizel, 63, both of Boise.

They were rescued by Scott Senebottarath, 56, both of Tacomah, Wash.; and Khaikhom Outhibhamporn of Kennewick, Wash.

This spring, Weir said, boaters should anchor only close to shore, and then from the front of the boat, not tied hard and fast. And even though it isn't required by state law in either Idaho or Oregon, they should wear personal flotation devices, he said.

He said there would be no attempt to recover the boat until the water levels drop.

tions to follow federal law or she would get in 'trouble.'

"We hold that here the communication was an improper influence upon Juror A's decision to acquit or convict," the appeals court wrote.

The court rejected Rosenthal's argument that he should have been allowed to tell jurors he was growing marijuana for the city for medicinal uses.

While the case was on appeal, and despite Rosenthal's claims, the Supreme Court ruled again that the federal government can prosecute medical marijuana growers and users despite California's



Ed Rosenthal, a leading authority on growing marijuana, stands in his greenhouse in the backyard of his home in February 2002 in Oakland, Calif.

medical marijuana law. Rosenthal once wrote the "Ask Ed" column for High Times magazine and has writ-

ten books with titles including "The Big Book of Buds" and "Ask Ed: Marijuana Law Don't Get Lost."

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# Minuteman Project membership swells amid immigration debate

By Gillian Floss  
Associated Press writer

IRVINE, Calif. — Laurie Lisonbe worried about illegal immigration but figured it was somebody else's issue — until she saw hundreds of thousands of immigrants and their supporters marching across her TV screen.

Soon, Lisonbe had recruited several friends to attend a demonstration by the Minuteman Project, a volunteer group that patrols the border to keep out illegal immigrants. Now, the 51-year-old art professor checks the group's Web site about illegal immigration but may have considered the organization a pack of gun-toting vigilantes.

"We're not trying to be more mainstream — mainstream has found its place," said Stephen Eick, the group's executive director. "They're saying, 'These guys actually have teeth, they don't all chew tobacco, they don't all have a gun stuck in the back of their truck.' They're saying, 'They believe what I believe,' and they're joining us."

Lisonbe, a registered Republican, said only one issue matters to her now.

"My vote will go to the candidate who's the toughest on immigration, whether they're



Penny Magonette, of Rivaldo, Calif., and Alfie Schenck of Corona, Calif., members of the Minuteman Civil Defense Corps, protest President Bush's immigration policy outside the Hyatt hotel in Irvine, Calif., Monday.

Democrat or Republican," she said from her home in Orem, Utah. "Before, we were pretty much the types of people who would call our congressmen and not take to the streets. But that's all changed now."

The Minuteman Project first gained attention last year when Orange County resident and former tax accountant Jim Gilchrist helped lead its first 30-day patrol of the border in Arizona. The group has added mainstream political tools, including a network of local chapters and e-mail lobbying campaigns.

In December, Gilchrist, a former Republican, ran as a third-party candidate in Orange County, Calif., finished a respectable third with 25 percent of the vote.

Since this spring's huge pro-immigrant rallies, 300 people nationwide have applied to stay local chapters, according to

Eicher. The group's goal is 500 chapters by December and a membership of 1 million within 1.5 years, Eicher said.

Eicher claims the organization's membership has climbed to more than 200,000.

But Heidi Berlich, deputy director of the Southern Poverty Law Center's Intelligence Project, which monitors the Minuteman Project for racist rhetoric, said that estimate appears to be ridiculously high, she offered no estimate of her own.

"At the border during this last outing, they had maybe 50 people. If they have 200,000 people, it doesn't seem right," she said.

Berlich also questioned the special anti-immigrant rallies they held which the Minuteman Project.

She said many recruits may attend one or two rallies, but leave after they discover what she called the group's extremist attitudes.

# NIC nursing school gets first cadaver

COEUR D'ALENE (AP) — North Idaho College nursing student Matt Dingman read all the textbooks, studied all the computer programs, and dissected all the dead cats he was assigned.

But it wasn't until he reached inside the body of a human that the would-be medical professional truly understood anatomy and physiology.

"I couldn't get a better learning experience," said Dingman, 31, of the 90-year-old woman who has become the community college's first classroom cadaver. He conducted several blood-vessel demonstrations Tuesday for other students, trying to understand the workings of the circulatory system.

"This is our right coronary artery," he said, sliding an

instrument over the embalmed yellow-gray heart.

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# Mom arrested after fleeing Idaho Falls with children

IDAHO FALLS — A mother who fled the area with her children in November, saying she wanted to protect them from their father, has been arrested. Deputies tracked Melissa Bryant down after receiving an anonymous tip that she was back.

Det. Brad Goody of the Bonneville County Sheriff's Office said he found Bryant and her 5-year-old son and 4-year-old daughter Tuesday at the home of Justin Bryant, Melissa Bryant's husband. Justin Bryant is not the children's father.

Melissa Bryant was arrested for felony custodial interference.

Sgt. Doug Metcalf said the children were unharmed. Their paternal grandparents, Jaly and Ruben Castaneda, have temporary custody.

The children had been missing since Nov. 22, the day their mother picked them up at a daycare center and fled.

Friends and family said she feared that her ex-husband Ritchie Castaneda would harm them. Ritchie Castaneda had sexual abuse convictions as a minor and told a probation officer in 2003 that he had sexual contact with four 15-year-old girls while on probation.

Melissa Bryant and the Castanedas are scheduled to appear in court in Jefferson County May 25 to determine who should be granted permanent custody of the children.

**Young men caught trying to break into county jail**  
SODA SPRINGS — Seven young Bannock County men were caught by deputies after

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allegedly trying to break into the Caribou County jail.

Officials said some members of the group knew one of the inmates — Jacob Rasmussen, 19, of Pocatello — and that he had offered them money if they would help him escape.

Caribou County Capt. Geary Bybee said deputies learned about the plot by monitoring Rasmussen's phone calls. They discovered that the group had already been to the jail once but were unable to break in. Bybee said they left some tools by the door and left, planning to return Sunday.

Deputies found the tools and waited for the would-be liberators, Bybee said.

"Two had deputies set up," he said, adding that the suspects had brought hacksaws and welding torches. "We watched them as they pulled up. They cut back the fence and walked around the building to the door."

Bybee said when the men went to work on the door, deputies jumped out and arrested three of them. The others fled and were arrested later.

Usually, the plan is to break out, not in, Bybee said.

Chad Parke, 19; Michael Blakey, 18; and Brian Fouts, 19, were charged with nine felonies each. Roger Johnson, 18, is charged with three felonies. Three juvenile boys who allegedly acted as lookouts were also charged and released to their parents.

— compiled from wire reports

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## Market Watch

April 26, 2006

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Standard & Poor's 500	+3.87	1,305.41
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AP Wire

## Stocks of local interest

Albertsons	\$26.28	▲ .04
Con Agri	\$22.63	▲ .28
Dell Inc.	\$26.22	▼ .40
Idacorp	\$33.07	▼ .27
Micron	\$16.80	▲ .33
SuperValu	\$28.67	▲ .03

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## Commodities

Oil, by barrel	\$71.93	▼ .95
(June, light sweet crude)		
Live cattle	\$51.10	▲ .35
Gold (April)	\$638.8	▲ 7.8

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## Dell asks judge to dismiss lawsuit

RALEIGH, N.C. — A lawyer for computer maker Dell Inc. asked a judge Wednesday to throw out a lawsuit challenging the legality of a \$300 million-plus incentives package, arguing that North Carolina courts decided 10 years ago that such deals were legal.

Seven taxpayers who sued state and local governments and the computer maker last year contend that the state and U.S. constitutions prohibit tax breaks for individual companies because they harm the public and give the company an unfair advantage.

"To suddenly change course, and hold these incentives are unconstitutional would send a message nationally — and even more importantly in this day and age — internationally, that North Carolina is no longer friendly to business," Dell attorney Burley Mitchell told Superior Court Judge Robert Holbrook.

The General Assembly and local governments offered Dell the deal in 2004 in exchange for a pledge to create at least 1,500 jobs at its plant near Winston-Salem and to invest at least \$100 million in the area over the next 15 years. The 750,000-square-foot operation opened last October.

## McDonald's to sell 5M. Chipotle shares

OMAH, Neb., Ill. — McDonald's Corp. on Wednesday said it plans to reduce its stake in Chipotle Mexican Grill within the next two months and spin the chain off completely by year end.

McDonald's said it plans to focus instead on its flagship brand.

The hamburger chain said it will sell about 5 million shares of Chipotle stock within two months and use the proceeds to buy back McDonald's shares. McDonald's said it intends to completely separate from the subsidiary through an exchange of Chipotle shares for its own stock, subject to market conditions.

The tandoori and burrito chain went public in January at a price of \$22 per share. McDonald's owns about a 92-percent stake.

## New home sales surge in March

WASHINGTON — New home sales unexpectedly increased by 13.6 percent in March to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.213 million, the highest level of the year, the Commerce Department estimated Wednesday.

The increase more than reversed the 10.9 percent decline in sales in February. It was far stronger than the mild increase to 1.16 million annualized that was expected by economists surveyed by MarketWatch.

Other indicators, such as mortgage applications and builder surveys, point to a slowing in housing. New home sales are down 8.2 percent year-to-date.

— compiled from wire reports

# United Airlines doesn't want this publicity

By Mark Skortec  
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — The United Airlines name is visible across the country this week, trumpets as part of a multi-million dollar marketing campaign, seen on commercials and discussed on talk shows.

It is all part of a publicity onslaught the airline is trying hard to avoid.

"United '93' debuts Friday in movie theaters across the

country. It tells the story of one of the four airplanes hijacked the morning of Sept. 11, 2001.

Although the film has drawn harsh criticism from some who feel it reopens emotional wounds, United Airlines has worked to stay neutral, neither criticizing nor praising the film and its producers.

United did not participate in the making of the movie, but the title and plot are grim re-

miners of the airline's role in the events. It is not the kind of publicity any company wants, said Robert Passikoff, president of Brand Keys, a New York City company that measures customer loyalty.

"They say it doesn't matter what they say about you as long as they spell your name right," Passikoff said. "In this case, you don't want them spelling your name right. You

don't want them even talking about you."

United Flight 93 took off from Newark International Airport at about 8 a.m. that morning, bound for San Francisco. The Boeing 737 crashed in rural western Pennsylvania, after extraordinary acts of heroism by the crew and passengers to wrest control from the terrorists.

Nearly five years after the

Sept. 11 attacks, there is fierce debate over whether it is too soon for Hollywood to provide its take on the events. The coming attractions for the movie upset some theatergoers. The message board on the film's Web site includes several angry postings, including one that begins, "This movie should never have been made."

Elk Grove Township, Ill.-based UAL Corp. parent of

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"Today's generation of kids, they are going to have to be able to jump around a lot more so they have to have different skills. And there's so much out there."

— Mary Ann Smaby, mother who took her daughters to a career counselor



Mary Smaby, left, and her two daughters Monique, 17, and Camille, 15, sitting on couch, are seen with Carol Christen, rear, author of the book 'What Color Is Your Parachute? For Teens,' at Smaby's home April 23, 2006 in Altascadero, Calif.

# When I grow up ...

## Career counseling for teens emerging

By Dave Carpenter  
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Mary Ann Smaby didn't get much formal advice on what to do with her life when she was a teenager and she wasn't inclined to ask for it. Career planning? That waited until well into college.

But the real estate broker wanted to jumpstart her children much sooner, so she took her two teenage daughters to a professional career counselor this spring.

"It's a move other parents are making, too, and what some say is an intensifying focus on career planning for kids."

"I want to expand their ideas," said the 46-year-old Smaby, of Altascadero, Calif. "Today's generation of kids, they are going to have to be able to jump around a lot more so they have to have different skills. And there's so much out there."

Skeptics might write off career counseling for children as the latest evidence of overambitious parents trying to ensure perfect life resumes for their kids — from getting them into competitive preschools to elite universities and then right into ideal jobs.

Carol Christen, co-author of the newly published career guide "What Color Is Your Parachute? For Teens," sees it differently. Christen, who also is the career strategist advising the Smabys' daughters Monique, 17, and Camille, 15, says too many baby boomers and other parents wrongly view college as a substitute for career preparation — a very expensive substitute, she notes.

"There's a lot of decisional thinking going on out there. Parents just hand their children over to the educational conveyor belt and think it is going to happen, and it doesn't," the former educator said.

"There's this huge sieve through which our

young people are falling," she said. "Most of them have no plans."

As a cottage industry, fee-based career counseling for teens has yet to boom like the growing industry linked to the admissions frenzy, where some parents pay thousands of dollars to tutors and counselors to try to get them in the door at top colleges.

But there appears to be increasing evidence it is a growing business.

California-based Eureka, one of numerous Web-based career information systems that market materials to schools, recently began selling subscriptions to individuals, including students. Boys & Girls Clubs of America has added a career search program for its 13- to 18-year-old members called CareerLaunch. Collegecenter.com, a job site for students, added career counseling services as a paid product about a year ago, contracting with career counseling firms. The average cost is a pricey \$2,000, according to Steven Rothberg, president and founder of the Minneapolis-based Web site.

"The counseling is expensive, so I don't think it's going to take the world by storm," he acknowledged. But career counseling for teens, he said, is "definitely a growth area. It's gone from almost nothing about 10 years ago to being on the radar screen today" — partly a reflection, he said, of the growing phenomenon of helicopter parents "who hover over their children's lives."

Overall, though, the price varies for such counseling, which might consist of assessments of a teen's skills, personality traits and interests and advice about careers that match them. Christen's approach is to help students create a career prospectus — finding three different jobs that need three different levels of education or training — and set up chairs

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# Supreme Court pondering illegal worker question

By Toni Loey  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Several Supreme Court justices expressed skepticism Wednesday about whether a Georgia flour-coveting company can be sued under anti-racketeering laws for allegedly using recruiters to find and hire illegal immigrants.

Lawyers for the Bush administration and a group of Georgia workers urged justices to allow a lawsuit by current and former workers at Mohawk Industries who allege the company's arrangement with recruiters has suppressed wages.

"The highly charged issue of illegal immigration wasn't a major focus of the arguments. Instead, justices concentrated on complicated aspects of a federal law originally designed to fight organized crime — and whether corporations can be held accountable under it."

The key question is whether a corporation that contracts out a business such as recruiting, can be part of an illegal "enterprise" under the Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act of 1970.

In 1996, Congress expanded the anti-racketeering law to include violations of immigration law, such as the hiring of illegal workers.

The justices' focus, however,

was a confusing definition of enterprise that Congress placed in the anti-racketeering law and whether it could be applied to corporations.

The law places more emphasis on associations of individuals, and justices seemed reluctant to allow the government — or anyone filing a lawsuit — to expand on what lawmakers may or may not have meant.

Justice Stephen Breyer questioned whether it is wise to "fill in" vast amounts of commercial activities that have "nothing to do with organized crime," especially because winning parties in anti-racketeering lawsuits can collect triple damages, far more than usual.

Chief Justice John Roberts wondered if the lawsuit brought by the Mohawk workers should have alleged a more general criminal conspiracy, not an illegal agreement under the anti-racketeering law.

And Justice Antonin Scalia said he did not want lower courts delving into "the minds of corporations," trying to determine whether firms are consorting their own affairs of those of a separate, illegal enterprise.

The high court's decision currently is significant because the probable result would affect both criminal and civil uses of the anti-racketeering law.

# These bosses get paid a buck a year

By Chris Galtner  
Los Angeles Times

In corporate America, few status symbols rival the one-figure salary.

As companies file their annual reports disclosing how much they pay their head honchos — and inevitably ignite outrage about exorbitant executive salaries — consider Google Inc.

Every two weeks, the three billionaires who run the Internet search giant get a paycheck for about 4 cents. Before taxes.

Google's Sergey Brin, Larry Page and Eric Schmidt are part of an exclusive club of top executives who drew \$1 annual salaries last year. No bonuses. No stock-option grants. Other members include Richard Kinder, co-founder of energy company Kinder Morgan Inc.; Apple Computer Inc. Chief Executive Steve Jobs; DreamWorks Animation SKG Inc. CEO Jeffrey Katzenberg and his company's chairman, Roger Enrico.

Of course, these executives — most of them company founders — have something else in common: They're already filthy rich, thanks to ownership stakes in the companies they helped build.

In World War II, when the dollar-a-year salary gained currency, it communicated the importance of personal sacrifice in wartime. Now, the dollar sends a different message: The bucks stop here. Because many of today's corporate leaders own so much of the companies they run, their personal fortunes are tied to corporate success. They succeeded when the company does.

"It's a gesture to the shareholders saying, 'I've got more money than I could spend in 52 lifetimes — just pay me a dollar and I'm happy enough,'" said Graf Crystal, an executive compensation specialist.

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# McClatchy sells 4 papers to MediaNews

By Seth Sutel  
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — MediaNews Group Inc., publisher of The Denver Post and other newspapers, is acquiring four newspapers from McClatchy Co. for \$1 billion in cash with backing from Hearst Corp., another publishing company.

The four papers — the San Jose Mercury News, the Contra Costa Times, the Monterey County Herald and the St. Paul Pioneer Press — are currently owned by Knight Ridder Inc.,

which McClatchy is in the process of buying.

The deal announced late Wednesday will strengthen MediaNews' presence in northern California, where it already owns several papers in the San Francisco Bay Area.

The four papers are among the 12 Knight Ridder properties that McClatchy has said it intends to sell since they don't meet McClatchy's acquisition criteria, which include being located in rapidly growing markets.

MediaNews' interest in the

newspapers had been widely known. The three northern California papers would complement the company's existing holdings, which include The Oakland Tribune and the Marin Independent Journal. MediaNews owns a number of newspapers in geographic clusters, which helps reduce production and other costs and also allows for group advertising sales.

"These were the newspapers that excited us the most about Knight Ridder," MediaNews CEO Dean Singleton said.



Exterior view of the San Jose Mercury News headquarters in San Jose, Calif., Wednesday. The Mercury News, a former Knight Ridder newspaper, has been acquired by MediaNews Group Inc.

MOONEY

Banking groups push for defeat of Wal-Mart bank

By David Twiddy Associated Press writer

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. — Community and regional bank officials presented a nearly unified front Tuesday in opposing Wal-Mart Stores Inc.'s application to form its own bank.

Noting the retail giant's history of dominating every business sector it enters, small-town bank executives and statewide banking groups said a Wal-Mart-controlled bank would dry up financial resources in some towns, endanger the Kansas banking system if it were to fail and give the company an unfair competitive advantage.

It's very difficult for banks to compete with huge commercial entities that can bundle financial services with other products and services, banking regulators said.

Minny Bingham, whose Career Choices curriculum used in 1,000 schools nationwide, says she can't be asked to return to begin thinking about their future careers. She targets children as young as 13 with a career plan that she says they might not be able to follow.

"The emphasis is on helping kids become career-focused and career-committed," said Bingham, whose firm, Academy Innovations, is based in Washington, Utah. "It's not about choosing a specific career, but... knowing the process so that if they have a boss who

Mo, bank executive representing the Missouri Bankers Association, told the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. on Tuesday.

Wal-Mart officials repeatedly have said they don't plan on opening branch banks or getting into consumer lending. Instead, the company says it is looking to Utah to charter a bank to handle the \$60 million credit, debit and electronic check payments that Wal-Mart processes every year, providing savings millions in fees it now pays to two unnamed banks that process most of those transactions.

The company's size and importance in the U.S. economy led the FDIC to schedule five public hearings on a banking application in Alexandria, Va., in early April. In Kansas City, most of the 1,900 comment letters it received came from the Midwest, FDIC officials haven't said where they'll rule on Wal-Mart's application.

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Just in Virginia, the vast majority of speakers on Tuesday said they opposed Wal-Mart's plan, doubting the company would stick with a limited bank business for long.

The bankers said they were especially nervous about Wal-Mart's plan to sell high-interest certificates of deposit to investors, saying that could quickly drain capital from local banks, forcing them to either cut back on lending or close.

If enough local banks were forced out of a market, they said, businesses that depended on Wal-Mart would be forced to ask their local Wal-Mart for loans and possibly have to provide collateral.

Others questioned Wal-Mart's dedication to workplace and environmental regulations and said the company shouldn't be

rewarded for disrupting local economies with additional projects.

"There's every reason to believe a Wal-Mart bank would operate with the same reckless disregard for long-term interests that we've seen," said William McNary, president of public interest group USAction.

In a written statement to the hearing, Wal-Mart said it would continue to work with the some 300 banks that operate branches in 1,150 Wal-Mart stores and be a good corporate citizen.

"After three hearings and dozens of witnesses, one thing is clear — regulators can choose between approving a routine application or yielding to unfounded speculation and heated rhetoric about issues unrelated to our application," the company said.

Wal-Mart's lawyers also were critical of Wal-Mart's attempt in its initial application to be exempted from federal regulations, requiring local community investment.

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Movie

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United Airlines, has worked with documentary producers on Sept. 11 projects, but it declined requests to support films that include any fictionalized scenes connected to events that occurred that morning.

The United name and logo will appear in some scenes, said airline spokeswoman Robin Urbanski.

"We did not give permission," she said. "Obviously, we think we should have been, but we were never asked."

United has allowed its name and logo to be used in some films, including "The Terminal," where Catherine Zeta-Jones portrayed a United flight attendant. But airlines typically balk at participating in films that depict crashes. A notable exception was "Castaway," where Federal Express allowed its name and logo to be used, even though the movie included a scene of a jet crashing into the ocean.

Generally in films that depict historical events such as the Sept. 11 attacks, it is a company's name and logo can be used, said Robert Tuttle, a trademark attorney with the law firm of Bradley in Milwaukee. "United may not like it, but I'm sure they can't do anything about it," Tuttle said.

Universal Pictures and writer-director Paul Giamatti grass anticipated that there

would be some anger over their decision to make the film. They worked closely with relatives of those who died on Flight 93 in developing the script. The studio has also announced that 10 percent of box-office revenue collected from the film will go to the North American release of the United flight 93 National Memorial project.

The movie is the second movie made about the flight. A made-for-TV movie, "Flight 93," has already aired on the ABC channel. Later this year, Oliver Stone's "World Trade Center" will be released.

Passkoff, the brand loyalty executive, said any film depicting the traumatic events of Sept. 11 could reawaken concerns about flying and hurt ticket demand.

"This is something that goes to the very marrow of folks who fly," he said.

But not everyone sees the film inflating an entirely negative marketing message on

Teenagers

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

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MARKET SUMMARY

Summary of market activity including NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, NYSE Most Active, AMEX Most Active, NASDAQ Most Active, GAINERS, LOSERS, DIARY, and INDEXES.

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET

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HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Here are the 525 most active stocks on the New York Stock Exchange, the 400 most active on the NASDAQ National Market and 100 most active on American Stock Exchange. Annual figures are in 15 largest. Stocks in bold changed 5 percent or more in price.

AMERICAN STOCK EXCHANGE

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CLOSING FUTURES

Table with columns: Commodity, High, Low, Close, Change. Includes items like Man Corn, Soybean, Wheat, and various oil products.

MARKETS

Table with columns: Dec, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004. Includes various market indices and commodity prices.

MEATS

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LIVESTOCK

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EXCHANGE RATES

Table with columns: City, High, Low, Settle, Chg. Lists exchange rates for various international locations.

SOYBEAN OIL

Table with columns: Dec, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004. Lists prices for soybean oil.

WHEAT

Table with columns: Dec, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004. Lists prices for various types of wheat.

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MINNESOTA SOYBEAN OIL

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WORLD GOLD PRICES

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GRAINS

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CHICKEN

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Bosses

Saying it's a dollar salary doesn't really get to the fact that they're all fabulously wealthy.

Tom Lawer, executive compensation lawyer

Enrico collected bonuses and stock options, but regularly doctored all but a buck of his million-dollar salary to a college scholarship fund for Pepsi employees.

At the other company he runs, Fluor, Kids earns a dollar a week: \$52 for each of the last two years, As of Feb. 15, the owned 49.8 percent of the company, which Walt Disney Co. is buying for \$7.4 billion, meaning jobs will be cut by 13,313.

Jobs has taken a \$1 salary an Apple since 1998, not after he rejoined the company he worked for, coming from a place in the Guinness Book of World Records for lowest paid chief executive. But Apple paid him in plenty of other ways, including 10 million-dollar stock grants and bonuses, as well as a corporate jet in 1999 that cost the company \$90 million. Still, compensation experts say, it's not the million-dollar salary pull in high salaries and extraordinary pay packages, even as their companies struggle.

According to the Corporate Director Robert Nardelli earned \$50.7 million over the last two years, although his company's stock fell 19 percent over the last five years, latest technologies Inc. has seen its shares plunge 82 percent during that period, but CEO Patricia Russo pulled in \$17.3 million during the last two years.

The dollar-a-year practice can cause headaches for corporate payroll departments. At the corporate world, the single-digit salary has largely been adopted by CEOs trying to restore shareholder confidence in their struggling companies. At the other end of the scale, in the 1970s.

When Silicon Valley companies withheld during the 1980s, the practice drew out executives' friends and send shareholders a we're-in-control message. The gesture was often undercut by corporate stock options granted to CEOs' hefty awards of stock options that could be sold with only a mild stock-market recovery. Buck-a-year chiefs who received stock options would include John Chambers of Cisco Systems Inc. and Tom Stibel of Stibel Systems Inc.

Larry Billson of Oracle Corp. took his salary for 2003 through 2003, when the company's stock was struggling, but he cashed in \$706 million in stock options in 2001 and \$41 million in 2002.

Katzenberg and Enrico each get a \$1 salary at DreamWorks. While he was CEO of PepsiCo, "We expect him to spend it."

MUTUAL FUNDS

Large table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund name, Dec 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004, 2005, 2004.



COMICS

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

SAYS HERE: "BIG BAND SOUND" DIED OUT IN THE 60S.

WHAT RESPONDED TO IT?

SMALL GROUP NOISE.

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

WE'RE BACK!

WOW! NOW I KNOW WHY YOU FEEL LIKE TO BE PREGNANT.

YES, THAT'S ALMOST EXACTLY WHAT IT FEELS LIKE.

ONLY MORE THAT WEIGHT WOULD MAKE AROUND AS ONE OF YOUR BLADDER, GAIN THIRTY POUNDS AND MULTIPLY THE WHOLE EXPERIENCE BY NINE HUNDRED.

AND NOW I KNOW WHY YOU FEEL LIKE TO BE CORRECTED.

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

OH WAS WORK, BALDO?

THE BOSS SPENT ALL DAY YELLING AT EVERYONE.

I DON'T KNOW...

NO ONE EVER LISTENS TO HIM!

WHAT HAS HE YELLING ABOUT?

**Brevity** By Guy & Rodd

AFTER HE LOST THE RING OF POWER, GOLLUM WENT THROUGH A WEIRD PHASE IN WHICH HE BECAME TOTALLY OBSESSED WITH COSTUME JEWELRY.

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

VIJAY, THE WORLD'S MOST DESPERATE VENTURE CAPITALIST

I NEED A HUNDRED BILLION TO BUILD AN OCEAN CITY ON BARGES.

TAKE MY MONEY!!! TAKE IT, TAKE IT, TAKE IT!

DO I GET STOCK OR SOME-THING?

HOW ABOUT AN INSINCERE WJAG?

**Doodlesbury** By Garry Trudeau

BUDDA-BUDDA-BUDDA! GO! GO! GO! GO! GO!

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

Sabrina's "Baby Plus Escort Service." May I help you?

I'd like to hire a grandmotherly lady to feed me some homemade soup.

Would you like her to just bring it to you or would you like her to prepare it here?

Oh! I'd like it centered here!

Okay. But that'll be a 3-hour minimum charge and she'll need to get a flu shot!

I'd be great if she cooked vegan!

Sir, don't make it more difficult than it already is!

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

THE GOOD NEWS IS, I'M BECOMING AN ADULT AND YOU'RE NOT!

I'VE SPARED DUNCAN THE PAIN OF HELPING SOMEONE WHO'S AS STUPID AS YOU! AND YOU'VE GAINED THE PAIN OF BEING HIS FATHER!

THERE'S STUFF TO DO ANDER! YOU TRY TO GET A NEW JOB TO AID YOUR FINANCIAL SITUATION! GO WALKING! ABOUT IN THE CITY!

I ADMIRE YOUR ATTITUDE! I'D LOVE TO TAKE YOU TO COURT, JOHN!

I HAVE A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITIES.

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

FIRST NATIONAL BANK "INVEST IN THE FUTURE"

I'D DO THAT, BUT ALL MY MONEY'S TIED UP IN THE PAST.

**Luann** By Greg Evans

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE? ARE YOU DOING TO REEPLY?

HE'S BROKEN. HE'S TRYING TO FIX HIM.

OK, STOP! SOMETHING ELSE NEEDS FIXING HERE!!

**Mallard Filmore** By Bruce Tinsley

WALLARD'S Whole-Valiant School BUMPER sticker #30

MY DAUGHTER WAS SUSPENDED FOR WEARING A PATRIOTIC TEE-SHIRT TO SCHOOL.

IT WOULD BE BETTER TO WEAR A PATRIOTIC TEE-SHIRT TO SCHOOL.

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

Morning neighbor. Listen. The home-sweet-home association wants to build a neighborhood pool for all the kids to enjoy, but they need a grand from each of us... you in?

THE MINUTE I DIPPED A FLIPPER IN THAT POOL, YOU'D EAT ME. WHY WOULD I CONTRIBUTE?

There's no "I" in "team."

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

DO YOU KNOW THAT THE PLASTIC THINGS ON THE ENDS OF SHOELACES ARE CALLED AGLETS?

WHAT POSSIBLE GOOD CAN COME FROM KNOWING INFORMATION LIKE THAT?

WHOWA!

I WAS GOING TO TELL YOU YOUR DOG HAS HOLD OF ONE OF YOUR AGLETS.

**Rose Is Rose** By Pat Brady

LOOK AT PEEKAROO SLEEPING SO SOUNDLY. JAMES! WAKES YOU UP? WHAT SHE'S DREAMING ABOUT?

WELL, SHE'S A CAT! SHE'S PROBABLY DREAMING SOMETHING.

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

I REALLY DON'T HAVE A TRUST FUND?

NO.

THAT SEEMS A LITTLE UNREASONABLE, DON'T YOU THINK?

UM... "UNREASONABLE?"

YOU CAN'T JUST RELY ON MY WIFE TO SUPPORT ME.

WHAT PART OF THE WORD "JOB" IS CONFUSING YOU?

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

IS IT JUST ME, OR DOES THE DOWNLOAD TIME SEEM TO TAKE FOREVER ON THIS SERVER?

ANCIENT GREEK CULTURE

**Strange Brew** By John Deering

I'D RATHER LET THE PRANKSTERS GO FREE-RANGE.

# Hatch your plans, Virgo

**HOROSCOPE**  
Jeralaine Saunders

IF APRIL 27 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: When the going gets tough, the tough get going. Shoulder responsibilities with a smile and pass the tests of the universe that clutter your life between now and mid-June. In July and August, and to a lesser extent in January, be careful guard your reputation. Making sudden changes during those times can have a detrimental effect on career aspirations and a romance could head south if you place heavy demands upon a significant other. Take the initiative and launch new plans next March when good fortune smiles on you and you can count on a smooth path ahead.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Keep on trucking. Your enthusiasm may receive a cold shower from a mate or loved one for a few hours today. It is time to follow someone else's lead and be practical about money.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Wait to see how the land lies. The new moon in Taurus may give you a chance to make a gesture. But the next few days can also point out areas that are weak in a key relationship.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Opportunities might be shrink-wrapped. It is difficult to cut through the surface to get to the goodies. Write down inspira-

tions, creative thoughts and dreams — then save them for a rainy day.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): You can't mix and match. New moons sometimes mean new starts. Don't let a romantic desire interfere with treasured long-term goals or let business objectives get in the way of a relationship.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Guard against being vulnerable. This new moon might mark the start of a new cycle in business or career. Certain relationships can have an impact on your reputation for good or for ill.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Kick it up a notch. If you have business deals brewing, this might be a great time to hatch a lucrative plan — but it is wise to have second thoughts about a major investment or expenditure.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Use your noggin. Tender feelings can take a temporary nosedive if you use people to achieve your own ambitious ends. Beware of flouting business expertise lest you engender jealousy.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Read the writing on the wall. A relationship or business partnership may be flickering in the wind just as the breeze is picking up. Step carefully and avoid entering into contracts or agreements.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Passions can get you in a pickle. Don't let your feelings run away with you, head. Pass up expensive purchases and steer clear of an overwhelming obsession with a new hookup.

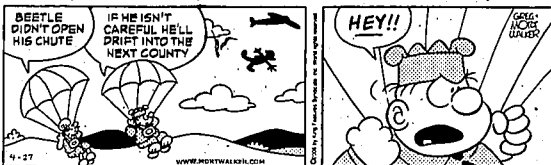
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Steer a straight path financially. Fight off the temptation to dive into a new investment and bite back the desire for a little self-control will prevent problems.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Pretty is as pretty does. Don't let minor issues get under your skin unless you wish to break off a relationship. You have the choice to let things slide or make a mountain out of a molehill.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Communication is the key to balance. Emotions may need to be reined in and a few words can act as a reminder-Your intuitions and sympathies might be right on the mark with loved ones.

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



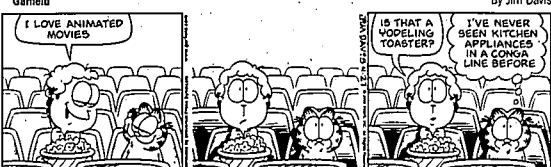
The Bom Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



Classic Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



# Ex-wife being stalked must take a stand and call police



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I want to respond to the letter "Being Watched in Birmingham," whose ex-husband is stalking her. She wrote she was afraid that calling the police would just make it worse. I had the same problem.

My ex was a retired policeman and long-haul truck driver. I was afraid the police from our town would ignore me because of the "code of blue," and my kids and I would be on our own. But the police helped us out and protected us.

I had to get a restraining order to keep him from the house. He had told one of my daughters that he was going to drive through our house with his motor-tor-trailer and hurt me. When my daughter told the judge what he had said, it helped me to get my restraining order. It was scary, but we were upset and more terrified than anyone will ever know. But our lives are now peaceful.

"Being Watched" needs to stand up for herself and her child. She can get help. She also needs to get herself into counseling. I went to domestic abuse counseling. His behavior reach out now, before it's too late.

I made sure all four of us got counseling. She doesn't have to. She should also get an injunction prohibiting harassment from the court. (They are called different names by several jurisdictions.) It can be served

on him by an officer of the court.

She should keep detailed documentation of what he is doing — calls, following her, damage. Dates and times are very important to building a criminal case. Also, keep any cards, letters, notes, gifts, etc., that he leaves, and turn them in to the police. They will need them as evidence.

The daughter should be instructed to be aware of her surroundings and report any unusual activities to her mother or the police if it's an emergency. The school should be notified about what is happening, especially if a court order is obtained to keep him away from her.

By no means should the writer make herself a prisoner in her own home. If she does, she's succeeding in getting what she wants — control over her. She should be aware of her surroundings, install good locks on her house, garage her vehicle if possible, and take security precautions at home or on the way. Her ex is committing crimes and will stop only if she takes the first step to end his controlling, manipulative behavior. It may be scary for her, but a good support system of family, friends, police and a psychotherapist can help her through this terrifying time. Her man needs to be stopped — now!

— FORMER POLICE DETECTIVE IN ARIZONA

# Handel's royal fireworks music made explosive entry on this day in history

This day in history: April 27, 1743 marked the premiere of George Frideric Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks. However, as the second movement began, the fireworks got out of hand and set the launch site on fire. Handel bravely continued conducting, but few of the audience heard the remaining movements as they fled the colorful explosions.

Need a good insult? Pochycephalic means "thick-headed." Your feet call have about a quarter million sweat glands. There are enough to pump out about a pint of moisture on an extraordinarily vigorous day.

One pound of tea is good for about 100 standard original designs. The Axis armies in World War II included nine countries. Most people can remember Germany, Japan and maybe Italy, but can you name any of the others? For the record, they were: Albania, Bulgaria, Finland,



RANDOM KINDS OF FACINNESS  
Jack Mingo  
Erin Barrett

Hungary, Romania, and Thailand. On the other side, the 22 Allied countries included such little-remembered combatants as Mongolia, Liberia, Peru, Luxembourg, and South Africa.

Whales have no vocal chords. They sing their songs by exhaling air through their mouths and blowholes.

In World War II, the U.S. Army was so segregated that even its medical blood supply was sorted by the race of its donor.

In 1950, there were only about 100 standard original designs. Today, thanks to computers, advanced mathematics, and obsessive paper-folders, there are about 30,000. More evidence that people are nicer than you'd imagine: Researchers gave people a sum of money and told them they could spend it with an unseen stranger in any proportion that they liked. Although they probably gave nothing, they typically gave one-third or more.

Politicians try to make immigration a campaign b o o g y man. It's worth noting that the first soldier to die in Iraq was Marine lance corporal Jose Gutierrez, an illegal immigrant from Guatemala. According to the National Center for Immigration Law, 90 percent of our military personnel are "illegals," including 10 percent of those who have died in Iraq.

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

# Four-hour tour ends in disappointment

RENO, Nev. — Some reward. Four bus loads of students from O'Brien Middle School made the four-hour trip to Six Flags Marine World in Vallejo, Calif., only to find the amusement park's gates locked Monday.

The school-sponsored trip was supposed to reward top students.

"It was pretty much a fiasco," said Washoe County School District spokeswoman Sieve Mulvenon. "They ended up wasting a day that those kids could have better spent in class or doing what they were going to do at the park."

School officials said the \$50 fee will be refunded, and the tour company that arranged the trip has agreed to pay for the next one. "The tour company needs to check the schedule," Mulvenon said.

## Odds & Ends

The site has recordings of her pronouncing Wisconsin's 190 cities, 400 villages, and 1,260 towns.

## Honest 11-year-old finds \$1,000 on block

DELAWARE, Ohio — When Lauren Arletge found \$200 in the street, the 11-year-old didn't think to keep it.

Fearing someone had been robbed, she went to her mother's office and told her to call

police. Then she went back out to look for more bills.

The girl, with the help of a mail carrier and a co-worker of her mother's, spent half hour gathering another \$1,150 over a two-block area.

"It was all over the place, on the sidewalk, under bushes, inside bushes," said Lauren, who made the discovery April 12 as she was heading to the library.

A grateful man who said he dropped his wallet and lost \$1,450 gave the girl a \$50 reward.

— compiled from wire reports

## Reporter starts Web site for pronunciation

MILWAUKEE — There are just some Wisconsin-related words that people butcher: Chequamegon forest, Lake Butte des Morts, Lake Courte Oreilles tribe and even Madison Mayor Dave Cieslewicz.

So radio reporter Jackie Johnson decided she was tired of it and wanted to give newcomers, tourists, and even natives a resource to find the correct pronunciation. She recently started the Web site <http://mispronounced.com>.

"They can't be expected to know. It's not their fault," said Johnson, a Capitol reporter for Wisconsin Radio Network. "But there is no other way to go."

By the way, it's shee-WAM'-ch-geh-n forest, Lake BEV'D'-eh-moore, lak-COOT-o-ray 'tribe and Madison Mayor Dave ches-LEV'-ch.

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## Obsidian

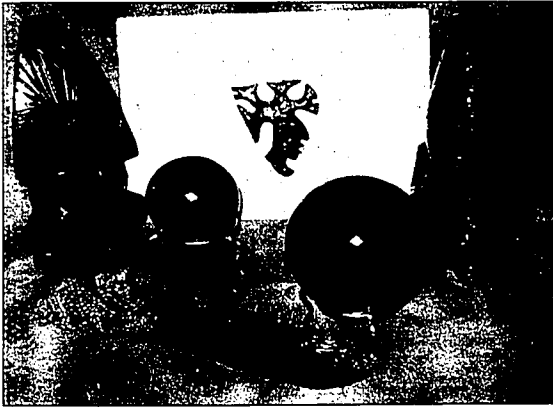


Photo courtesy of KARLA BARNES

Obsidian has long been treasured by ancient and modern Mexico.

### A useful tool in ancient societies

Obsidian has been utilized and traded throughout Mesoamerica for centuries.

Even today visitors to Mexico can find traders at local markets selling large pieces of cherished obsidian often offered in the form of blades, balls and unusual figurines.

Obsidian is a type of naturally occurring glass, produced from volcanoes. The color of the obsidian varies greatly depending on the presence of impurities in the soil, from and magnesium can produce a dark green, brown or black obsidian.

Early inhabitants of Mexico obtained obsidian from special locations where outcroppings of obsidian or quarry sites were discovered. The miners of this precious stone looked for high-quality obsidian, good glass that didn't have any veins running through it.

Talented craftsmen then fractured the large pieces of glass and proceeded to peck and grind at the material producing elaborate blades, knives, jewelry, beads, delicate eccentric forms and other useful objects. When worked by skilled artisans, the prismatic obsidian had the potential of being formed into one of the sharpest materials on earth. Expert ancient flint-knappers were known to work the obsidian until it reached a thinness of only one molecule, making the obsidian blade much sharper than the high-quality stainless



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Karla Barnes

steel blades that are used in surgery today.

In the region of Teotihuacan, Mexico, a rare form of green obsidian continues to be mined. This beautiful green obsidian with a golden sheen is exclusive to this part of Mexico; in fact this is the only place in the world where this special green obsidian is unearthed. The early inhabitants of Teotihuacan cherished the green stone, believing that the green color meant there was life in the object. The prized green obsidian was traded far and wide throughout Mesoamerica. Archaeologists have also recovered green obsidian tools in sites as far away as Guatemala, Belize and Michoacan.

Obsidian was a useful tool in almost every household in Mesoamerica. The uses range from everyday domestic needs, hunting, agriculture, artistic and medicinal.

The Maya were also known to cherish stones such as jade, flint and obsidian. Legend tells us that the Maya believed the obsidian was formed by lightning striking the earth. This force of nature gave the stones sacred power. The sharp blades were used by the ancient

Mayans to pierce themselves in what is known today as a bloodletting ceremony. Much research has been recovered in which archaeologists surmise that the Mayan temples functioned as a public stage. Often times, the ruler would commune with the gods on this stage and enter into a hallucinogenic state. To achieve this state, the king would often fast and use sharp blades made of obsidian to pierce himself.

Myths and glyphs tell the story of Mayan kings or shamans who would pierce their ears, tongues or genitals with sharp blades to let the blood. The blood would then be collected in baskets with paper used to absorb the blood. The blood soaked paper was then burnt as an offering to the gods.

There is plenty of evidence linking the use of obsidian to ancient daily life and rituals. Many pieces of curved obsidian have been found near sacrifice locations and in the grave sites of royalty.

The next time you make a visit to Mexico, keep your eye open for pieces of shiny dark colored glass and remember that this substance played a very important role in the lives of the ancient ones that once called these regions home.

*Karla Barnes of Barley and her husband, Tony, are frequent visitors to Mexico. Information from Wikipedia, The Magnificent Maya, is used in this article.*

## Author Laura Esquivel in a new cycle of love and liberty

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Laura Esquivel, known for the delicious fantasy "Like Water for Chocolate," is all about cycles.

On this day, it's the cycles of passion, liberation and love in her new novel, "La Malinche," about the slave who became the voice of the Spanish conquest.

Yet as she speaks, her halo of silver hair bouncing above intense dark eyes, it's hard not to flash to the cycles of Esquivel's own life, which echo those of her novel.

Esquivel, who grew up in a small suburb of Mexico city, was a kindergarten teacher and a TV writer before she shot to fame in the late 1980s with "Like Water for Chocolate." The passionate tale of unrequited love became an international best seller and later one of the highest-grossing foreign films ever released in the United States, ushering in a new era in Mexican cinema.

That success — the book sold 4.5 million copies, nearly half in the United States — was hard to match. And it was accompanied by a public divorce from the film's director and Esquivel's creative partner, Alfonso Arau, and lawsuits filed by both over film profits, defamation and fraud.

Esquivel eventually remarried and remained popular in Latin America, but her follow-up works, such as 1995's "The Law of Love," received little attention in the United States. She also helped found a Mexican movie production company with filmmaker Alfonso Cuarón, who directed the blockbuster 2004 movie "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban." But Esquivel left the film company after realizing she preferred the freedom of the literary world.

This spring marks a new cycle for Esquivel with the release of her first novel in nearly five years and with a new publisher, Simon & Schuster's Arria Books. Esquivel and Arau have even made up, and the two are looking to collaborate on another film that could prove to be the long-awaited follow to "Like Water for Chocolate."

"It was very liberating," Esquivel says about rekindling a relationship with Arau, which came after she finally received belated royalties for her screenplay of the film. "We have always worked well together; I respect him as an editor and he respects me as a writer."

Her new book, "La Malinche," follows the relationship between La Malinche, or Malintzin as she is called in the book, and Spanish explorer Hernan Cortez, who uses Malinche as his translator in his quest to overthrow the Aztec emperor Montezuma and then tosses



Laura Esquivel's new novel focuses on 'La Malinche.'

her aside after conquering Mexico. Hurt and disillusioned, Malinche discovers true love with Cortez's lieutenant and eventually even forgives Cortez, like her previous books, "La Malinche" is full of love and longing with the same plain language that makes for a quick read but at times betrays the author's origins in television.

The book is also something new for Esquivel, serving as a political and historical text. As Cortez's translator, La Malinche has often been called the ultimate traitor, yet her role in Mexican history is more nuanced, Esquivel maintains.

"She is a person who we have yet to judge fairly," Esquivel says, adding that it wasn't hard to imagine why La Malinche helped Cortez. It was about cycles. "The Aztecs," she says, "were always cycles that ended, and then came a struggle and a new cycle," Esquivel says. "A woman, in this time, being a slave, would have hoped that a change was coming."

Arria publisher Johanna Castillo compares "La Malinche" to "Like Water for Chocolate."

"Both bring the Mexican culture alive, and both are love stories. But this work has a lot more history behind it," she says.

Castillo believes the book will mark a renewed success in the United States for Esquivel, whose previous two novels languished on the shelves. Her

second novel, "The Law of Love," the sci-fi story of a psychotherapist who ministers to the karmically challenged came out in 1995 replete with a CD ofarias to be played along with the text. The new-age themes combined with a pre-MP3-world, didn't go over well with English speaking fans.

Her third book, "Swift as Desire," a more traditional love-story, followed the stormy marriage of a struggling telegraph operator and his beautiful wife. Although it had a compelling story, if somewhat flat prose, it had the misfortune of being released in the days immediately after 9/11.

Esquivel is still vocal about that book, which she dedicated to her father, a telegraph operator who instilled in Esquivel a love of literature with his romantic and fanciful tales.

This time, Arria is launching a major U.S. publicity tour that began in February with trips to Puerto Rico and Miami for the release of the Spanish version. The English version, and its accompanying tour, is scheduled for May.

And just in case the book is not enough to generate a new cycle of buzz for Esquivel, there is always her potential collaboration with Arau. Their proposed project is a biopic of the life of Argentinean tango star Carlos Gardel, set in 1930s Paris.

It will, of course, be a love story.

## Organization celebrates Cinco de Mayo

**MOUNTAIN HOME** — The third annual Fiesta Cinco de Mayo Celebration takes place from now to 7 p.m. May 6 at the Mountain Home Card Miller Park.

Admission is free. Attractions include mariachi music performed by Mariachi Sol de Acapulco, a Japanese eating contest, folkloric dance performances, a children's activity tent featuring the ECHO mini-netting zone, and a variety of food and arts and craft booths.

Community leaders who will appear at the event include Joe J. McNeal, mayor of Mountain Home; Rogelio Valdez, Idaho Commerce and Labor deputy director of Field Services; Alicia Garza, Boise State University professor of the year; Santiago Rodriguez, Idaho Human Rights Education Center; and Mirtle Gonzalez, Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs.

Elena Vega will present the event blessing. Surecie Owen will sing the U.S. National An-



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them and Martin Guillen will perform the Mexican National Anthem.

The event is sponsored by US Bank. ECHO is a nonprofit corporation.

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**St. Edward's offers Cinco De Mayo Mexican dinner**  
TWIN FALLS — A Cinco De Mayo Mexican dinner will be

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On the menu: Chicken enchilada, salad, pork carnitas, dessert, Mexican rice, refreshments and beans.

The cost for adults (ages 13 and up) is \$10 and for children (age 6 to 12) it is \$5. Children age 5 and under eat free.

Proceeds will go to La Posada Ministry.

For more information, call St. Edward's at 733-3907.

**Hansen native will sing at celebration on May 6**

**JEROME** — Singer, recording artist and Hansen native, Juan F. Moreno will entertain for a Cinco de Mayo celebration May 6 at the El Sombrero Restaurant, 143 W. Main St.

Moreno now resides in Monterey, Mexico. He will have his CD for sale.

The cost will be \$10. For more information, call the restaurant at 324-7238.

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## Program trains volunteers to help parents close 'achievement gap'

BOISE — Thanks to a program, 17 Idaho residents were trained to work with parents to close "an achievement gap" in schools, get them more involved and help improve school performance.

The Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs, in partnership with MALDEF, the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund from Los Angeles, brought to Idaho the National Parent School Partnership program.

The Parent School Partnership training is designed to train parents, school personnel and community-based organizations to take the lead in the improvement of school performance, its relations with the surrounding community and the educational attainment of their children, the commission reported.

In today's education system, it is imperative to work in partnership with parents to close

the achievement gap in schools, the commission reported. In the session, participants learned techniques in reinforcing parent involvement research and leading in the importance of parent involvement and how it related to student achievement.

Participants also covered methods to include families and communities in educational planning, parents' legal rights in relation to classroom observation, testing and access to information from school district level.

The Hispanic Affairs Commission acknowledged those who trained in January. Among the participants were Gladys Escubiel of Burley, who is also the Hispanic Affairs Commission chairman.

Other participants and the agency or area they represented were Adán De La Paz, Canyon County; Margie Gonzalez, Idaho Commission on

Hispanic Affairs; Verónica Guerra, Parma School District; Juan Hernández, Canyon County faith-based community; Vera Honena, Bannock County and Shoshone-Bannock tribes; Frank Mendez, youth representation in Canyon and Owyhee counties; Gloria Muñoz, United Vision of Idaho; Sylvia Olivera, Caldwell School District; Angie Olivo, family advocate, Ada County; Zoed Olivo, Latino parental involvement; Gomeinda Padilla, Canyon County community advocate; Angie Pacheco, Farmway Village Housing, Canyon County; Terry M. Ruclas, substance abuse and mental health field; Israel Serrato, faith-based community; Juan Saldana, higher education; and Robert Salinas II, health care.

For more information about the program, call the Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs at (208) 334-3776.

## Cuban girls embrace Spanish heritage with flamenco dance

The Associated Press

HAVANA — Little Cuban girls fantasize about being flamenco dancers — strong, beautiful women in ruffled skirts and swept up hairdos, who evoke wondrous, thunderous magic by stomping their black strappy shoes.



### Vida Latina

In a country that gained its independence from Spain a little more than a century ago, the Spanish dance remains highly popular among young Cuban girls, in the same way ballet enthralled girls in the United States and tango in Argentina.

Still-thriving cultural societies formed by Spanish immigrants to Cuba represent regions such as Asturias and Andalus and offer flamenco dance and other programs.

But the leading school is run by the government's Ballet Español de Cuba, operating under the auspices of the grande dame of ballet, Alicia Alonso, and the leadership of classically trained dancer Eduardo Veltia, the company's general and artistic director. Reynaldo Ibanez, technical director of the school for 12 years, says the best of the best have the chance of joining the dance company as they mature.

On a recent weekday afternoon, 20 girls on the cusp of adolescence dance to the staccato claps of their teachers' hands in a small practice room in Havana's Gran Teatro. It's a majestic performing arts palace in clear need of renovation, with chipped and cracked columns, peeling paint on the



Flamenco instructor Gieta Hernandez performs a routine of flamenco dance during her choreography class offered by the Cuban National School of Arts at Havana's Gran Teatro in Havana, March 24.

towering walls and marble-floored hallways dulled by decades of grime.

They gather their black ruffled skirts in their small hands, clutch the fabric to their hips and stomp assertively on the rough wooden floor, sounding like a stampede of wild horses.

"Bamp bamp bamp bamp BAMP! Bamp bamp bamp BAMP!" thunders through the small room as the soft light of late afternoon pours through the tall, narrow open windows looking out over the green gardens and towering palms of Havana's Parque Central.

The girls, each with her hair swept into a bun and fastened

with a bright yellow tie, imitate the "profesora," gyrating their hands like a flock of fluttering birds.


A similar scene unfolds in other small rooms throughout the huge multifloored complex. In some, girls as young as 5 in pale pink tights and leotards learn basic classical ballet moves to prepare for the transition to flamenco dance when they are older.

Their mothers wait on park benches outside. "Just imagine," says Alcida Gomez Rodriguez, smiling proudly as she talks about her 11-year-old daughter, Leidy Rosa. "She's been coming to classes since she was 5."


### LIFE OF AN AZTEC



A man dressed in traditional Aztec clothing dances in front of a monument of Aztec Emperor Cuauhtemoc in Mexico City, Mexico, April 23.



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

Case No. CV-2004-5008  
**ORDER, NOTICE, AND SUMMONS FOR HEARING**  
In the Interest of:  
**JOHNNY E. SCOTT III**  
d.o.b. 8-29-85  
**KAYLA R. SCOTT**  
d.o.b. 2-18-88  
**ERICA SCOTT**  
d.o.b. 7-8-93  
**TYSON M. SCOTT**  
d.o.b. 5-21-90  
Children Under Eighteen Years of Age

A Petition under the Termination of Parent-Child Act has been filed in the Department of Health and Welfare. The merits of the petition will be examined in an evidentiary hearing on May 25, 2006, at 9:30 AM in the Magistrate's Court, Twin Falls County Courthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho.

The following individuals shall personally appear at the hearing:  
**TAMMY SCOTT**, Mother of Children  
**JOHNNY SCOTT JR.**, Father  
**JOHN DOE**

The above-named individuals are further notified that they are entitled to be represented by legal counsel. If they are financially unable to retain an attorney, they may apply to the Court, prior to the hearing, for appointment of counsel. Said father is further notified that pursuant to 16-1513 of the Idaho Code who may register his claim as father of a child born out of wedlock with the Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Vital Statistics, on forms available for such purposes from the Bureau of Vital Statistics of the Department of Health and Welfare. Said father is further notified that he shall mail the completed form to the Bureau of Vital Statistics and it shall be signed and witnessed before a Notary Public. Your failure to so register can result in your being barred from your maintaining an action to establish paternity of said child and constitutes a prima facie case of abandonment pursuant to section 16-2006 of the Idaho Code.

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s/Magistrate

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

Case Number CV-06-1489  
**SUMMONS**  
**MELISSA R. BLUNT**,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**DANIEL H. McEACHRIN**,  
Defendant.

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Copies of the Complaint, Order to Attend Parenting Classes and Attend Children's Program, and Joint Temporary Preliminary Order are served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
  2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint, and other defenses you may claim.
  3. Your signature, mailing address, and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address, and telephone number of your attorney.
  4. Proof of mailing or delivery of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
- To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
**DATED this 20th day of March, 2006.**  
Kristina Glascock, Clerk  
By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: April 13, 20, 27 and April 4, 2006

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

Case No. CV-05-4455  
**SUMMONS**  
**MAGIC VALLEY COLLECTIONS & RECOVERY, INC.**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**JOHN P. PARKER and ANDREA PARKER**,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.**

You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above-designated court within 20 days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the plaintiff(s) in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
  2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
  3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
  4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
- To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
**DATED this 11th day of October, 2005.**  
By Deputy Clerk, Magistrate Court

PUBLISH: April 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 2006

### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEROME

Case No. CV-2006-23  
**SUMMONS**  
**BOBBY K. BOPP and ESTHER O. BOPP**,  
husband and wife,  
Plaintiffs,  
vs.  
**ALSTON B. RHODES, HOLMES COMPANY OF JACKSON MS. INC., and CORPORATE JOHN DOES 1-5**,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF, BOBBY K. BOPP and ESTHER O. BOPP. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.**

**TO: ALSTON B. RHODES, HOLMES COMPANY OF JACKSON MS. INC., and CORPORATE JOHN DOES 1-5, DEFENDANTS**

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED** that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above-designated court within twenty (20) days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiffs in the Complaint. A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected.

The nature of the claim against you is a complaint for personal injury. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10 (a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
  2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
  3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
  4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
- To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
**DATED this 18th day of April, 2006.**  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: April 27, May 4, 11 and 18, 2006

### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SHOSHONE

Case No. CV-06-218  
**SUMMONS**  
**RONALD C. ADAMS**,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**MYCHELLE M. HARDING-ADAMS**,  
Defendant.

**NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.**

You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above-designated court within 20 days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond the Court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff in the Divorce Complaint.

A copy of the Divorce Complaint and Joint Preliminary Injunction is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice or representation by an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10(a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
  2. If your response is an Answer to the Divorce Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Divorce Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
  3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
  4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.
- To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
**DATED this 4th day of April, 2006.**  
Clerk of the District Court  
By Gail Elliott, Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: April 13, 20, 27 and April 4, 2006

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

Case No. CV 06-614  
**SUMMONS**  
**ROY NELSON, BARINI-GARCIA & PLATTS**,  
a partnership,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**LOUIS DEAN**,  
Defendant.

**NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU RESPOND WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.**

**TO: LOUIS DEAN:**

You are hereby notified that in order to defend this lawsuit, an appropriate written response must be filed with the above designated court within (20) days after service of this Summons on you. If you fail to so respond, the court may enter judgment against you as demanded by the Plaintiff in the Complaint.

A copy of the Complaint is served with this Summons. If you wish to seek the advice of an attorney in this matter, you should do so promptly so that your written response, if any, may be filed in time and other legal rights protected. An appropriate written response requires compliance with Rule 10 (a)(1) and other Idaho Rules of Civil Procedure and shall also include:

1. The title and number of this case.
2. If your response is an Answer to the Complaint, it must contain admissions or denials of the separate allegations of the Complaint and other defenses you may claim.
3. Your signature, mailing address and telephone number, or the signature, mailing address and telephone number of your attorney.
4. Proof of mailing or delivery of a copy of your response to Plaintiff's attorney, as designated above.

To determine whether you must pay a filing fee with your response, contact the Clerk of the above-named court.  
**DATED this 6th day of February, 2006.**  
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
By Deputy Clerk

PUBLISH: April 13, 20, 27 and May 4, 2006

### NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED TRUSTEE'S SALE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that on Tuesday, the 16th day of May, 2006, at the hour of 10:00 AM, said court docketed for the entrance to the Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone Street North, Twin Falls, Idaho, **TWIN FALLS TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY**, as Trustee, will sell to the public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, in lawful money of the United States, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property situated in the County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho, and described, as follows, to wit: Lots 22, 23 and 24 in Block 1 of BANNING PARK DIVISION, Twin Falls, Idaho, and more particularly, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Book 8 of Plats, Page 18, in the Office of the County Clerk of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

**COMMON ADDRESS:** 330 Lucille Street, Kimberly, Idaho 83341.

Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty regarding title, possession, or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by CRAIG A. CRAVER and JENNIFER GRAYER, husband and wife, as Grantors, to TWIN FALLS TITLE AND ESCROW, as Trustee, and SCOTCHFIELD GALLERY, an Idaho General Partnership, as Beneficiary, dated December 13, 2001, and recorded December 14, 2001, as Instrument No. 2001-02720, records of Twin Falls County, Idaho.

The default for which this sale is to be made is as follows:

- (a) Failure to pay the Note balance of principal and interest in the amount of \$103,505.55, all of which was fully due and payable on December 15, 2004.
  - (b) Failure to pay real property taxes, including penalties and interest as of May 4, 2005, for 2002 in the amount of \$1,094.90; and 2003 in the amount of \$1,685.72; and the first one-half of 2004 in the amount of \$791.90, for a total amount of \$3,572.52;
  - (c) Any other defaults under the Note and Deed of Trust above described, occurring prior to the Trustee's sale.
- The principal balance owing as of May 5, 2005, on the obligation secured by said Deed of Trust is \$89,617.89, together with unpaid interest at the per cent annum from December 13, 2001, in the amount of \$21,281.22, which continues to accrue at \$19.18 per cent, less two (2) payments totaling \$750.00, foreclosure costs including, but not limited to, accruing interest and late charges, costs of sale, taxes, assessments, attorneys' fees and other costs or expenses associated with the sale.
- DATED this 5th day of April, 2006.**  
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-06-1718
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
I, the undersigned, the undersigned Administrator of the above-named estate, do hereby give notice against the said decedent as required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice...

SUMMONS by Publication
TO: MARC A. BURKE
You have been sued by Jessica Lynn Burke, the plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Twin Falls County, Idaho, Case No. CV-06-1726...

NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to each of the owners or claimants of the property hereinafter described that under the provisions of laws of the State of Idaho, the County Treasurer as Tax Collector of Twin Falls County, in said state is deemed to be the purchaser in trust...

Table with columns: PARCEL #, RECORD OWNER, TAX amount, LATE CHARGE, INTEREST, and DESCRIPTION. Lists various parcels and their owners.

NOTICE OF LETTERING

Sealed proposals will be received by the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION BOARD only at the office of the IDAHO TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT, 3311 WEST STATE STREET, BOISE, IDAHO 83703...

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

Case No. CV-06-1535
NOTICE OF PENDING ISSUE OF TAX DEED
In the Matter of the Change of Ownership of OUIDA LUO DELL DEY, Petitioner.

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Idaho Code 45-15-1501 et seq.
I, the undersigned, as Trustee under the deed of trust executed and recorded on August 15, 2006...

COMPUTERIZED BIDDING DISKETTES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

The right is reserved to reject all proposals, or to accept the proposal or proposals deemed best for the State of Idaho.

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

Case No. CV-06-26
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
FARM BUREAU MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF IDAHO.

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DELINQUENT ENTRIES SUBJECT TO TAX DEED MAY 19, 2006

Table with columns: PARCEL, RECORD OWNER, DESCRIPTION, 2002 TAX DUE. Lists various parcels with owner names and tax amounts.

ORDINANCE NO. 2855 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TWIN FALLS, IDAHO, ANNEXING CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY BELOW DESCRIBED, PROVIDING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION THEREFOR, AND ORDERING THE NECESSARY AREA OF IMPACT AND ZONING DISTRICTS MAP AMENDMENT.

WHEREAS, Anand Construction, LLC, c/o Dallas Page, has made application for annexation of property, consisting of 155 acres (+/-) located at the northeast corner of Orchard Drive and Grandview Drive, and 78 acres (+/-) located on the west side of the 300 and 400 blocks of Washington Street South;

SECTION 1. That the following described real property be and the same is hereby annexed into and declared to be a part of the City of Twin Falls, Idaho:

A parcel of land located in the SW 1/4, Section 20, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 20 also being the REAL POINT OF BEGINNING;

ATTACHMENT "B"

A parcel of land located in the S 1/2, NE 1/4, Section 20, Township 10 South, Range 17 East, Boise Meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho; being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the East quarter corner of Section 20 also the intersection of Washington Street South and Park Avenue;

YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY FURTHER NOTIFIED that if said delinquency entry is not redeemed before 5:00 clock PM on Thursday, May 18, 2006, the payment in cash or collected funds of said unpaid taxes together with late charges, interest, and all costs and expenses up to the day of said payment at the Treasurer's office, Twin Falls County Courthouse, 425 Shoshone St., N., Twin Falls, Idaho, I have, as required by law made application to the Board of County Commissioners, County of Twin Falls, State of Idaho for a hearing to be held on May 19, 2006, at 10:00 o'clock AM or any soon thereafter as said application can be heard, at 425 Shoshone St., N., Twin Falls, ID for a TAX DEED conveying the above described property to said Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, Absolute title, free of all encumbrances, except for any lien for taxes which may have been attached subsequently referred to herein above.

Under Idaho Code 45-805 lien sale of 1994 Ford F-150, VIN#1FTEH14N6RKB04247, License Plate 4MZN79 (Texas) will be held at 10:30 AM, 5-10-06 at 2140 Hwy 30, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301. Possessory lien amount \$1485.00.

FAX YOUR AD TIMES-NEWS CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT 208-734-5538

LEGAL NOTICE Pursuant to IDAPA 13.01.031001, I authorize public fishing in the waters owned by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game as identified and posted by hatchery managers. This authorization is for Free Fishing Day only, on June 10, 2006, between the hours of 8 AM and 5 PM.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV-06-1523 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION. Case No. CV-2006-001533 NOTICE TO CREDITORS FOR PUBLICATION

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS. Case No. CV-06-1524 NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE

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SUMMONS To: JoAnn Wilson, dba Sprinklers by Wilson. You have been sued by the State of Idaho, ex rel. Industrial Commission, the Plaintiff, in the District Court in and for Twin Falls County, Idaho, Case No. CV-05-4546.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION. Case No. CV-06-603 SUMMONS vs. FLORINE ELMO. NOTICE: YOU HAVE BEEN SUED BY THE ABOVE NAMED PLAINTIFF. THE COURT MAY ENTER JUDGMENT AGAINST YOU WITHOUT FURTHER NOTICE UNLESS YOU COMPLY WITHIN 20 DAYS. READ THE INFORMATION BELOW.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ELEANOR J. STAMMERJOHN and BRUCE E. SCHRÖCK have passed away. Their Personal Representatives of the above-named decedent, All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or said claims will be forever barred.

A Petition to change the name of Terry Lynn Garrison, born on December 10, 1949, in Twin Falls, Idaho, residing at 1511 Princeton Drive, Twin Falls, Idaho, has been filed in the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District of the State of Idaho and for the County of Twin Falls. The name will change to Terri Lynn Garrison because the name "Terri" has been used in most of her life.

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DATED this 18th day of October 2005, Twin Falls County CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT Kristina Glascock. PUBLISHED: April 27, May 4, 11 and 18, 2006

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION. Case No. CV-06-6492 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION. Case No. CV-06-1539 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Idaho Code 45-1508 Today's date: March 31, 2006 File No.: 7104,254786 Loan No.: 1467,29641. Sale date and time (local time): August 10, 2006 at 10:00 AM. Sale location: in the office of First American Title Company, 260 3rd Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of the deceased that Carol Adrian Biggers, whose address is 4248 East 3100 North, Hansen, ID 83334, has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of the deceased by Order of the Court issued March 31, 2006.

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION. Case No. CV-06-1539 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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**IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN**

Case No. CV-06-101  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
 In the Matter of the Estate of **ARMAE TABER, Deceased.**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or her estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must also be presented to the undersigned's attorney, Jool A. Brock, at Hogworth, Lozami & Janis, Chatered, PO Box 389, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0389, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

J. Donald Taber  
 312 East 20th North  
 Shoshone, ID 83352

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**101 Lost and Found**

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 Lost Pup, male. Name is Yoda. New to area, 10'0" Avenue East. CASH REWARD. Call 208-736-1880 or 603-985-7656  
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 Weimaraner, gray, short haired, missing since March. Found in South Wendol. REWARD! Please call, our family name Jim. 208-536-2922 or 316-2922.  
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**FOUNDED** call phone in the South Hill south of Shoshone. Call to identify. 308-2692 or 829-5012

**FOUNDED** Craftsman tools on Baseline Road in Rupert on April 9<sup>th</sup>. Call to identify. 208-436-4083.

**FOUNDED** Pit Bull X, puppy, about 6 mo. old, behind restaurant. 308-7602

**LOST** Border Collie, black and white female, wearing a purple collar. Last seen at home 3 miles south of Jerome St. April, 2006. She is greatly missed & needs medication. Reward. Call 208-870-9870

**LOST** cat in Declo area. Neutered male, gray with white paws and chest. 10 years old, answers to "Sammy". 208-870-4987.

**LOST** cat, 1 year old male, Calico, in Heyburn area. Last seen at 422. Gray, tan & black. White on his tummy. Also, he bottom 1/2 of his face. Has a tan spot next to his nose. Long haired, no collar, neutered. Answers to "Chester". 280-1616.

**LOST** Cat, male, long haired, neutered, gray with white paws and whiskers and chest. Was wearing collar & identity of 208-736-6550 or 208-420-5318

**LOST** German Shepherd Husky cross. Set on Addison Ave. E. Call 208-734-9379

**LOST** German Short-haired, brown and liver tick. Also, English Pointer, black and white south of Buhl. Please call 543-5428 or 731-2414. No message. REWARD!

**LOST** notebook binder, has sketches in it for poster notes, check books, blue/black. Lost in Twin Falls on Blue Lakes 481-1511

**LOST** orange cat. Neutered male with medium hair and no collar. Walnut Street near Twin Falls. Call 208-420-9600.

**LOST** Pekingese, (2) 1 black & 1 tan, black one wearing pink collar. Lost on Elm St. 3/31. Reward bumped up! If anyone finds a missing dog in that area call: 404-4097 or 948-9369

**LOST** Pommerian, 1 mile east of Rupert. Small, female, chest hair, white with black spots, wearing pink and blue collar. Very much missed, part of family. Prone to seizures and may need meds. Please call 208-870-1914.

**LOST** Scottish Terrier, small, black with red collar & blue tags. License #1522. Vicinity of Flie Ave. & Hammond. Reward. Call 735-8083 or 316-3261

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 Framers needed lead men and laborers. Wage DOE. Please call 208-212-9543

**CONSTRUCTION**  
 Immediate openings. Laborers, Form Setters for Twin Falls & Burley area. Concrete experience preferred. Benefits Apply in person at Westac 222 Shoshone St W. Twin Falls. Jerome or 324-3427 Drug Free Workplace

**CONSTRUCTION**  
 Immediate openings for concrete finishers, form setters and laborers. Wages DOE. Call 208-539-4477.  
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**CONSTRUCTION**  
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**CUSTOMER SERVICE**  
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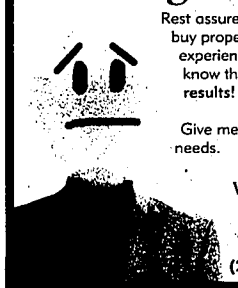
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The week's most popular media, compiled by The Associated Press.

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- "American Idol" (Tuesday), Fox.
- "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS.
- "American Idol" (Wednesday), Fox.
- "House," Fox.
- "Desperate Housewives," ABC.  
 — From Nielsen Media Research

## FILM

- "Scary Movie 4," Weinstein Co.
- "Ice Age: The Meltdown," Fox.
- "The Benchwarmers," Sony.
- "The Wild," Disney.
- "Take the Lead," New Line.  
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## HOT FIVE

- "Bad Day," Daniel Powter, Warner Bros.
- "Temperature," Sean Paul, VP.
- "What You Know," T.I., Grand Hustle.
- "Control Myself," LL Cool J (feat. Jennifer Lopez), Def Jam.
- "Unwritten," Natasha Bedingfield, Epic, (Platinum)  
 — From Billboard magazine

## ALBUMS

- "Me and My Gang," Rascal Flatts, Lyric Street.
- "White Trash With Money," Toby Keith, Show Dog Nashville.
- "Now 21," Various Artists, Universal.
- "High School Musical," Soundtrack, Walt Disney, (Platinum)
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- Cirque Du Soleil - Delirium.
- Ben Jovi.
- Aeromith.
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 — From Pollstar

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- "The Chronicles of Narnia," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
- "King Kong," Universal Studios Home Video.
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- "Memoirs of a Geisha," Sony Pictures Home Entertainment.
- "Derailed," The Weinstein Company.  
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- "Brokeback Mountain (Widescreen)," Universal Studios Home Video.
- "The Chronicles of Narnia (2-Disc Special Collection)," Walt Disney Home Entertainment.
- "King Kong (Widescreen)," Universal Studios Home Video.  
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## TOP TUNES DOWNLOADS

- "Control Myself," LL Cool J and Jennifer Lopez.
- "Bad Day," Daniel Powter.
- "Let U Go," Ashley Parker Angel.
- "Dani California," Red Hot Chili Peppers.
- "Temperature," Sean Paul.  
 — From Apple Computer, Inc.

## BESTSELLING BOOKS

- "The Da Vinci Code" by Dan Brown (Anchor) (fiction/paperback)
- "Don't Make a Black Woman Take Off Her Earrings" by Tyler Perry (Riverhead) (fiction/hardcover)
- "Two Little Girls in Blue" Mary Higgins Clark (Simon & Schuster) (fiction/hardcover)
- "Marley & Me" by John Grogan (William Morrow) (nonfiction/hardcover)
- "Gada's Family Dinners" by Claudia De Laurentis (Clarkson Potter) (nonfiction/hardcover)  
 — From USA Today

# VIDEO GAME REVIEW



AP photo

Lara Croft in the new adventure video game 'Tomb Raider: Legend.'

# Lara Croft returns to tomb raiding

BY MATT SLAGLE  
 The Associated Press

Scantly clad archaeologist Lara Croft is back for more danger and hidden treasure in "Tomb Raider: Legend." This P-rated game (\$49.99 for PlayStation 2 and Xbox, \$59.99 for Xbox 360, \$39.99 for personal computers) revises a long-suffering franchise.

The decline began with two dismal movies starring Angelina Jolie: "Lara Croft: Tomb Raider" in 2001 and "Lara Croft Tomb Raider: The Cradle of Life" in 2003. Also in 2003 came "Tomb Raider: Angel of Darkness," with its tedious controls and glitchy graphics.

It seemed as if Croft's glory days from a decade ago were over.

But with "Legend," Eidos Interactive has liberated this brainy super heroine by letting Croft do what she does best: raid tombs for treasure, solving puzzles along the way.

This rebuilt Croft still wears her skinny outfit consisting of combat boots, shorts and a tank top. Her revealing physique remains, too, though she's more athletic and not as outrageously proportioned as before.

This fitter, happier, more productive Croft translates into a game that's much more enjoyable to play than previous games in the series.

The controls are more crisp and precise than they've ever been: Croft flaps, slides and dances off cliffs and swinging

vines like a circus acrobat. (Though swimming is still a bit clunky.)

As the name implies, "Legend" explores some of Croft's roots, beginning with a plane crash with her mother in the Himalayas when she was just 9. Then there's some odd story involving sword fragments, but really this isn't a game you'll buy for a deep plot.

Croft's known for dual-welding pistols, and packing heat certainly has its uses in the body-trapped environments she'll explore in Bolivia, the Himalayas, Japan and other spots around the globe.

One of her newest new gadgets is a magnetic grappling tool. You can use it to shoot a cable in the distance to grab enemies, pull open stone doorways and to swing Turzan-style across otherwise impassable chasms.

"Legend" uses real-world physics and many objects can be used strategically: piles of rocks can be pushed down a hillside to crush foes, for example.

There's little difference between the various versions in terms of gameplay. The Xbox 360 edition certainly has the best 3D graphics, and it should considering the \$10 price premium.

If there are any faults to be found, it's the ease with which I breezed through the game.

Two days of casual play and I was done. But it's a good sign that I was left wanting more. A franchise that was risking irrelevancy has made a strong return with "Legend."

# Pops goes the symphony

A little Bizet, a lot of French horn highlight musicians' spring concert

BY STEVE CRUMP  
Times-News writer

**TWIN FALLS** — How sexy can the French horn be? Let Jeff Nelsen show you.

Nelsen, 35, grew up on a pig farm in Alberta and until recently was a member of the Canadian Brass, earning a reputation as the "Paganini of the horn" with his virtuoso effort on the CB's album called "Magic Horn." That CD landed a Juno Award — the Canadian equivalent to the Grammy — nomination in the category of best classical album of the year, solo or chamber ensemble.

"I (first) chose the horn because it played the opening of '70s NBC family drama) 'Little House on the Prairie,'" he said.

At the Magic Valley Symphony's spring pops concert Friday night, the audience will hear why, when Nelsen performs his version of the familiar Paganini Caprice No. 24. Nelsen will share more of his magic sound with new arrangements from the Beach Boys, Disney and big-band classics.

Joining Nelsen in the symphony spotlight will be his new bride, mezzo-soprano Nina Yoshida Nelsen. A rising opera star on the West Coast, Yoshida Nelsen has been praised as rich-voiced, expressive and "appealingly direct." She will sing "La Habanera" from Bizet's "Carmen" — the most famous seduction aria of all time. The Nelsens will collaborate on the poignant "Con Te Partiro," familiar as the iconic Italian anthem of farewell often heard on TV's "The Sopranos."

Friday's concert will open with a full-forces version of orchestral dances and romances as youth symphonists join the Magic Valley Symphony under the baton of conductor Ted Hadley. Hadley has

## Listen to the music

- **What:** The Magic Valley Symphony will present its annual pops concert, "Dances and Romances," featuring French horn player Jeff Nelsen and mezzo-soprano Nina Yoshida Nelsen. Musicians from the Magic Valley Youth Symphony will join in the evening of light classical favorites.

- **Where:** College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls.

- **When:** Friday, 8 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$7 for general admission, \$6 for seniors and \$4 for students, are available at Everybody's Business and at the door.

arranged a medley from "The Phantom of the Opera," the Broadway show that in January became the longest-running ever. Also on the program is a familiar dance from a communist-era Russian ballet itself never performed, a rare love song from the "Star Wars" film saga, and history's most recognizable bacchanal.

The Nelsens will also present a master class on overcoming performance anxiety at 10:30 a.m. Saturday on the concert stage. The event is free, open to the public and suitable for all vocal and instrumental musicians. Nelsen will illustrate his "get-fearless" philosophy.

The Magic Valley Symphony is a community orchestra of adult amateurs who have been making music together continuously since 1959.

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Jeff Nelsen plays the French horn Tuesday evening as his wife, Nina Yoshida Nelsen, a mezzo-soprano, listens in a soundproof room before they join the Magic Valley Symphony as guest soloists for the upcoming show at CSI.

MAGAN THOMPSON/The Times-News



# Movies

## Now playing

### TWIN FALLS

#### Twin Cinema

"The Bonchwarmers"  
 "Failure to Launch"  
 "Freaky"  
 "Friends with Money"  
 "Ice Age 2: The Meltdown"  
 "RV"  
 "Scary Movie 4"  
 "Silent Hill"  
 "United 93"  
 "The Wink"

#### Odyssey Theater

"Aleciah and the Bee"  
 "American Dreamz"  
 "Inside Man"  
 "Lucky Number Slevin"  
 "Take the Lead"  
 "Stick It"

#### The Drifhouse

"The Sentinel"

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#### Big Wood Cinemas

"RV"  
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 "The Sentinel"  
 "Silent Hill"  
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#### Ski Time Cinemas

"Friends with Money"  
 "The Sentinel"

#### Magic Lanterns

"American Dreamz"  
 "Don't Come Knocking"  
 "RV"  
 "Sophie Scholl"  
 "Thank You for Smoking"

### BURLEY

#### Century Cinema

"The Bonchwarmers"  
 "Ice Age 2: The Meltdown"  
 "RV"  
 "Scary Movie 4"  
 "The Sentinel"

#### Burley Theater

"Eight Below"

### JEROME

#### Jerome Cinema

"The Bonchwarmers"  
 "Ice Age 2: The Meltdown"  
 "RV"  
 "Scary Movie 4"

# 'DON'T COME KNOCKING'

## A busted-down movie star from Elko

BY TY BURR  
 Boston Globe

Credits are a funny thing. To sell "Don't Come Knocking" to any self-respecting art-house aficionado, I'd only have to mention the names involved. Director Wim Wenders and screenwriter-star Sam Shepard, who last collaborated on 1984's "Paris, Texas," costars Jessica Lange, Sarah Polley ("The Sweet Hereafter"), Tim Roth ("Reservoir Dogs"), Fairuza Balk ("Almost Famous"), and Hollywood legend Eva Marie Saint. A rousty music track from T-Bone Burnett ("O Brother, Where Art Thou?"). You're ready to go, right?

Yet the real star of this big-hearted failure of a film is Franz Lustig, its cinematographer. A tale of Hollywood burnout and small-town redemption, "Don't Come Knocking" fuses Wenders' love of lost wanderers and Shepard's obsession with broken families into one mishappan whole. The movie yearns almost ecstatically to achieve a state of grace but realizes it only in Lustig's camerawork, which captures the light of the American West into images that evoke classic westerns. Edward Hopper painted the honeyed yellow of nostalgia, and the cleansing sunlight of dawn. I could have watched the film with the sound off and gone home happy.

That said, there's real wit in the opening scenes, as movie star Howard Spence (Shepard) walks off the set of the horse-opera he's shooting in the Nevada desert and vanishes into the horizon. The production goes into a tailspin, and the director (George Kennedy) is forced to loose an insurance-company bounty hunter on Spence's trail. This is Suter (Roth), a prissy blondie who suggests one of the Men in Black with an accounting degree.

We quickly learn that Howard is a full-time party animal who has finally run out of gas, and Shepard plays him as a big, hairy shell of a man — Harrison Ford without the moral



Photo courtesy of Sony Pictures Classics

Sam Shepard tries to strike sparks with Jessica Lange, his long-ago lover, in "Don't Come Knocking."

## Don't Come Knocking

Starring: Sam Shepard, Jessica Lange, Gabriel Mann.

Rated: R  
 Starts Friday at: Magic Lantern in Ketchum

compass. He washes up on the Elko, Nev., doorstep of his mother (Saint), then heads to Butte, Mont., where he has learned he has a grown son from a long-ago fling on a movie set.

If you're thinking this sounds like John Ford's version of "Broken Flowers," you're not half wrong, and the appearance of Lange as Doreen, the cafe owner who was Howard's lover two decades earlier, underscores the parallel. Where Jim Jarmusch constructed a deadpan cosmic joke, though, Wenders and Shepard seek reconciliation. Unfortunately, Howard's son, Earl (Gabriel Mann), wants no such thing.

"Don't Come Knocking" has drifted with fetching languor up to this point, but it loses its balance with Mann's entrance. Earl's a straggly musician with a slatternly girlfriend named Amber (Balk) and a simmering anger at the world. He goes ballistic when Howard shows up, throwing the contents of his apartment out a window. The scene goes too far, as does Mann's performance.

But everyone here seems to be acting in a different movie. Shepard's doing existential Gary Cooper, Lange has a couple of her big weeping/laughing scenes (they're wonderful, but still). Mann grows smaller with every tantrum. Balk clomps around as if she's in a screwball punk comedy — grating at first, she's downright lovable by the end — and Roth works with calibrated British finesse.

Then there's Polley as Sky, the young woman who flits around the edges of the film carrying a blue urn containing her mother's ashes. The actress brings her spooky/serene intensity to

the role (she's Uma Thurman on Xanax), and sky effectively becomes Howard's conscience, among other things. Once we learn her secret, though, the character constitutes the movie's biggest stretch. But Wenders has always been in angels and coincidence, in ways that have benefited his work ("Wings of Desire") and weakened it ("The End of Violence"). Here the director's love for the grand moment and Shepard's fascination with family bitterness congeal into something alternately flabby and uncertain.

The finest scene in "Don't Come Knocking" is its quietest. Howard sits on the sofa that his son has tossed into the street and... well, that's it: he just sits. A day passes, then a night, and Lustig's camera captures every shifting gradation of light, as well as the calm that comes from putting one's life on hold. This isn't acting; it's watching and, after a while, simply being. The movie could have used a lot more of it.

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**Odyssey 8 Theatre**

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**Stick It** (13) Daily 7:00 - 9:15

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**American Dreamz** (13)

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**Lucky Number Slewin** (R)

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**Silent Hill** (R)

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**United 93** (R)

Daily 6:45 - 9:30

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**Friends With Money** (R)

Daily 7:30 - 9:45

Sat - Sun 12:45 - 3:00 - 5:15 - 7:30 - 9:45

**Firewall** (13) Daily 9:45

**Failure to Launch** (13)

Daily 7:40 - 9:50

Sat - Sun 12:30 - 2:45 - 5:00 - 7:40 - 9:50

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Daily 7:30

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See Robin Williams in

**RV** (PG) on 2 Screens

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PG-13 Now at the Odyssey



ROBIN WILLIAMS

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PG

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# THE SENTINEL

(PG-13) Now at Orpheum Theatre



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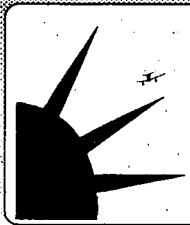
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PG-13

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Jodie Foster  
Clive Owen



# INSIDE MAN

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Burn the Village.  
See the Saw



# SCARY MOVIE 4

PG-13

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Ice Goodbye



# ICE AGE 2

THE MELTDOWN

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## Movies



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## Movie nuggets

• "Akeelah and the Bee" No rating. The mini-fury of spelling bees by reviewing the wonderful documentary "Spell-bound" and the dour drama "Bee Season" continues with this tale of an inner-city black girl who becomes a surprise contender for the national spell-a-thon. Writer-director Doug Atchison found a great presence for his lead, with Keke Palmer bringing a touch of panache, a headstrong spirit and hearty humor to the role. Laurence Fishburne, also a producer on the film, co-stars as the girl's stern but compassionate spelling coach, and Angela Bassett plays her frazzled, skeptical mother. Mainly on the strength of Palmer's peppy performance, the film rises above its contrived sweetness and proves a pleasant surprise, even if it fails to embrace and practically squeeze the life out of all the clichés of the underdog formula. PG, 113 minutes.

• "American Dreamz"/A-Cute but surprisingly pointed comedy that spoofs "American Idol." President Bush, Ambrose, takes most of all - us, the audience that is ravenous for our tacky, superficial culture of celebrity magazine zines and "Idol" contests. It shows how deep our shallowness runs, and if you really get it, you know that it's making fun of the very next act, and with gloriously snail performances by Dennis Quaid as the automation president, Hugh Grant as the act chemistry. But when he wanders away from them, it goes flat. The stars don't fail us, but their script sometimes does. PG-13, 114 minutes.

• "The Benchwarmers" No rating. Hob Schneider, David Spade and Jon Lovitz play middle-aged men who attempt to compensate for their unathletic childhoods by forming a three-man baseball team. With Jon Iker. Directed by Dennis Dugan ("National Security"). PG-13 for crude and suggestive humor, and for language.

• "Don't Come Knocking" No rating. Sam Rockwell, Steve Zahn, Howard Spence, a former Hollywood cowboy legend whose career has fallen apart in a blur of women, drugs, and debt. He disappears from the set of his latest film in Moab, Utah, bent on figuring out just who he really is, observed, charmed, and teased by his lonely neighbor (Bryn Maris Saint) for the first time in thirty years. Unbeknownst to him, he is observed, charmed, and teased (by Ruth), a bankman determined to find him and bring him back to finish the \$32 million movie he started. The grizzled Spence finds

## About the rating system

The letter-grade in these capsules by reviewers at the Atlanta Journal-Constitution.

out that he might have a child from a fling on an old film set, so he takes off for Butte, Mont., where his most quiet catches up to him in the form of a small-town waitress (Shepard's real-life wife, Jessica Lange). As he tries to establish some kind of relationship with his son (Gabriel Mann), a musician with a bizarre girlfriend (Fairuza Balk), he is also followed by a quiet young woman (Sarah Polley) walking around with an air. Directed by Wim Wenders. R.

• "Eight Below" No rating. In "Eight Below," a pack of keen-eyed huskies and malamutes brave the Antarctic winter after their human owners have abandoned them. 1 hour, 52 minutes. PG.

• "Failure to Launch" C- Falls to live up to its promise but still manages to flounder about appealingly. "Professional interventionist" Sarah Jessica Parker is on an attack, but her co-creators' parents (Kathy Bates and Jerry Bradsah) to get their bouncing baby 30-something out of the house. The movie has a fresh premise, some very funny lines, and hugely appealing leads who, in lieu of having chemistry, act chemistry. But when they wanders away from them, it goes flat. The stars don't fail us, but their script sometimes does.

• "Firewall" C- One of those mildly entertaining movies with Harrison Ford as, of course, the good guy. Robbers kidnap his family and demand his help. He starts millions of dollars in a computer-hacking scheme. So you know at some point Ford's going to growl at the bad people and snarl through his teeth, "Leave my family alone." Then, like Indy Jones, he'll fly into the fray and start taking names. PG-13, 1 hour, 45 minutes.

• "Friends With Money" B Catherine Keener, Frances McDormand, Jennifer Aniston, and Jon Cassav. head a top-notch cast in Nicole Holofcener's beautifully acted, astutely observed, character comedy, which about three Los Angeles couples and one singleton (Aniston), all in various states of happiness and cash flow. Sometimes "Scinfeld"

funny, with its litany of petty annoyances, sometimes acingly cruel, the movie's plot may be flawed (both too tied up and not tied up enough), but everything else is just right. R, 1 hour, 28 minutes.

• "The Hills Have Eyes" C. Directed by Alexandre Aja, the Frenchman who unleashed the extreme gore in "High Tension," this high-powered remake of Wes Craven's cannibal film (at least his commitment. It's a horror movie) spent on spending every cent in its healthy budget while showing disgusting creeps mutated by atomic testing falling out doing disgusting things to a seven-member American family vacationing with their two dogs and a couple of pet birds in extremely isolated, dusty New Mexico. R, 1 hour, 47 minutes.

• "Welcome 2 Me: The Meltdown" B "Welcome 2 Me" brings the mammoth (Ray Romano), Sid the sloth (John Leguizamo) and Diego the saber-toothed tiger (Derek Lee). And meet your new on-the-road partners: Ellie (Queen Latifah), a mammoth who believes she is an opossum, and her two opposum "creeps" Chris and Eddie (Sean William Scott and Josh Peck). Global warning is going to melt the glaciers and flood their way, so off they go, on a series of amiable adventures. The stakes aren't quite as high as the first "Ice Age," and the intensity is a little down. Good for families, but the filmmakers could have tried harder. PG, 1 hour, 30 minutes.

• "Inside Man" B-Spike Lee goes Hollywood with style and a sparkling cast. A seemingly ruthless bank thief, masterminded by bad guy Clive Owen, takes some unexpected turns when Manhattan power broker Jodie Foster shows up. Denzel Washington is the hostage negotiator forced to deal with both of them. The clichéd soundtracking is annoying, and the last half-hour wanders over endings than "The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King." Still, a pretty sharp film with some distinctive Spike touches. R, 2 hours, 9 minutes.

• "Lucky Number Sleevy" D Underly mopey. Fairuza Balk and McGuilgan's jckly hit mind-game movie doesn't even deserve to be called a Turantino wannabe. It's more like a Guy Ritchie wannabe, but it's not even that good. A case of mistaken identity puts Josh Hartnett in the middle of a murderer feud between rival gangsters. Directed by Fresh and Ben Kingsley. The sort of high-octane slop that thinks it's more clever than it is, the film has the queasy shock of an old script that hasn't been revised. I, 1 hour, 49 minutes.

• "RV" No rating. Robin Williams' latest Hollywood vehicle has its own kitchen, sleeping quarters, luggage compartments and toilet, where the studio should have flushed the script the minute it crawled through the door. This vacation romp from director Barry Sonnenfeld offers a few very scattered laughs amid a relentless unfunny and tired dip of bad slapstick, shrieking performances and enough feces gags to make constipation sound like a viable lifestyle. Williams plays family guy who takes his reluctant wife (Cheryl Hines) and kids (Joanuu "Injo" Lesavage and Josh Duhamel) on a road trip to Colorado, concealing from them that it's less a vacation than a business trip to hang on to his job. The kids, who co-star as a good-buddy-friendly clone of "National Lampoon's Vacation" that's an embarrassment for Williams and Jeff Daniels, who co-stars as a good-buddy who's encountered on the road. PG, 99 minutes.

• "The Sentinel" B- One of those well-oldest-machine movies that are harder to pull off than you might think. Someone's trying to assassinate the president, and it may be the best job. The Secret Service agents keeping him safe are veteran Michael Douglas, who once took one to bullet, that is, by the Guyer, now his enemy, Kiefer Sutherland; and an rookie Eva Longoria. Slick in an off-kilter way, efficient in a way that's like half-heart-wants way, the movie is more bleated than brilliant, but if you're looking for some mindless escapism, it gets the job done. PG-13, 1 hour, 46 minutes.

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## New on DVD

Synopses of films recently released for home viewing.

### "Aeon Flux" PG-13

In "Aeon Flux," the title character (*pronounced EE-on*) works for the "Monican" underground against the police state society of Bregna, some 400 years from now. After an "industrial disease" wiped out 99 percent of the world's population in 2011, a leader known as Trevor Goodchild (Marion Czoska) and his brother Oren (Jenny Lee Miller) developed a cure. Now there are 5 million in Bregna, a city whose walls protect them (or so the State tells its people, nudge, nudge) from the blight outside. Trevor and Oren are still running the place hundreds of years later, which says a lot about that magical cure but not much about their sense of coffee. They're still sporting weird, nudgy hairstyles from the early 1990s.

Charize Theron (*Picture*) gets her marching orders from the Handler, played by Frances McDormand, whose royalist guttural and tone-deaf accent suggest Queen Elizabeth I caught in a wind tunnel. Aeon's leader is tough, but she has to be. Bregna rules its inhabitants with sophisticated weaponry and ubiquitous camera surveillance. Aeon's mission, she's told, is to destroy the central spying hub and assassinate Trevor "Chairman Goodchild."

There's one problem, as we soon find out: Trev and Aeon have a little "history" between them.

With the exception of a few enjoyable action scenes, such as when Aeon and fellow operative Sihandra (Sophie Okonedo) flip and back-flip their way across a lethal garden of bullet-spraying trees and spikes disguised as blades of grass, "Aeon Flux" is surprisingly draggy. Much of it is taken up with the mystical attraction between Aeon and Trevor, with a lot of post-Phillip K. Dick jabber about the dangers of dabbling with human nature.

Theron is appropriately slinky and gymnastic. A former ballet dancer, she performed a lot of her stunts, even sustaining a neck injury at one point. But director Karyn ("Glitch") Kusama's tight angles and quick-flash editing don't permit us to appreciate that physical work anyway. Kusama seems to emphasize rendering Theron in perfect poses and lighting as much as our hero's slinks through Goodchild's labyrinth of a fortress.



Paramount Pictures

Charize Theron is a rebel with a cause in "Aeon Flux."

As for the sexy factor—the spectacle of a lithe power-babe in S&M attire—it's surprisingly muted. Where the animeesque Aeon strutted her stuff in risque straps and cups, Theron's version is a few more conservative. The few erotically charged shots of her are coyly framed to keep the PG-13 rating and the theater temperature not much higher than lukewarm.

—Washington Post

### "Match Point" R

In Woody Allen's "Match Point," Jonathan Rhys-Meyers plays Chris Wilton, a retired tennis player who has given up the pro circuit for the easier game of teaching the rich and untalented. When one of his students—

eyasing Tom Hewitt (Matthew Goode)—invites him to the opera, a new world opens before him: A prince of high society, Tom introduces Chris to his wealthy parents, Alec (Brian Cox) and Eleanor (Penelope Wilton), who take a strong liking to him, and to his sister Chloe (Erica Mortimer), who is clearly smitten with the affable newcomer. But no sooner has Chris started dating Chloe when he meets Nina (Scarlett Johansson), Tom's sultry fiancée. An aspiring actress from Colorado, she's an outsider, too. Like Chris, she's all too aware of their precarious existential positions: Beholden to the Hewetts, they are powerless to do anything but play ball. So their passionate attraction to each other presen- quite a problem.



Dimension

Jonathan Rhys-Meyers and Scarlett Johansson in the clinch in "Match Point."

If ever there was a case to be made for an artist finding inspiration abroad, Allen's first foray out of New York makes a powerful argument. A sort of romance noir—spruced up in pressed white linens—this British-made film is elegant, uncompromising and oh-so-veddily nasty. Its characters march to the drumbeat of Greek tragedy, film noir and opera, and you can almost hear the murderous musings of Dostoevsky's Raskolnikov, who puts himself beyond morality and the law. "Match Point" may not herald a Woody renaissance, but it's a terrific surprise for those who have come to greet his annual output with knowing groans.

—Washington Post

### "Tristan & Isolde" PG-13

Love stories come and go, but few have the durability of "Tristan and Isolde." Everyone from German Richard Wagner to Briton Richard Burton (who starred in a 1951 version called "Lovespell") have been fascinated by this Dark Ages tale of star-crossed passion and devotion that would not die.

Director Kevin Reynolds is not exactly in Wagner's league, but he's turned out a satisfactory version of this story of manly men and fervent women. This "Tristan" is a pleasantly old-fashioned epic romance, a bit ungainly but finally the equivalent of having one of those wonderful adventure books illustrated by N.C. Wyeth or Howard Pyle come alive on the screen.

Reynolds has been attracted

to the epic before—often with dire results: witness "Waterworld," "Rapa Nui" and "The Count of Monte Cristo." But in this case, several factors seem to have helped him avoid going too far over the top.

Screenwriter Dean Georgaris (Jonathan Demme's "The Manchurian Candidate") has done a convincing job with the script. This more realistic, pared "Tristan" does away with the pestilent drag of the original legend as well as the love potion of Wagner's opera. It also adds a political element by presenting the romance against the backdrop of the weak and preyed-upon tribes of Britain—Iutes, Angles, Saxons and Celts, among others—yearning to unite against the region's Dark Age dominant power, Ireland.

This "Tristan" has also done well in casting lovers who really

seem to care about each other. Though he has a tendency to look pouty and stullen, a holdover, perhaps, from an earlier role as James Dean, James Franco is appropriately handsome and dashing as the great warrior Tristan.

Even better is Sophia Miles, graceful and luminous as the Irish princess who is the other half of the love match.

"Tristan and Isolde" introduces its protagonists as survivors of difficult childhoods. Tristan's parents were killed in an Irish attack and he was raised as a boy in Britain's powerful Lord Marke (an especially effective Rufus Sewell, Nixonian 5 o'clock shadow and all). Isolde's mother was felled by "ill vapors," leaving her at the mercy of her brutal father, the Irish King Donnchadh (David Patrick O'Hara), an early practitioner of royal nepotism who is not above promoting a politically expedient match to a huge bruiser for his only child.

The fates, however, have different ideas. Cute-meet circumstances conspire to place a seriously wounded Tristan on a deserted Irish beach, where Isolde finds him and secretly nurses him back to health without telling him of her royal status. Naturally, the pair fall in love—placing healing leaves on someone's wounds tends to do that to people—but, as one of them says, "we both know it cannot last." Still, neither Tristan nor Isolde can foresee the way a complex web of events will create the crisis of arduous versus duty that has made the story of their love a touchstone for generations.

—Los Angeles Times



20th Century Fox

Things just aren't working out for lovers James Franco and Sophia Miles in "Tristan & Isolde."







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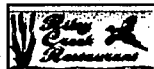
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## South-central Idaho dining guide

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• **Mountain Cafe, 133 So. Paul** — Burgers, chicken-head steak, prime rib specialty, steak. \$3.95-\$10.25. Hours: Six days through Thursdays, 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; Fridays and Saturdays, 6 a.m.-10:30 p.m. George and Betty Wyant, owners/886-2142.

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• **Apple's Bar & Grill, 215 Picabo St.** — Rotating specials, burgers, soups, salads, wine, beer. Hours: Mondays through Saturdays, 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; closed Sundays. Hank Minor, owner/726-7067.

• **Baci Italian Cafe, Trail Creek Village, 200 S. Main** — Alaskan halibut, pork tenderloin, pecta with mushrooms. \$11.95-\$22.95. Wine, beer. Hours: Daily 5:30 p.m.-10 p.m. Rex Chandler, owner/726-8384.

• **Chandler's Restaurant, 200 S. Main, Ketchum** — Black Canyon elk, Hawaii ahi tuna, Yankee pot roast. \$10.95-\$34.95. Wine, beer. Hours: Daily, 6-10 p.m. Rex Chandler, owner/726-1776.

• **Michel's Christiana Restaurant & Olympic Bar, 303 N. Walnut Ave.** — Traditional French cuisine, continental and American fare. \$18.95-\$32.95. Full bar. Hours: Open seven days a week. The bar opens at 4:45 p.m. and the dining room at 6 p.m. Reservations recommended. Michel Rudeger, owner/726-3388.

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• **Chateau's Family Diner, 400 W. Main** — Fish and chips, chicken-fried steak, banana shrimp. \$5.49-\$7.39. Hours: Daily, 11 a.m.-10 p.m.; closed Sundays. Ron and Sandy Cozart, owners/324-4642.

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• **El Sombrero Restaurant, 153 W. Main** — Tacos, fajitas, enchiladas and some American dishes. \$4.75-\$10.95. Hours: Tuesdays through Thursdays, 11

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• **Ketchum Grill, 520 East Ave. N.** — Fruit-wood grilled meats and game, pizza, pasta. \$7.95-\$13.75. Wine, beer. Hours: Daily, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Scott Mason, owner/726-4660.

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• **Panda Chinese Restaurant, 515 North Ave.** — General's chicken, fried rice, mixed veggie deli. Wine, beer. Hours: Mondays through Fridays, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. and 5 p.m.-10 p.m.; Saturdays and Sundays, 5 p.m.-10 p.m. Juliana Tsai, owner/726-3591.

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## Steak everything on Ketchum's Pioneer Club

BY STEVE CRUMP  
Times-News writer

KETCHUM — Superlatives are always risky when you're talking about food, but it would be difficult to find better prime rib than at the Pioneer Saloon.

Difficult in the Wood River Valley? Certainly. Difficult in south-central Idaho? Probably. Difficult in all of Idaho? Quite possibly.

The 56-year-old bar and restaurant — yes, Hemingway was here — is what marketers like to call a legacy business, so famous and well-respected that owner Duffy Witmer would do very well by just opening the door every night. It does much more on that, of course. World-class prime rib doesn't come from run-of-the-mill cattle.

It's hard to find and expensive when you do, and maintaining quality — at least the kind of quality that customers at the Pio are willing to pay for — is a never-ending challenge.

Meat from a cow's rib section is tender and fattier than other parts of the animal; this extra fat makes prime rib, well, prime. But not all prime rib is created equal, and even when it's of high quality, much depends on the preparation — cutting, aging and cooking. Prime rib is sold in four sizes at the Pioneer, \$21.95 to \$24.95. The smallest is large; the biggest is reminiscent of a side of beef.

It was with great anticipation that I took my first bite of the Pioneer's smallest prime rib, called the quarter cut, on a recent evening.

I wasn't disappointed. When you catch yourself chewing more slowly to savor the experience, you know you're in steak-lover's heaven.

The restaurant offers a range of steaks, from rib-eye (\$19.95) to petite sirloin (\$14.95), as well as rib chicken and seafood. But I confess that in my several trips to the Pioneer over the past 20 years, I've never ordered anything but prime rib.

Maybe I'll someday, but I'm still chewing it over. If you visit, don't let your eyes fool you: your steaks are baked potato with the trimmings is \$1.95 with dinner, but I couldn't even finish the



KRISTEN SHULTZ/Times-News

Karaka Jolma serves Norm Bye of Ketchum the prime rib at the Pioneer Saloon is famous for its Ketchum.

## About the

## Pioneer Saloon

308 Main St. N., Ketchum — Prime rib, steak, seafood, \$7.95-\$28.95. Full bar. Hours: Dinner served from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. on weeknights and from 5:30 to 10 p.m. on weekends. Duffy Witmer, owner/726-3139.

rice that came with my meal.

For all its cache, the Pio is a surprisingly unprepossessing place, with framed antique, barbed-wire collections and game trophies mounted on the natural-wood walls and, as often as not, just folks at the next table. My neighbors at dinner the other evening were farmers from Richfield, talking about their badger-hole problem between bites of New

York steak.

The Pio doesn't accept reservations. I arrived when the restaurant opened for dinner on a weeknight — 5:30 — near the end of ski season; by 6:20 the place was full. If you're later than that, be prepared to sit in the bar and wait.

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

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## THURSDAY

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**P & D Karaoke** will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Montana Steak House. No cover charge. Montana Steak House is located at 1826 Canyon Creek Drive.

Karaoke with Lone Wolf Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

**Burley**

Krakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.

**Declo**

Karaoke by Lou Brown will be featured from 8 p.m. to midnight at Shakers, 826 Highway 81.

## FRIDAY

**Twin Falls**

Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.

Lone Wolf Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.

**Burley**

Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.

Miller Time Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Cheers. No cover charge. Cheers is located at 163 West U.S. Highway 30.

**Rupert**

Krakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Melody Bar, 502 Sixth St.

Photo by KARAOKE CORNER, Page 14



**David Gilmour**  
"On an Island"

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Since "On an Island" is David Gilmour's first solo album since 1984's "About Face" (and first studio recording since Pink Floyd's 1985 "The Division Bell"), his label — perhaps wanting to jog the memory of music fans — is selling the point that backs "the voice and guitar of Pink Floyd."

No need to worry: "On an Island" matches up with the best of Floyd — unlike "Ca Ira," last year's operatic effort from the groups departed founding member Roger Waters.

The opening (foghorn sound and billowing, classical-tinged overture herald the album's aquatic undercurrents, and lead into an atmospheric title track buoyed by the familiar backup voices of David Cross, by now Graham Nash, present, too, are Pink Floyd's organist Richard Wright and early guitarist Rodi Klose; broadening this Floyd stylistic base are co-producer Phil Manznera (Roxy Music's guitarist) and orchestrator Zbigniew Preisner, the renowned Polish film composer.

"The Blue," then, offers a languorous seascape, while instrumental "Then I Close My Eyes" dreamily employs do-bro-like Hawaiian guitar, cornet and even glass harmonica. "Take a Breath" starts a three-song centerpiece with Gilmour's guitar play emptying into his jazzy saxophone instrumental "Red Sky at Night" which in turn flows into the bluesy "This Heaven."

The ironically titled fanisher "Where We Start" caps a poignant, ambiguous turn with an airy melody and time-themed, Floyd-associated lyrics.

—The Associated Press

## Sound bites: RECENT CD RELEASES

**Derek Trucks Band**  
"Songlines"

(Columbia)



Slide guitar whiz Derek Trucks has maintained a musical career outside of the Allman Brothers Band, the Southern rock group whose members' side projects often touch on a variety of other musical styles. This is no different for Trucks, whose "Songlines" finds him exploring influences from across the globe with his talented band.

The addition of Mike Mattison on vocals adds weight to the songs, which deliver the punches that 2003's mesmerizing "Soul Serenade" did not. The band's progress is clearest on the reggae-infused cover of Toots Thibaut's "Sailing On," the uplifting gospel groove of "I Wish I Knew" and the Allmanesque "I'll Find My Way."

What this album doesn't have, though, is the fireworks that made Trucks a guitar hero in the first place. Despite the lack of explosive playing that he demonstrates so often with his more famous band, one

gets that maturity beyond his 26 years is what allows Trucks to play with such understated confidence throughout the album.

Although fireworks would have been an added bonus, the interplay between Trucks and the band results in an even-keeled and diverse album that is interesting, if not mind-blowing.

—Hartford Courant



**Mary J**  
**Blige: A**  
**work in**  
**progress**

NEW YORK (AP) — It doesn't take much to get Mary J. Blige to shift into full confession mode.

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## Local

## Cowboy up with the Bar-J Wranglers

BY TRENA TESGAN  
South Idaho Press

**BURLEY** — Some folks call it a western music show; some say it's a stand-up comedy show with cowboy music. Whichever the case, the Bar-J Wranglers from Jackson, Wyo., deliver harmony, musicianship and ranch humor.

Tenor Scott Humphrey — founder Babe Humphrey's oldest son — has been in the group since 1986. Lead singer Bryan Humphrey — Babe's youngest son — has been a member since 1989. Bryan also plays the "dog-house" bass and writes much of the quintet's material.

Tim Hodgson — Babe's "adopted" son — has also been with the Wranglers since 1989. A four-time Idaho state champion fiddler, two-time U.S. Open fiddle player and two-time National Men's Champion fiddler, Hodgson rounds out the vocals singing tenor and high baritone.

Flat-top guitar, steel guitar, dobro and banjo player Donnie Cook, a member of the Wranglers for seven years, has added yet another layer to the group's music.

Jerry Baxter — the newest member of the Bar-J Wranglers — joined in 2001.

The Bar-J Wranglers have performed seven nights a week in Jackson, Wyo., during the summer months, entertaining 700 people nightly at the Bar-J Chuckwagon. During their off-season, the Wranglers perform all over the world, bringing their style of western music, harmony, comedy and musicianship to people of all ages and backgrounds. They have entertained for local, regional and national conventions throughout the West and have been hired for hundreds of city concerts, holiday parties and other smaller venues.

The Wranglers have been featured on TNN and Roy Rogers, Dale Evans and Bundy Travis, as well as live performances on the Discovery Channel and the Travel Network.



Mini-Cassia Community Concerts

Scott Humphrey, Jerry Baxter, Brian Humphrey, Tim Hodgson and Donnie Cook make up the Bar-J Wranglers.

## If you go ...

**The Mini-Cassia Community Concerts Association will present its final concert for the season Friday night.**

**The Bar-J Wranglers, cowboy singers from Jackson, Wyo., will perform at 7:30 p.m.**

**Admission is by season membership. Season memberships are available at the door for the coming 2006-07 concert season. Those purchasing tickets for the coming season may attend the Bar-J Wranglers free. Memberships are \$40 for adults; \$20 for students; and \$110 for families. Family mem-**

**berships include children living at home over the age of 5 years.**

**Next season's concerts will include Bronn Journey, harp and vocal duet; Time for Three, a violin and double bass trio; Alexandra Moutouzkine, pianist; The Four Freshmen, a harmony quartet; and Artie Shaw Orchestra, a big "and-era orchestra.**

**Membership in the Mini-Cassia Community Concerts Association entitles a person to attend the five concerts offered this season in Burley, as well as those Community Concerts sponsored by**

**Boise and Idaho Falls (as seating allows) at no extra cost, and there is no limit to the number of concerts here or elsewhere they may attend. When membership cards are mailed in the fall to our local members, a list of Idaho Falls and Boise performances (dates/times/venues) is also included. The performances in the other cities are usually different from those in Burley, although there may be some that overlap.**

**For more information, call Paul Lyons at 678-9789, Susan Tuft at 678-1768 or Jan Manning at 678-7447.**

## KARAOKE

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## SATURDAY

## Twin Falls

**Karaoke with Lone Wolf Entertainment will be featured from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Pioneer Club. No cover charge. The Pioneer Club is located at 1519 Kimberly Road.**

**Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.**

## Burley

**Karaoke will be featured at 9 p.m. at the Steakhouse and Convention Center. No cover charge. The Steakhouse is located at 1340 Oakley Ave.**

**Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the 610 Club. No cover charge. The 610 Club is located at 1054 Overland Ave.**

**Kroakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. No cover charge. The Riverside is located at 197 W. Highway 30.**

## Rupert

**High Mountain Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge. The Blue Room is located at 613 Fremont Ave.**

## Filer

**Wild Side Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Moon Bar. No cover charge. The Moon Bar is located at 306 Main.**

## Declo

**Miller Time Karaoke will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Big Kahuna. No cover charge. The Big Kahuna is located at 9 E. Main.**

## SUNDAY

## Twin Falls

**Karaoke will be featured from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Klover Klub Lounge. No cover charge. The Klover Klub is located at 402 Main N.**

## MONDAY

## Burley

**Kroakers Karaoke with Daniel Krieger will be featured from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Rendezvous Lounge. No cover charge. The Rendezvous Lounge is located at 109 E. Main St.**

## Artist's Atelier in Twin Falls plans painting workshop

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — The Artist's Atelier will sponsor a special workshop for oil and acrylic painters of all skill levels who

paint landscapes, still-lives, portraits and other subjects.

The event is titled "Understanding Light — Form — Color," and addresses the most fundamental principles and

techniques of seeing that must be understood by the artist before a painting's subject can be perceived as "real" by the viewer.

The workshop will run for

three successive Thursday nights — May 11, May 18 and May 25 — from 7-9 p.m. Registration fee is \$60.

The Artist's Atelier is located at 1300 Kimberly Road, Suite 17.

# One-woman play in Ketchum tackles deep, dark secret

BY KAREN BOSSACK  
Wood River Journal

If you go ...

**KETCHUM** — For years Amy Marschak harbored a feeling that she was a little odd.

She preferred to sleep in public places such as hallways, instead of the private sanctity of a bedroom.

She resisted any attempts to be a hombody, pursuing an almost insane compulsion to travel.

And she jumped whenever anyone touched her.

But as she listened to a tape of Emily's book "Courage to Heal" on tape, she began putting the pieces of the puzzle together. Marschak had been raped as a child by the same father who was supposed to have loved and protected her.

She constructed a one-woman performance from those fuzzy long-repressed memories. And the Boulder, Colo., actress will perform that play "An Angel Cried A Tear Last Night" — Friday and Saturday at the nextStage Theater.

The one-woman play offers audiences a glimpse at a girl with a secret so deep and dark she thought she must be insane — a girl so fearful of growing old because she hated what adults do.

The story of sexual abuse and healing is touching. It has its humorous moments told through fragments of remembrance.

And it speaks to a subject of vital importance, considering

- **What:** Amy Marschak of the Boulder, Colo.-based Human Theater Company will present "An Angel Cried a Tear Last Night," a one-woman play.

- **Where:** nextStage Theater, Ketchum

- **When:** Friday and Saturday, 7 p.m.

- **How much:** Premier reserved seating tickets are available for \$25 from nextStage. General admission tickets are \$15, available at Iconodact Books, at the theater or by calling 726-4TKS.

some statistics purport that one in three girls is molested by the time she turns 18 — and one in seven boys.

The play was held over at the Edmonton International Fringe Theater Festival where one reviewer called it a "sad reflection of life and a moving testament of hope for survivors of incest."

It also played for four months in Los Angeles, at UCLA and USC.

The performance is sponsored locally by the Sun Valley Performing Arts and nextStage Theater in association with The Actors and the Rape Awareness Task Force.

Marschak has been writing plays since second grade when she wrote "Theater. But Theater" based on her father spitting a

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bad cherry out the window of his moving car, where it inadvertently hit a pedestrian.

Following the production of "Subway" when she was 22, she moved to Boulder and began The Human Theater Company with a play she called "Ask Me How I Feel."

She has since written "Night from My Heart" and a booked titled "Poetry for All Those Breathing," which is in its fifth printing.

Her most recent play, co-written with Don Tapia, is "Angels and Other Love Stories," her first comedy.

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until only one is left. However, all is not as it seems — as each of the guests reappears.

"ARTIE" is the story of a 17-year-old boy who behaves at least 10 years younger, and his best friend, Lee, who's 13. Lee is outgrowing Artie, and she wonders what will become of him.

The shows are being produced by RAT Productions, as part of the company's mission to encourage youth participation in theater. RAT is an independent theater company formerly known as the Friends of CSI.

James Hayscock is the drama



Times-News file photo

Sample the greatest hits of the 16th century Friday at CSI.

## CSI club schedules medieval-themed fair

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — Students at the College of Southern Idaho are planning this year's Renaissance Faire to be held Friday on the college grounds.

CSI Renaissance Club president Kristi Perkins says the activities will take place outside the Student Union Building from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The annual fair is a collaborative effort of CSI English, theater and music clubs as well as other student and CSI groups. Students replicate the dress, activities, work and entertainment of what became known as the Renaissance, from the 14th through the 16th centuries in Europe.

The fair will begin with the coronation of this year's king and queen at 10:30 a.m. Afterward, activities will include demonstrations and explanations of

medieval weapons at Slake and 2 p.m., performances of Shakespeare's "The Tempest," activities for kids and demonstrations of robotics by CSI engineering students. The latter will catapult objects to a closed-off area of the campus.

CSI's food service, Aramark, will sell lunch outdoors from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It will be all-you-can-eat chicken, hot dogs, potato salad, desserts, lemonade and iced tea.

Student groups and clubs helping put on the fair include the Latter-day Saint Student Association, Delta Epsilon Chi, Chi Alpha, Madrigals, Honors, Education, Horticulture and Medical Assistance.

Students from several public schools around Magic Valley normally attend the event in conjunction with their studies. It's free of charge, and the public is welcome.

# Twin Falls high schools present evening of one-act plays

The Times-News

**TWIN FALLS** — Twin Falls High School's Bruin Acting Guild and Magic Valley High School's Main Street Players, in association with Random Acts of Theater Players, will present an "Evening of One-Act Plays" Thursday at the Lamphouse Theatre.

Michael Druce's 1982 play "And Then There Was One" will be performed by the Bruin Acting Guild, which is the TFHS drama club. The 1988 one-act "ARTIE," by University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire theater professor Wil Denison,

will be done by the Main Street Players, MVHS' drama club.

The high schools have worked together in the past in preparation for district and state drama festivals, and MVHS students have been invited to perform in TFHS' Dessert Theater. But this is the two schools' first co-venture in creating an evening production.

Director of Agatha Christie's "Ten Little Indians," "And Then There Was One" is about 10 strangers who are invited to reside on a remote island by one each of the guests is murdered

instructor at TFHS, and Jennifer Miller teaches drama at MVHS.

Cast members for "And Then There Was One" are Jordan Stanley, Chantel Chapple, Suzanne Cawthra, Heather Starlett, Katie Carr, Samantha Roper, Ben Weigel, Susan Langigan, Matt Hanchey, Billy Peralta, Hannah Blair, Koye Brown and Mack Thompson.

Jennifer Lewis is the director. The cast for "ARTIE" includes Becky Tyree, Brock Poff, Alicia Dumas, Kristy Kalkbrenner, Cory Bryan and Amber Hill.

### The play's the thing

- **What:** Twin Falls High School's Bruin Acting Guild and Magic Valley High School's Main Street Players, in association with Random Acts of Theater Players, will present an "Evening of One-Acts."
- **Where:** Lamphouse Theatre, 223 Fifth Ave. S., Twin Falls
- **When:** Thursday and Friday, 7 p.m.
- **How much:** Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.



## Travel

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Blige's frankness in revealing her hurt, anguish and eventual triumph over troubles has been one of the main reasons why she has maintained strong success—and a devoted, feverish following—over her 14-year career.

Through song, Blige has taken fans through her personal transformation, from a troubled, drug-abusing starlet to a mature, well-adjusted, sober superstar and inspirational figure.

But the transformation is not over—and Blige makes that clear on her latest work, the best-selling album, "The Breakthrough." Though she's clearly in a much happier place than where she started, she's not afraid to reveal that she's still trying to stay on the right path—and it's not an easy task.

"I'm trying to walk the walk but this is hard," says Blige, her tinted sunglasses unable to hide the emotion in her eyes. "I don't want to be falling flat on my face in front of you guys, but I might fall flat on my face in the studio because of the process of healing has started."

"And when the healing starts, the correct healing is to hide the pain because you're running straight into pain," she adds, punching her hand to add an exclamation point to her thought.

"The breakthrough" is far from a tear-jerker, with effervescent love ballads and upbeat grooves. But the album also features plenty of sad subjects, from relationship drama to abandonment issues to abusive relationships.

Mary's music has been in her life of mind at that period in time," says Sean Garrett, who co-wrote Blige's next single, "Through Cryin'." She represents a struggle and she's made it through, and that's just like the biggest triumph. It's like she won the race." Blige is certainly winning the race in terms of sales. When "The Breakthrough" was released in December, it shot to No. 1 with the best sales of her career, and so far has sold about two million copies, her most successful record to date.

Ironically, it was when she decided to not address the pain in her life on a record that fans tuned her out.

"Her last album, 2003's 'Love & Life,' was expected to be a top-seller, coming off the platinum-selling 'No More Drama.' It reunited her with Diddy, her mentor and the producer of her breakout debut, 1992's 'What's the 411?' and was billed as the return of vintage Mary J. with the hip-hop heavy groove that made her the queen of hip-hop soul.

But Blige wanted the album to

deal more with the struggles going on within her ex-mind. Though she was newly married to her manager, Kendu Isaacs, and was publicly proclaiming a rejuvenated, confident self, she was filled with self-doubt.

"I was never in something like a marriage before and I was dependent on my husband to make me feel good about myself, and I was still going through insecurities—I still deal with now, but I was so confident going into it, and I wanted to unleash that," says Blige. "That's all I knew."

But Blige, not wanting to be seen as the difficult diva that she had been in the past, acquiesced to Diddy's direction. In the end, the dance beats won out over the drama. But when it was released, it was clear fans were searching for something more: the album only received mediocre sales.

Blige calls the experience a hard but valuable lesson. "I learned to never ever go again to what you're afraid of," she says. "This is not something I can blame on anyone around me, but I have to learn from the fact that, boy, I've really got to pay attention to what's in my heart, instead of what people say."

So when she began work on "The Breakthrough," Blige made sure she included songs like "Good Woman Down," urging women to break free of abusive relationships, like Blige did in the past, and "Faded in You," in which she reveals how even as a grown woman she suffers from the pain of having been in her life. The result is an album that serves as a complex portrait of Blige—snapshots of her at her most vulnerable moments, most passionate, weakest and most vulnerable.

Still, for some, it may be hard to reconcile that Blige with the perfect weather, glamorous and confident, and a woman you wouldn't want to mess with. With her bottle blonde tresses and immaculate, designer duds, and taut physique—and that sparkling diamond ring on her left hand—it would be hard to be worried about anyone? Clearly, the project-living days of her Yonkers, N.Y., youth, and the work-a-day life of her early fame, are far behind her now.

Yet when Blige looks in the mirror, she sometimes still sees the damaged soul from her past. "People wanna see 'Wah,' she's singing about love, so how is she insecure? HE CAUSE I AM INSE-CURE!" she exclaims. "And I need to hear this music, you know, it's all starts from childhood, all the pain from childhood to being an adult."

# Santa Barbara is among the dreamiest of California places

BY TOM UHLENBROCK  
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Four hours on a white-water raft produced lovely views of the Channel Islands of Santa Barbara on the California coast but no whales.

"It's very rare that we see nothing—maybe once a year," swore Hal Altman, the volunteer naturalist on board the Condor Express catamaran.

Whales were guaranteed, so they stamped my ticket for a free return cruise and I stomped off. Ha! I thought. Probably not a single whale anywhere around.

The newspaper delivered to my hotel room the next day told a different story. A 30-foot whale had breached in those same waters and came down hard on a 27-foot private boat that, at 15 mph, had started too close. The whale then whacked one passenger with its tail, breaking his ribs. The whale took off, leaving pieces of whale skin and a few harpoons on the battered boat. The guy ended up in the hospital. There were also seals and dolphins and sea lions and other ocean dwellers—in the fertile waters off Santa Barbara. And a lot more richness on land.

For my money, Santa Barbara is the quintessential California city for dreaming. Nestled on the beach is the Santa Ynez Mountains forming a protective barrier around it. Santa Barbara has perfect weather, gorgeous adobe-and-ile buildings reflecting its Spanish heritage and a legacy of zoning laws so strict that strip malls, multi-story condos and view-hogging trophy mansions need not apply.

The result is a town that has not gone sprawl happy during the past three decades, has reasonable traffic even down the main strip, and is along State Street and has property values so high that the least desirable dwellings start at seven figures.

Altman, for example, is a TV ad writer who decided upon retirement to flee to the streets of New York City for the sunny skies of Santa Barbara. He's been here more than a year and is still look-

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www.santabarbaraca.com, inside the Santa Ynez Valley magazine is available at 1-805-698-1414 and www.insidetsy.com. A free map is available for a "red tie tour" of the historic buildings in Santa Barbara.

ing. "I'm renting," he said. "You drive in the 'poor' neighborhoods and see a little, two-bedroom house, kitchen needs updating—a million dollars. Add a view, it's \$2 million."

That's not a problem for the occasional tourist; I had four days for a visit and was glad to be traveling solo. This is one place where you'll surely leave with surly relatives asking, "Why can't we live here?" I had spent many summers visiting Santa Barbara when friends lived in the college community of Isla Vista as on-again, off-again students. The area has two schools, Santa Barbara College and the University of California-Santa Barbara, which provide a steady supply of young people to keep Santa Barbara from having a retirement-community feel.

Returning to a favorite spot after many years, my conspicuous absence often is a sorrowful experience, because inevitable growth has stolen much of the charm. Not so with Santa Barbara. The small airport still looked like a hacienda. Walkers, joggers, in-line skaters and cyclists.

still flowed happily on the recreational path that lined the wide expanse of beach. The wharf had added some new attractions, but who can complain about a wine bar with a deck looking out over the harbor?

The five-story Hotel Andalucia in the historic downtown was new, but built to look like it was old as the hills. Spanish tile, wrought-iron accents, blooming flowers and a rooftop pool and hot tub that offered views of the ocean, islands and mountains made it fit right in on the self-proclaimed American Riviera.

Back at the boat, Matt, the captain of the Condor Express, was as disappointed as we were that we were lacking watched whales.

"Well, we missed 'em," he said. "Come back in July and August. This is the best place to view the giant blue whales. You'll see 30 to 50 whales at a time."

I fingered the stamped "whale check" ticket in my pocket. Now there was a legitimate excuse for a return trip.

There are 28 species of dolphins and whales in the Santa Barbara Channel. Cohen said as we lunched on a "whale chow" in his restaurant. "We see, typically, common and bottle-nosed dolphins. That was a pod of seven or eight juveniles and ten adults."

Cohen describes the natural history and marine biology on his guided adventures. In five other ocean kayaking experience travels some three miles down the coast for a beach lunch, followed by a van ride back to the start.

"As long as people are willing to get wet and have fun, we'd love to have them," Cohen said.

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