

**TODAY'S FORECAST**

TWIN FALLS	Tonight	Wednesday
Today		
High 35	Low 26	41 / 30

**MINI-CASSIA**

Today: Patchy morning fog then partly cloudy. Highs lower 30s.  
 Tonight: Cloudy. Lows near 20.  
 Tomorrow: A slight chance for rain or snow showers. Highs near 40.

**Complete weather report: See page B4**

**TODAY'S HAPPENINGS**

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**Audition scheduling for JuMP Company's "How to Eat Like a Child and Other Lessons in Not Being a Grown-up," 7 to 9 p.m., 423-6109.** (Auditions to be held Jan. 5 from 5 to 9 p.m. and Jan. 6 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, Twin Falls, www.jumpcompany.org or 423-6109.)

**CLUBS**

**The Magic Valley New Neighbors Club Luncheon,** with speaker Mary Martinet, C.S.I., over 60 and Getting Fit instructor, 11:30 a.m., Jerome Country Club, 649 Golf Course Road, Jerome, 731-2802.  
**May Time Club meeting,** with call "Jokes," 2 p.m., Home of Betty Sifer, 3779 N. Willow Ave., Filer, 735-5213.

**EXHIBITS**

**"The Circle"** by Amber Scoon, former College of Southern Idaho art instructor, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, C.S.I. campus, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.  
**"Discontinuity,"** contemporary abstract paintings of local artist Ben Browne in the Galleria Pequeña and new works by member-artists in the Full Moon Gallery, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Main Street Plaza, 132 Main Ave. S., downtown Twin Falls, no cost, 734-ARTS.

**FAMILY**

**"Baby and Me"** class, focusing on "Developmental Milestones" for young mothers with their babies or toddlers, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., St. Benedict's Family Medical Center's Health Education Center, 115 Fifth Ave. W., Jerome, no cost, 324-7262.

**GOVERNMENT**

**Twin Falls County commissioners,** 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.  
**Cassia County commissioners,** 9 a.m., courthouse, 1459 Overland, 878-7302.  
**Twp Falls City Council,** 5 p.m., council chambers, 305 Third Ave. E., 735-7274.  
**Ketchum City Council,** 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 480 E. Ave. N., 726-3841.  
**Albion City Council,** 7 p.m., community center, 124 S. Main, 673-5352.  
**Burley City Council,** 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave., 878-2224.  
**Gooding City Council,** 7 p.m., City Hall, 308 Fifth Ave. W., 934-5669.  
**Jerome City Council,** 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.  
**Kimberly Zoning Commission,** 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4151.  
**Rupert City Council,** 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F. St., 436-9600.  
**Shoshone City Council,** 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030.  
**Filer City Council,** 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main, 326-5000.  
**Twin Falls County Historic Preservation Commission,** 7:30 p.m., Twin Falls Mediation and Arbitration Center, 163 Second Ave. W.

**HEALTH**

**Prism Weight Loss Program Introductory class,** 6 p.m., Gooding Christian Church, 334 Fourth Ave. W., Gooding, no cost, 934-8508.  
**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3** Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins at 11:30 a.m., meeting from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., Fellowship room, Magic Valley Church of Christ, 2005 Flier Avenue E., no cost to visit, 736-7237 or 736-9282.  
**Celebrate Recovery,** a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557, 324-7237 or 326-7222.

**MUSEUMS**

**Faulkner Planetarium, "Far Out Space Places"** at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., "The Christmas Star" at 7 p.m. and "Steamrolling" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families (children under age 4 not admitted), 732-6655.  
**"Mingle in the Jungle"** free reptile review, 6 p.m., Herrett Center rain forest, Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

**WEB READER REACTION**

**On "Board tables plan for new Cassia dairy"...**

**DARRELL PLOWMAN:** "Thank you Cassia County Planning and Zoning Commission, for taking the CAPD application. The people of Magic Valley do not need anymore cows here. I don't understand why more citizens are not speaking up about this."

**MAGIC VALLEY**



**Perspective, lighting and lines: Readers' shots**

Readers around Magic Valley sent in splendid snapshots of their rural photography, and today we present four of our favorites. Ashley Smith, the Times-News chief photographer who helped choose today's featured photos, praised the lighting and the shot-from-above perspective in Steve Jones' fly-fishing photo. "There's some thought that went into this picture," Smith said.

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**Developer vows to adjust for hatchery**

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls City Council will consider tonight an application for a subdivision near Rock Creek that would be above water tunnels that lead to a fish hatchery operated by the College of Southern Idaho.

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**Churches serve up hot meals for needy Saturday**

TWIN FALLS — A few years ago, some of the needy people in the Magic Valley told Phyllis Berg that from Friday evening to Monday afternoon, they simply didn't eat.

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**Castleford must make room for well**

CASTLEFORD — The good news is that part of Castleford's water improvements include drilling a new well. The bad news is, city hall will have to make way for it.

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**OBITUARIES**

**Jesse Aaron Coates, 19**  
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**SPORTS**



**Boise State meets Oklahoma in Fiesta Bowl**

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The 12-0 Boise State Broncos football team put its perfect season on the line Monday night against the Oklahoma Sooners in the Fiesta Bowl.

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**USC takes Rose Bowl 32-18 over Michigan**

PASADENA, Calif. — There were no Heismans or national titles up for grabs for Southern California in this one: Given the way Dwayne Jarrett, John David Booty and that suffocating USC defense played, it was hard to tell.

Jarrett, the sensational USC receiver, caught 11 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns to help the eighth-ranked Trojans finish their season with a statement Monday in a 32-18 Rose Bowl romp over Michigan.

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**YOUR MORNING BRIEFING**



Of course it's snowing in Denver. Unless you or a loved one have been stranded at Denver International Airport, how could anyone be surprised or disappointed by the winter storms that have socked Colorado? It's December. Denver is the Mile High City. Denver plus December equals snow the same way two plus two equals four.

— Chris Steinbach, editor

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**MINI EDITORIAL**

**FIVE-DAY PLANNER**

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

**Jan. 4, 6 Auditions for Oakley Valley Arts Council's "Halo, Dolly,"** open to the public, 16 years of age and older; to be prepared to read and to sing a short musical selection, 7 to 9 p.m. (4) and 9 a.m. to noon (6), Howett Opera House, 118 N. Blaine Ave., Oakley, 862-3308.  
**Jan. 5 "First Fridays,"** a once-a-month event featuring live music with local artists; beverages sold by the glass, food tasting and more, Rudy's A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, 733-5477.  
**Jan. 5, 6, JuMP Company auditions for "How to Eat Like a Child And Other Lessons in Not Being a Grown-up,"** (bring a song to sing and short recitation), 6 to 9 p.m. (5) and 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (6), First Presbyterian Church, Twin Falls, 423-6109 or [www.jumpcompany.org](http://www.jumpcompany.org).  
**Jan. 5, 6 "One A Contemporary Journey Toward a Timeless Destiny,"** presented by Magic Valley Hypnosis, 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.), Valley Christian Church, 1708 Heyburn Ave. E., Twin Falls, 510, (208) 733-3850.  
**Jan. 6 January Jazz Jam** sponsored by the Buhl Arts Council and featuring Brent Jensen, Sarah Lincoln, Tony Bowler and Carter Wilson, 7:30 p.m., Eighth Street Center, 200 N. Eighth St., Buhl, \$15 for adults and \$10 for students, 543-2888.  
**Jan. 7 Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center dance,** with music by the Melody Masters, 2 to 5 p.m., at the center, 430 Shoshone St. W., Twin Falls, 44, 734-5084.

St., Gooding, love offering, 934-4633.

**CLUBS**

**Jan. 4 Mindoka District Recognition Dinner,** potluck dinner done in the Cub Scout Hawaiian Banquet theme, 7 p.m. (Leader Roundtable at 8 p.m.), East Minico Middle School, 085 N. 050 W. Rupert, small cover charge, 634-1543.  
**Jan. 5 MOMS (Moms Offering Moms Support) Club of Twin Falls and Jerome,** business meeting with guest speaker Judy Studebaker on infant massage, 11 a.m., the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Dr., Twin Falls, no cost (\$2 per child optional childcare in church nursery), 404-6528. (visitors welcome)  
**Jan. 6 The Daughters of the American Revolution meeting,** a work session re: DAR officers, committees and completing reports, noon, at the home of Diane Greene, Twin Falls, 308-1810.

**EDUCATION**

**Jan. 3 Application deadline for "Steps to a New You" class,** Cassia County Extension Office, 1013 W. 16th St., Burley, \$30 (class size limited), 878-9461. (Class dates: Jan. 17, 22, 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21, and March 14, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.)

**HEALTH**

**Jan. 4 Celebrate Recovery,** a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Fireside Room of the Nazarene Fellowship Hall at Yakima and Main, Filer, 734-0557, 324-7237 or 326-7222.

**EXHIBITS**

**Jan. 3-6 Works by Amber Scoon,** former College of Southern Idaho art instructor, Tues. and Fri., 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Wed. and Thurs., 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Sat., 1 to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, C.S.I. campus, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.

**BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS**

**Jan. 5 Bingo,** sponsored by the Gooding County Historical Society, 7 to 10 p.m., Sally's Office Solutions, 338 Main St., Gooding, \$11 per packet (20 games), 934-4412.

**BUSINESS**

**Jan 5 Ribbon cutting for Raamsonson Real Estate,** 1:30 p.m., 1146 Eastland Dr. N., Twin Falls, 733-5600.

**CHURCH EVENTS**

**Jan. 6 "Celebrate the Beginning of the New Year"** with the Liberty Gospel Quartet, sponsored by the Gooding United Methodist Fun and Fellowship Committee, 7 p.m., United Methodist Church, 805 Main

**CLUBS**

**Jan. 5 "Youth Options,"** activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, \$2, 733-8720.  
**Jan. 5 "First Friday Dinner"** a buffet-style, traditional Basque meal sponsored by the Gooding Basque Association, 6 to 8:30 p.m., the Basque Cultural Center at the intersection of Highways 26 and 46 in Gooding, (general donation of \$14 (seniors eat for \$12), 208-352-4266 or 308-5051).  
**Jan. 6 Recreation's 7th annual Cabin Fever Day,** with scuba diving, kayaking, roller skating, golf, bowling, rock climbing, golf, roller skating, belly dancing, pottery, fitness training, singing, go-karting, mechanical bull ride and more provided by various Twin Falls businesses, times and places TBA, no cost, 736-2265 or [www.tftid.org](http://www.tftid.org).  
**Jan. 6 Magic Valley Military Support Group,** 10 a.m., Wendell City Hall (two blocks east of Maverick), 536-6159 or 536-6111.

**HOBBIES**

**Jan. 4 Idaho Oldtime Fiddlers Association (IOTFA) District 6B meeting,** jamming at 6 p.m., meeting at 6:45 p.m. and jamming afterward, meeting locations may vary, 735-1580.

**SPORTS**

**Jan. 6 Charlot racing,** sponsored by the Silver-Creek Racing Association with the colt teams and miniature horse races, 12:30 p.m., Richfield Racetrack (located along Hwy 26 just west of Richfield), 934-8667.

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# Freeze

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 as with rock 'n' roll blared in the background and the crowd cheered Aaron Pohlman, who was the first volunteer to brave the waters.

"It was so cold I could hardly breathe," said Pohlman, whose body had turned red after plunging into the freezing water. "Oh, well. It's for a good cause."

The Freeze on Skis event annually raises money for local charities. This year the event was raising money for the John Pohlman CSI Scholarship Fund, which offers about \$500 per semester to students who also must meet community service. The event also raised money for Camp Rainbow Gold, which is a camp for children who are fighting cancer.

About 15 people from as far away as Mountain Home

came to raise money, but some people started sneezing because people pulled second coats out of the water.

"One of my buddies talked me into this," said Brandon Ash of Mountain Home. "But now that I'm here, I'm really thinking about this, but I guess I can't back out of it now."

Scott Trappen, co-chairman of the event, said the water was the coldest it has been since he started participating more than 10 years ago.

Even after he completed a trip around the lake on his wakeboard, he still decided to jump into the lake after taking his dry suit off.

"I felt bad being dry," said Trappen, who raised more than \$2,500 in pledges for the event.

A hot tub next to the dock

provided some solace to the participants who left the lake with red skin and numb limbs. Some participants even drank glasses of champagne while loudspeakers played "I Feel Good" by James Brown.

"This is very strange," Elena Bosch said. "January has usually started in Idaho, and by the looks of this (event) you would think it was already July. I guess if they are doing it for charity then it's a good thing, but I hope those boys don't get sick."

"I didn't have the heart to tell Elena that only three months ago, the community was raising money for a charity by jumping off the Perrine Bridge."

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# Ford

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 Office after President Nixon resigned in disgrace after the Watergate scandal.

"President Ford was a great American who gave many years of dedicated service to our country," Bush said in a statement released after his death. "On Aug. 9, 1974, after a long career in the House of Representatives and service as vice president, he assumed the presidency in an hour of national turmoil and division."

"With his quiet integrity, common sense and kind instincts, President Ford helped heal our land and restore public confidence in the presidency."

Bush visited the casket, his first public event of the new year, after returning from a weeklong stay at his Texas ranch. Afterward, the Bushes drove to Blair House, across the street from the White House, to visit for a half-hour with Ford's widow, former first lady Betty Ford. The Bushes then walked down Pennsylvania Avenue back to the Executive Mansion.

Bush visited the Capitol, where a changing military

guard kept a watchful vigil throughout the night, on the third day of mourning there for Ford, who died at 93.

Shortly before the three-day public viewing ended, Mrs. Ford returned to the Capitol and sat in the Rotunda for about 20 minutes with her three sons and daughter and their spouses. She clutched the hand of her son Michael. Her son Steven helped her up when she walked over to the casket,

touching it one last time. Among the other dignitaries to pay their respects were Bush's father, former President George H.W. Bush, and his wife, Barbara; former President Bill Clinton and former first lady, Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y.; Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif.; Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.; former Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld; and former Vice President Dan Quayle.

# Economy

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 dampen inflation but not trigger a recession.

But there are plenty of risks that could make the landing more bumpy — everything from another surge in oil prices to more severe volatility in housing, which could rattle consumer confidence. At the moment, though, economists like Behrvesh and David Wynn of Standard & Poor's of New York think there is only a "moderate" chance that the current slowdown will turn into an actual recession.

The reason for the optimism is that American consumers, while buffeted in 2006 by record-high gasoline prices and a slumping housing market, have kept spending, helped by a solid jobs market.

Consumers were also helped by a retreat in gasoline prices from record highs above \$3 per gallon last summer.

The relief in energy prices has given consumers money to spend on other items, and this has meant that consumer demand, while slowing in 2006, did not collapse.

The overall economy, as measured by the gross domestic product, expanded in 2006 by 3.3 percent, many econo-

mists believe, just slightly above the 3.2 percent GDP growth of 2005.

That increase reflected a surge at the start of the year as the economy rebounded from the impact of the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes and much slower growth starting in the spring, as consumers were hit by rising interest rates, soaring energy prices and the slumping housing market.

For 2007, Global Insight is forecasting a GDP growth rate of just 2.3 percent, a full percentage point lower than in 2006. That would be the slowest pace since the economy grew by just 1.6 percent in 2002, a year when the country was struggling to recover from the 2001 recession.

The slower growth means that unemployment will be rising, with many analysts predicting the jobless rate to hit 5 percent in 2007, up from a five-year low of 4.4 percent in October. That would still be a relatively low overall civilian jobless rate in historical terms.

For certain sectors, such as the economy, job losses will have a much bigger impact, however. Economists at Goldman Sachs estimate that housing-related industries — construc-

tion, furniture manufacturing and sales, real estate agents, mortgage brokers — will see more than 1 million jobs evaporate over the next two years because of the housing slowdown after five boom years for sales.

The auto industry also is expected to suffer as U.S. car companies complete announced plans to trim their work forces in the face of stiff foreign competition. Troubles in auto-related industries have already contributed to recession-like conditions in many parts of the industrial Midwest while many southern states are confronting job losses as a result of a surge of Chinese imports of textiles, clothing, paper and furniture.

For most of the country, however, the economic slowdown won't have much of an impact as long as there are no unexpected shocks that could send growth lower than forecast.

"Betting that nothing goes wrong could turn out to be a bad bet," said Wynn, Standard & Poor's chief economist. "It wouldn't take much of a disruption in the Middle East to send oil prices back up again."

# Mad cow

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 tist, James Robl, said companies are spending millions of dollars annually to protect their cows from the disease.

In the lab, Robl and his colleagues, who included a scientist from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, scraped skin cells from cows and "turned off" the gene that makes prions.

Then, using those cells as a "starter kit," they produced 12 calves through cloning processes — the first of its kind into the eggs of cows. Three were slaughtered so their brains could be studied and nine are still living.

"The cloning process itself is very large scale," said Robl, who estimated that Hematech produced implants about 15,000 cloned embryos into 4,000 cows annually. Most of the pregnancies are terminated before birth to collect cells for the company's research in developing human medicines, he said.

Robl said a more immediate

use of the technology could be to reduce prion-spreading and produce cow serum, a popular laboratory tool used for myriad biological experiments.

Since three cows in the United States were diagnosed with BSE — beginning in December 2003, most labs order their cow serum from New Zealand.

But Hematech isn't much interested in producing serum for scientists and has no plans to become a beef producer. Instead, the company is genetically engineering cows to produce antibiotics and other medicines for people.

The company embarked on the mad cow disease project five years ago to ensure it could produce medicines that were free from the brain-wasting disease. BSE is caused when one misshapen prion prompts normal prions to turn bad, slowly boring lesions in the brain and making infected animals go mad.

Similar prion-based diseases also are found in sheep, deer and elk.

Glenn and others stressed that the mad cow threat to the United States is extremely low due in large part to government regulations enacted after outbreaks in Europe.

"At the moment, we don't have a high threat of BSE," said Val Giddings, a scientist who consults with biotechnology companies. "But if BSE were ever to become a problem, this could turn out to be a good technological fix to it."

Also, Hematech's chief scien-

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**JUMP COMPANY** is having auditions

for its winter show, "HOW TO EAT LIKE A CHILD And Other Lessons in Not Being a Grown-up."

The auditions will be held on January 5th from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM, and on January 6th from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the First Presbyterian Church in Twin Falls.

Come prepared with a song to sing and a short recitation. If you would like to be a part of this fun and exciting musical production, call 423-6109, between the hours of 7:00 pm and 9:00 pm on January 2nd or January 3rd, to set up an audition time.

Please check our website: [www.jumpcompany.org](http://www.jumpcompany.org) for updates and new information.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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# Preventing, treating homesickness for young is possible, study says

By Kristin Longley  
Associated Press writer

DETROIT — Janise Stone spent her first semester in college dreaming of home — literally.

Stone, 18, would get up in the morning and grudgingly attend classes at Paine College in Augusta, Ga. But the minute she returned to her dormitory, she curled up and thought of family in Indianapolis as she slept the day away.

"I was so depressed," Stone said while at home for holidays. "I just kept thinking that if I slept through it, I'd eventually get back home."

Almost everyone experiences occasional homesickness, but many young people suffer from a particularly intense form that interferes with normal activities, according to a new study by the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The report in the January issue of the journal *Pediatrics* offers tips to physicians for recognizing risk factors among patients who are leaving home for the first time.

"Leaving home is a universal developmental milestone," said Dr. Edward Walton, co-author

of the report and an assistant professor of pediatrics and emergency medicine at the University of Michigan. "Our goal is for them not to lose time and experience in the adjusting."

About 95 percent of young people say they miss something about home the first time they are away. Thirder said. Most of them simply miss their Xbox or their mom's cooking.

But a smaller percentage — about 1 in 14 — suffer from what Thurber calls "intense homesickness."

"They're not eating or sleeping right, not playing with others," said Thurber. "Or they have an intense preoccupation with home, they're not thinking about anything else."

The study outlines how to ease children into their first separation, including giving them practice time away from home, never offering to pick them up before the separation is scheduled to end, and involving them in every aspect of the decision.

# Study: Girls who read diet articles show later signs of eating disorders

By Carla K. Johnson  
Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Magazine headlines entice teenage girls with promises: "Get the body you want" and "Hit your dream weight now!" But a new study suggests reading articles about diet and weight loss could have unhealthy consequences later.

Teenage girls who frequently read magazine articles about dieting were more likely five years later to practice extreme weight-loss measures such as vomiting than girls who never read such articles, the University of Minnesota study found.

It didn't seem to matter whether the girls were overweight when they started reading about weight loss, nor whether they considered their weight important. After taking those factors into account, researchers still found reading articles about dieting predicted later unhealthy weight-loss behavior.

Girls in middle school who read dieting articles were twice as likely five years later to try to lose weight by fasting or smoking cigarettes, compared to girls who never read such articles. They were three times more likely to use measures such as vomiting or taking laxatives, the study found.

"The articles may be offering advice such as cutting out trans fats and soda, and those are good ideas for everybody," said Alison Field of Harvard Medical School, who has done similar research but wasn't involved in the new study. "But the underlying messages these articles send are 'You should be concerned about your weight and you should be doing something.'"

The study appeared in January's issue of the journal *Pediatrics*.

Its findings were based on surveys and weight-height measurements of 2,536 middle school students in 1999 and again in 2004. About 45

percent of the students were boys.

Only 14 percent of boys reported reading diet articles frequently, compared to 44 percent of girls. For those boys who did read about weight loss, there was no similar lasting effect on behavior.

In the new study, it was unclear whether it was the diet articles themselves or accompanying photographs of thin models that made a difference.

The study didn't ask teenagers which magazines they read, only how frequently they read magazine articles "in which dieting or weight loss are discussed."

The study was based on students' self-reports about their behavior and, like all surveys, could be skewed by teenagers telling researchers what they think they want to

hear, said study co-author Patricia van den Berg.

She said parents should carefully consider whether they want their daughters reading about weight loss.

"It possibly would be helpful to teen girls if their mothers didn't have those types of magazines around," van den Berg said. Parents also should discuss magazines' messages with their daughters, she said.

"Talk to your kids about where these messages are coming from," she said. Doctors' waiting rooms are no place for magazines promoting diet and weight loss, she said. "In the same way you don't have materials promoting smoking in waiting rooms."

The study adds to evidence that girls' attitudes toward their bodies are shaped by popular culture.

## "Celebrate the Beginning of the New Year" with Liberty Gospel Quartet

United Methodist Church  
805 Main St.  
Gooding  
Sat, January 6, 2007  
7:00 pm  
Concert begins at 7:30



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# Snacks

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There have been dozens of cheddar-flavored snacks on the market over the years, from Andy Gapps White Cheddar Cheese-Stick Fries to Tim Yum Cheddar Popcorn.

About \$24 billion a year is spent in this country on snacks, according to the Snack Food Association. Factor in the surprising variety of products we bake, fry and chemically spray, life-and, put simply, we are the champions, my friends. And we'll keep on snacking to the end — which, if nutritionists are to be trusted, is substantially hastened by this snacking. This bothers us just enough to make "healthy snacks" a thriving category.

Our snack appetite and its impact on our arteries are matched only by the pace of our snack-food innovations.

Which is why nothing teases out the great paradox of the American character — that we are both a nation of striving, frenetic doers, and a nation of blubbery, inert slobs — like the snack-food biz. It's the place where the energized meet the enervated, where the self-starters lose the self-stalled.

The key ingredients here are salt, sugar, emulsifiers, disodium phosphates, cottonseed oils, hydrogenated palm kernels — and people like Glen Flook.

Officially, Flook is chief operating officer with a gourmet popcorn maker called Dale and Thomas, but think of him as a high-level snacker in the snackocracy. Dale and Thomas is based in Englewood, N.J., about 10 minutes from New York. An affable middle-aged guy who could politely be described as soft around the edges, Flook has studied the between-meal habits of Americans the way marine biologists study fish.

Part of his job is to identify flavors that the public will like and then find ways to package those flavors into irresistible morsels that raise our cholesterol.

"We're looking for new flavors every minute of every day," he says. "That's our business."

So where does Flook do his research? "In restaurants," he says. "I spend a lot of time in restaurants because in the end the trends for the next snack-food flavors, for the next three or four years, are in restaurants today."

And has he seen anything promising at restaurants lately? He has, and Dale and Thomas is re-creating a handful of new flavors. But he's wary of giving away details, for competitive reasons.

"I will say this: Americans continue to love bold flavors. I'm also seeing a lot of Asian flavors and Indian flavors. Teriyaki is a great flavor. Curry are great flavors. But will people buy teriyaki popcorn? Will they get it? And can we deliver the taste? Those are the questions."

For every cheddar, there are a dozen flavors that flop. And

for every flop, there are a dozen flavors that flop overseas that will never make it here.

For most snackmakers, the easy part is sidestepping seafood, that should never be fired into a chip in the first place. The hard part is fine-tuning the psychological appeal of a product, which is formulated with as much attention as the taste. What is going to buy this junk and why? Those are the kinds of questions people like Kris Malkoski are paid to ask — although she probably wouldn't use the word "junk."

Malkoski is the chief marketing officer for Ubiquity Brands, the snack giant that owns Poppycock, Fiddle Faddle and Screaming Yellow Zoppers. In early January, Ubiquity is launching a new line it calls Indulgence — under the Poppycock brand.

Salty and sweet have been turning up together in snacks lately, but with Indulgence the relationship goes from casual dating to reckless orgy. One of

the offerings is Toast of the Town, described as "double-glazed clusters of peanut butter-coated popcorn, macadamia nuts, almonds and pecans, drizzled with creamy milk chocolate." These recipes were concocted with women in mind. And not just any women: highly educated, over-stressed women, says Malkoski.

"Our research told us that men and women reward themselves differently," Malkoski explains. "Men don't reward themselves very often, but when they do it's with a big-ticket item, like a high-end watch or a BMW convertible. Women tend to reward themselves every day, but with \$5 to \$20 items."

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AROUND THE WORLD

**IRAQ**  
**Iraqi crowds protest hanging of Saddam**

**BAGHDAD** — Enraged crowds protested the hanging of Saddam Hussein across Iraq's Sunni heartland Monday as a mob in Samarra broke the locks off a bomb-damaged Shiite shrine and marched through carrying a mock coffin and photo of the dictator.

The demonstration in the Golden Dome, shattered in a bombing by Sunni extremists 10 months ago, suggests that many Sunni Arabs may now more actively support the small number of Sunni militants fighting the country's Shiite-dominated government. The Feb. 22 bombing of the shrine triggered the current cycle of retaliatory attacks between Sunnis and Shia, in the form of daily bombings, kidnappings and murders.

Monday's protest came on a day that saw the U.S. military kill six Iraqis during a raid on the offices of a prominent Sunni political figure, who was suspected of giving al-Qaida in Iraq fighters sanctuary.

**INDONESIA**  
**Officials: 90 dead, 12 survive in jetliner crash**

**JAKARTA** — Rescuers Tuesday found the smoldering wreckage of an Indonesian jetliner that went missing during a storm. Officials said 90 people were killed, while the remaining 12 aboard survived.

"The plane is destroyed and many bodies are around there," said local police Chief Col. Genot Hariyanto.

Air force rear commander Eddy Suyanto told el-Shinta radio that the plane — operated by local carrier Adam Air — had crashed in a mountainous region of Hulovali in eastern Sulawesi Island.

Adam Air spokesman Hartono, who goes by just one name, said 90 people were killed and 12 survived in Monday's crash of the Boeing 737-400. The survivors' conditions weren't immediately known. Local mayor Ali Bahal also put the death toll at 90 in comments to el-Shinta.

**Searchers spot survivors from ferry that sank**

**REMBANG** — Rescue ships collected scores of bodies Monday from seas close to

where a ferry sank in the Java Sea, but search teams also spotted survivors on life rafts and dropped food and water to them, officials said.

Weeping relatives camped out at ports and a local hospital, desperate for news of the some 400 still missing from the ferry when it sank during a violent storm minutes before midnight Friday.

So far, at least 191 people have been found alive, either packed into lifeboats, clinging on to debris or on beaches after swimming ashore, Transport Minister Hatta Radjasa told reporters. Dozens of bodies have either been spotted or collected.

**SOMALIA**  
**Islamic militants flee after stronghold falls**

**MOGADISHU** — Fighters belonging to a militant Islamist movement fled into a rugged, forested corner of Somalia from rapidly advancing government forces Monday and the prime minister offered amnesty if they surrendered.

Regional diplomats worked to arrange the speedy deployment of African peacekeepers to help the interim government establish its authority in the country, which has known only anarchy for 15 years.

As the last remaining stronghold of the Islamic group was overrun by government troops backed by Ethiopian tanks and MIG fighter jets, the net began closing on suspected al-Qaida militants believed to be sheltered by the hard-line group.

**THAILAND**  
**Supporters of ousted PM named suspects in blasts**

**BANGKOK** — Thailand's military-backed government named supporters of ousted Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra on Monday as unofficial prime suspects in New Year's Eve bombings that killed three people and wounded 38 in the capital.

Nine foreigners were among the wounded after nine small bombs exploded across Bangkok and its environs Sunday night. The attacks caused city authorities to shut down large-scale celebrations, and raised concerns about Thailand's stability, shaky economy and thriving tourism industry.

The bombings capped a year of unrest in Thailand, including a military coup three months ago and an increasingly violent Muslim insurgency in the south.

Nobody has claimed responsibility for the bombings, but the government is focusing on supporters of the former regime — though it has named no one specifically and presented no proof.

**COLORADO**  
**Pilots look for snowbound travelers after blizzard**

**DENVER** — Pilots in a dozen plans were sent up over the plains of Colorado and Kansas on Monday to look for any snowbound travelers following a blizzard that dumped nearly 3 feet of snow and piled it in drifts 15 feet high.

Utility crews, meanwhile, struggled to restore electrical service to tens of thousands of homes and businesses.

The storm, which struck on Thursday, had dwindled to a line of heavy rainfall Monday along the East Coast, but a few roads in southeastern Colorado and western Kansas were still checked by snow.

"Life and safety are still the No. 1 priorities. We need to get the roads open so people can get out and deal with the situation," said Dick Vnuk, chief of operations for the Colorado Division of Emergency Management.

**LOUISIANA**  
**Study: Louisiana slipping very slowly into the Gulf**

**NEW ORLEANS** — A new report by scientists studying Louisiana's sinking coast says the land here is not just sinking, it's sliding ever so slowly into the Gulf of Mexico.

The new findings may add a kink to plans being drawn up to build bigger and better levees to protect this historic city and Cajun bayou culture.

If the land is shifting — even slightly — engineers may need to take that into consideration as they build new levees and draw lines across the coast to identify areas that should and shouldn't be protected.

Researchers have known for years that the swampy land under south Louisiana is sinking (potholed streets and wobbly porches and floors are visible evidence of that) but a later-

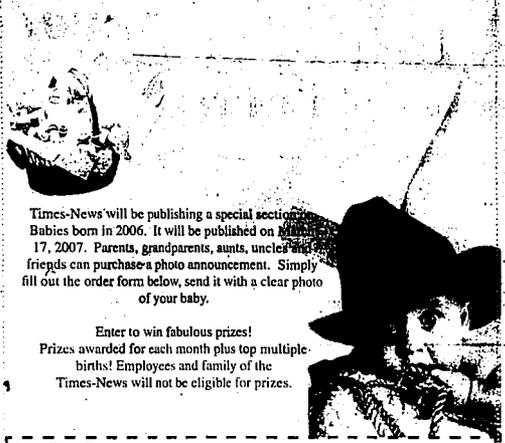
al movement of the land into the Gulf enters largely unstudied terrain.

The report, which appeared

in December's Geophysical Research Letters, says the bedrock under heavily populated southeast Louisiana is break-

ing away at a glacial speed — at the pace fingernails grow.

— Compiled from wire reports



Times-News will be publishing a special section Babies born in 2006. It will be published on Monday, January 17, 2007. Parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and friends can purchase a photo announcement. Simply fill out the order form below, send it with a clear photo of your baby.

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EDITORIAL

Gould, Reinke represent sound direction for state

Two former Magic Valley elected officials have a prime opportunity to demonstrate leadership in a pair of agencies that sorely need it. Gov. Butch Otter tabbed Celia Gould, a former legislator from Buhl, and Brent Reinke, a former Twin Falls County commissioner...

Could served eight terms as a Republican serving Twin Falls and Gooding counties, and attained the chairmanship of the House Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee. In that span, the life-long rancher earned a worthy reputation as a firm but fair representative on issues hitting the courts. She took a big gamble in 2002 and ran for lieutenant governor against GOP incumbent Jack Riggus and the deep waters of Jim Risch. She came in third, largely for a lack of name recognition.

Those who know Gould, however, know she's up for this task. While she has deep ties to ranching, she also has links to commodity groups in the ag sector. The wife of former House Speaker Bruce Newcomb, Gould has a reputation for holding her own. She speaks with authority, but listens to all sides to shape the issue. That quality will serve her well in balancing the regulatory and promotional sides of the Department of Agriculture.

"She's tough and she's smart," said Sen. Denton Darrington, ID-2, chairman of Senate Judiciary Committee, who collaborated with Gould on legal policy in the Legislature. "I don't think she's afraid of anybody. Her style will be fine. Most of all, she's smart enough to know she won't be successful (without) the goodness of the people she has around her."

The agency has a broad system of operations with seven branches and 24 subdivisions of management, and 325 full time employees. The appointment will have its challenges. While Otter's mandate for smaller government rings clear to many Idahoans, the ISDA still has challenges to prove that it can protect industry and its livelihoods.

While Gould's agency has one of the broadest mandates, Reinke's may be even bigger in size and task. As the new director for the Department of Corrections, Reinke inherits a network of overcrowded prisons that continues to bulge.

Reinke's effectiveness as director of the state's Department of Juvenile Corrections is a testament to his own skill and assertion. The position was created in 1996 under Gov. Phil Batt and with the legislative support of Gould. But it soon went adrift and Batt went for a new director in 1997. Reinke was an underdog candidate with no college degree and limited background in corrections. But with a positive demeanor and deep well of support from county and judicial officials he earned Batt's nomination.

By answering the Idaho Board of Correction's call, Reinke will serve with a fourth governor in nine years, and assume an agency that has gone from a \$67.5 million budget to \$163.3 million in a decade. But his support runs deep among state leaders.

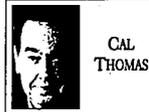
"There is nobody better in state government better than Brent Reinke," said Darrington. "He has the ability to bring people together. He has not only good administrative abilities, but he's able to make the tough decisions for personnel and programs. He's a natural to someone over to Department of Corrections."

Darrington's confidence in both officials echoes that of many Magic Valley voters. Their leadership styles should pay off in a new era of state government.

Our view: Celia Gould and Brent Reinke have the ability to effectively lead two of Idaho's biggest state agencies. What do you think? We welcome view points from our readers on this and other issues.

A 2007 resolution for the right

Nothing focuses the political mind like defeat. With Democrats about to assume control of the House and Senate for the first time in 12 years, Republicans in general, conservatives in particular and conservative Christians especially have an important choice to make. For at least the next two



CAL THOMAS

years, they can forget about confirming may, if any, judges who disbelieve in legislating from the bench. There won't be any John Ioberses or Samuel Alito getting confirmed (or probably nominated). No Judiciary Committee headed by Sen. Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.) will allow any Leahy, and while the fate of the "Gang of 14" who voted in the last session not to participate in any filibuster of judicial nominees except in extreme circumstances has yet to be determined, my guess is that their influence will not be as great in a Democratic Senate. Neither will there be a "nuclear option" because there will be no Republican majority leader who might use it. Congress's most important social issues off the conservative resolution list for the next two years. Socially conservative freshmen Democrats are unlikely to press them on a liberal leadership. Democrats were happy to sleep with pro-



life and anti-same-sex-marriage Democrats during the campaign, but don't look for them to be respected in the post-election morning.

The choice conservative Republicans must make is what to do for the next two years. They might consider following the example of Sen. Sam Brownback, R-Kan. In some ways Brownback, who is running for president, is trying to reinvent what it means to be a social conservative. To be more precise, he is trying to take the movement back to first principles, demonstrating what he is for, rather than what or whom he is against.

World Magazine, a conservative evangelical publication, followed Brownback into the infamous Louisiana penitentiary at Angola, which became known to the public through the films "Monster's Ball" and "Dead Man Walking." Earlier this month, Brownback addressed 700 inmates in the prison chapel and then spent the night in a jail cell along with writer Marvin Olasky, who says his "neighbors" were a serial rapist and a drug cartel killer.

Brownback answered questions from the inmates, who are used to hearing "tough on crime" messages from conservative Republicans, none of whom to my recollection ever began a presidential campaign in a place like Angola. When they got up the next morning, Brownback and Olasky visited Death Row. A cynic might say Brownback was grandstanding, but that cynic would have to answer for whom? People who back prison reform and social justice issues have mostly been Democrats and political liberals. Such issues don't play well among the "lock 'em up and throw away the key" crowd.

What I find most appealing about Brownback's approach is his positive tone. It came from a cancer scare he had in 1995. For nine months he was unsure of the outcome. "That's when I felt helpless," he said. He emerged from cancer with a clean bill of health and also a spiritual transformation. "Before 1995 I was in attack mode," he told Olasky. "Now he's a changed person. The tone, though not the substance, of his politics

has also changed.

Social conservatives and Republicans might consider keep in mind the end, but change tactics, their prospects for achieving their ends might be greatly improved. Too many of their opponents have been conditioned by the negative approach. In fund-raising letters, in public pronouncements and from some pulpits has come political and ideological invective that is not only unbefitting to the source of such statements but serves as a bad example to others. It has the added downside of converting no one to the conservative point of view and turning off even some people who might otherwise be inclined to vote for Republicans.

Here's my suggested resolution to the Republican-conservative-Christian vote, courtesy of singer-songwriter Glen Campbell:

You got to try a little kindness. You show a little kindness. Just shine your light for everyone to see. And if you try a little kindness. Then you'll overlook the blues. Of narrow-minded streets on the narrow-minded streets. From a political standpoint, the best part of this strategy is that it works and might even prompt more people to vote Republican in 2008.

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Hope still grows for New Orleans

Nearly 16 months after Hurricane Katrina, New Orleans remains devastated. In the Lower Ninth Ward (primarily black and poor), mid-city (mixed-race and middle class) and Lakeside (richer and whiter), houses are boarded up and ruined; shattered windows reveal rooms full of debris; perhaps one in 10 places has a FEMA trailer parked outside, as a few returning residents desperately try to reclaim what they have lost. Thousands of small businesses have disappeared. Even in the French Quarter, which was left largely intact after Katrina, shopkeepers despair of being able to survive given the decline in tourism. Repeatedly, people declare: "I have not received a single dollar of federal aid."

Yet in this season that celebrates the birth of a child in what today would be called a homeless shelter, a remarkable resiliency of spirit remains in New Orleans. Yes, only half the population there in August 2005 has returned. The suicide rate has increased 300 percent, and less than half of the schools and hospitals that existed 16 months ago are functioning.

But energy, engagement and love persist, creating tiny ripples of hope, from thousands of individual acts of

WILLIAM H. CHAFE

courage — ripples that can, in words Robert Kennedy uttered 40 years ago in South Africa, "build a current" able to topple the mightiest walls of oppression. In the Lower Ninth Ward, more than a hundred volunteers gather in a Catholic school (St. Mary of the Angels) to help secure — with the community — a foothold toward starting anew. Some are college students, others grandparents and hippies. All have come to live and work with the residents. Most spend their days gutting houses so that returning residents can be eligible for federal rebuilding funds. Tearing down sheetrock infested with toxic mold is dangerous work. Others run in the kitchen, helping members of the "Rainbow Tribe" — a community — prepare Brunswick stew, macaroni and cheese, and fried chicken for 150. No one sees this as a lark. The unpaid staff briefs workers on the hazards they will face, insisting that respirators fit snugly so that no toxins are inhaled. The kitchen crews eat every dish to be sure it has had no chemical, giving high enough to eliminate any chance of food poisoning.

Everyone is deadly serious — and also clearly moved by the importance of the mission. They are white and black, male and female. They respect the integrity and autonomy of the neighbors they are there to help, committed not to fall into old hierarchies of white and black, male and female. In the civil rights movement, such people called themselves a "beloved community" — people transformed by an ethos of love and justice into becoming soldiers for justice. If redemption can follow tragedy in New Orleans, these volunteers, in partnership with community residents — will be the ones to make it happen.

But the signs of hope are not just in the courage of people in the Ninth Ward. They are there as well in the celebration of community among those less afflicted by poverty, people who have come back to New Orleans out of love for their city in order to make it the kind of place they want their children to grow up in. They have their own rituals. On a Sunday, in a small bar, 30 neighborhood residents gather for a weekly get-together. White and black, gay and straight, old and young, they listen to their favorite jazz quartet and vocalist.

They hug, laugh, cheer. They invite strangers in to sit amidst, and to talk about what they've been through. A father dances with his young daughter. The cook mingles with those eating from the buffet she's prepared, embracing her friends. In its own way this, too, is a "beloved community" — people sustained by a history of caring about each other and about something in New Orleans that has made their spirits fresh and engaged.

From one perspective, the future of New Orleans is bleak. Surely no governmental body, least of all FEMA, has any reason for confidence. But this is no ordinary place, and these are no ordinary people.

Rooted in their history is a vision — admittedly utopian — that affirms the possibility of living in radical peace, prizes grace, hospitality and humor; and fights like hell against bureaucrats who refuse to acknowledge the human potential for rising above self-interest and cynicism. Maybe — just maybe — there is reason to hope.

William H. Chafe, a history professor at Duke University, writes about race and gender. He recently returned from a weekend as a volunteer in California.

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Taxpayers provide more than they can imagine

My wife was hospitalized for what was supposed to be a short stay in October. The hospital bill came to just under \$3,500, which is not too surprising considering health care costs today. What is surprising and shocking is what her Medicare advantage plan paid the hospital. It paid more than \$8,000 — go figure! And yes, the hospital wants a co-payment of \$600.

Taxpayers provide a bottomless pork barrel — so come and get it! EDWIN HENSON Twin Falls

Some New Year's goals that can be accomplished?

I've made New Year's resolutions like everybody else, but this year I've decided to eliminate all but those that I could actually accomplish. 1. Start no wars with countries that we could not defeat simply by withholding the cash and materials we've been sending them. 2. Stop global warming. Get everybody to leave their refrigerator doors open for an hour each day. 3. Accept the Nobel Prize for finding the lost chord (apologies to Jimmy Durante).

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4. Outlaw rap music wherever one or more are gathered (whenever I'm the one).

LETTERS

Write to us

- 6. Decide whether to play for either the Lakers (even cheerleaders) or the Raiders (even cut cheerleaders). 7. Cure the common cold. 8. Accept Chanay's twin's plea of marriage (providing she is in good country and western clings). 9. Get everybody to put 20-inch wheels on the rear of their car and 13-inch on the front. That way they'll always be running downhill, saving thousands of gallons of gas and alleviating the oil problem — thus stopping the Middle East debacle.

- and will bring our boys home. 10. Make all skiers at the bottom of each run carry a snowball back uphill car and deposit it at the top, thereby guaranteeing good snow conditions until August. 11. Submit the winning slogan for the Hillary Clinton-Jessie Shiuoseo presidential campaign. "One with brains and no personality, the other with personality and no ..." Well, you know how it goes. 12. Translate the Bible into Aramaic. VAUGHN PHELPS Twin Falls

# Some Mideast rules to live by

## LETTER

Time for Idaho to can the banned elk hunt

"One bad apple does spoil the entire batch!" In this case, it isn't just one "canned hunt" operator ruining the image of all hunters! Recent articles published in the Time-Mesa press show that!

Another reference is Wild Idaho News front-page article dated Dec. 4, 2006, stating an elk shooting pen operation in southeast Idaho had been dumping unprocessed elk carcasses just outside its fences! Ten complete elk carcasses were dumped! No citations issued!

It's time we close down these operations or at least ensure they follow the Idaho Department of Fish and Game regulations!

Why is it they hunt ranches can bait and feed the game intended to hunt while the everyday hunter would be ctyed for the same? (ref: it is illegal section of regs.) Why are they permitted to continue to operate without the proper permits and licenses?

Fish and Game would be able to finance all types of programs if it only charged us by the "rack size" and not just a fixed price for a tag. For instance, a spike elk tag would sell for \$25 and fall blown elk, six points or better, would sell for \$10,000! More in tune with the "hunt ranch" charge for a 400-point bull, would we better yet, "phony" section?

Record books should also reflect the gigantic animal was shot in a pen or cage and be listed in the "genetically altered," "home grown" or, better yet, "phony" section! In all for raising elk, deer or whatever to be processed and sold for human consumption, but the idea of hunting, as it is called, in an caged area regardless if it is five acres or 5,000 acres should be stopped! Why are these regulations and laws for the public and not for the "canned hunt" operator? "Canned hunts" — can

them!  
PRINCE ARMSTRONG  
Wendell

For a long time, I let my hopes for a decent outcome in Iraq triumph over what I had learned reporting from Lebanon during its civil war. Those hopes vanished last summer. So, I'd like to offer President Bush my updated rules of Middle East diplomacy, which also apply to diplomacy, in hopes they'll help him figure out what to do next in Iraq.



THOMAS L. FRIEDMAN

**Rule 1:** What people tell you in private in the Middle East is irrelevant. All that matters is what they will defend in public in their own language. Anything said to you in English, in private, doesn't count. In Washington, officials lie in public and tell the truth off the record. In the Mideast, officials say what they really believe in public and tell you what you want to hear in private.

**Rule 2:** Any reporter or U.S. Army officer wanting to serve in Iraq should have to take a test, consisting of one question: "Do you think the shortest distance between two points is a straight line?" If you answer yes, you can go to Iraq. You can serve in Japan, Korea or Germany — not Iraq.

**Rule 3:** If you can't explain something to a Middle Easterner with a conspiracy theory, then don't try to explain it at all — they won't believe it.

**Rule 4:** In the Middle East, never take a concession, except out of the mouth of the person doing the conceding. If I had a dollar for every time someone agreed to recognize Israel on behalf of Yasser Arafat, I could paper my walls.

**Rule 5:** Never lead your story out of Lebanon, Gaza or Iraq with a ceasefire. It will always be over before the next morning's paper.

**Rule 6:** In the Middle East, the extremists go all the way, and the moderates tend to just go away.

**Rule 7:** The most off-put expression by moderate Arab pols is: "We were just about to stand up to the bad guys when you stupid Americans did



that stupid thing. Had you stupid Americans not done that stupid thing, we would have stood up, but now it's too late. It's all your fault for being so stupid."

**Rule 8:** Civil wars in the Arab world are rarely about ideas — like liberalism vs. communism. They are about which tribe gets to rule. So, yes, Iraq is having a civil war as we once did. But there is no Abe Lincoln in this war. It's the South vs. the South.

**Rule 9:** In Middle East tribal politics there is rarely a happy medium. When one side is weak, it will tell you, "I'm weak, how can I compromise?" And when it's strong, it will tell you, "I'm strong, why should I compromise?"

**Rule 10:** Mideast civil wars end in one of three ways: a) like the U.S. civil war, with one side vanquishing the other; b) like the Cyprus civil war, with a hard partition and a wall dividing the parties; or c) like the Lebanese civil war, with a soft partition under an iron fist (Syria) that keeps everyone in line. Saddam used to be the iron fist in

Iraq. Now it is us. If we don't want to play that role, Iraq's civil war will end with A or B.

**Rule 11:** The most underestimated emotion in Arab politics is humiliation. The Israeli-Arab conflict, for instance, is not just about borders. Israel's mere existence is a daily humiliation to Muslims, who can't understand how, if they have the superior religion, Israel can be so powerful. Al Jazeera's editor, Ahmed Sheikh, said it best when he recently told the Swiss weekly Die Weltwoche: "It gnaws at the people in the Middle East that such a small country as Israel, with only about 7 million inhabitants, can defeat the Arab nation with its 350 million. That hurts our collective ego. The Palestinian problem is in the genes of every Arab. The West's problem is that it does not understand this."

**Rule 12:** Thus, the Israelis will always win, and the Palestinians will always make sure they never enjoy it. Everything else is just commentary.

**Rule 13:** Our first priority is democracy, but the Arabs' first priority is "justice." The off-warring Arab tribes are all wounded souls, who really have been hurt by colonial powers, by Jewish settlements on Palestinian land, by Arab kings and dictators, and, most of all, by each other in endless tribal wars. For Iraq's long-abused Shiite majority, democracy is first and foremost a vehicle to get justice. Ditto for the Kurds. For the minority Sunnis, democracy in Iraq is a vehicle of injustice. For us, democracy is all about protecting minority rights. For them, democracy is first about consolidating majority rights and getting justice.

**Rule 14:** The Lebanese historian Kamal Salibi had it right: "Great powers should never get involved in the politics of small tribes."

**Rule 15:** Whether it is Arab-Israeli peace or democracy in Iraq, you can't want it more than they do.

Thomas L. Friedman is a columnist for The New York Times.

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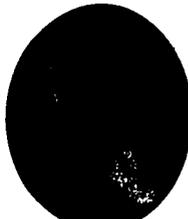
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SPORTS

# USC runs away in Rose Bowl

PASADENA, Calif. — There were no Heismans or national titles up for grabs for Southern California in this one. Given that way Downy Jarrett, John David Booty said that sufficing USC defense played, it was hard to tell.

Jarrett, the sensational USC receiver, caught 11 passes for 205 yards and two touchdowns to help the eighth-ranked Trojans finish their season with a statement Monday in a 32-10 Rose Bowl romp over Michigan.

Booty threw for 391 yards and four scores to land himself on the early short list of next season's Heisman favorites. Jarrett could be there, too. If he decides to come back. Linebacker Brian Cushing had 2½ sacks and defensive end Lawrence Jackson came up with two turnovers — a fumble recovery and an interception — on a day when USC allowed only 321 yards.

The Trojans (11-2) salvaged something positive out of the Rose Bowl and set themselves up as next year's possible preseason No. 1 — all this just four weeks after a 13-9 loss to UCLA in the same stadium wrecked their chances for another shot at the national title.

"It's a little disappointing because we can play with anybody and we know that," USC coach Pete Carroll said. "But to have this opportunity and to have a night like this for our fans, it's awesome."

For king, Jarrett outmanned a pair of Michigan defenders for a 29-yard gain midway through the fourth quarter. A few plays later, Booty threw his fourth touchdown pass — this one to senior Steve Smith, who finished with seven catches for 109 yards.

On the losing end were Chad Henne, Mike Hart and the rest of the Wolverines (11-2).

## Outback Bowl

**Penn State 20,  
No. 17 Tennessee 10**

TAMPA, Fla. — Joe Paterno was a no-show on the sideline. That hasn't kept Penn State from shining in the Outback Bowl.

With the longtime coach watching from the press box while recovering from a broken leg, Tony Hunt ran for 158 yards and Tony Davis returned a fumble 88 yards for a touchdown Monday, leading the Orange Lions to a 20-10 victory over No. 17 Tennessee.

Anthony Morelli threw a 2-yard TD pass to Andrew Quarless and Kevin Kelly kicked two field goals for Penn State, helping Paterno — the all-time leader in bowl wins — get his 22nd postseason victory.

## Broncos

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left, but we had a lot of magic left," Zabransky said.

Boise State is one of two unbeaten teams. The other is top-ranked Ohio State, which will play No. 2 Florida for the BCS national championship on the same field Jan. 8.

Afterward, the Broncos made a case that they should have been given a shot at the Buckeyes.

"We went 13-0 and beat everyone on our schedule," Zabransky said. "We deserve a chance at the national title."

In one of the more dramatic finishes in BCS history, the Sooners (11-3) and the Broncos (13-0) combined for 22 points in the final 86 seconds of regulation.

Johnson carried 23 times for 101 yards and a touchdown. Zabransky completed 19 of 29 passes for 262 yards and three touchdowns, and he threw an interception. Drisan James caught three passes for 96 yards and two touchdowns.

Oklahoma's Paul Thompson threw a career-high three interceptions. He completed 19 of 32 passes for 223 yards and two touchdowns. In what might have been his last college game, Peterson ran for 77 yards and two touchdowns.

The wild finish came after Boise State dominated the first 40 minutes, making it clear that the Western Athletic Conference champion deserved a BCS berth.

Oklahoma didn't go quietly. The Sooners spotted the Broncos an 18-point lead midway through the third quarter, then rallied to take a 35-28 lead on cornerback Marcus Walker's interception return with 1:02 remaining.

That came one play after the Sooners tied it at 28. The Sooners cut it to 28-26 on a 5-yard pass from Paul Thompson to Quentin Caney with 1:26 to play. After penalties on their first two 2-point conversion tries, the Sooners converted when Thompson hit Jaquan Iglesias. Thompson completed five passes for 59 yards on the tying drive and also ran for 8 yards.

The Broncos stunted the Sooners with



Southern California head coach Pete Carroll is doused with Gatorade after his team beat Michigan 32-10 at the 93rd Rose Bowl football game in Pasadena, Calif., on Monday.

## Capital One Bowl

**No. 6 Wisconsin 17,  
No. 12 Arkansas 14**

ORLANDO, Fla. — John Stocco threw two first-half touchdowns passes and Wisconsin held on through a tense second half to beat Arkansas.

The Badgers (12-1) led 17-7 at halftime, but most of the second half was played in Wisconsin territory. Felix Jones brought the Razorbacks within three points with a 12-yard scoring run in the fourth quarter, but Arkansas (10-4) could not overcome an undisciplined, mistake-filled performance.

## Cotton Bowl

**No. 10 Auburn 17,  
No. 22 Nebraska 14**

DALLAS — Carl Stewart scored the only two times he touched the ball, John

Vaughn kicked a 42-yard field goal and Auburn's defense held at the end.

Nebraska (9-5) opened with a dominating drive, but couldn't do much else right in its first January game in five years. The Cornhuskers' bid for 10 wins ended when Zac Taylor threw an incomplete on fourth-and-11 from the Auburn 30 with 2:03 left.

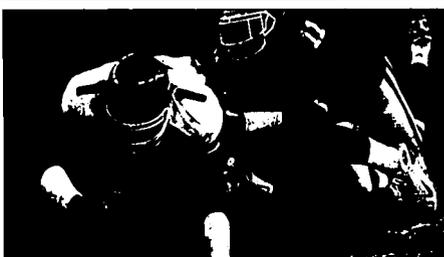
## Gator Bowl

**No. 13 West Virginia 38,  
Georgia Tech 35**

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — Quarterback Patrick White led West Virginia back from an 18-point deficit in the second half for a victory over Georgia Tech.

White was 9-of-15 for 131 yards and two touchdowns and rushed 22 times for 145 yards and a touchdown. Owen Schmitt ran 13 times for 109 yards and two TDs.

— The Associated Press



Boise State's Jerard Rabl (11) dives for a touchdown ahead of Oklahoma's Lundy Holmes (11) during the fourth quarter of the Fiesta Bowl.

two quick touchdowns to take a 14-0 lead midway through the first quarter.

The first came on a 49-yard touchdown pass from Zabransky to James, a Phoenix native, who was fired by linebacker Zach Lattimer, then sprinted down the sideline and into the end zone.

A few moments later, the Broncos ran into the tunnel waving their helmets to thousands of orange-clad fans who flocked to the Phoenix area for the biggest game in school history.

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# Timberwolves best Bobcats

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) —

Kevin Garnett had 32 points and 14 rebounds in the NBA's return to the old leather ball, and the Minnesota Timberwolves

beat the Charlotte Bobcats 102-96 on Monday night.

Garnett, a vocal critic of the NBA's synthetic ball, was 12-for-18 from the field and scored 13 points in the fourth quarter. He was 9-for-29 from the field in his previous two games with the synthetic ball.

After numerous complaints about the synthetic ball introduced at the beginning of the season, the league decided to switch back to the old ball.

Ricky Davis added 25 points for Minnesota, and Mark Blount had 21. The Timberwolves trailed by 20 in the second quarter and by 12

early in the fourth.

Matt Carroll led the Bobcats with 23 points. Raymond Felton added 22 points and nine assists, and Adam Morrison had 18 points.

Garnett's shot in the lane with 8:19 left finished a 12-0 run that gave Minnesota the lead. He scored nine more points down the stretch and grabbed an offensive rebound of a missed free throw that led to Davis' basket that put Minnesota up 99-94.

After Carroll's free throws pulled Charlotte within three, Garnett made a 14-footer with 16 seconds left to put it away.

The Bobcats hit five of their first six 3-point attempts in building a double-digit lead early in the second quarter. Charlotte took a 20-point lead on Sean May's back-to-back jumpers before the Timberwolves rallied.



Alabama's Richard Hendrix (35) battles for a loose ball with Oklahoma's David Godbold (15) during the second half at Coleman Coliseum in Tuscaloosa, Ala., on Monday.

# Tide rolls Sooners

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. —

Jermarco Davidson scored 17 points and Richard Hendrix added 14 points and 10 rebounds to lead No. 8 Alabama to a 70-55 victory over Oklahoma on Monday.

Hendrix registered his fifth double-double in the last six games as the Crimson Tide (13-1) dominated the Sooners in the paint to win its 15th straight home game and sixth in a row overall.

Ronald Steele scored 13 points and Mykal Riley had 12 for Alabama, which begins its Southeastern Conference schedule Saturday at Arkansas.

Tony Crocker had 15 points for Oklahoma (8-4), while David Godbold added 11.

Oklahoma was held to 36 percent shooting (23-for-63), including 5-for-21 from 3-point range, and had its season-low point total, Lonnie Longar, the Sooners' leading scorer at 13.9 points a game, was held to six points.

Alabama led 27-21 at halftime and opened the second half with an 11-4 run. The Sooners got no closer than 12 points over the final 15 minutes.

Despite being outbounded 40-31, Alabama outscored the Sooners 34-26 in the paint. Oklahoma took its only lead, 6-5, 3½ minutes into the game

on a dunk by Crocker, but Hendrix had a three-point play to start the second quarter over the next five minutes.

The Sooners outscored Alabama 7-2 over the last six minutes of the first half to get within six points, but Hendrix scored inside and Steele hit a 3-pointer to spark the run early in the second half. The Crimson Tide led by as many as 20 points in the second half.

Arizona, Washington ready for showdown

TUCSON, Ariz. — No. 7 Arizona's challenge this week is to get the rebounds and run, which may be easier said than done against Washington.

The Wildcats (11-1) have been hot, winning 11 straight since a season-opening loss to Virginia. To keep that streak going, Arizona will have to do a better job on the boards at Washington on Thursday.

"We definitely have to get to the boards and block them out, especially their big guys," Arizona's Ivan Radenovic said.

Arizona struggled last week against Stanford and 7-foot-tall twins Robin and Brook Lopez. The Wildcats were out-rebounded 36-27.

Washington has 7-footer Spencer Hawes and 6-foot-7-inch bruiser Jon Brockman.

# Williams

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with Christmas lights and set off with several fireplaces.

Hours after the shooting, the limo sat in a snowbank beside Speer Boulevard, a main street through downtown. Police and technicians worked amid snow and ice from recent storms, using small yellow plastic markers to indicate possible evidence.

Anthony Criss, Williams' high school football coach in Fort Worth, Texas, said, "When he was younger, he always gravitated to the wrong crowd. I remember he went to church and the minister was talking to

him about needing to pray and stop hanging around with the wrong people, and he started straightening up and doing the right thing."

In December, Williams spoke of returning to his hometown this offseason to talk to youngsters about staying out of gangs. Williams, who has two young children in the Fort Worth area, recently talked to Criss about establishing a free football camp for youth players.

"He wanted to be a good parent, a good father, a good example for his kids," Criss said. "He will be missed."

# Question

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as the camera got on me."

He had the rug in the room," Johnson said. "I was waiting for us to go back to California but the moment just hit. There was no better time."

His girlfriend held his hand tightly on the field and couldn't quite believe what had happened.

"I'm in shock," she said. "I've got all these

emotions in me. I think I'm going to pass out."

It took awhile or her to realize Johnson was asking her to marry her.

"I think it finally hit her and she finally figured it out," he said, "and she eventually did say yes."

Quarterback Jared Zabransky said he'd heard rumors that Johnson was thinking about proposing.

"I'm sure it probably wouldn't have been as romantic if we would have lost," Zabransky said.

Defensive back Marty Tadmam said Johnson "is a little different guy."

"When you think of Ian Johnson proposing to his girlfriend, you've got to think of the weirdest circumstance that he could possibly do it," Tadmam said. "I think this was it."

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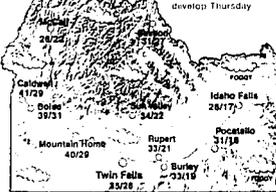
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NORTHERN UTAH
It will be partly cloudy throughout tomorrow. Rain and snow showers will develop Thursday.



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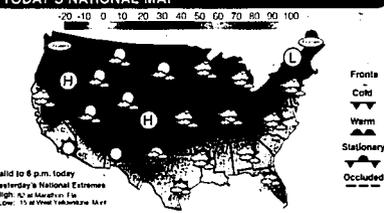
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Don't blame others... your failure to be fully accountable for your own life... it's time to blame those who have helped you."

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table listing Canadian forecasts for various cities.

Green, Mora the first coaches to go

NEW YORK — Dennis Green couldn't get the Arizona Cardinals into contention. Jim Mora couldn't keep the Atlanta Falcons in contention. Both are now unemployed.

University of Alabama for its vacant coaching position and the season is expected to waive a Crimson Tide of money at him.

Atlanta Falcons head coach Jim Mora pauses for a moment as he announces he has been relieved of his duties during a press conference at the Falcons training facility in Flowery Branch, Ga., Monday.

Green and the Falcons fired Mora. Both were in their third year on the job. No one expects the flood of movement that occurred a year ago, when 10 head coaching spots changed hands, but Monday indicates this could be a painful lull in the coaching profession.

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Raiders: 'Just Quinn, Baby'

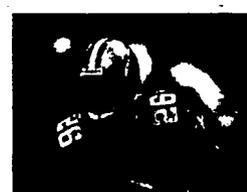
ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP) — After setting a franchise record for losses in a season, it might be time for a new motto for the Oakland Raiders: "Just Quinn, Baby."

Owner Al Davis' favorite saying, "Just Win, Baby," no longer fits after the Raiders finished their fourth straight losing season with a 1-15 record that was the team's worst mark in more than four decades.

Robert Gallery, a bust so far. For a team that scored just 166 points, the fifth fewest in a 16-game season, it's clear what direction to go in the draft.

Balance of Reggie and Deuce made the Saints a contender

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — When the Saints drafted Reggie Bush, Deuce McAllister his role was about to change, for better or for worse.



New Orleans Saints running back Deuce McAllister runs against the Dallas Cowboys in their NFL game in Irving, Texas, Sunday.

One season later, McAllister has a fourth 1,000-yard rushing season, he's going to the playoffs for the first time in his career, and isn't about to complain.

It was always going to be a work in progress early on, but the more comfortable we got in the offense and just trying to play off of each other, it's gone pretty good for us," McAllister said.

Saints coach Sean Payton said there was never any plan to throw an almost perfect balance of the speedy, flashy Bush and the stout, powerful McAllister at opposing defenses.

Payton often subbs Bush and McAllister in and out for one another, which seems to be and kept both pretty fresh.

That was one of the key reasons Drew Brees thrived for a career-high 4,418 yards this season. Bush, often catching swing passes, accounted for nearly 17 percent of that.

Steelers begin the Cowher countdown

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Bill Cowher countdown began Monday for the Pittsburgh Steelers, who may soon be looking for a new coach for only the second time since 1969.

Cowher has said several times recently he is not burned out, and there is no indication he would retire if he quits now — the Steelers themselves anticipate he would be back on an NFL sideline as early as 2008.

## Cold weather, hot meal

### Homeless receive weekend comfort from local churches

By Jamil Whitard  
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — A few years ago, some of the needy people in the Magic Valley told Phyllis Berg that from Friday evening to Monday afternoon, they simply didn't eat.

Berg decided to do something about that.

As president of Safe Harbor,

Berg and a group of concerned citizens started holding Saturday meals for the Magic Valley homeless and needy.

At 11:30 a.m. each Saturday, meals are served at downtown churches in the winter and at City Park during the summer.

Berg guessed that about 50 people showed up for Saturday's meal at First

United Methodist Church. The meal included various desserts, two kinds of soups, bread, coffee, milk and more.

"First and foremost we make sure everyone is fed that attends there," Berg said. "If there is enough food, they can have seconds."

Safe Harbor provides food for about 10 meals a year and receives food from local

churches the rest of the time. The holiday season is an extra special time for the group, which tries to bring as much of the spirit to the needy as they can.

"Sometimes people not only don't get to celebrate the holidays, they may not be eating that day," Berg said.

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**Hot meal**  
The next meal will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church, 302 S. Shoshone St. N.; with Ascension Episcopal Church providing the food. To help provide the food, call Phyllis Berg at 735-8787.

## A new address

### Castleford City Hall may have to relocate

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

CASTLEFORD — The good news is that Castleford's water improvements include drilling a new well.

The bad news is that the restroom at the back of City Hall is going to be too close to it, giving the city only two options: remodel City Hall or move next door.

Recently the city passed a bond issue to build an arsenic treatment plant to lower the arsenic in city water from an average 22 parts per billion to the Environmental Protection

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## More DUI arrests during New Year's celebration

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — More alcohol, more celebrations and more police officers means more arrests Sunday night for driving under the influence of alcohol.

The Twin Falls Police Department reported one alcohol-related vehicle accident and seven incidents involving drivers under the influence of alcohol.

Twin Falls Police Sgt. Ryan Howe said there was a noticeable increase compared with a normal weekend, but he said it was difficult to compare this New Year's holiday to others because there were "too many variables involved."

One of those variables was the city of Twin Falls' approval to allow liquor by the drink on Sundays. The Twin Falls City Council voted to lift the law on Dec. 4

— citing inconsistency in the 1947 state law and economic benefits to the city.

The city of Jerome also approved a similar city ordinance less than a week after Twin Falls made its decision.

The decision allowed the Jerome Chamber of Commerce to serve liquor by the drink at the Jerome Centennial Celebration on Sunday. Although Twin Falls police said there were more arrests last weekend, Howe said one reason could have been the increase in officers who were on the street.

"It is up a bit from last year," Howe said. "But part of that could be because we had additional officers working."

## WINTER BEAUTIFUL



Ice formations sprout out of a Twin Falls Canal Company waterway Friday south of Twin Falls.

## Proposed subdivision may threaten CSI hatchery tunnels

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls City Council will consider tonight an application for a subdivision near Rock Creek that would be above water tunnels that lead to a fish hatchery operated by the College of Southern Idaho.

Gary Storrer of Gary's Westland LLC hopes to build 10 residential lots on about 25 acres at the northeast corner of Park Avenue and Harrison

Street South. But a CSI fish hatchery, which is located below the proposed Benno's Point Subdivision, has water rights that are primarily fed through tunnels, some of which are also below the subdivision.

CSI was closed last week and officials were unavailable for comment, but Mike Mason, vice president of administration, submitted to the city a letter requesting a mitigation plan be implemented should the council approve

Storrer's request.

"It is our position that a mitigation plan concerning the possible loss of flow due to the construction of the proposed subdivision be enacted as part of the approval process for the subdivision," the letter reads. "If we do not have water we cannot raise fish or continue the existing program. We also have a considerable capital investment that will be significantly reduced."

The plan received preliminary approval in February but

CSI did not notify the city about its concerns, said Planning and Zoning Administrator Renee Caraway.

The staff report for tonight's meeting includes a recommendation that the request from CSI be granted if the council approves the final plat. The water tunnels, which are sometimes 50 feet deep, stretch throughout the area and are under nearby subdivisions too, Storrer said.

Storrer — who initially said he thought his plat received

final approval two months ago — said there is no conflict with CSI and does not anticipate any problems. He said he has not heard from CSI but would adjust his construction.

"There is not a soul that is not aware of the hatchery," he said. "I'm going to try and do something special for them."

Reporter Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at (208) 735-3204 or jhopkins@magicalvalley.com.

## The flying frustrations

Holiday travel problems today are about as common as gift cards for Uncle Moe Elmos, depending on your age, but such frustrations were absent in my first 22 years. I was raised on Long Island, N.Y., and most of my family remains there, and my college was close enough that sitting in traffic — not an airport — was the most I suffered through.

Then I graduated in May from the University of Maryland, moved to Twin Falls to work at the Times-News as a reporter and dutifully felt obliged to trudge home for the holidays.

I figured an 8 a.m. Dec. 22

flight in Boise warranted a 4:30 a.m. departure from Twin Falls. That's probably right, except for the day after we get at least 5 inches of snow — a phenomenon that somehow the entire newsroom did not warn me about.

Sure enough, it took me more than three hours to reach the airport's check-in counter. I was informed then that the next flight was at 2 p.m. to Minneapolis. And I would be on standby.

After a two-hour nap (Why do travelers always stare at nappers?), I waited and waited. At the final minute — literally — I made the flight. I couldn't sleep. I was too excited.



Jared S. Hopkins

ed. But there was an hour delay. (We turned around on the runway to get a misplaced cat, presumably a holiday gift.)

When we landed in Minneapolis, I ran to my connecting flight and let out a loud yelp when the clerk assured me a seat.

(I knew it was a flight with New Yorkers because my

cheering garnered no reaction from those nearby.)

At 11 p.m. — about six hours late — I touched Big Apple soil and walked into my parents' home less than two hours later. I had already missed a party in Queens my friends had thrown for me.

Thereafter, Christmas was enjoyable — blindly nodding as friends in corporate finance talked about work and eating as much roast beef and pork as possible because I cook chicken on my George Foreman Grill eight days a week.

Had I known how my Dec. 26 journey back to Idaho would be, perhaps I'd have

drunk more eggnog.

Was there a computer malfunction getting baggage tickets? Yes. Did the security checkpoint go off a dozen times? Yes.

But travel problems are not limited to anxious and impatient reporters from New York.

As I waited for my flight in a cramped LaGuardia Airport, I heard an announcement that another Northwest Airlines flight could not allow almost 20 passengers due to "weight restrictions." (Seems like airlines might anticipate additional weight when holiday gifts are aboard.)

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## Snowpack Levels

Watershed	% of Avg.	% Season Total*
Salmon	90%	39%
Big Wood	95%	39%
Little Wood	84%	37%
Big Lost	81%	37%
Little Lost	82%	34%
Henry's Fork/Teton	83%	34%
Upper Snake Basin	82%	33%
Oakley	114%	44%
Salmon Falls	93%	30%

As of Jan. 2

\* A comparison of basin snowpack, on this date, with a 30-year average.

\*\* An indicator of an unpropagated fire from snowmelt.



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## Flying

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It was just enough to start the finger-pointing from unhappy passengers, many of whom had purchased tickets months ago.

"Don't sell the tickets if you can't put me on the plane," said Nancy Yellu of Detroit, whose baby formula for her 5-month-old daughter was already on the plane.

Eventually, the passengers were shuttled to John F. Kennedy International Airport for a flight two hours later.

My day, however, was just beginning. My plane to Minneapolis sat on the runway for an additional hour (No explanation). Fortunately, I had a nearly five-hour layover afterward to look forward to. I boarded my flight to Boise at 5 p.m.; it did not leave until 7:30 p.m. Apparently, an electronic malfunction caused the plane to read more than half full when they were actually empty. We were backed up — literally.

When I got to my Twin Falls apartment, I had logged a 15-hour trip.

I was not alone in my family's travel problems. My brother was called back a day early for work in Miami and then suffered not only through a flight delay, but also a flat tire produced from a pothole in a rain-storm. He got home at 5 a.m.)

Clearly, I will mull other options over the next year — perhaps fly out of Salt Lake City or avoid seeing my family altogether.

Regardless, I realized I officially experienced the holiday panic — and mind-bending frustration — of holiday air travel in America. Not even that sharp new overcoat my mom bought me can remedy that.

**Reporter Jared S. Hopkins, who is going to travel by train next year, can be reached at (208) 735-3204 or jhopkins@magicvalley.com.**

## Fun for obituary rates and information

Call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is [obits@magicvalley.com](mailto:obits@magicvalley.com). Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to [www.magicvalley.com](http://www.magicvalley.com) and click on "Obituaries."

## Jesse Aaron Coates

HAZELTON — Jesse Aaron Coates, 19, of Hazelton passed away in December 2006.

He was born October 22, 1987 in Twin Falls, Idaho to Rick and Judy Coates Sr. He was raised in Hazelton and resided there for most of his life.

He attended school at Valley School District and was an active member of the wrestling team for three years.

He was a natural wrestler and improved upon his skills every year.

This was very apparent with his many tournament medals, two District championships and three State championship appearances were he place 7th, 6th, and 3rd.

He enjoyed wrestling, hunting, fishing, riding motorcycles, snowmobiles and spending time with his friends and family especially his niece Tyra.

Jesse was an exceptional

son, brother, uncle, grandson and friend to those he left behind.

He is survived by his parents Judy Coates (Vance Sorenson) and Rick Coates Sr.; 4 sisters and 2 brothers, Ricky and Andrea Coates, Jennifer and Steven Sorenson, Dredra and Shaylynn Coates and his beloved niece Tyra Coates.

He is also survived by his grandparents Henry and Bobbie Steinmetz, Larry and Linda Coates; his great-grandmother Josephine Coates and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his brother Bryan Sorenson and his uncle Larry Steinmetz.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. today at the Hazelton LDS Church with Bishop Mark Okelberg conducting. Burial will follow the services at the Hazelton Cemetery.

A memorial fund has been set up in Jesse's name at D.L. Evans Bank in Twin Falls. Memorials can be made at any branch.

## DEATH NOTICES

**Vern Reeves**  
Vern Reeves, 72, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Dec. 29, 2006 at his home.

Services will be conducted 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 4 at White Mortuary, Chapel by the Park. A complete obituary will appear in Wednesday's Times-News.

**Noma Hawkins**  
Noma P. Hawkins, 92, of

## Meal

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Some statistics show that Idaho is the eighth-hungriest state in the nation. Berg said, ironic since Idaho is also heavy in agriculture production, but as Berg explains, low wages and high expenses can drive even hard-working people to need a helping hand.

"Some people may have some food now, but they're never quite sure when they'll be out of food," Berg said.

Some people making mini-

mum wage don't have money left over after paying rent and utilities.

"If they're low on money, they're either buying less food or no food at all," Berg said.

To help people become aware of the meals, Berg distributes 35 fliers throughout the valley each time a meal is served. The local homeless and working poor have a pretty good network amongst themselves, she added.

A variety of community

support also plays a role in the success of the meals. Berg said sometimes children want a chance to do some community service and help. Scout groups will come in and she has a group of volunteers who help whenever they can.

"Sometimes we wind up with very few volunteers and sometimes we're overwhelmed," Berg said.

One thing is for sure though—The local news—sincerely appreciate the help

they've given.

"When they come there they have a need," Berg said. "Some have been there every meal since we opened it. Some come once or twice and we never see them again because they're just passing through or down on their luck for a while. But everyone is welcome."

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## SERVICES

J. Wayne Hoopes of Kimberly, celebration of life at 10 a.m. today in the Sitting Room of Bridgeview Estates, 1828 Bridgeview Blvd. in Twin Falls; viewing will follow at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2465 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Jesse Coates of Hazelton, funeral at 10 a.m. today at Hazelton LDS Church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Charles Edward Henley Jr. of Twin Falls and formerly of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome. Burial will be at the Tangierwood Cemetery in Linville, N.C.

may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:40 a.m. Wednesday at the church.

Vernon A. Harmer of Orem, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Wheeler Mortuary, 211 E. 200 S. in Springville, Utah; family and friends may call one hour before the service at the mortuary.

Dale "Doc" Stukenholtz of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Thursday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

## Move

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Agency's required 10 ppb or less.

The \$1.6 million project also includes overhauling the city's water system.

To house the arsenic treatment facility, the city has two buildings that can be renovated to work: City Hall at 342 Main St. or the Quick Response Building next door.

"The restroom is too close to where the new well is going to be," said Don Acheson, engineer, with Ridsdel & Associates in Twin Falls, who is working with the city on its water issues.

"We can add a restroom to the QRB building and use it as City Hall and use this building for the facility or move the restroom here."

However, the structure of City Hall may be better suited for the treatment facility and it could prove more cost-effective to move because the cost of adding a restroom would be covered by grant money.

Acheson explained that there are any decision is made, the design specifics for the treatment facility will need to be checked to see if the building will work.

"We haven't made any decision yet. Right now, we just don't know what to do," said Mayor Rita Ruffing. "The biggest complaint we've had is that people don't see anything being done."

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## Washington raises minimum wage, Idaho border towns feel squeeze

MOSCOW (AP) — James Fairhall lives in Moscow and goes to school at the University of Idaho. But for 30 hours a week, he crosses the border into Pullman to work as a pizza delivery driver.

That's because Washington's minimum wage is more than \$2.00 higher than Idaho's \$5.15. And it just went up again Monday, from \$7.63 to \$7.93.

It applies to workers in both agriculture and nonagriculture jobs, according to the state Department of Labor and Industries. And it's recalculated each year for workers age 16 and older, based on cost-of-living increases, and is expected to reach \$8.14 by 2009.

"It's kind of hard to make ends meet," Fairhall said. "I'm just glad the state of Washington has tied the minimum (wage) to inflation. That way it's advantageous to everyone."

Maybe not everyone. Some

businesses in Pullman say the steadily increasing minimum wage in Washington starts to make it hard for border towns a little more tempting.

"You'd like the wage to support families, but it's also difficult for a border town," said Pullman Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Fritz Hughes. "It's a double-edged sword. It's good for some folks, and on the other side, it's difficult for some small businesses."

Idaho's minimum wage has been at the federal level of \$5.15 an hour for about 10 years.

A state bill to increase the wage to \$6.15 an hour — and mandate yearly increases tied to inflation, like in Washington — died in a House committee this spring because some lawmakers feared it would lead to higher prices, increase unemployment rates and reduce incentives for low-paid work-

ers to improve themselves.

In Moscow, the city voted in August to pay its employees a "living wage" of \$10.25, but that only applies to city employees, or those employed by a company that contracts with the city.

Hughes said he thinks the higher wage has put a damper on development in Pullman. The higher minimum wages translate into higher prices, he says — which can be tough, when there's a town with lower prices less than 10 miles away.

Leti Meyers, who owns Simply Lanning and Nails Spa in Pullman, says she doesn't mind paying her seven employees an extra 30 cents per hour, but if wages hit \$9.50, she's going to have to cut back and raise prices.

"As a small business, it's going to catch up to me eventually," she said. "If it keeps going up, I'll have to even it out somehow."

## AROUND THE VALLEY

**Some offices closed for national day of mourning**  
TWIN FALLS — Federal offices, including post offices, will be closed today for the national day of mourning for President Gerald Ford.

**OVAC to hold auditions for 'Hello Dolly' musical**  
OAKLEY — The Oakley Valley Arts Council will hold auditions for its upcoming production of the musical "Hello Dolly" on Thursday and Saturday.

Tryouts are scheduled from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at Howells Opera House.

Performance dates are March 1-17.

Auditions are open to the public.

Participants should be 16 or older and should come prepared to read.

They should also have a short musical number ready to sing.

For more information, call 862-3308.

## Hospital's mobile breast cancer clinic travels Idaho, bringing aid to backcountry

FARMWAY VILLAGE (AP) — Idaho ranks among the lowest in the nation in the percentage of women older than 40 years old who are screened for breast cancer.

With few women coming to hospitals to get tested, cancer specialists have taken X-ray equipment to some of Idaho's far-flung communities to increase screening and breast cancer awareness. Last year, the mobile mammography unit at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center traveled many of southwestern Idaho's backcountry roads, making stops in towns like Council, Cascade, Shoshone, Jordan Valley and Weiser.

Last week, the final stop of

the year took the hospital's radiologists, nurses and cancer specialists to Farmway Village, a tiny outpost in Canyon County. The bus travels with X-ray screening equipment that detects pinhead-sized lumps in breast tissue.

"We'll see about 250 women a month," mobile mammographer Phra Bossard told the *Idaho Press Tribune*. "Most of the rural ladies won't travel 40, 50 miles to get their mammograms."

The mobile unit is an RV-sized bus, wired with \$300,000 of medical equipment. With the mobile testing center in the town square, women cannot use distance to the nearest city or lack of a car as an excuse to

ignore a checkup, Bossard said.

Breast cancer looms as a national health threat. Next year, one in eight women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer, Bossard said. If detected early, the five-year survival rate is more than 95 percent, she said.

"Women have a tendency to put themselves last and mammograms are put on the bottom of their lists," Bossard said.

Maura Salas, a Spanish-speaking Farmway Village resident, said limited English skills can also deter women.

"They feel ashamed. They think it will hurt," Salas said in Spanish after her screening. "But I do it for my family and for myself."

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**Twin Falls 4 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, gas heat, no pet/smoking. Year lease. \$725 mo. + \$725 dep. 275 Carney St. Call 208-731-3533**

**Twin Falls 4 bdrm, 2 bath, 1700 sq ft. Yvonne Flores. \$225 Alderwood Ave. \$225 Alderwood Ave. \$225 Alderwood Ave. \$225 Alderwood Ave.**

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**Twin Falls nice neighborhood, 3 bdrm, 2 bath, fenced backyard, auto sprinklers, fenced yard. 2 car garage, \$595 month. 208-508-4943**

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W. 2<sup>nd</sup> St & River Rd to Alhessro Rd

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G to K St. & 8<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**RT. 108: Rupert**  
Owens to South F St. 1<sup>st</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> St. S

**RT. 187: Rupert**  
E. S. E. 7<sup>th</sup> & S. A. St. Peach St.

**RT. 188: Rupert**  
1<sup>st</sup> St. 20<sup>th</sup> St. & H St. -Pasmerha Key

**RT. 1810: Rupert**  
A. St. -Shamrock St. & E. 15<sup>th</sup> to E. 18<sup>th</sup>

**RT. 1814: Rupert**  
E. 6<sup>th</sup> St. - E. 1<sup>st</sup> St. & A. St. -Walnut St.

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**KIMBERLY Duplex 2 large bdrm.** 2 bath. office, laundry room. No smoking. No pets. \$625 per month. Call Jan at 208-734-0062 or 208-731-9208

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**TWIN FALLS South.** 3 bedroom 2 bath. School Dist. 1,800 sq ft. 2 bdrm. 1st bdrm appl. \$550 month + deposit. Includes washer/dryer. This also can be a 3 bdrm. + appl. home at \$665 mo. + dep. No pets. 208-404-3057

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**TWIN FALLS studio** unit. Newly remodeled \$350 month + dep. 232 2nd St. 539-2272

**TWIN FALLS The Fats Apts./Pheasant** New Townhomes. No pet/smoking. \$495. 208-734-6600

**TWIN FALLS 2 bdrm.** 2 bath. 2 1/2 baths. No smoking. \$575 month + \$500 dep. No pet/smoking. Call 208-8620

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Most players, even at the top level, tend to follow with their lowest card unless they are signaling, or have some other reason not to. Declarer managed to exploit this tendency here to land the diamond slam that his side reached after his wafer-thin opening bid.

West's club lead ran around to declarer's jack. Declarer now crossed to dummy with a diamond, then which West played the seven and East the two. Declarer then played ace and another heart, East foolishly echoing a signal that could help only declarer. South ducked the second heart, but West won cheaply and played another club, won in hand. Declarer now ruffed the next heart high in the dummy. He had two parking places for his remaining heart-losers (the two black kings), so it was just a question of drawing trumps.

If West's diamond seven was a true card, he must have started life with either the singleton seven, in which case there was nothing to be done, or J-7 doubleton, in which case his jack could be dropped.

Accordingly, declarer played a diamond to his ace, dropping West's jack, drew East's last trump, and claimed the remainder.

The only time declarer's line would have cost was when West had started with 7-x of trumps. And with that holding, most players would not play the seven so early in the hand.

The motto for us all: be ready to produce the "irrelevant" falsehood in trumps smoothly. You never know when it will come in handy!

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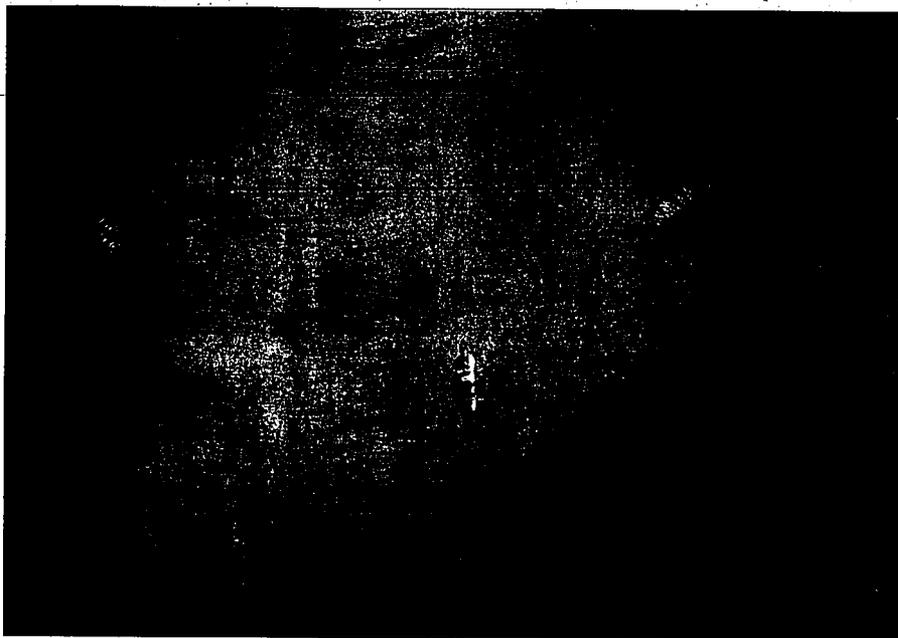
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## Perspective, lighting and lines



Anglers try their luck near Silver Creek in Blaine County. 'I was working in the Wood River Valley in the summer of '05,' says Steve Jones of Twin Falls. 'I spent mornings before work exploring the hills all over the valley taking pictures along the way. I snapped this photo on a beautiful morning at the nature preserve near Silver Creek.'

### Our readers' shots

Readers around the Magic Valley sent in splendid samples of their rural photography, and today we present four of our favorites.

Ashley Smith, the *Times-News* chief photographer who helped choose today's featured photos, praised the lighting and the shot-from-above perspective in Steve Jones' fly-fishing photo.

"There's some thought that went into this picture," Smith said.

Reflections in the water that flows through the frame are a nice touch, too, said Smith — who calls himself "a sucker for impressionist paintings."

In Pat Rains' storm photo, the cloud formation is compelling, and the foreground's stark tree adds depth to the image, Smith said. "I really like the mood."

Linda DeBoard's fence photo got points for green-and-gray contrasts.

And Smith liked the light, shadow, colors and angle in Eeva Jackson's picture of a nest.

"I think the blue sky's important," Smith said. "And I love the lines in it."

If you're eager to see your own rural photo on this page, send it in for our no-prize contest. We'll keep printing photo pages in *Country Roads* as long as you keep the submissions coming.

— Virginia S. Hutchins



Before retreating, Pat Rains snapped just this frame and one other on the April evening that this extraordinary storm hit Hagerman. "It was taken from the front porch of my home north of Gooding just before I ran down into my cellar. It looked a lot scarier in real life than it does in the photo," Rains says. Seconds later, the storm dumped huge hailstones on the roof of Rains' 96-year-old house.



Eeva Jackson of Rupert captured this image of a nest of her cabin near Clifford Springs, north of Raft River, in July. She never managed to get out the nest's owner from the area's other birds, but a bird-book description led her to a guess: long-billed marsh wren.

Rustic fencing lines a creek north of the Cottonwood Heights development south of Kimberly. "I just liked all the shades of green and fence angles," says Linda DeBoard of Twin Falls, who took this photo in June.



### Send us your wintry country-life shots

*Times-News*

Perhaps your camera captured a snowball fight in the back field. Or a funny image of wet boots and mismatched mittens. Or the best picture ever of Grandpa handling the cold-weather calving.

If so, we want to see it. Now and then in *Country Roads*, the *Times-News* showcases some of its readers' best photographs of rural topics.

We aren't offering prizes, but we're publishing our favorites along with our judges' comments.

And for the next round, we're particularly interested in the stuff of winter — hay wagons bouncing over icy ruts, perhaps, or chore kids hauling warm water to the animals.

Here's how to enter:

• Photos must be taken in Magic Valley

(including Mini-Cassia) or the Wood River Valley.

• Stick to recent photos, please. Nothing older than approximately one year.

• For our ease of judging, please submit prints (they can be plain-paper printouts or standard photo prints). After we choose winners, we'll ask them to e-mail high-resolution digital versions for publication.

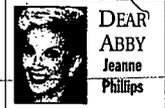
• Identify the people in your photograph, and where and when it was taken. And, of course, tell us who shot the photo. (If you aren't the photographer, you must include the photographer's written permission for publication in the *Times-News*.) If you'd like, please include a few extra comments about the photo.

• Include your address, phone number, and e-mail address.

• Mail entries to: Virginia Hutchins, Features Editor, *Times-News*, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303.



# Computer-illiterate parents leave their children at risk



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

children, which are offered by public libraries and some high schools and community colleges. It's either that or instructional CDs, or hiring a computer whiz to give you private lessons.

Children today learn to operate computers from earliest grade school and are completely proficient. If parents are...not...computer-literate, then they should be sure their computer is in plain view while it's being used by the children.

Computers are wonderful tools, but they can also be "open windows" to — and from — the outside of your home. It's only common sense to supervise with whom your child is interacting and who has access to your child.

DEAR ABBY: I am 14, and, trust me, those boys probably are looking at pornography. I'd say the odds are about 8 to 1. You don't need a credit card. Sites offer previews, or "free tours" of the site, and other sites are totally free.

Also, no offense to your advice, but the "history" can easily be cleared. I'm 14, and I can clear every site I have visited in a matter of seconds. I'd suggest they install something like Net Nanny on their hard drive and not tell the kids. — HOPEFULLY HELPFUL, GREENE COUNTY, TENN.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to the Nov. 20 letter from the computer-illiterate parents whose sons, 12 and 13, are spending hours "locked in their room" with their computer.

It is time for parents to get educated on the ins and outs of the Internet. I'm a computer tech who has researched Internet safety extensively. Not only do predators stalk the social networking sites and chat rooms, but children can be exposed to cyber-bullying and inappropriate materials as well. Example: One of my friends caught her 15-year-old son watching a 14-year-old girl perform a striptease over a live video chat.

No child should have a computer in the bedroom. It should be located in a common area where there is no privacy. There are numerous organizations like i-Safe ([www.isafe.org](http://www.isafe.org)) and CyberAngels ([www.cyberangels.org](http://www.cyberangels.org)) available to help out.

— AARON IN ST. LOUIS  
DEAR AARON: Thank you for not only lending your expert opinion, but also for mentioning some organizations that can be helpful to parents. The Internet has become a vast hunting ground for predators, and pedophiles frequently find new prey using it. And they are not the only predators out there. As you mentioned regarding the 14-

year-old girl, some teens are also looking for sexual conquest. Read on.

DEAR ABBY: The parents who were told their boys "couldn't be looking at pornography" unless they had a credit card — which they didn't — were seriously misinformed. Touch the wrong key on your new computer and disastrous things happen. Many times I have had to call my son to come over and return my screen to normal. Sometimes the computer will not even let me turn it off. I have two friends' who complain about the same problems.

In addition, my brother-in-law says he never heard my sister swear until she got her new computer. It seems that the new generation of MACs and PCs are designed chiefly for the technologically elite — which most of us are not.

R.H., PROFESSOR  
EMERITUS, UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

DEAR R.H.: If the new generation of MACs and PCs are difficult for intelligent folks to master, then the logical answer is to sign up for computer

## Coordinated attacks hit U.S. cities in 1920

This day in history: In a coordinated attack in 33 American cities on Jan. 2, 1920, federal agents arrested 5,000 people who they believed were sympathetic to socialism or communism. Over the following two weeks, another 5,000 would be arrested.

January is the month when the fewest couples divorce. It is also the month that the fewest couples marry.

A poll found that 4 percent of the people in the western United States don't eat meat. Hey, don't fear the critics. From the School of Hard Knocks, we bring you this Boston Intelligence review of Walt Whitman's classic collection of poems, "Leaves of Grass": "The author should be kicked out from all decent society as below the level of the brutes. He must be some escaped lunatic raving in



ERIN BARRETT & JACK MINGO

pitiable delirium." So how do they keep M&Ms from melting in your hand? They whip air into the chocolate so that the chocolate has somewhere to go when it begins to run. The candy-coating shell on the outside also helps prevent chocolate in the hand.

Centuries ago, colonial laws specifically banned the game of Nine Pins. Players quickly exploited the loophole by adding another pin. That's why modern bowling has 10.

About 76 percent of all teachers are married. Only 12

percent are single, and another 12 percent are widowed, divorced or separated.

It's no big secret: PEZ was coined as a name from Pfefferminz, the German word for "peppermint."

Pennsylvania Dutch folklore once had it that placing a cat in the cradle of a couple of newlyweds would bring children soon.

Oscar Wilde once astutely noted, "If all grammarians in the world were placed end to end, it would be a good thing."

The average American will eat more than a ton of food a year, including 100 pounds of vegetables, 80 pounds of fresh fruit, 117 pounds of potatoes and 116 pounds of beef.

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### Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



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### The Born Loser

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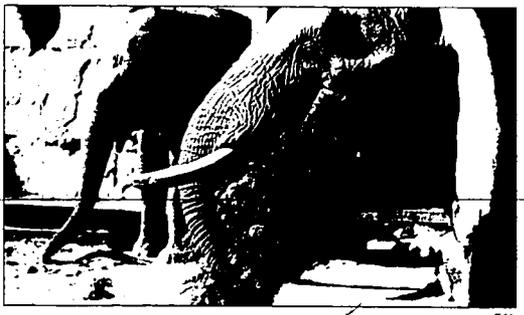


### THE FAMILY CIRCLS

By Bill Keane



## BIG GULP



A report, an African elephant, munches on a Christmas tree Wednesday at the San Antonio Zoo. The trees come from a vendor's overstock and contain no ornaments and are donated annually after the holiday.

## Stereo sensors guide fish through water

St. Louis Post-Dispatch

ST. LOUIS — Two years ago, Paul A. Cziko and his diving partner dove under more than 20 feet of sea ice in the frigid waters off the coast of Antarctica.

They were looking for the eggs of the naked dragonfish. Instead, Cziko, a researcher at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, discovered a previously unknown species of fish.

A female fish sitting on a large, flat rock caught Cziko's eye. He knew this fish was different. So they threw a mesh bag over the fish and brought her ashore for more study.

Cziko, now at the University of Oregon, made careful measurements of the new fish and compared it with other fish in the area. It soon became apparent that the lone female was the first member of her species found by humans. The fish resembles one caught in 1975 off the Antarctic Peninsula, called *Cryotheta peninsulae*, but has a special sensor that sets it apart.

Cziko could have named the fish after himself, another scientist or a rock band, but he is a purist. He wanted a name that tells something about the fish. With the help of a classics professor, he chose the Greek name *Cryotheta amphitreta*.

*Cryotheta* means "from the cold," and *amphitreta* means "a cave with two openings."

The second half of the name refers to a structure on the fish's forehead called the interorbital pit. The pit is an opening to a series of canals under the scales that help fish sense changes in water pressure, such as those produced when another fish swims by.

The newly discovered fish has a pit with two openings, whereas its cousin has only a single opening. The double pits make more sense to Cziko. Like stereo vision or sound, dual pressure sensors might help the fish locate prey better than a mono version can.

COUNTRY ROADS

# Holding onto their horses

California city bucks development to preserve horse-friendly lifestyle

The Associated Press

NORCO, Calif. — Tucked in a region of gailying suburban growth in Southern California's town where the sidewalks are horse trails and there's a ride-through McDonald's.

Norco is self-proclaimed Horsetown USA, population 25,000, plus as many as 20,000 horses.

Yet for all its Wild West trappings, Norco is struggling to preserve its equine identity and make sure its new slogan — "City living in a rural atmosphere" — doesn't become a hollow promise.

The town is under tremendous development pressure along with the rest of one of the nation's fastest-growing areas, Riverside County, east of Los Angeles.

Mansions have been going up on the hills nearby, and some Norco residents fear that people who want country living but don't like horses are going to move in, subdivide their lots and pave over the trails and grass.

To try to head them off at the pass, Norco adopted a requirement last year that all new commercial development have a Western theme, which according to a manual issued by the city can include the use of railroad ties, shutters and wooden walkways, all painted in earth tones.

Also, over the past few years, the city has barred residents from subdividing their property and paving over trails and corrals by installing swimming pools, fire pits or extended driveways. Every home development must now reserve some land for animal keeping, even if the homeowners do not have horses.

"People can call us cowboys and hicks and we don't care," said former Mayor Kathy Azevedo. "We don't want to lose it. We don't want to become Orange County."

It yet another ride admitted to help preserve Horsetown USA image, animal-related matters need a supermajority vote in the City Council chambers, where cowboy hats and boots are the norm.

Soon the city's main street will be illuminated by lanterns with the silhouette of a horse's head. And Norco hopes to win trademark approval of "Horsetown USA" any day now.

Norco is completely surrounded by a lot of development," said City Manager Jeff Alfred, "and that's what's fueling the desire to trademark the city and to ensure that people know that this is a different place."

Norco, about 50 miles east of Los Angeles' skyscrapers, is certainly different.

A few miles before visitors reach Norco, they can catch a whiff of horse manure. Restaurants and other watering holes, such as the Saddle Sore Saloon, have horse troughs and corrals. Drivers face \$135 tickets for blocking the city's 120 miles of trails. A few feet above a pedestrian crosswalk button is another button for those on horseback.

Even those who do not own horses are also expected to support the lifestyle. City Council members recently discussed including a horse manure rake as part of the welcome wagon to new residents. Around here, rumors that a political candidate is not animal-friendly are said to be enough to kill a campaign.

Kevin Hanna, who helped create the Norco Horsemans Association, the city's most powerful lobbying group, recalled one such candidate. "His platform was sidewalks and street signs," Hanna said in a deep Texas drawl. "He didn't get elected."



Karen Pawly pushes a street signal button at a horse crossing in Norco, Calif., Dec. 12. Norco, a little city of 28,000 people, is doing all it can to hold onto its equestrian identity. This includes requiring that all development have western-themed architecture and trade-marking the name 'Horsetown USA.'



Kathy Azevedo, left, Karen Pawly, center, and a rider identified only as Burt pass along some of the more than 120 miles of horse trails in Norco, Calif.



Kathy Azevedo rides past a bicyclist in Norco, Calif.

"People can call us cowboys and hicks and we don't care."

— former Mayor Kathy Azevedo



Kathy Azevedo leads her horse out of the corral in front of a western-themed restaurant in Norco, Calif.

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