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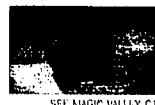


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## Canyon rim hotel asks for 10 stories

### City committee gives OK to taller building

By Sandy Miller  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The plan had been sitting on the table since December 1999, when the city said OK to a hotel and convention center along the Snake River Canyon rim. But on Thursday evening,

Neilsen and Co.'s vision for a hotel and convention center moved one step closer to fruition when the city's Citizen Design Review Committee said yes to its request for additional height.

Neilsen and Co. will now begin working on a planned unit development for a 10-

story hotel and convention center, which will then go to city planners for their recommendation and on to the City Council for its approval.

It's just one of many projects in the 40-acre Canyon Park development, which already includes a retail center and restaurant on the east side of

**Coming up**

Read more about Neilsen and Co. and its Canyon Park development in the Feb. 11 Money section of the Times-News.

Blue Lakes, and a bank and a number of restaurants on the west side. Still to come are office buildings, a lifestyle cen-

ter and possibly a new visitors center.

The 225-room hotel would sit perpendicular to the canyon.

"We wanted to make sure everyone had a view of the canyon," said Robert Fayon, an architect with the Newport Beach, Calif., firm of Wimberly, Allison, Tong and Goo. Fayon said much thought

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## Let them be heard?

### Legislature takes closer look at livestock rule

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

BOISE — The Idaho Legislature is taking a closer look at a controversial statute that affects nearly every Magic Valley county.

Sen. Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, has proposed a bill amendment that would allow testimony at county confined animal feeding operation hearings from affected people outside a one-mile radius of the proposed site.

Under Idaho law, only people who live within one mile of a proposed CAFO can testify, unless a county elects to expand that radius.

If the bill passes, it could affect how testimony is heard in several Magic Valley counties, including Jerome, where an ongoing case involving an 18,555-animal operation has raised the ire of residents and groups — including the National Park Service — outside the one-mile radius. "I've never seen the odor, or the flies, or the lights or any other impact of a large CAFO stop at one mile," Stennett said. "The rule is un-American and closed government at its worst."

Jerome County Commissioner Diana Obenaus suggested earlier this month her county change its ordinance to extend the radius, but if Stennett's bill passes, all Idaho counties would have to allow testimony from affected people.

Idaho statute defines an affected person as "one having an interest in real property which may be adversely affected by the issuance or denial of a permit authorizing the development."

The amendment is still in its infancy — it has yet to be assigned a number. However, it could be presented in committee as early as next week.

Stennett expects the bill to pass the Senate but is unsure how it will fare in the House.

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## Groups sue to shut down INL nuclear reactor

By Shannon Dinsley  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Two nuclear watchdog groups have sued the U.S. Department of Energy in federal court to shut down a nuclear reactor at the Idaho National Laboratory and force the agency to conduct an environmental review before trying to extend the reactor's life.

Other proposals and expanding, adding dams on Snake River.

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The Advanced Test Reactor is one of three materials test reactors built at the 890-square-mile complex headquartered in Idaho Falls. Built in 1967, the reactor bombards materials with neutrons to speed the effects of radiation and reveal weaknesses that might develop in materials over time.

Last year, the Energy Department launched a 10-year, \$200 million program to extend the life of the reactor to 2040. The decision followed a proposal to consolidate U.S. production of plutonium-238 for NASA and national security agencies in the 250-megawatt reactor.

Plutonium-238 is not used in nuclear weapons. But because of the heat it generates during a lengthy decay period, the highly toxic material is used as a long-lasting power supply for deep-space satellites and in surveillance devices that are placed underwater or on land.

The 40-year-old reactor is already well past its design life, and any program to extend its use will generate significant quantities of radioactive waste, much of which has no identified path for disposal, according to the lawsuit filed

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## Incubator and alligator



Cassie Vierstra's senior project at Filer High School is propagation of raspberry plants. A classmate, meanwhile, is attempting embryonic transplants inside chicken eggs.

## Farm girls take on ambitious science projects

By Virginia S. Hutchins  
Times-News writer

FILER — Put a couple of farm girls fascinated by living things into a high school with a dynamic science teacher and grant-funded lab equipment, and you just might get senior projects on plant propagation and embryonic transplants.

"We want them to experience what real science and research are," said Edward Richards, a science teacher at Filer High School.

This winter, two seniors in his projects class are taking advantage of Filer High's fine collection of lab equipment — and of Richards' passion for pairing students with professionals in real-world industry and research.

Cassie Vierstra — a rodeo racer and roper and daughter of dairy and farm owners — is preparing 200 tiny raspberry plantlets for propagation. Classmate Amanda Telleria, a farm resident interested in genetic engineering and stem cell research, is transplanting limb buds from one chicken embryo to

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Teacher's union tests lawmakers on Idaho education



# YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

## TODAY'S FORECAST

### TWIN FALLS

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### MINI-CASSIA

Today's low clouds overhead. Highs, upper 30s. Tonight: Fair to partly cloudy skies. Lows, upper teens. Tomorrow: Continued quiet weather conditions with a few clouds overhead. Highs, mid 30s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

## TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**The Art Gathering**, meet the artists, craftsmen and authors, 1 to 6 p.m., with lecture by Teddy Khtelani-Koetan and refreshments from 2 to 4 p.m., Lion's Gate Gallery, 219 Main St., Fliey, no cost, 543-4690.

**Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella"**, presented by the Mount Hamilton Heritage Foundation, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, \$10 reserved seating and \$8 general seating, 878-5464.

### EDUCATION

**2nd annual Brown Bag Lecture Series**, with John Blier, advisor/instructor at Boise State University presenting "Aukera: A History of the Basque in Idaho," noon to 1 p.m., Twin Falls Public Library Program Room, Twin Falls, no cost (bring "brown bag" lunch), 734-ARTS.

**"Collecting Contemporary Art: A Current History of Curiosities,"** lecture by Ruth Blom, trustee of the Museum of Contemporary Arts in Los Angeles, 7 p.m., Community Library, Ketchum, no cost, 726-3493.

### EXHIBITS

**"Discontinuity,"** contemporary abstract paintings of local artist Ben Browne in the Galleria Pequeena and new works by memberartists 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

**"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.

### GOVERNMENT

**Twin Falls County commissioners**, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.

### HEALTH

**College of Southern Idaho's Over Sixty and Getting Fit programs**, a guided walking workout with stretching and geriatric resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Jerome Recreation Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Gym, Blaine County Campus Gym and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center gym, no cost, 732-8475.

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48** Chapter of Jerome, a weight loss support group, 4 p.m., the Jerome Public Library, 100 8th Ave. E., Jerome, 420-3823.

**Weight-Loss Surgery Support Group**, for those who are preparing for surgery, have had the surgery or who have questions about it, 7 p.m., Sally's Office Solutions, 338 Main St., Gooding, no cost, 934-4122.

### MUSEUMS

**Faithful Planetarium**, "Far Out Space Places," 7 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.

## FIVE-DAY PLANNER

### ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

**Jan. 27, 29 Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella,"** presented by the Mount Hamilton Heritage Foundation, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, \$10 reserved seating and \$8 general seating, \$25 for four reserved seat tickets or for six general-admission tickets (Monday), 878-5464.

**Jan. 27 The Art Gathering**, meet the artists, craftsmen and authors, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., with fiber arts and spinning by Lu McCabe and refreshments from 2 to 4 p.m., Lion's Gate Gallery, 219 Main St., Fliey, no cost, 543-4690.

**Jan. 27 The 23rd Annual Poetry Gathering**, "When it's Night, time in Nevada," an evening of music, poetry and stories from the heart, 7 p.m., PST, G Three Bar Theater, Western Folklife Center, 501 Railroad St., Eho, Nev., \$16-\$18 for day passes, no cost for children, (888) 880-5885.

**Jan. 28 Cowboy Poetry Gathering, "A Night at the Movies,"** screening of a classic Western film with popcorn, 7 p.m., PST, G Three Bar Theater, Eho, Nev., \$11-\$18 for day passes, no cost for children, (888) 880-5885.

**Jan. 29 Cowboy Poetry, "The Music and Verse of the Camargue"** Gypsy musicians from France, 7 p.m., PST, G Three Bar Theater, Eho, Nev., \$16-\$18 for day passes, no cost for children, (888) 880-5885.

**Jan. 30 Cowboy Poetry, "Cowboy Blues"** — recitations of classic cowboy poems, 7 p.m., PST, G Three Bar Theater, Eho, Nev., \$16-\$18 for day passes, no cost for children, (888) 880-5885.

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## Avalanche danger looms in the hills

When the first snow falls in late October or early November, it marks the beginning of a narrative that continues throughout the winter until the last patches of snow melt from the high peaks in central Idaho. Following this story and its complex web of characters and plot twists is vital to avoiding avalanches in the mountains.

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## Fairfield teen selected for elite program

**FAIRFIELD** — Katrina Davis will be representing Idaho in the 15th annual United States Senate Youth Program.

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## Twin Falls man sentenced in burglary

**BURLEY** — A Twin Falls man has been sentenced to three to seven years in the Idaho State Penitentiary for his part in the burglary of a home belonging to two deputy prosecutors in Cassia and Minidoka counties.

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## Eiko man faces drug charges

**EIKO** — Police arrested an Eiko man on drug charges Wednesday after an officer saw him drive erratically in the downtown area.

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### OBITUARIES

**Lera Bruce, 89**  
**Leta Bennett, 82**  
**David C. Armstrong, 80**

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### IDAHO/WEST



## Woman foils mountain lion attack on husband

**SAN FRANCISCO** — Wildlife officials on Thursday credited a woman with saving her husband's life by clubbing a mountain lion that attacked him while the couple were hiking in a California state park. Jim and Nell Hamu, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next month, were hiking in Pringle Creek Redwoods State Park when the lion pounced.

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## Idaho moves closer to Internet sales tax

**BOISE** — Idaho took another step Wednesday to join a nationwide push to make stores that sell over the Internet to customers in other states collect sales taxes from their customers, just like more traditional businesses. The House Revenue and Tax Committee voted 9-8 to deepen the state's involvement in the Streamlined Sales Tax Project.

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## Idaho might charge \$26.50 to shoot wolf

**BOISE** — For the price of a tank of gas for a compact car, Idaho hunters may be able to legally kill a wolf. The state plans to charge \$26.50 for hunters who want to kill a wolf once the predators are delisted. The Fish and Game Commission met Thursday in a hastily called special meeting where they put together a package of changes that must be approved by the Legislature to hold legal hunts for wolves.

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### NATION/WORLD



## Spot in brain may control smoking urge

**WASHINGTON** — Damage to a silver dollar-sized spot deep in the brain seems to wipe out the urge to smoke, a surprising discovery that may shed important new light on addiction.

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## Beirut imposes curfew after rivals clash

**BEIRUT**, Lebanon — University students loyal to Lebanon's government clashed with Hezbollah supporters Thursday, setting cars ablaze and battling with homemade clubs and stones. The melee deepened worries that Lebanon cannot contain the political and sectarian rivalries threatening to push it toward civil war.

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## Ford posts record net loss of \$12.7 billion

**DEARBORN, Mich.** — Ford Motor Co. lost a staggering \$12.7 billion in 2006, an average of \$1,925 for every car and truck it sold. The company warned it will bleed cash for two more years before it has a shot at making money.

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## Senate divide grows over Iraq resolution

**WASHINGTON** — The leader of a bipartisan effort to rebuke President Bush's Iraq plan said Thursday he would not strike a compromise with a harsher Democratic resolution the Senate will debate next week.

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### SPORTS

## Burley boys basketball team tops Tigers

**JEROME** — Burley has got Jerome's number. After the Bobcat girls topped the Tigers on Wednesday, it was the boys' turn on Thursday. With a quick start and consistent defensive pressure, Burley kept its perfect district mark intact with a 66-56 victory over the Jerome in Great Basin West Conference basketball action Thursday.

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## CSI to play Eastern Utah's Golden Eagles

**TWIN FALLS** — Golden Eagles meet the Golden Eagles. The College of Southern Idaho and College of Eastern Utah men's basketball teams have shared the same nickname but little else in recent Scenic West Athletic Conference history. While the Golden Eagles of Twin Falls have flown high among the conference leaders, the Golden Eagles of Price, Utah, have been a bit more grounded, mired among the middle of the SWAC pack.

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## Madison Bobcats thump Twins, 53-37

**TWIN FALLS** — The Madison Bobcats showed why they are considered the top 5A team in the state with a 53-37 Region Four-Five State win over Twin Falls at Baun Gymnasium on Thursday. The Bobcats are now 16-0 for the season and 7-0 in the conference. The shooting woes that have plagued the Bruins for most of the season continued.

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## CORRECTION

### Name of bar incorrect

Five men involved in a triple-fatality wreck early Wednesday morning had spent part of the previous night at T1's Lounge and Iraq plan said Thursday he would not strike a compromise with a harsher Democratic resolution the Senate will debate next week.

# Canyon

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went into a design that would preserve the natural beauty of the canyon. For instance, the hotel's muted green roof, earth-tone walls, gray-green tinted windows and stone veneer would allow for maximum openness on the canyon, which he called "the gateway to Twin Falls."

But committee member David Mead said he wasn't very happy with what's happened to that gateway.

"We used to have a gateway until Canyon Park East came in," Mead said.

Canyon Park East is the site of the retail center that includes Best Buy, Old Navy and other stores, and Mead says all he sees as he approaches the Perrine Bridge from the north is a "big used car lot."

"In other words, we'll have a parking lot on both sides," Mead said.

Project engineer Gerald Martens assured Mead there would be attractive landscap-

ing on the hotel's side of the Canyon Rim Trail.

This is an upscale hotel and there will be landscaping," Martens said.

Payan said going taller would allow for 100-foot setbacks. And that earned Mead's praise.

"I give you the 'bravado' for going back 100 feet," Mead said.

Committee member Kevin Danc voiced concerns about traffic, which he said was already reaching frustration levels.

Martens said the traffic plan would continue to be updated. He also mentioned the possible construction of a new Visitors Center that would have much more parking space than the current Visitors Center, which sits just east of the proposed hotel site.

The new Visitors Center would be in the same vicinity, though closer to the canyon rim. Martens said Neilsen and Co. had been talking to the

Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce about building a new, "Improved Visitors Center."

The Visitors Center sits on state-owned land that is leased by the city. If all goes as planned, Neilsen and Co. will assume the lease and build a new center.

Committee member Brent Jusell thanked the Neilsen and Co. team for presenting the project in such detail.

"I do think this is a significant issue for this community and we need to fully understand what it means," Jusell said.

In the end, Mead was the only committee member to give a thumbs down on Neilsen and Co.'s request for additional height.

"A gateway with used cars showing disturbs me very much," Mead said.

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# Science

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another under the mentorship of an Idaho State University research professor.

"It's all outside of the textbook," Richards said.

In an industry where patents and proprietary plans are common, Vierastra sought out an Eastern lab willing to share its raspberry variety, and bought \$60 worth of sterile, immature plantlets — meristem tissue cut from the tips of raspberry plants that has begun to root and shoot.

Folks at a Utah lab which partners with Richards provided free media and hormones.

"They want to see kids get involved in plant propagation," Richards said.

Vierastra mixed a gel-like medium with root-growth hormones, shoot-growth hormones and minerals, boiled it on a simmer plate, put a little in each of 200 small glass jars and sterilized them in a autoclave. Working under a hood blowing filtered air, she used tweezers and a scalpel to separate the plantlets and press each into the soft medium inside a glass jar.

That was a month ago, and her jars are arrayed under long lights in a closet-like room off the school's science lab. Now roots are starting to grow.

Vierastra said, turning over a jar to show off a tiny root. And new, green growth is replacing old, leaflets that died off.

"Eventually I'll grow and fill this whole jar," she said.

But her waiting means watching too.

"If we're not careful — you can see that purple stuff right there — we'll get mold," Vierastra said. If she catches it early, she can cut it out. "The mold enjoys this medium. It'll grow pretty fast in it."

In another month or two, she hopes the raspberry plants will be large enough for her to cut more plantlets and grow them in turn. Her goal is 500 plants that she can transfer to the Filer High greenhouse, then market this spring. Proceeds will go to the greenhouse.

"It's a pretty ambitious project for her," Richards said. "To go from plantlets to greenhouse, it's going to take a lot of effort."

Sure, raspberries can be grown from seed. But micro-propagation — or tissue culturing — ensures genetic uniformity.

"And this is how industry does it," Richards said.

That's the point, after all: learning a process that science students can use in college and beyond.

Telleria, with her chicken embryos, is learning a method, a procedure, for future study.

She gathered just-laid eggs from a family friend's chicken farm. On the third day, she cut embryo limb buds and — working through holes cut in the eggshells — transplanted them to other embryos in the

same stage of development. The key is just where she places each batch of cells: Will it develop into a limb? Or be influenced by the tissue around the transplant site?

On the 10th day, Telleria will evaluate the results. While she waits, the eggs rest in an incubator, with tape covering their holes.

So far, she's done just one set of transplants. When she perfects her technique, she'll develop a lab exercise for Richards' sophomore biology class.

"When you provide an opportunity," Richards said, "kids will go for it."

Due to a printing error, the 40% off Entire Stock Family Active Shoes advertised in the Entire Stock Sale includes only the following brands: "Adidas, Avire, NIS and Reebok." This sale is good for Friday, January 26 and Saturday, January 27, 2007. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you.

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**CORRECTION**

# Reactor

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Monday in U.S. District Court in Idaho.

"Absent major safety upgrades and very significant expenditures, extending the ATR's operation poses unacceptable risks to the residents of southeastern Idaho and western Wyoming," says one of the nation's most cherished national parks, Yellowstone National Park and Grand Teton National Park, the lawsuit said.

The complex sits about 90 miles west of Jackson, Wyo., which is just south of the two national parks.

The lawsuit was filed by nonprofit Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free of Jackson, Wyo. and its executive director, Mary Woolen; nonprofit Environmental Defense Institute of Troy, Aberdeen resident Debra Stansell; and John Peavy of Carey, a former Idaho senator for 21 years.

Energy Department officials refused to discuss the lawsuit or the program to extend the

reactor's life.

"The reactor has contributed significantly to the development of the Navy's nuclear fleet, as well as safely producing medical and industrial isotopes," spokesman Tim Jackson said in a statement.

"The department intends to assure that ATR continues to operate safely now and in the future."

Beginning in 2003 and concluding in 2006, several teams reviewed the reactor and found that while its current condition and staff were sufficient to support safe near-term operations, the viability of long-term operations was in doubt. A March 2006 report on the plan also detailed a 115,000-hour backlog of deferred maintenance and engineering, at an estimated cost of \$5 million.

The report, prepared for the Energy Department, was released to The Associated Press by the Yellowstone watchdog group, which obtained it through an infor-

mation request.

However, the reactor was shut down for three months last fall for a scheduled maintenance outage as part of the extension program. Maintenance activities included replacement and refurbishment of more than 350 parts and more than 200 technical safety inspections, among other things.

Mark Sullivan, a Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free lawyer, said the facility should immediately be shut down until federal officials can assure residents it is safe. In the meantime, he said, the Energy Department must conduct an environmental assessment and at least consider the alternatives to extending the reactor's life.

"You have to address the 40 years of inadequate safety requirements," Sullivan said. "But we feel before the government enacts that program, they should at least weigh their alternatives. In fact, they're required to."

# Rule

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This proposal has the support of several other environmental groups, including the Idaho Conservation League. Courtney Washburn is the group's community conservation director.

"We have been concerned about the one-mile limit issue because we think people should have the opportunity to comment on proposals that affect their lives," she said. "We support a change."

The state's leading dairy advocacy group can't say the same — at least not yet.

"I'll tell you that it's a unique way to address the one-mile radius rule," said Bob Naerebout, president of the Idaho Dairyman's Association.

He said his group has broadened that term "directed persons" may be too broad, and that the bill would take away local control from county commissioners.

He said he may have a stronger opinion about the matter after he reviews the bill today.

This isn't the first time the Legislature has reviewed |

the one-mile rule.

Stennett proposed a similar bill two years ago that was killed in the Senate on a tie vote.

Another radius-related bill — presented in 2004 by former

republican Sen. Laird Noh — died in committee, also on a tie vote. Sen. Tom Gannon, R-Buhl, could have broken the tie on the Noh bill, but he was absent because of a doctor's appointment.

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NATION

# Third soldier pleads guilty in Iraqi men's deaths in 2006

Los Angeles Times

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. — Pfc. Corey Claggett confessed his crimes in clinical detail Thursday and said he was pro-

foundly sorry for what he had done.

His eyes downcast, Claggett told a military court that he had conspired with two other U.S. soldiers last May to murder

three unarmed Iraqi men they had taken prisoner. He shot two, he said quietly. He and his comrades staged a phony crime scene, then lied about it all.

In an agreement with prosecutors, Claggett, 22, pleaded guilty to premeditated murder, conspiracy and obstruction of justice. A military judge sentenced him to 18 years in

prison. Claggett will be eligible for parole after serving a little more than five years, his military lawyer said.

"We were gonna kill 'em for no reason," Claggett told the

judge, describing how his squad leader convened a meeting during a combat mission May 9 and announced that the three detainees were going to be killed.

## No compromise seen between Iraq resolutions

By Anne Flaherty  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The leader of a bipartisan effort to rebuke President Bush's Iraq strategy said Thursday he would not strike a compromise with a harsher Democratic resolution the Senate will debate next week.

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., former chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said he won't negotiate with Democrats to develop a single proposal on Iraq. His commitments — along with the emergence of other resolutions the Senate might consider — underscored how a Congress largely against Bush's proposal to send more troops to Iraq remained divided over what to do about it.

Warner's decision bolsters chances that his resolution will be the one to win final Senate approval. Democrats are expected to vote for his proposal if their measure fails, and several Republicans said they prefer Warner's approach because it is less divisive.

His decision to avoid haggling also decreases the odds that a single resolution would emerge that would garner a strong, bipartisan vote approaching Bush's plan, which the White House hopes to avoid.

Warner's resolution would put the Senate on record as opposing Bush's decision to send 21,500 more troops to Iraq. It leaves open the possibility that a small number of votes could be sent to the western Arab Peninsula, where al-Qaida members are believed to be operating.

The nonbinding measure is less critical than one approved Wednesday in a 12-9 vote by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. That resolution —



Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Joseph Biden, D-Del., gestures during the committee's hearing on Iraq reconstruction on Capitol Hill in Washington, Thursday.

introduced by Sens. Joseph Biden, D-Del., Carl Levin, D-Mich., and Chuck Hagel, R-Neb. — states flatly that sending more troops into Iraq is "not in the national interest."

Any agreement on the two resolutions "should occur as a consequence of the will of the Senate, working in open session," Warner wrote in a letter to Biden and other co-sponsors of the Democratic-driven resolution.

A full Senate vote could come as early as the week of Feb. 5, with debate beginning next week. The House is expected to follow with a vote on a similar measure.

Amid the maneuvering, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., and Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., led House members on a fact-finding trip to Iraq.

And other Democrats attacked Vice President Dick Cheney for comments in a CNN interview Wednesday denouncing administration policy in Iraq.

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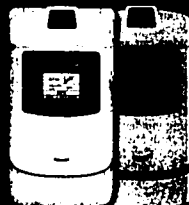
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# Cheney spokeswoman contradicts Libby's account in CIA leak case

By Michael J. Sautin  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Vice President Dick Cheney's spokeswoman testified Thursday she told L. Lewis "Scooter" Libby that a prominent war critic's wife was a CIA employee earlier than Libby has said he first learned it from a reporter.



Libby

On the third day of Libby's grand jury investigating who

leaked the wife's identity to reporters in 2003. Theodore Wells, defense lawyer for Cheney's former chief of staff, quickly sought to limit any damage from the testimony of Cheney's former assistant for public affairs.

Wells got Martin to acknowledge that she herself could not recall for sure whether she relayed the information about CIA operative Valerie Plame.

wife of Iraq war critic Joseph Wilson, to Cheney and Libby on June 11, 2003, or as late as July 6, 2003.

The date is important because Libby told investigators he first heard of Plame's job from NBC reporter Tim Russert on July 10. Libby claims that because he was preoccupied with pressing national security issues, he simply forgot he had earlier learned about her work

at CIA from government officials. Besides Martin, one State Department and two CIA officials testified earlier to conversations with Libby about Plame before July 10, 2003. The defense tried to show each had imperfect memories.

On Thursday morning, a legal argument between Wells and prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald outside the jury's presence increased the likelihood that Libby will testify.

Fitzgerald argued that Wells was trying to get the memory defense into evidence "with no guarantee of Mr. Libby testifying" and being subject to cross-examination about his memory.

But U.S. District Judge Reggie Walton warned, "I will not permit the defense to argue the memory defense at closing if Mr. Libby does not testify."



Undated image provided by the Journal Science shows a close up of jumping spider *Cosmophasis umbratica*. C. umbratica which has excellent eyesight that is sensitive to UV light. Males and females have UV-reflective body parts.

## Mate that glows puts the twinkle in a spider's eye

By Randolph E. Schmid  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — What puts that sexy twinkle in a spider's eye? A mate aglow.

Take away the ultraviolet portion of light, and what seemed like the arachnid version of Scarlett Johansson or Matthew McConaughey attracts no more lust than plain Jane or dummy Dan.

While people can't see ultraviolet light, spiders can, and it turns out to be important to their mating, researchers report in this week's online edition of the Journal Science.

It seems that both male and female jumping spiders — *Cosmophasis umbratica* — have markings on their faces and legs that glow in ultraviolet light, researchers led by Dale Qin Li at the National University of Singapore reported.

Many animals possess UV vision and use it for foraging, navigation and sexual selection, Li explained.

Jumping spiders are known to have good eyesight, he said, adding that many of these spiders are colorful, with the males generally more colorful than females.

That suggests a possible role of UV vision in jumping spiders, he said, so the researchers decided to explore the possibility.

"But we discovered UV-induced fluorescence communication in jumping spiders by chance," Li said.

"We were hoping to find out whether jumping spiders could really detect UV and respond to it, as well as whether jumping spiders use UV signals in their communications," Li explained.

The team placed pairs of spiders in a variety of light conditions to determine their reactions to each other.

The results:

- Under full-spectrum light, including UV, males and females began courtship rituals such as bent legs and hunched or beared abdomens.
- Without UV light, females turned away, and males ignored the girls or reduced their actions.
- When males were placed in UV light and females were not, the females could see the reflection from the males and performed their normal courting behavior. But 16 of 20 males ignored the females, who were not reflecting UV light.
- And when females were in UV light and males were not, the males responded to the glowing females and began courting behavior.

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EDITORIAL

# Empty recycle bins cry out for more support

It takes time to develop good habits. At least that's what we can tell ourselves about our poor effort in the 15 months since Twin Falls and PSI Environmental jointly initiated a citywide recycling program.

In 2006, Twin Falls residents recycled nearly 384 tons of cardboard, newspaper and aluminum. That represented just 2 percent of the garbage collected in Twin Falls, which shows how much room there is for improvement.

In 2001, the most recent year for which state and federal statistics are available, 32 percent of municipal waste was recycled nationwide. In Twin Falls, however, we appear to be headed in the wrong direction. From October through December, the city recycled 186,618 pounds of materials, down 16 percent from the same time in 2005, which was the first quarter for the program.

There are likely many reasons for our reluctance to recycle, including the theft of recyclable materials from some residents' garbage. And at \$13 a month for residential collection, recycling of garbage in Twin Falls may be too cheap to encourage enough of us to recycle. Garbage collection costs more in other parts of the country, where a greater percentage of residents recycle.

Recycling programs are often slow to start and generally begin with the most common items, said Terry Schultz, executive director of Southern Idaho Solid Waste. Glass and plastic could be introduced in the coming years. Expanding the program to include glass and plastic might help encourage more residents to recycle.

PSI has started a marketing campaign to increase awareness of the city's recycling effort — an idea supported by Mayor Lance Clow.

"The city has not done a good job of promoting it," he said at Monday's City Council meeting. "It's like any business and if (we) don't pay attention to it, it won't get done."

Promotion is a good thing. So is community pride. Recyclables are collected with the remaining trash — on the same day, once a week — in 18-gallon bins. It's a quick and easy thing to do. And more residents should participate in the recycling program because it's the right thing to do, too.

We agree with the mayor, who said: "The benefit is doing something good for the environment and feeling good."

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## LETTER

### Wolf warning sounded like an old canard

This is my response to the letter published Jan. 23, "Alaskan gray wolf is not a species native to Idaho," written by Tony Mayer. I've been hunting for 40 years and for 22 of those years, I lived and hunted in Alaska. Not once have I read about, heard of or witnessed a wolf attacking, let alone killing, a human. But I have heard Tony's gibberish before, and it is nothing more than a reflection of ignorance — a fanciful tale in which the wolf is a murderer, demonic creature, a land where man is excluded from the equation of overhunting and Tony Mayer "... witnessed firsthand how these predators kill elk." Tony, other than on the Animal Planet channel, have you ever actually seen a wolf?

Tony, you did vomit up one indisputable fact in your letter, and it concerned not wolves but bureaucrats. Who in their right mind would drop a top predator into an area surrounded by walking t-bones, lamb chops and human hunters eating at a buffet featuring a variety of yummy prey species? Bureaucrats begot sanity; they always have and they always will. And the rest of us will always and forever blubber, "How on earth did this ... happen?"

Tony, the Alaskan gray wolves released in Idaho belong to Alberta, Canada. No doubt they were trying to escape the harsh conditions suffered under Alaskan rule.

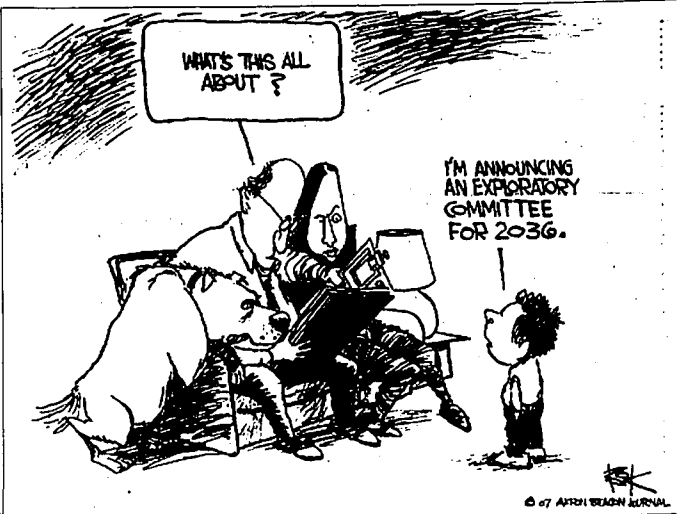
Have you ever been freed by a moose, Tony? I have, and I can tell you this: they don't like anything, not even themselves. So unless evolution makes them happier campers, I seriously doubt anyone anywhere will ever see "... moose herds."

From one "avid outdoorsman" to another, Tony, please stay indoors. It's safer, and you won't get eaten by the big bad wolf.

LOUIS BROMBACHER  
Anchorage, Alaska  
(Editor's note: Luis Brombacher is currently visiting in Twin Falls.)

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# Campaign will make 'Idol' look tame

BRIDGET JOHNSON

Never mind that many of the contestants blurt like sheep, sound like they swallowed a box of locks or dance like Ross Perot on speed — it's too mean to tell "American Idol" wannabes that their day job is a precious commodity, according to the latest round of criticism against the blockbuster Fox-reality show.

The new rules of niceties (advanced by a certain "The View" hostess) say that it's OK to rip on billionaires' comb-overs and some pageant owner who gave a beauty queen a ticket to rehab, but absolutely fearless to laugh at those who voluntarily wait in line for hours for a chance at public embarrassment, chomping at the bit to fling themselves at the feet of the most aerobic Brit ever to show off their corrodng pipes.

(Can you tell I'm from the party of personal responsibility?)

And if America can't take the constructive and occasionally destructive criticism offered talent-show dropouts, how on earth can America be ready for Campaign 2008?

Because as sure as Hillary Clinton picked a slow news day to make her "big announcement," the ultimate mudslinging event is here. It will still be here after this "American Idol" is crowned.

And it will still be here when the "American Idol" after that is chosen. And by that point, brutal "American Idol" auditions will look like a day with Mary Poppins compared with a day on the campaign trail.

The '08 lineup is shaping up, and many of these candidates or exploratory-committee formers may end up wishing they'd chosen squawking "Unchained Melody" for the Fox audience instead of giving stump speeches and dodging the brickbats from their intrepid opponents.

Among the Democrats' front-runners is, of course, Clinton. The grand dame of the left is "in to win," which means her campaign should leave no sleazy dirt unturned as she looks to flush out her hapless opponents and tackle the fact that much of the electorate finds her downright scary.

Young Illinois senator Barack Obama had the audacity to call his book "The Audacity of Hope," and furthermore has the audacity to challenge Hillary. He already got pelted with some campaign dirt last week, alleging he attended a madrasa, which apparently is an excit-

ing campaign revelation if you think that means he'll not decide one day to suicide bomb his own White House.

But watch out: John "Two Americas" Edwards has got a shovel and a publicity contingent, and he's not afraid to use 'em. If you've ever experienced a natural disaster in your neighborhood and hear a scratching at your back door in the coming months, it could be Edwards eager to engage in literal mudslinging — a trial lawyer turning dirt for the cameras while berating the rich.

There's also Chris Dodd — didn't he get booted off the "American Idol" finals so early last year and start a rock band?

There is potential for some juicy mudslinging shaping up on the right, as well. Kansas Sen. Sam Brownback, who is campaigning on ending cancer in 10 years, threw his hat into the ring against socially liberal (but nice 'n' popular) former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who comes in with enough personal dirt to plant a huge row.

John McCain has already been dealing with evangelical warfare, as Focus on the Family leader James Dobson has spoken out against McCain's candidacy and branded him anti-marriage. (The hawk, like Giuliani, gets

blasted on social issues, though he's further to the right than Rudy.)

Don't forget Mitt Romney. As you may have heard, the former Massachusetts governor is Mormon, which may result in scandalous accusations that he hogged all the caffeine-free sodas from the statehouse vending machine.

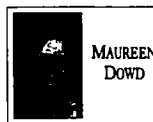
And border-security pick Tom Tancredo? How many candidates have a citizen militia in their corner? Opponents are probably eagerly searching for proof of his gardeners' citizenship status. Former Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson will never get past the name-mocking: Vote for Tom-Thom.

But even though we're in store for a dirty campaign, don't despair. Dirty campaigning is a good thing. If all of the candidates were joining hands around the campfire and singing "Kumbaya," we'd never get to see the real politician stripped of the sound-bite gloss.

And if we didn't get to see the horrendous "Idol" contestants, we wouldn't appreciate the talented songbirds nearly as much.

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# The ballad of Bushie and Flashy



MAUREEN DOWD

Afghanistan. After invading Kabul in 1839 and setting up an unpopular puppet shah, the British tramped through the snowy mountains to Jalalabad. Of more than 16,000 troops and camp followers, only one doctor survived; the rest were picked off in ambushes by Afghan warriors.

The lesson is that Afghanistan is a no man's land that can't be tamed by Britain. The British Empire, on which the sun never set, never succeeded in occupying Afghanistan even as it engaged in the Great Game with the Russians for influence there. It was terra incognita and terra fuggedaboutit.

You could never forget that in Afghanistan you are walking a knife-edge the whole time," Harry Flashman notes, adding that, like himself, the Afghans could be "cruel and bloodthirsty," turning on you with no warning.

Fraser echoed those sentiments when I tracked him down at his home on the Isle of Man. "No one has ever succeeded in invading Afghanistan," the octogenarian who fought in Burma in World War II boomed with a tone of Scottish accent.

The Afghans are extraordinary fighters, tough and resourceful and cruel, and they know their business

inside out," he said. "On their own territory, they're unbeatable. They love fighting and dealing with invaders. It's almost a game to them. The country is Death Valley 10 times over. You see them on television in their robes with their weapons and that's all. The American and British troops are loaded with rubbishy equipment."

"Eventually, I suppose, we'll get out of Iraq and pretend it's been a success when it's just a mess." Afghanistan is slightly different. You cannot ever win. When you consider the Russians put in more than 100,000 troops and couldn't do it. There's only one way to deal with the Afghans, and that's to buy them."

He has opened his mouth to the North and the South. They have stuffed his mouth with gold and sweet his favours are from Baluch to Kandahar.

"It wouldn't do Bush any harm to read Kipling," he concluded before signing off.

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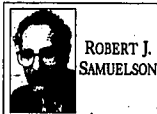
# Beware of being blinded by biofuel

President Bush joined the biofuels enthusiasts in his State of the Union address, and no one can doubt the powerful allure.

Farmers, scientists and venture capitalists will liberate us from insecure foreign oil by converting corn, prairie grass and much more into gasoline substitutes. Biofuels will even curb greenhouse gases.

Already, production of ethanol from corn has surged from 1.6 billion gallons in 2000 to 5 billion in 2006. President Bush set an interim target of 35 billion gallons in 2017 on the way to the administration's ultimate goal of 60 billion in 2030.

Sounds great, but be wary. It may be a mirage.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

(slightly more than 1 percent), it had a big effect on corn prices.

They're about \$3 a bushel, up from \$2 last year and the highest in a decade. Higher prices for corn (which is fed to poultry, hogs and cattle) raise retail meat prices. Ironically, fuel subsidies may boost food costs.

But corn harvests won't be large enough to meet either the 35 billion or 60 billion-gallon targets. Large amounts of "cellulosic" ethanol would also be needed — the term referring to the cellulose in other plants to be converted to ethanol. Prime candidates are farm wastes, including wheat straw and cornstalks.

Unfortunately, the chemistry for doing this is far more costly than for corn kernels. Without technological advances, cellulosic ethanol won't be economically viable.

Biofuels are certainly worth pursuing. Up to some point, they're even worth subsidizing. Government can nurture new technologies, and breakthrough for cellulosic ethanol — hardly inconceivable — would make a meaningful difference in the U.S. fuel balance. But there's also a real threat that the infatuation with biofuels is a political expediency that will turn into a classic government boondoggle.

Beneficially selected constituencies and providing few genuine public benefits. That has already happened with corn.

Our primary need is to curb reliance on foreign oil. The most obvious way to do that is to improve the efficiency of vehicles by 30 percent to 50 percent over the next few decades. Americans need more hybrids and more small vehicles. Biofuels might be a complement, but if they blind us to this larger reality, they will be a dead backward.

Here's why. First, it's necessary to convert the 60 billion gallons into barrels. Because there are 42 gallons in a barrel, that means dividing by 42. Further: Ethanol has only about two-thirds the energy value of an equal volume of gasoline. When you do all the arithmetic, 60 billion gallons of ethanol displace just under 1 billion barrels of gasoline. If its merely offsets increases in oil use, it won't cut existing import dependence or greenhouse gases.

The 60 billion-gallon goal — and 35 billion-gallon interim target — are probably also unrealistic. When we subsidize about biofuels, we're talking mainly about old-fashioned alcohol (aka ethanol). Until now, most ethanol has been made from corn. If small amounts of toxic gasoline were not added, it could become corn whiskey. Ethanol receives heavy federal subsidies. Oil refiners that blend it with gasoline get a 51-cent-a-gallon credit. The subsidy causes them to buy more oil, increasing corn demand.

Naturally, corn farmers love this. They've been the program's main beneficiaries. Although ethanol displaces only tiny amounts of oil

ask," but that is part of their charm. For example, a piece of clothing has rotted away from the south side of our house. I should point out that "rotted" is the word used by my wife. I prefer the word "deteriorated" as it implies that the wood will, or could, eventually heal itself and no intervention on my part will be required. It has been three years now and I am still waiting, but I am a faithful man.

I could probably attempt to repair the damage myself with the help of ladders and saws, but that I would cease to be a husband and instead become a carpenter. Husbands tend to lean toward self-preservation because we are so lovable.

It is unclear why wives cannot call a home-repair person or company to perform work of this sort. Perhaps their fingers start to quiver at the thought of dealing with a competent man. I don't know. Either way, you women need

Husbands to make these phone calls for you.

Husbands also save you from that modern affliction called "too-clean house." There have been stories in the newspaper about children coming down with colds and flu because their houses are totally germ-free. If you have a husband, this will never be a problem. Husbands attract germs the way dogs attract fleas, so you will never have to worry about your sterile living in an overly sterile environment.

These are just a few of the services that husbands provide.

Undoubtedly there are more, but there's a John Wayne movie on TV, so I can't really stop to think about them now.

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# In praise of husbands

According to a recent news article, American husbands are going the way of the dodo.

For the first time ever, more women are living without a husband than with one. In 2005, 51 percent of women said they were living without a spouse compared to 35 percent in 1950, a year when America was pure and innocent and perfect in every way if you discount the start of McCarthyism, the beginning of the Korean War and the introduction of processed cheese slices by Kraft.



## DAVID GRIMES

Women who choose to live without a husband don't know what they're missing.

Having been a husband, off and on, for almost 30 years, I think I can speak authoritatively about what it means to be in this particular condition. For starters, a husband takes a vow to love, honor and obey the woman he marries.

Sometimes husbands only succeed in one-third of these vows, but that is better than the batting average of almost every major league baseball player, so wives should try to be more understanding.

Furthermore, husbands are (theoretically) available to perform chores. Let's say a light bulb needs replaced. A husband will size up the situation, flick the on/off switch repeatedly for a couple of weeks to make sure the malfunction is in the bulb and not the power company, compare prices for replacement bulbs, and then go out and buy himself a new driver.

So, yes, husbands sometimes have trouble staying "on

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What's not to like? Unfortunately, this enticing vision is dramatically overdrawn.

Let's do some basic math. In 2006, Americans used about 7.5 billion barrels of oil. By 2030, that could increase about 30 percent to 9.8 billion barrels, projects the Energy Information Administration. Much of that gain would

Policy against home fire heating purely unfair

Reading the article concerning the new smoke ordinance interested me.

Did the council think about the number of homes that only have wood stoves? Did the council talk to experts concerning why smoke goes into homes? I doubt it.

A neighbor once complained about smoke in their home due to my stove? Did he want me to lose my pipe. I ghecked with Plew's and was told it doesn't matter the height of the pipe, the homes are built too close together, causing a draft not fixable.

We build our homes so close together it is hard to have the comfort of no smoke drifting down into a neighbor's home. When Mrs. Hymas said, "If it was a barking dog, I'd just accept it because that's what a good neighbor does." If wood is the neighbor's only means of heat, is not complaining the neighborly thing to do?

What are low-income families to do when they can go out and get wood for the price of wood permits, where if they heated their homes with other means — gas or electricity — they would not be able to heat their homes and end up sick or dead from the cold?

I think the council should reconsider its ordinance on wood-burning stoves. I don't feel it thought this through completely. Besides, this is the United States where the majority rules, so one person sounds an ordinance. Sounds like the Pledge of Allegiance taken out of the schools to me all over again.

The next time Mrs. Hymas loses her electricity and cannot heat her home, how would she feel if her neighbor offered the comfort of their warm home heated by wood? I bet she would be very happy to accept it.

KATHY LEARN  
Twin Falls

## LETTERS

### Science confirms deadly risk of nuke testing

The Divine Strike bomb test is once again aiming its radioactive fallout at Idahoans.

Jane, we were told the leftover plutonium would never leave the site boundary. Despite that "guarantee," the Department of Energy was forced to admit a mile-high mushroom cloud of dust would be exploded, but only when the wind was blowing northward. That's aimed at Idaho families again, just like the other full nuclear testing, which our delegation is funding and preparing to renew.

After downwinders filed in court, the DOE re-wrote its Environmental Assessment. This time the DOE admitted radioactive fallout will leave the test site but now claims only a small dose. Inhaling leftover plutonium, however, can add a hefty dose to downwinders.

A Nevada Air Quality analyst testified how the DOE was still covering up the true dose to downwinders at a recent hearing. As reported,

that Nevada analyst showed the DOE ignored extremely small bits of dust measuring 2.5 microns that become airborne. Lesky said dust that fine "could stay in the atmosphere for weeks, and settle hundreds of miles from here." DOE analysts then admitted it only looked at larger, 10-micron particles when it determined that a 10,000-foot cloud would dissipate within 13 miles.

A public meeting has been scheduled for Sunday from noon to 2:30 p.m. at the Grove Hotel in Boise. You can e-mail comments to [divinesstrike@nvdoe.gov](mailto:divinesstrike@nvdoe.gov).

A memorial vigil will be held Saturday to mark the 56th anniversary of the beginning of testing at the Nevada Test Site. It will be held at the Idaho Historical Museum in Julia Davis Park from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. Dr Hoffman, from the Centers for Disease Control, will speak at 4 p.m.

Please ask your representatives to stop funding new bomb testing.

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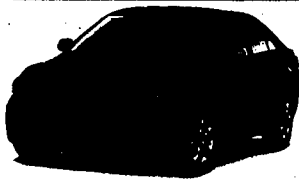
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## Golden Eagles men, women hope to keep rolling

CSI men face Kephkay, nation's best scorer

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Golden Eagles, meet the Golden Eagles. The College of Southern Idaho and College of Eastern Utah men's basketball teams have shared the same nickname but little else over recent Scenic West Athletic Conference history.

While the Golden Eagles of Twin Falls have flown high among the conference leaders, the Golden Eagles of Price, Utah, have been a bit more grounded, mired among the middle of the SWAC pack.

Things are different this season. Tonight's meetings between No. 8 CSI and a 13-4 CEU squad is a meeting of the nation's two highest-scoring

### Eagle Eyes

**Men**  
Tonight: No. 8 CSI (16-2, 6-2 SWAC) at the College of Eastern Utah (13-4, 5-3 SWAC), 7:30 p.m.

**Last week:** The Golden Eagles swept the visiting Snow Badgers in Twin Falls, maintaining a strangle of the SWAC lead with Salt Lake Community College.

**Last time they met:** CSI topped CEU 103-92 during last season's Region 18 Tournament semifinal round.

**On the horizon:** CSI will host North Idaho College next Friday and Saturday.

**On the radio:** All games will be broadcast on 1270 AM KTRF.

**CSI season leaders:** Points per game — Brad Garrett 16.9, Kelvin Davis 16.7. Rebounds per game — Juan Padilla 7.6, Kevin Ford 6.9. Assists per game — Adris DeLeon 5.13, Paul Wayne 4.63. Steals per game — DeCarlos Riley 2.53, Davis 2.26. Blocks per game — Ford 1.29, Brandon Stoves 1.25. Field goal percentage — Ford .596 (58-94), Stoves .567 (89-157). Free-throw percentage — Derek Lorenzen .842 (16-19), Travis Bunker .737 (14-19). 3-point percentage — Mo Taulkivira .714 (5-7), Davis .452 (19-42).



No team in the NCAA Division I ranks scores quite like CSI (113 points per game) but CEU's 98-point-per-game average is as close as any team

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### Davis named SWAC Player of the Week

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — College of Southern Idaho sophomore guard Kelvin Davis was named the Scenic West Athletic Conference Men's Basketball Player of the Week after his strong showing last Friday and Saturday against the Snow College Badgers in Twin Falls.

Davis, a 6-foot-4 transfer from the University of Texas at El Paso helped the Golden Eagles to a pair of wins, finishing with 25 points, seven rebounds and three steals in Friday's 118-85 win. He backed that effort up with 17 points, six rebounds and four steals during Saturday's 76-72 victory.

On the season, the native of Waterbury, Conn., is averaging 16.7 points per game, the No. 2 scorer for the 16-2 Golden Eagles. He is shooting nearly 54 percent from the field and over 45 percent from 3-point range on the season.

North Idaho College's Simone Jordan was named the SWAC women's Player of the Week after leading the 14-4 Cardinals to a pair of victories over the College of Eastern Utah. She scored a

combined 36 points in the two wins. Jordan is a 5-10 freshman from Portland, Ore., who is headed to Gonzaga University in Spokane, Wash., after her time at NIC is finished.



Davis

## Moon, Bobcats take down Tigers

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

JEROME — Burley has got Jerome's number.

After the Bobcat girls topped the Tigers on Wednesday, it was the boys' turn on Thursday.

With a quick start and constant defensive pressure, Burley kept its perfect district mark intact with a 66-56 victory over the Jerome in Great Basin West Conference basketball action Thursday.

Colton Moon paced the Burley attack with 20 points including four 3-pointers.

"Everyone was getting their open shots. Mine were falling, so I kept shooting," said Moon, who also went 6-for-6 from the charity stripe. "We have been struggling the past two games, but everything clicked tonight. We want to win conference and play at home."

The teams were tied early until Moon drained back-to-back 3-pointers for the Bobcats and a 12-6 advantage. Kevin Williams kept the Tigers (2-2, 8-7) close with six first-quarter points, but Ben Searle completed an old-fashioned 3-point play and chipped in a pair of free throws for the 19-10 Bobcat advantage after one.

Burley hit 6-of-12 first-quarter shots while Jerome was cold coming out of the gate, finding the mark on just 4-of-15 attempts.

The Tigers scored the first five points of the second behind a bucket by Jason Stokes, but Jordan Hosten scored inside and the Bobcats converted four straight free throws and the lead was back to double digits.

Burley finished the game hitting 19-of-24 from the charity stripe.

Searle added another jumper and Burley (4-0, 15-1) led 29-15 midway through the



Burley's Ben Searle, left, goes up for a shot while Jerome's Justin Stokes tries not to draw a foul during the first quarter of their game Thursday night in Jerome.

second.

"We wanted to come out and play strong. We were determined," said Searle, who chipped in 16 points.

Moon chipped in two more free throws and the Bobcats went to the locker room with a 16-point advantage.

The teams traded baskets

much of the third quarter as Burley maintained the double-digit lead. The Tigers' 19-point comeback

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Madison's Everett Evans (23) comes down with a rebound while Twin Falls senior Ryan Simmons looks on during the third quarter of their game Thursday night in Twin Falls.

## Madison tops Bruins

By Diane Pahlis  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The Madison Bobcats showed why they are considered the top 5A team in the state with a 53-37 Region Four-Five-Six win over Twin Falls at Baun Gymnasium on Thursday.

The Bobcats are now 16-0 for the season and 7-0 in the conference.

The shooting woes that have plagued the Bruins for most of the season continued. Twin Falls was 13-for-52 or 25 percent. Meanwhile, the Bobcats shot 54 percent in the first half and ended the game at 46 percent.

A positive note for the Bruins was winning the battle of the boards, 37-29 with senior Ben Hedenreich pulling down seven and junior Brandon Cary added four. Twin Falls also registered three fewer turnovers, 23-20.

Twin Falls trailed 30-16 at halftime but matched the Bobcats scoring in the third

quarter with 12 points as Madison only outscored Twin Falls by two points in the fourth period, 11-9.

"We had hoped to hold them to under 50 points," said Twin Falls coach Matt Harr. "We are not a good comeback team. I thought that Cary Cook, Ryan Simmons and Ryan Petersen did a good job of penetrating and were aggressive on getting the ball into the paint."

"We brought Russell Crane up and after one practice, he already plays defense in the right spots. Some of the guys that have been playing all season aren't doing that like they should be."

Harr also praised Judd Olinstead and Hedenreich, who scored eight points.

"We have some things we need to work on and we need to do the little things," said Harr.

Senior Treagan Fullmer scored a game-high 16 points

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### CLASS 1A MAGIC VALLEY SOUTHSIDE TOURNAMENT

## Oakley girls best Lions in opener

By Ryan Ivers  
For the Times-News

MURTAUGH — During the regular season, the Oakley and Lighthouse Christian girls basketball teams split their two meetings, each winning on the other's home court. Playing on a neutral court in Thursday's first round of the Magic Valley Southside Conference Tournament, the fourth-seeded Oakley Hornets advanced with a 47-38 win over fifth-seeded Lighthouse.

"Once you start conference, it's a clean slate for everybody and anything can happen," said Oakley's Courtney Bell, who scored 13 points and pulled down seven offensive rebounds. "We are the underdog, everyone expects us to lose, but I know that the confidence level on our team right now is sky-high."

Oakley (6-13 overall) will play No. 1 seed Hagerman (17-3) tonight at 8 p.m. in Murtaugh. Hagerman went undefeated in regular-season conference play and

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Lighthouse Christian's Amber Black Bell and Oakley's Courtney Bell (right) go for a loose ball during the Magic Valley Southside Conference tournament game at Murtaugh High School.

## Raft River rips Murtaugh, 68-9

By Ryan Ivers  
For the Times-News

MURTAUGH — Most people inside Murtaugh's gymnasium Thursday night knew the Murtaugh Lady Red Devils were a long shot to beat No. 2 seed Raft River in the first round of the Magic Valley Southside tournament.

As expected, Raft River won easily with a 68-9 rout that showed the rest of the conference that the Trojans are here to play.

"We wanted to set the tone so that people would look at us and think that we're ready to be in the conference tournaments and win it," said Raft River senior Hadie Scott.

Scott and Nicole Harper led Raft River with 16 points apiece and Lindsay Hutchison scored 13 points.

"In the locker room before the game we talked about, 'If we play poorly and still win, it is OK and we discussed that, no, it isn't,'" said Raft River

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Raft River's Nicole Harper goes to the hoop during the Raft River 68-9 win over Murtaugh Thursday in the Magic Valley Southside tournament.

## Varsity Basketball Standings

As of Jan. 24

Boys			Girls		
Team	Conf.	All	Team	Conf.	All
<b>Class 5A</b>					
Region Four-Five-Six					
Madison	60	16.0	Twin Falls	80	17.2
Highland	23	3.7	Skyline	53	11.7
Idaho Falls	32	7.8	Highland	44	11.7
Twin Falls	24	6.8	Madison	26	4.2
Skyline	15	3.12	Idaho Falls	17	1.5
<b>Class 4A</b>					
Great Basin Conference					
West Division					
Burley	50	15.1	Burley	60	16.3
Jerome	22	8.7	Jerome	42	15.4
Wood River	12	7.7	Minico	24	7.11
Minico	04	5.11	Wood River	06	4.33
East Division					
Century	20	14.4	Preston	31	10.9
Preston	11	9.6	Century	31	10.9
Pocatello	02	4.11	Pocatello	04	3.15
<b>Class 3A</b>					
Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference					
Buhl	20	12.2	Kimberly	80	18.0
Gooding	31	9.4	Declo	62	12.7
Kimberly	22	7.4	Filer	53	9.9
Declo	13	4.8	Gooding	17	5.14
Filer	04	3.13	Buhl	08	1.18
<b>Class 2A</b>					
Canyon Conference					
Glenns Ferry	20	13.3	Valley	40	14.4
Wendell	10	3.11	Glenns Ferry	13	9.9
Valley	03	3.13	Wendell	13	6.12
<b>Class 1A</b>					
Magic Valley Northside Conference					
Carey	81	12.3	Richfield	300	19.0
Richfield	81	13.3	Shoshone	82	13.6
Bliss	44	7.6	Carey	55	9.9
Community School	45	7.7	Dietrich	37	5.13
Shoshone	35	5.9	Community School	37	3.10
Dietrich	35	5.8	Camas County	010	4.14
Camas County	19	2.10	Magic Valley Southside Conference		
Hagerman					
Hagerman	100	14.1	Rah River	102	14.4
Murlaugh	73	10.4	Hansen	84	11.9
Castletford	72	10.2	Oxley	57	5.13
Hansen	54	7.4	Lighthouse Christian	48	8.10
Rah River	46	5.9	Castletford	39	4.14
Oxley	37	3.11	Murlaugh	012	1.17
Lighthouse Christian	36	6.8	Independent		
Magic Valley Christian	010	2.12	Twin Falls Christian	—	7.7
Standings reflect games called into the Times-News					
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## Indians' hopes rest with lone senior

By Mike Christensen  
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — In an instant, Kori Bingham's role changed. On Feb. 18, 2006, when the Shoshone girls basketball team walked off the court at Skyview High School in Nampa after winning the Class 1A third-place game, Bingham suddenly went from the understudy to the lead actress on center stage.

As a junior, Bingham played alongside eight seniors on the Indians' roster, five of whom were four-year varsity players. As those seniors left the court in Nampa last February, the burden of leading Shoshone's hoops hopes fell squarely on Bingham's shoulders.

She hasn't disappointed.

This season, Bingham, the lone senior on Shoshone's varsity squad has done more than average 16 points and seven rebounds a game. Indians coach Tim Chapman said Bingham's biggest asset has been her leadership.

"Our freshman came in a little scared and wide-eyed," said Chapman, "and she's done a good job telling them what to expect. She's out there on the court directing them and telling them where they should be and just encouraging everyone."

As a result, Shoshone went 8-2 in Magic Valley Northside Conference play and 14-6 overall. The Indians capped their regular season last Saturday with a 43-19 stomping of Class 2A Valley.



Bingham

Chapman certainly gives much of the credit for that success to his 5-foot-8 senior captain, Bingham, who has hit 48 3-pointers while shooting 42 percent beyond the arc, said she's enjoyed her new role.

"It's a lot of fun to be out there helping (my teammates) to get better," said Bingham, who prised last year's senior core — Kyla Astle, Katie Strunk, Hailey Harris, Kallie Axelson and Teresa Russell — off the track and the same with her.

"Volleyball, dancing and cheerleading fill out Bingham's high-school activities, but basketball is her favorite. That shows in the work she's put into it.

"She's always going 100 miles per hour," said Chapman. "I don't think she's ever gotten tired. She's one of those that loves the game — she's in the gym almost seven days a week."

The result is a player who understands the game better than most, according to Chapman.

"I'm glad I have Kori on my team," Chapman said. "I'd hate to have to figure out a way to defend her."

Fans of Shoshone hope Bingham's talent will lead the Indians back to the 1A

## Magic Valley Prep Athlete of the Week

state tournament — a tournament they won in 2005 when Bingham was a sophomore.

"Her role is to continue doing what she's been doing," said Chapman of the postseason. If Bingham and junior Shaynee Gulliford (11 points, 7 rebounds), the team's other captain, can get help from their supporting cast, a deep playoff run could be in the works.

But when the time comes for Bingham to walk off the court for the final time as a high school player, she acknowledges that may be the end of her basketball career. Certainly she has the talent to play somewhere at the next level, but she may pass on those opportunities.

"I love basketball, but I really want to be a pediatrician," said Bingham.

For now though, she's just focused on extending her high school career one game at a time.

### Records as of Jan. 23

Class 5A	
1. Madison (8)	15-0 80
2. Mountain View	12-2 52
3. Vallejo	10-2 48
4. Lake City	10-2 40
5. Coeur d'Alene	10-4 20
Others: Lewiston.	

Class 4A	
1. Burley (8)	15-1 80
2. Moscow	12-2 56
3. Skyview	10-4 36
4. Century	11-4 34

Class 3A	
1. Burley (8)	15-1 80
2. Moscow	12-2 56
3. Skyview	10-4 36
4. Century	11-4 34

Class 2A	
1. Aberdeen (8)	13-0 80

### Idaho Media Boys Basketball Poll

5. Bishop Kelly	11-3 22	2. Marsing	12-2 50
Others: Hillcrest, Nampa.		3. Glenns Ferry	12-3 48
		4. Kamiah	10-2 40
		5. New Plymouth	10-2 42
		Others: Firth.	

### 2007 Girls Conference Tournaments

Class	Conference	Tuesday, Jan. 30	Wednesday, Jan. 31	Thursday, Feb. 1	Friday, Feb. 2			
Class 5A	Region Four-Five-Six	Game 1: Madison at Highland, 7 p.m.	Game 2: Idaho Falls at Twin Falls, 7 p.m.	Game 3: LI vs. Feb. 7 p.m.	Game 4: WI at Skyline, 7 p.m.			
	Class 4A	Great Basin Conference West	Game 1: Wood River at Burley, 7 p.m.	Game 2: Minico at Jerome, 7 p.m.	Game 3: Thru Feb. 1 p.m.	Game 4: LI vs. W2, 7 p.m.		
		Class 3A	Sawtooth Central Idaho	Game 1: Buhl at Gooding, 7:30 p.m.	Game 2: W1 at Kimberly, 7 p.m.	Game 3: Deco at Filer, 7 p.m.	Game 4: LI vs. L3, 7 p.m.	
			Class 2A	Canyon Conference	Game 1: Wendell at Glenns Ferry, 7:30 p.m.	Game 2: W1 at Valley, 7:30 p.m.	Game 3: LI vs. L2, 7 p.m.	Game 4: W2 vs. W3, 7 p.m.
				Class 1A	Magic Valley Northside	Game 1: Carey at Richfield, 7 p.m.	Game 2: W1 at Valley, 7:30 p.m.	Game 3: LI vs. L2, 7 p.m.

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Team power rankings	
1. Centennial - 86	2. Broek Banta - SF - 3A
3. Lakehead - 55	4. Idaho Falls - 47
5. Shelley - 45	6. Mountain View - 43
7. Blackfoot - 41	8. Minico - 34
9. Highland - 34	10. Weiser - 33
<b>Top 10 Power Rankings</b>	
103 pounds	
1. Hoden Packard - MTW - 5A	2. Brock Banta - SF - 3A
3. Andrew LMJ - Mts - 4A	4. Tim Peppercorn - Sand - 4A
5. Otto Phelps - Sal - 3A	6. Michael Wheat - MV - 2A
7. Wayne Fong - IF - 5A	8. Derrick Booth - PF - 5A
9. Ryan Schess - HgH - 5A	10. Ty Peck - Ader - 2A
112	
1. Nate Crane - Mtn - 4A	2. Alec Ward - Sand - 4A
3. Seth Wright - Lake - 4A	4. Dillon Gentry - Mar - 5A
5. Tracy Huffman - HF - 2A	6. Harold Bashon - NW - 5A
7. Josh Morris - MV - 2A	8. Johnny Blawie - Mt - 2A
9. Jordan Cox - IF - 5A	10. Nick Sewell - WJ - 2A
139	
1. Shane Stephenson - Cert - 5A	2. Josh Hall - HgH - 5A
3. Jake Gider - HF - 2A	4. Jordan Johnson - IF - 5A
5. Kody Loggins - AF - 3A	6. Alex Gonzalez - Bls - 4A
7. Keano Donato - MTH - 4A	8. Kyle Johnson - Mt - 2A
9. Josh Paulson - Cap - 5A	

1. Zach Horvath - Lake - 4A	2. Jacob Schwabough - Weis. 3A	3. Alfonso Hernandez - Bls. 4A	4. Taylor Morris - Sand. 4A
5. J.C. Armstrong - NF - 2A	6. Sean John. LCI. 5A	7. Steven Stork. Lake. 4A	8. Scott Holbrook. Tim. 3A
9. Chris Brown. AF. 3A			
215			
1. Marshall Pritz. Cent. 5A	2. Kyle Burt. Weis. 3A	3. Brad Moore. Bonn. 4A	4. Brian Warren. IF. 5A
5. Dan Covert. MTH. 4A	6. Tyson Sessours. MTH. 4A	7. Sergio Arzueta. Poly. 4A	8. Joe Lewis. PF. 3A
9. Tyson Porter. Sal. 3A	10. Paul Merrill. Lew. 5A		
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1. Mark Shogrand. Lew. 5A	2. Brad Curtis. Sky. 5A	3. Jake Denzley. Cent. 5A	4. Jesse Gonzales. Eng. 5A
5. Amador Cortinas. Home. 3A	6. Cody Harvey. Mt. 4A	7. Tony Roberts. Sand. 4A	8. Cody Hunsaker. Pres. 4A
9. Brandon Richardson. Bonn. 4A	10. Chase Mills. IF. 5A		
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5. Randy Searle. Sky. 3A	6. Kari Thompson. IF. 5A	7. Mike Jahn. Bls. 4A	8. Alex Cooley. PF. 2A
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SPORTS

Richfield, Shoshone advance to Northside title

Times-News
DIETRICH — The top seeds prevailed Thursday night in the Magic Valley Northside Conference girls basketball tournament in Dietrich as both the No. 1 Richfield 52-20 and No. 2 Shoshone Indians advanced to Monday night's 7:30 p.m. championship game.

No. 1 Richfield 52, No. 4 Dietrich 35
The top-seeded Richfield Tigers struggled through the tournament flutters to defeat the No. 4 seeded Dietrich Blue Devils 52-35.

The 20-1 Tigers shot a woeful 14-23 from the 3-point line in the game, allowing the Blue Devils to hang in. "Because of that, Dietrich hung in there and got a little confidence," Richfield head coach Steve Kent said. "They were depending on their offense, of course, that first game of any tournament is always a rough spot."

However, balance was the key for the Tigers, as three players had double figures. Cassie Wood led Richfield with a game-high 16 points while Mo Hubshmitt added 11 and Tenece Kent 10. Dietrich was led by a 13-point game from Sammy Anderson, while Jessie Dill posted nine points.

No. 2 Shoshone 45, No. 3 Carey 32
Dietrich 35
Shoshone Indians advanced to Monday night's 7:30 p.m. championship game. The Indians defeated Dietrich 45-35.

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half," Indians head coach Tim Chapman said. "We just kind of hung with them. Finally in the fourth, we started hitting some threes and some free-throws."

Myka Medlock stepped up to the line to hit 5-of-6 fourth-quarter free throws on her way to nine points for the game, while Shoshone's Coltrane had an outstanding all-around game with eight points, 12 rebounds and nine steals. Senior Kori Bingham led Shoshone with 12 points.

The Panthers were led by a 12-point night by Jessica Parke, while Allison Parker added eight.

Now the 15-6 Indians set their sights to Monday when they face the No. 1 team in the state, the Highfield Tigers. "It's one of those things where we just have to go out and play relaxed," Chapman said. "They're the ones with all the hype on them, being No. 1 in the state. We're used to it, but Richfield is expected to win."

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HAZELTON — The Valley Vikings jumped out to an early lead and stayed in control through the final buzzer for a 44-41 victory over the Gooding Senators to close out their regular-season schedule. The visiting Senators had a chance to tie at the buzzer, but a fast-second 3-point heave went in the wrong direction.

"The first quarter, we got off to a good start," Vikings head coach Brian Hurdy said. "Six players scored in that quarter and it just built some confidence for us."

Natalie Hanson led the Vikings with a game-high 14 points, while Shannon Sizemore chipped in eight. The Senators were led by 10-point efforts from both Janelle Jensen and Katie Larson.

Valley finishes the regular season with a 15-5 mark and receives a first-round bye in the Canyon Conference Tournament. The Vikings are back in action on Thursday, hosting the winner of the tournament's first-round game between Wendell and Glenns Ferry.

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night, as host Malad stepped off a 24-15 fourth-quarter run to win 62-50.

Devlin Hosack pumped in a game-high 21 points, including three 3-pointers for Wendell, while Jordan Lancaster added 13. The 3-13 Trojans will look to pick up a key Canyon Conference victory Thursday night's 7:30 p.m. game at host Valley.

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Wrestling
Minico JV sweeps triangular at Valley
HAZELTON — The loaded Minico High School junior varsity wrestling squad swept Thursday night's triangular in Hazelton, drubbing Carey 76-3 and toppling host Valley 51-28.

"The host Vikings were led by solid showings by both Jarvis Bonnes and Jake Barnes, who picked up pins in each of their matches, while Valley 189-pound wrestler Ryan Henry picked up a pair of wins: one by forfeit and one by a 13-3 major decision over Minico's Terrence Taylor.

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Trojans

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coach Jeremy Qualls. "Basically, we have to set the tone for this game and what we want to do in the next game because obviously the competition gets tougher each step."

Raft River (15-4 overall) will play the winner of Thursday's game in the next game at Castletown tonight at 6:30 p.m. Murtaugh (4-18) will play the Hansen-Castletown loser tonight at 5 p.m.

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Bruins

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For the Bruins, Cook was the only player to score in double digits with 11 points.

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earned a first-round bye. "We have to stay aggressive, come with confidence and don't back down," said Oakley's Kayley Lierman of the Hornets.

"We knew that if we played defense (right) and played aggressive, that we would get turnovers and good things from it," said Oakley coach Kristin Jones.

The Hornets' defensive intensity carried over into their offensive game. Lierman had seven steals to go along with her team-high 14 points.

"We are stronger on defense," Lierman said. "Once we get going on defense, our offense comes together."

Boise St. edges Fresno

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After Oakley built a double-digit lead at halftime, Lighthouse worked its way back into the game, led by Taylor Kirkdorffer, who finished with a game-high 19 points.

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Women

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The No. 4 CSI women don't share the good fortune that their male counterparts have this weekend. Not against an 8-10 CEU team that has dropped its last six games, all against SWAC competition.

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CSI

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comes. While both teams are prolific when it comes to putting the ball in the basket, the similarities end there. CSI's offensive attack is predicated on balance, with eight players scoring over nine points a game, though no Golden Eagles player averages higher than Brad Garrett's 16.9 points.

CSI is all in for the green light, but the University of Idaho-bound guard is averaging an NCAA-best 28.7 points per game by shooting over 50 percent from 3-point range and a dead-on 93 percent from the foul line.

"I don't know I've seen a guy that has not only the green light, but the confidence that he's playing with this season," CSI head coach Barrett Perry said of Kephay after Saturday's 76-72 win over Snow College.

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Tonight: No. 14 CSI (16-2, 7-1 SWAC) at the College of Eastern Utah, 7:30 a.m. (SWAC), 5:30 p.m.

On the horizon: The Golden Eagles host North Idaho College in SWAC action next Friday and Saturday.

like second-leading scorer Steve Hassell (44 ppg) will be important for CSI, everyone knows that limiting Kephay's production will give the hamper CEU's chances of winning. Hassell is the only CEU player other than Kephay to have led the team in

Eagle Eyes

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On the radio: All games will be broadcast on 1270 AM KPLR. CSI season leaders: Points per game — Maria Moore 16.2, Brittany Moore 13.3. Rebounds per game — Ashley Thompson 6.8, M. Moore 6.4. Assistants per game — M. Moore 4.11, B. Moore 3.17. Steals per game — M. Moore 1.6, Brittia Burck 0.88. Field goal percentage — Brittany Moore .496 (33-66). Free-throw percentage — M. Moore .821 (23-28), Kelli Hess 1.74 (24-31). 3-point percentage — Amy Bryndok .556 (10-18), M. Moore .419 (26-62).

scoring in a game, posting 17 points in the first game of the season. It will be up to CSI's talented defensive players, including Terry Fields and even power forward Juan Pantillo, to make life as hard as possible for Kephay for 80 minutes this weekend.

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# Rookie Snedeker has dream first round at Buick Invite

SAN DIEGO — Brandt Snedeker knew the score. He just couldn't believe where he was.

The only time Snedeker had ever been 9-under par through nine holes was sitting in front of a monitor playing a Tiger Woods video game. He knew that wasn't the case Thursday in the Buick Invitational because Woods was two groups ahead of him on the North Course at Torrey Pines, and well behind him on the scoreboard.

And when the 26-year-old rookie added yet another birdie, he even started taking away some of Woods' fans.

"I don't know if they know who I am or what was going on," Snedeker said. "But they were so rooting me on like they were my best friend. It was great."

So was his opening round of the year. Snedeker flirted with golf's magic number by reaching 10 under through five holes, before the birdies dried up and a 59 fell out of reach. He settled for an 11-under 61 that tied the course record and gave him a two-shot lead over Charlie Wi.

"The whole front nine was a blur," said Snedeker, who couldn't recall how he birdied some of the holes; much less what those holes even looked like. But he generated the biggest buzz at the Buick Invitational, where Woods opened with a 66 in his bid for a seventh straight PGA Tour victory and was reduced to a supporting role.

"To see the crowd kind of work their way back to me from Tiger was kind of nice," Snedeker said. "Seeing them rooting me on the last nine holes — although I couldn't bring it in the way they wanted — was still fun. I had a blast."

Woods had just knocked down the flag with a 5-iron for a short eagle putt on the 18th hole when he noticed a scoreboard on his way to the first tee that showed Snedeker at 8 under through seven holes.

"We thought it was a misprint," Woods said. "It came up again, so obviously it was not a misprint. That's some great playing."

His second thought must have been, "Who's Brandt Snedeker?"

He's the Tennessee kid with blond hair flowing under his visor, a former U.S. Amateur Public Links champion who turned pro after trying for 41st in the '04 Masters. He didn't get his PGA Tour card until finishing ninth on the Nationwide Tour money list last year, despite missing a month when he tripped over a tree and broke his right collarbone.

Snedeker quickly became the star attraction on a spectacular day in San Diego.

"The crowd going into today probably didn't have a clue who I was, and by the end of the day, I had people cheering my name and telling me to shoot 9 and stuff like that," he said. "It was a great way to break onto the PGA Tour."

Never mind that they couldn't pronounce his name properly.

"I've had it butchered so many times that it's no big deal," he said. "I've gotten 'Snicker' before, so I don't think it could get any worse than that."

Starting his first round at No. 10, Snedeker went eight holes before



Brandt Snedeker waves his visor after making birdie on his final hole to finish with an 11-under-par 61 in the first round of the Buick Invitational Thursday in San Diego.

making a par and was 9 under through nine holes, tying the PGA Tour record for nine holes on a par 36. That's when the thought of a 59 first came into view.

Wi shot a 63 that hardly anyone noticed, while John Senden and Jeff Quinney each had a 64.

61 is that the top 23 scores came on the North Course, one of the eastern on the PGA Tour. The real work comes on the South, which is nearly 700 yards longer and will host the U.S. Open next year.

"The South played 4.7 strokes harder in the opening round, with Camillo Villegas posting the best score at 67," Phil Mickelson told double bogeyer by hitting over the 14th green and into a hazard on his way to a 74 on the South Course, while Vijay Singh made only one birdie in his round of 75.

## Goosen leads Qatar Masters

DOHA, Qatar — South Africa's Retief Goosen shot a 7-under 65 to take a one-stroke lead for the first round of the Qatar Masters.

Spain's Miguel Angel Jimenez and Australia's Nick O'Hearn opened with 66, and India's Shiv Kapur had a 67. South African star Ernie Els, the 2005 winner, was in a group at 69, and England's Paul Casey, the winner last week in Abu Dhabi, shot a 72.

— The Associated Press

# Laver: Federer may be best ever

Swiss star tops Roddick in straight sets

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — If he could pick any player from any era to test himself against, Roger Federer would like a shot at Rod Laver or Bjorn Borg.

Laver, the last man to win all four majors in one season, was in the stadium that carries his name on Thursday to witness Federer dismantle Andy Roddick in the Australian Open semifinals. After what he saw, Laver would just as soon sit back to meeting Federer in the locker room — after the matches.

"I'd like to put on a show when Laver is at Rod Laver Arena, and called his 6-4, 6-6, 6-2 victory over Roddick his best match in Melbourne.

"I had one of these days when everything worked," the Swiss star said. "I was unbeatable. I was playing out of my mind. I am shocked myself."

The win put him in his seventh consecutive Grand Slam final, tying a record set by Jack Crawford in 1934, and left him with only one victory from a 10th Grand Slam title. He will meet the winner of the Fernando Gonzalez-Tommy Ilaas semifinals in Sunday's championship match.

With seemingly few challengers among his contemporaries, Federer is often asked about facing one of the greats from another time — Laver and Borg come to his mind.

"I'd love to play Borg," he said. "I was unbeatable to '81, and Laver is a five-season run wedged around his absence from the Grand Slam tournaments from 1963-67."

By Sunday, Federer is likely to be the only one major title behind, although Laver expects him to go a lot further and break Pete Sampras' record of 14 Grand Slam titles.

"I think the art of Roger is probably the best player I've ever seen." The way he's compiling the Grand Slam titles, he thinks he's got a great chance of being the best ever," Laver said.



Switzerland's Roger Federer reacts after his semifinal match against Andy Roddick of the U.S. at the Australian Open tennis tournament in Melbourne, Thursday. Federer won in straight sets 6-4 6-0 6-2.

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Sharapova against No. 81-ranked Serena Williams. Despite the ranking disparity, nobody is counting Williams' odds.

After playing just four tournaments in 2006 because of a lingering knee problem, Williams said the only other person that gave her a chance of winning an eighth Grand Slam title was her mother and coach, Oranette.

She led 5-1 in the second set of her semifinal before letting Nicole Pietrangeli back in, wasting triple match point at 3-5 and needing three more before finally converting in a 7-6 (5), 6-4 victory.

"I almost did a gargaroonie there," Williams said.

Now, close to a third Australian title, she's guaranteed of returning to the top 20.

"I can't believe it," she said. "That's awesome. If I play well, which I don't think I've ever reached yet at all in this tournament ... it's really hard for anyone on the women's tour

team's lone defeat so far. Alfalo shot 7-for-13 and didn't score for the first time until making two free throws with 4:39 to go in the opening half.

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# Arenas rallies to grab All-Star starting spot

NEW YORK — Gilbert Arenas pulled out another late victory.

The Washington star surged past Vince Carter in the final days of All-Star voting to claim the second Eastern Conference guard spot by 3,010 votes Thursday, the fourth-closest margin for a starting spot.

LeBron James, the MVP last year, led all players with more than 2.5 million votes for the Dallas Mavericks' eighth spot.

The first All-Star game held outside an NBA city will maintain one traditional look: Shaquille O'Neal was chosen for his 14th straight All-Star game, joining Jerry West and Bill Malone for the most consecutive selections.

Arenas was 214,450 votes behind Carter two weeks ago, but finished with 1,454,166 to Carter's 1,451,156.

"It is an unbelievable feeling," Arenas said. "Two years ago, I was voting myself in for the game. Now fans are voting me in, and I'm going to do what they are looking for. I've got something to give back to the fans during All-Star weekend."

Arenas' rally was the latest January highlight for the guard who has forced his name into the MVP discussion with a series of clutch performances. He hit long 3-pointers to win games against Milwaukee and Utah, is second in the NBA with 29.7 points per game and became the first Washington player voted to start since Michael Jordan in 2003.

Arenas, O'Neal and James will be joined in the Eastern lineup by Dwyane Wade and another first-time starter, Toronto forward Chris Bosh.

Injured Houston center Yao Ming led all West players with more than 2.4 million votes. Kevin Garnett and Tim Duncan were voted in at forward, while Kobe Bryant and Tracy McGrady won the guard spots.

McGrady held off Denver newcomer Allen Iverson, who would have finished ahead of Arenas to earn a starting spot if he were still in Philadelphia. Iverson started the last seven All-Star games and was the MVP in 2001 and 2005.

"That was frustrating in disguise," Arenas said about Iverson's move. "It potentially

# Bulls best Mavericks

CHICAGO (AP) — Ben Gordon scored 30 points, Luol Deng added 21 and the Chicago Bulls snapped the Dallas Mavericks' eight-game winning streak with a 96-85 victory Thursday night.

Dirk Nowitzki led Dallas with 28 points and 11 rebounds, who lost for the second time in 23 games.

After nearly blowing an early 17-point lead, the Bulls pulled away late in the fourth quarter.

opened years of getting in because of him going out West. He ate up all of the votes, along with Dwyane Wade. Now all I had to do was catch Vince Carter, and that's what I did."

James couldn't quite catch Yao. His total of 2,516,040 votes has been topped only by Yao's 2005 total of 2,558,278.

"It's something I've never dreamed of," James said. "I've always wanted to be an All-Star, but being the leading vote-getter over guys like Vince Carter, Shaquille O'Neal, Dwyane Wade and Allen Iverson, you never think that's going to happen. Just getting the opportunity to be the leading vote-getter is kind of unbelievable."

## Cavaliers' James has X-rays on sore big toe

CLEVELAND — X-rays on LeBron James' sore right big toe were negative, and the Cleveland Cavaliers are hoping their superstar forward doesn't have to miss any games.

James injured his toe during the recent West Coast road trip and aggravated it during Wednesday night's double-overtime loss to the Philadelphia 76ers. James scored a season-high 39 points — 13 in the second OT — and played 53 minutes.

— The Associated Press

# McClure's buzzer-beater sends No. 10 Duke past No. 19 Clemson

DURHAM, N.C. — David McClure hit a layup as time expired to give No. 10 Duke a 66-63 victory over No. 19 Clemson on Thursday night.

McClure's basket capped a wild final 13 seconds for the Blue Devils (17-3, 4-2 Atlantic Coast Conference), who blew a five-point lead before answering Duke's sophomore's stunning basket.

With the score tied at 66 after Vernon Hamilton erased the deficit with a layup and a 3-pointer, Josh McRoberts inbounded the ball to freshman Jon Scheyer. Scheyer pushed the ball near midcourt, then sent a pass ahead to McClure.

Duke's players immediately spilled onto the floor in celebration and mobbed McClure, while Clemson's players walked back toward their bench in stunned silence.

Hamilton finished with 21 for the Tigers (18-3, 4-3).

## No. 3 UCLA 62, Cal 46

BERKELEY, Calif. — Arron Affalo scored 20 of his 25 points in the second half and made all nine of his free throws for No. 3 UCLA (18-1, 7-1 The 10).

team's lone defeat so far. Affalo shot 7-for-13 and didn't score for the first time until making two free throws with 4:39 to go in the opening half.

## No. 14 Butler 70, Loyola-Chicago 66, OT

CHICAGO — A.J. Graves hit three 3-pointers in overtime, including the go-ahead basket with 55.2 seconds to play, and No. 14 Butler got its eighth win in nine games.

Graves scored 26 points to lead the Bulldogs (18-2, 6-1 Horizon League).

## Women

### No. 1 Duke 73, Florida State 60

LALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Alison Bales scored 15 points and Carren Gay added 14 to help top-ranked Duke stay unbeaten.

### No. 3 Maryland 76, Clemson 62

CLEMSON, S.C. — Kristi Taylor had 20 points and went 6-for-6 on 3-pointers to lead Maryland to its sixth straight victory over Clemson.

### No. 4 Tennessee 67, No. 15 Vanderbilt 57

NASVILLE, Tenn. — Sidney Spencer scored a career-high

26 points, and Tennessee handed Vanderbilt its first home loss this season.

### No. 5 Ohio St. 72, Indiana 62

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Brandie Hoskins scored 19 points and seemed to make all the clutch baskets Ohio State needed to hold off Indiana.

### No. 8 LSU 70, Arkansas 53

BATON ROUGE, La. — Sylvia Fowles had 13 points, 13 rebounds and two blocks, giving LSU an advantage inside in its victory over Arkansas.

### No. 9 Stanford 86, Arizona 76

TUCSON — Brooke Smith had 20 points and 10 rebounds

to lead Stanford to its 15th straight victory.

### No. 10 Arizona St. 66, No. 20 California 54

TEMPE, Ariz. — Jill Noe scored a season-high 19 points to carry Arizona State past California for its seventh straight victory.

Emily Westberg added 15 points for the Sun Devils.

— The Associated Press



TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Scattered clouds. Highs, lower 40s. Tonight: Partly cloudy. Lows near 30. Tomorrow: A mostly sunny start to the weekend with near average temperatures. Highs, upper 30s

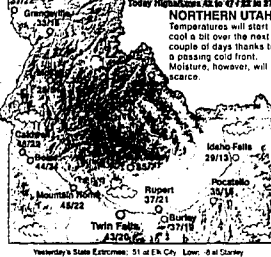
BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Low clouds overhead. Highs, upper 30s. Tonight: Fair to partly cloudy nights. Lows, upper teens. Tomorrow: Continued quiet weather conditions with a few clouds overhead. Highs, mid 30s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. We'll be in a quiet weather pattern now through the weekend. Our temperatures will not change much on a day to day basis either. Expect mostly sunny skies and dry conditions.

NORTHERN UTAH Temperatures will start to cool a bit over the next couple of days thanks to a passing cold front. Moisture, however, will be scarce.



GREGG MIDDLEKAMP'S QUOTE OF THE DAY "I've always looking outside myself for strength and confidence but it comes from within. It is there all the time."

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 43, Low 20).

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Table with 3 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain.

Table with 2 columns: Moon Phases, Moonrise and Moonset. Includes moon icons and times.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, Sunday. Lists cities like Boise, Burley, and Twin Falls with their respective weather forecasts.

Yesterday's Weather

Table with 2 columns: City, HI Lo Precip. Lists cities like Boise, Burley, and Twin Falls with their weather from the previous day.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, City. Lists various cities across the US with their weather forecasts.

Table with 2 columns: U.V. INDEX, Sunrise and Sunset. Includes U.V. index scale and sunrise/sunset times.

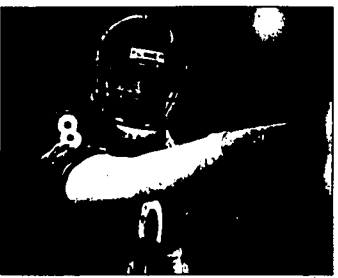
WORLD FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tomorrow, City. Lists cities from other countries like London, Tokyo, and Sydney with their weather forecasts.



Grossman family, friends in Indiana rooting for Chicago

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — This Super Bowl is all about family to Maureen and Dan Grossman. Their son, Rex, is the Chicago Bears quarterback...



Chicago Bears quarterback Rex Grossman gestures at the line against the Seattle Seahawks in the NFC divisional playoff game in Chicago, Jan. 14. The Indianapolis Colts face the Chicago Bears in Super Bowl XLII in Miami on Sunday, Feb. 4.

When Chicago beat the New Orleans Saints last Sunday, and the Colts pulled off the greatest comeback in conference championship history...

School. He led the school to a state runner up finish in 1997, his junior season, then won a state title and Indiana's Football Award in 1998.

"I'll cheer for the team with the ball," said Moriarty, now the coach at Carmel High School near Indianapolis. "You know I have as much respect for Tony Dungy and Peyton Manning as you can have for anyone, and I sure wouldn't be upset if they won a Super Bowl. But when you coach somebody, you always root for that person to do well, too."

Some also remember him for leaving Indiana to play at the University of Florida, and now he's added another chapter to his storied career by leading the Bears into a game some have dubbed as the Interstate 65 Super Bowl, even though the highway doesn't actually go into Chicago.

Many remember Grossman as the talented quarterback of Bloomington South High

school. He led the school to a state runner up finish in 1997, his junior season, then won a state title and Indiana's Football Award in 1998.

Wayne, Dungy give Manning a thumbs up

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Reggie Wayne doesn't see any problem with Peyton Manning's bruised right thumb.

thumb was discolored and sore. X-rays were negative, team owner Jim Irsay said Monday. Manning was still expected to make his first Super Bowl start Feb. 4 against Chicago.

Team doctors checked it out on the sideline, and on Monday, coach Tony Dungy said the

thumb was discolored and sore. X-rays were negative, team owner Jim Irsay said Monday. Manning was still expected to make his first Super Bowl start Feb. 4 against Chicago.

Tony and Lovie could be the mother of all 'Super' sideshows

NEW YORK (AP) — When Doug Williams became the first black quarterback to start a Super Bowl 19 years ago, the buildup to the game between his Washington Redskins and the Denver Broncos was "all Williams all the time."



Former NFL quarterback Doug Williams answers questions during the Field General, African-American Quarterback Club news conference in this Feb. 2, 2005 file photo at the Super Bowl in Jacksonville, Fla.

will be a significant event that demonstrates there is still a lot to be discussed about race relations in the NFL and, by extension, in the United States.

Including a question that has always been considered No. 1 on the list of wacky Super Bowl queries and has generated a controversy of its own: "How long have you been a black quarterback?"

"This is one of the great moments in American history," the Rev. Jesse Jackson said this week. "It really is. It comes 60 years after Jackie Robinson broke through. It's an American feel-good moment."

The racial angle will be back two-fold next week as close friends Tony Dungy of Indianapolis and Lovie Smith of Chicago become the first black coaches in the game. That theme overshadows all others, including Peyton Manning's pursuit of his first Super Bowl ring and Dungy's quest for validation as one of the best coaches of the last decade.

There's more to this game of course. Manning's high profile and his chase for a Super Bowl ring to add to a string of accomplishments in nine seasons, including two MVP awards and a single-season record for touchdowns passes.

Still, it's likely the coaches will be asked more about their skin color than about football. And given the 24/7 nature of news these days, the Dungy-Smith matchup could be the biggest Super Bowl sideshow since Williams' trailblazing appearance, one in which he led the Redskins to a 42-10 victory.

None of the craziness is new. Back in the prehistoric days of Super Bowl-dom, when there were 300-400 media members instead of 3,000-4,000, the NFL still provided a week of fan notebooks and tape recorders with all and every arcane detail.

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## Uncertain future

Buhl Arts Council scrambling to keep the arts available locally

By Blair Koch  
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — The Eighth Street Center is for sale, putting in question the future of the numerous arts programs it hosts.

The center is home to the Buhl Arts Council. The center collects rent and expenses from the organization and also hosts special events like weddings, conferences and luncheons.

### How to help

For more information, call Kelly Hart at 543-2888 or Carolyn Erickson at 543-8452. What possible buyers there may be out there for the center and if they would want to keep the relationship we have with the center the same," said BAC President Carolyn Erickson.

Buying the center would be the ideal solution, but the council can't afford it. "We're scrambling to make end meets," she said. "We have rent, performers, utilities, wages and things like taxes and insurance to pay."

The council may soon be without a home and also is facing financial problems. At a minimum, the council needs immediate financial help to finish its 2007 performing arts season.

"All organizations like the BAC are grant-dependent. When the entity begins things start falling into place and it is really exciting because the grant money comes in. But once you are established and successful and you're doing a real good job, grants aren't as giving with their funds, even though we get glowing reports from them," Erickson said.

This year, the BAC lost two substantial grants.

Instead of banking on the fickle nature of grants, the BAC is beginning a local campaign to increase community support and perhaps snag more corporate sponsors.

"We just want to be viable and need money in the budget to pay performers. We want to keep the integrity and



Programs like this Hula-Hoop course offered in 2005 face an uncertain future at the Buhl Arts Council.

high-level performers that we have brought to the community, but if that isn't what they want, we need to hear it," Erickson said.

The 2007-08 proposed season was recently passed by the BAC board including a fall celebration with a casual dinner and local musical talent, said BAC Executive Director Kelly Hart.

"(The board) proposed for the immediate situation to try to get past members to renew their memberships. A few other fundraising ideas were discussed and will be explored," Hart said. "In response to our letter that went out with our last newsletter, Ernie Willis of Willis Toyota just contributed \$5,000 and we have received a number of other very nice contributions."

In the meantime, the BAC is working to secure long-term funds for possible trusts or foundations for the purchase of the center and creation of an endowment/foundation to ensure the organization's stability. It needs about \$3 million.

"We are all about serving the community and we feel that we are an asset to it," Erickson said. "We will do everything we can to make it positive and thrive but we need some help to do it."

## HOW'D THEY DO THAT?



Crews try to extricate a pickup Thursday night that got wedged between the barrier and guard-rail on the southbound lanes of the Perrie Bridge. No one was hurt, according to an Idaho State Police dispatcher, and no cause was known as of press time.

## Otter: Keep Snake's water in-state

Governor proposing extra dams to help recharge aquifers

The Associated Press

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter has proposed building more dams and expanding existing ones to keep more water from the Snake River in Idaho and recharge the dwindling Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

"Rather than looking at how to divide up scarcity, we ought to be looking at how we can get more to

stay here," Otter said Wednesday at the Idaho Water Users Association convention. "The more water that we can keep from getting past that head gate, the more water we had met with Bureau of Land Reclamation officials about two or three potential dam sites, which he did not identify. He also did not say which dams might be raised to impound more water."

Bill Sedivy, executive director of Idaho Rivers United, said the state doesn't have the hundreds of millions of dollars that would be needed to raise existing dams or build new ones and federal officials have said they can't help with funding.

"A much more cost-effective action would be to figure out how to use water more wisely and more intelligently, rather than throwing big money at dam projects that don't make sense," Sedivy said. "A way more prudent approach is teaching Idahoans how to use what existing water resources we have more prudently."

He said the state ranks third in the nation in per-capita water use, mostly because of rising consumption in the rapidly growing Treasure Valley.

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## Twin Falls man sentenced in connection to burglary of prosecutor's Burley home

By Renee Wells  
For The Times-News

BURLEY — A Twin Falls man has been sentenced to three to seven years in the Idaho State Penitentiary for his part in the burglary of a home belonging to two deputy prosecutors in Cassia and Mindokla counties.

Mark Tubbs, 23, was sentenced in December for accessory to bur-

18 burglary of Blaine and Nichole Cannon's home in Burley.

Cheyenne Barton, Jeremiah Schmidt, Brent Matherly and Michael Oragui also were charged in the crime and are involved in court cases.

Tubbs was arrested during a routine traffic check on May 19 after officers found identification belonging to the Cannons in his car.

Blaine Cannon told the officers

he did not know of the burglary until they alerted him that some of his personal information was found.

Tubbs also was charged with the March burglary of a storage unit and sentenced for possession of methamphetamine.

Dominic Calderella, Bobby Fairchild, Brent Matherly and Kathy Killians also were implicated in the crime. Tubbs' sentences are set to run concurrently.

## Fairfield teen picked for Washington, D.C. trip

By Karl Mathews  
Times-News correspondent

FAIRFIELD — Katrina Davis will be representing Idaho in the 45th annual United States Senate Youth Program.

She and fellow Idaho delegate Hyrum Hansen of Reznburg will be traveling to Washington in March for an intensive week of studying "the people and machinery of the American governing system," according to the office of U.S. Sens. Larry Craig and Mike Crapo. In addition,

the two high school seniors will each receive a \$5,000 college scholarship, made possible by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation.

To Davis, the award came as a surprise. After being the only Fairfield student to take the entrance test, Davis said, "I really didn't think I did that good."

Now she is one of 104 in the nation to get the opportunity this year.

"It's the chance of a lifetime," said her mother, Rose Bennett. "Every child should get that opportunity."

When asked about her aims for the trip, Davis had several hopes.

"I hope that by seeing what they (the Senate) do, I will know if I want to pursue that."

At one point, Davis wanted to study politics, but later reconsidered in favor of medicine. Though still not fully decided, she hopes to study in the area of the sciences.

"That's what I'm good at," she said. "As far as the trip to the capital, the 17-year-old also has some more youthful aspirations.

"I always wondered how tall the Washington Monument is — it's pretty cool."

She added that she hasn't traveled much, so "whatever they take me to see is what I'll see."

Davis will be waiting a few more days until her itinerary and schedule arrive for the trip.

She expects a lot of sessions and not much free time.

But she is looking forward to the trip, the learning, and the future. "Hard work has paid off," said her mom. "She's really excited."

## Snowpack Levels

Location	% of Avg.	% of 2006
Salmon	8.1%	47%
Big Wood	7.6%	45%
Little Wood	7.1%	39%
Big Lost	6.0%	37%
Little Lost	7.4%	41%
Henns Fork, Teton	7.5%	43%
Upper Snake Basin	7.6%	44%
Owens	8.7%	51%
Salmon Falls	8.0%	46%

As of Jan. 25  
\* Percentages of snow water equivalent in this table are based on a 30-year average.  
\*\* The magnitude of snow water equivalent for the entire snow season has not yet been determined.

## YOUR WEEKEND

### 'Cinderella'

What: The Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation will present Rodgers and Hammerstein's musical "Cinderella."

Where: King Fine Arts Center, Burley

When: Today and Saturday, 7-30 p.m. The production continues with performances Monday and Feb. 23.

How much: Tickets, which are \$10 for reserved seats and \$8 for general seating, are available at the Book Plaza and Watch Music in Burley, at The Book Store in Rupert, or at the door.



### Bards of the high prairie

What: The 23rd annual Cowboy Poetry Gathering, a nine-day celebration of the arts and art in the rural West, begins in Elko, Nev., this weekend.

Where: Western Folklife Center, 501 Railroad Ave., and the Elko Convention Center, 700 Mann Way, Elko.

When: Saturday and Sunday, the gathering continues through Feb. 3. This weekend's highlights are "When It's Night," "Time in Nevada," and "Singing the Gathering."

Richard Englin and Dave "Red Boy" Scholtz, Saturday at 7 p.m. PST in the G Three Bar Theater at the Western Folklife Center, and "A Night at the Movies" on Sunday at 7 p.m. PST, featuring a classic western film and popcorn.

How much: A Day Pass is \$18 and three-day Guest Passes are \$51. Children under 12 are admitted free to non-coastal music events. Saturday's "High Time in Nevada" tickets are \$18 and Sunday's movie tickets are \$11. For tickets, phone (800) 860-5885.

### Song and dance

What: The Ten Falls High School concert choir group will present its seventh annual Winter Showcase.

Where: Poplar Auditorium, Ten Falls

When: Saturday, 1 and 7:30 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$5, are available at the door.



### Gotta dance

What: Nine south-central Idaho dance studios will present Freeze Frame, an annual revue held to raise money for scholarships to dance camp.

Where: College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls

When: Saturday, 2 and 7 p.m.

How much: Tickets, which are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children and senior citizens, are available at On Stage in Twin Falls or at the door. Tickets to both shows are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors.

### High-country music

What: Idaho troubadour Mazze Braun will perform along with Johnny Van and Headwaters at the grand opening of O Cuzco Mexican Restaurant in Burley.

Where: 113 Broadway Ave. S.

When: Today, 8 p.m.

How much: Cover charge is \$10.

OBITUARIES/COMMUNITY

Lera Francis (Aylor) Bruce

TWIN FALLS — Lera Bruce, an 89-year old resident of Bridgeview Estates in Twin Falls and a former, longtime resident of Jerome, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Jan. 19, 2007.

She was born in Rupert, Idaho, on Dec. 12, 1917, to A.J. and Viva May Aylor. As the oldest child, she lived with her parents and her younger sisters Virginia Aylor and Bessie, John Aylor, in Burley when they moved there in 1920. She attended schools in Burley through the 12th grade and, upon high school graduation, attended Albion College, where she received a teaching degree in music. Her first teaching position was in the Burley Elementary School system and, for most of her life, she taught degree and talent to teach young people to play the piano.

On June 1, 1942, Lera married Robert (Bob) E. Bruce of Jerome. Bob served in the U.S. Air Force and they traveled with him on all his assignments, except for three remote tours. During those assignments, she lived in Jerome, where they finally settled into retirement in 1960. They spent their time together until Bob died in 1992. Lera died peacefully while residing at Bridgeview Estates, where she had lived since selling her Jerome home in 2002.

She spent her entire life devoted to God, her family, music and bridge. She was an active member of the Jerome Episcopal church and served there as the organist for too many years to count. As she supported her husband's military career, she chose to stay at home and raise her son and

daughter, who didn't turn out too badly. Many families in Jerome have been touched by her music. She taught children to play the piano, and she played for innumerable weddings, funerals and memorial services. Except for the things listed above, Lera enjoyed few things more than playing bridge. She was a member of the Twin Falls Duplicate Bridge Club and played duplicate bridge there and throughout the state, where she won many "master points." She was also a member of the Jerome chapters of PEO and the Order of Eastern Star.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Virginia of Charlottesville, Va.; and her brother, John of Blairsville, Ga. She is survived by her son and his wife, Bob and Bonnie Bruce Jr. of Jerome, Idaho; her daughter, JoLynn, and her husband, Jim Vegh of Bluffdale, Utah; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 29, at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church, 262 E. Ave. A. Instead of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the Jerome Middle School in care of the Lera Bruce Musical Scholarship Fund. This fund may be used to help purchase musical instruments for students who might otherwise be financially burdened. Address: Jerome Middle School, in care of the Lera Bruce Musical Scholarship Fund, Jerome, ID 83338.

Arrangements are under the direction of Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel of Jerome.

David Charles Armstrong

MECHANICSBURG, Pa. — David C. Armstrong, 60, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., passed away Jan. 17, 2007, in Harrisburg, Pa.

He was born Nov. 27, 1946, in Twin Falls, the son of Charles and Alice Armstrong. He graduated from Twin Falls High School in 1965 and attended the U of I and CSI. He also spent time in the National Guard. Dave married Sandra Gibbs on Jan. 6, 1968, and they had two children, Stacy and Joshua. They later divorced. Dave worked for Western Electric, Mountain Bell and Lucent Tech., retiring after 30

years of service in telecommunications. Dave met Wanda Geesey, and they were married on June 20, 1987. His hobbies included amateur radio, skiing, running, hunting and fishing, and playing with his dog, Brandy. He also enjoyed watching all sports.

In addition to his wife, Wanda Armstrong of Mechanicsburg, Pa., he is survived by his daughter, Stacey Armstrong of Leavenworth, Wash.; son, Joshua Armstrong of Big Sky, Mont.; his parents Chuck and Alice Armstrong; and sister, Teresa, all of Twin Falls, Idaho. He was preceded in death by his brother, Gregory Armstrong; and his maternal and paternal grandparents.

He was cremated, and there will be no service.

DEATH NOTICES

Jeffrey E. Bennion

FILER — Jeffrey E. Bennion, 22, of Filer, died Jan. 24, 2007, in Buhl.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 29, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Interment will follow at the Filer Cemetery in Filer. Friends may call from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, at the home. A full obituary will appear at a later date.

Charles C. Okelberry

BUHL — Charles Clyde Okelberry, 82, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, at Sunbridge Care and Rehabilitation in Twin Falls.

A service will be held at noon Monday, Jan. 29, at Hansen Mortuary Chapel, 201 E. Main, with Bishop Mark Young officiating. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery. A viewing will be held from 10:30 a.m. until noon Monday at the mortuary.

Erma W. Villet

RUPERT — Erma Woodland Villet, 91, formerly of Rupert, died at her home, Jan. 17, 2007, in Bonanza, Utah.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, Jan. 23, at the Rupert Cemetery.

Fred Maier

RUPERT — Fred Maier, 89, of Rupert, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, at Country Side Care and Rehabilitation in Rupert.

Tylen E. Posey

FILER — Tylen Everett Posey, 22, of Filer, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, from injuries received in an auto-

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 obituary notices is obits@mgjonline.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day.

Leta Bennett

RUPERT — Leta Bennett, a 62-year-old resident of Rupert, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2007, at her home surrounded by her family.

She was born Sept. 21, 1944, in Burley, Idaho, the daughter of Carl Emery "Chic" and Norma Udy Bedke. She received and completed her education in Oakley. She married Donald H. Bennett on Dec. 17, 1960, in Oakley. They resided in Oakley for seven years and then moved to the family farm north of Rupert. Leta was diagnosed with cancer in March of 2006. They then sold the farm and moved into town to be closer to family.



Leta was an extremely hard worker. She was employed at J.R. Stimplot for 13 years and spent the rest of her working life on the farm helping her husband and children. She was an outstanding wife, mother and grandmother. She loved her family and taught them the principles of hard work and honesty. Even though she demanded much from them, she also showed an abundance of love and devotion to their lives. Leta enjoyed

traveling, four-wheeling, supporting her grandchildren in all their activities, and loved her animals dearly. She was an active volunteer with the Cassia Regional Medical Center's Pink Ladies.

She is survived by her husband, Donald of Rupert; her children, Dean (Kathy) Bennett of Rupert, Terry (Jackie) Bennett of Columbia, S.C., Kelli (Brian) Bott of Rupert and Trevor (Amber) Bennett of Nampa; nine grandchildren, Jessica and Justin Bennett, Terry Jr., "JT" and Tandra Bennett, BreAnna and Brogan Fackin, and Ryan, Zachary and Abbie Ann Bennett; and two brothers, Karl U. "Bud" (Pat) Bedke and Frank Allen (Phyllis) Bedke, both of Oakley. She was preceded in death by her parents, "Chic" and Norma Bedke.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 29, at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 11 St., with the Rev. Jerry Stee officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Sunday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St., Burley, and one hour prior to the service Monday at the church. The family suggests memorials be directed to Intermountain Hospice in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

SERVICES

Mamie Mary Fahrenholz of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Sylvia Mary Beck of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Pella LDS 1st and 2nd Ward Church, 169 W. 400 S. in Burley; friends may call from 10 to 10:40 a.m. today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Clarke Bennett of Hansen, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Kimberly LDS Chapel, 222 S. Birch St.; viewing one hour before the funeral at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

The Rev. Richard Lee Gosnell of Jerome, funeral at 1:30 p.m. today at the Jerome Bible Baptist Church; viewing for friends will follow at the church (Howe-Robertson Funeral Chapel).

Troy James Davenport of Buhl, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Buhl First Christian Church at Broadway and Poplar (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Glenda Rose May of Twin Falls, funeral at 2 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Eleanor "Annie" Ankeny of Gooding, memorial graveside service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Elmwood Cemetery in Gooding (Demaray's Funeral Chapel).

Sharleen M. Gurney of Rupert, funeral at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Rupert LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 506 G St., burial at 3 p.m. at the Moreland Cemetery. Friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Chapel, 710 Sixth St., and one hour before the funeral at Saturday at the church.

Tamara "Tammy" Marie (Sweet) Williams of Twin Falls and formerly of Shoshone, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Baptist Church in Shoshone.

Eva Elizabeth Williams Nichols of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Rupert

LDS West Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W.; friends 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. Saturday at the church.

John Robert Chambeau of Wentzville, Mo., and formerly of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 166 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; friends and family may call from 5 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Cody Lee Molyneux of San Diego, Calif., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Carey Cemetery; celebration of life from 2 to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Carey LDS Church (lunch served) by the Carey Relief Society; and celebration of life with family and friends in Higgins at a later date (Demaray's Funeral Chapel).

Donald D. Labrum of Twin Falls, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Twin Falls LDS West Stake Center, 667 Harrison St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, and from noon to 1 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Albert Athel Denney of Wendell, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at Demaray's Wendell Chapel; friends and family may call from 4 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Myles Kenneth Wirth of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Allison Beth Chatfield Proctor of Richfield, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at the United Methodist Church in Richfield (Salmon River Funeral Home in Salmon).

Heleen Marie Church Ferts of Jerome, memorial service at 4 p.m. Saturday at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Herman Conzom of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Buhl First Baptist Church (Farmer Funeral Chapel).

Three Scouts will receive Eagle honors

FILER — Eagle Scout awards will be presented to Mathew Jones, Joshua Van Patten and Noah Wright at a Court of Honor at 4 p.m. Sunday at the Filer American Legion Hall on E. Main Street.

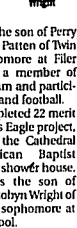
They are members of Troop 7 and their scoutmaster is Perry Van Patten.

Jones completed 33 merit badges and qualified for bronze and gold palms. For his Eagle project, he had a flag pole with an American flag and rock base installed at the ZebBarth Arena at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. The project took more than 10 hours. Jones, 16, is the son of Jack and Janie Jones of Filer; a sophomore at Filer High School; a member of the junior varsity football, basketball and track teams, Travel Club, Filer FFA Chapter and the local Order of the Arrow; and involved in 4-H.

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for bronze and gold palms. His Eagle project was to build downspouts and re-tar the roof on the Filer American Legion Hall to prevent water leakage. The project involved 147 hours with the assistance of four fellow troop members and four other volunteers. Van Patten, 15, is the son of Perry and Mary Van Patten of Twin Falls, a sophomore at Filer High School, a member of the speech team and participates in track and football.

Wright completed 22 merit badges. For his Eagle project, he renovated the Cathedral Pines American Baptist Church Camp shower house. Wright, 15, is the son of Norman and Robyn Wright of Filer and a sophomore at Filer High School.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Hollister Elementary Students of the Month for December were, from left, first row: Meghan Parrott, Dakota Silver and Kaylee Jearns; second row: Cordeil Van Voorhes, Andah Sattarwala and Kyle Gregory.

Longtime NY sportswriter Jack Lang dies at age 85

By Mark Newman, Newsday

Jack Lang was known as "the good news man" because he was the one who, for decades, made the phone calls that told former players they had been elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame. One year, Lang even received his own call, letting him know he had been voted into the hall's writers' room.

"I'll never forget, at Cooperstown, he said he woke up every day and looked forward to going to work," said his son Randolph, thanking back to the 1987 induction ceremony.

Lang who covered much of New York baseball history for the old Long Island Press and then the Daily News, died Thursday of liver disease at Huntington Hospital. The longtime Fort Salonga resident was 85.

Lang went right to the Press from Army service and began covering baseball in 1946, attending the first of 60 consecutive opening days — a streak that ended last year when he was recovering from triple-bypass and hip replacement surgeries.

"He's a man who loved baseball to the core of his soul and he was a good friend, and objective as well," said Tom Seaver, the Hall of Fame pitcher. "I knew him through the press."

my whole career and he was a consummate professional. And when you were good he said you were good and when you stunk he said you stunk and rightfully so."

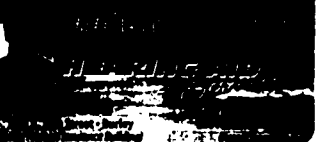
Along with his fame, he became well known as secretary-treasurer of the Baseball Writers Association of America; he administered the Hall's young process from 1967 through 1994. So he had the privilege of telling Willie Mays, Hank Aaron, Mickey Vernon and Tom Seaver that they had received baseball's greatest honor.

Red Ruffing, the first player he ever called, wasn't home because he was too nervous to wait around. Lang said in a Newsday interview 11 years later, Carl Yastrzemski was so excited he dropped the phone. Catfish Hunter's father hung up on Lang, thinking it was a prank.

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# Gore film sparks Washington parents' anger

# Bad driving leads to drug bust

By Blaine Harden  
The Washington Post

FEDERAL WAY, Wash. — Frosty Hardison is neither impressed nor surprised that "An Inconvenient Truth," the global-warming movie narrated by former vice president Al Gore, received an Oscar nomination this week for best documentary.

"Liberal left is all over Hollywood," he grumbled a few hours after the nomination was announced.

Hardison, a parent of seven here in the southern suburbs of Seattle, has himself rolled the global-warming waters. It happened early this month when he learned that one of his daughters would be watching "An Inconvenient Truth" in her seventh-grade science class.

"No you will not teach or show to propagandist Al Gore video in my child, blaming our nation — the greatest nation ever to exist on this planet — for global warming," Hardison wrote in an e-mail to the Federal Way School Board. The 43-year-old computer consultant is an evangelical Christian, who says he believes that a warning plan is "one of the signs" of Jesus Christ's imminent return for Judgment Day.

His angry e-mail (along with complaints from a few other parents) stopped the film from

being shown to Hardison's daughter.

The teacher in that science class, Kay Walls, says that after Hardison's e-mail she was told by her principal that she would receive a disciplinary letter for not following school board rules that require her to seek written permission to present "controversial" materials in class.

The e-mail also pressured the school board to impose a ban on screenings of the film for the district's 22,500 students.

The ban, which the school board says was merely a "moratorium," was lifted Tuesday night, subject to rigorous conditions. Still, the action has appalled the film's producers and triggered a ferocious national backlash.

Members of the school board say they have been bombarded by thousands of e-mails and phone calls, many of them hurtful and obscene, accusing them of scientific ignorance, pandering to religion and imposing prior restraint on free speech.

"I am here to foster healing in our community," he said, while noting with sadness that "civility and honest discourse are dying in our country."



Frosty Hardison objected when he learned that his daughter in seventh grade would be watching "An Inconvenient Truth" during science class.

What the school board had really intended to do, Larson and school board members insisted, was not to stop schools from teaching the science of global warming, but merely to follow long-standing school board rules that require students to be exposed to "other perspectives" when they view a film like "An Inconvenient Truth."

"We do not need to lose balance in order to save the Earth," Larson said.

Exactly what "balance" might amount to, however, was not spelled out. The National Academy of Sciences, together with nearly all of the world's leading climate experts, have agreed that there is conclusive evidence

that human activity is causing the Earth to warm and that there is an urgent need to reduce the amount of carbon being released into the air.

In public comments at the board meeting, several fired-up Federal Way residents argued that "An Inconvenient Truth" was, indeed, scientifically true and that saying otherwise is "deliberate obfuscation."

These residents derisively compared the search for "balance" in the global-warming issue to decades of phony claims by cigarette companies about the lack of "proof" that smoking is harmful to human health.

Before the board meeting started Tuesday night, several

residents buttonholed Larson and asked him if there should be a "balanced" presentation of the Nazi Holocaust, because there are many who deny that it occurred.

"The Holocaust happened," Larson said. "We have evidence and photos. The difference between the Holocaust and the global warming is we don't have photos of what will happen 50 years from now."

Sitting in on this conversation was Walls, the seventh-grade science teacher whose class includes Frosty Hardison's daughter.

"We do have photos of snow melting off Kilimanjaro," Walls said, hopefully.

In the end, though, the board opted for an abundance of balance.

That means that "An Inconvenient Truth" may be shown only with the written permission of a principal, and only when it is balanced by alternative views that are approved by both a principal and the superintendent of schools.

By Marianne Kobak  
For the Times-News

ELKO — Police arrested an Elko man on drug charges Wednesday after an officer saw him drive erratically in the downtown area.

David Rodriguez Santillan, 23, was arrested and faces charges of unlawful use or possession of a controlled substance, obstructing an officer, driving without a valid license and unsafe passing. His bail was set at \$3,541.

"An officer saw him driving crazy and made a stop," said Elko Police Lt. Don Zumwalt. "Drug residue was found in his pockets."

The Elko police K-9 unit was called to the scene and the dog "hit" on the suspect's car, so the car was sealed, Zumwalt said.

Police are awaiting a search warrant for the car.

# Family of water-intoxication victim sues radio station

By Jodie Williams  
Associated Press writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — The radio station disc jockeys who hosted an on-air water-drinking contest knew drinking too much water quickly could be fatal but dismissed the concerns with juvenile jest, according to a wrongful death lawsuit filed Thursday by the family of a contestant.

Jennifer Lea Strange, a mother of three, died Jan. 12 hours after drinking as much as two gallons of water in the on-air promotion to win a video game console.

"The talent admitted during the broadcast that they should have done more research once various participants, including (Strange), began to report medical symptoms," according to the lawsuit filed in Sacramento County Superior Court. "Such conduct was despicable and so vile, base or contemptible that it would be looked down upon and despised by reasonable people."

Strange, 28, was one of about 18 contestants who tried to win a Nintendo Wii gaming console by seeing how



Jenna Hiest, the mother of Jennifer Lea Strange who died after drinking nearly two gallons of water in a radio station's on-air contest Jan. 12, sipped her own while answering a question concerning the wrongful-death lawsuit filed by Strange's family against radio station KDND-FM and dozens of its employees, Thursday.

much water they could drink without going to the bathroom. The disc jockeys on KDND-FM's "Morning Dive" program called the contest "Hold your Wee for a Wii."

The Sacramento-area sta-

tion fired 10 employees after Strange's death.

The lawsuit names as defendants KDND's parent company, Entercom; Sacramento, and the on-air talent who hosted the contest, as well as employees and managers who organized, promoted and participated in the contest.

Strange was interviewed several hours into the program, saying she looked pregnant because her belly was swollen with water and complaining that her head hurt.

"This is what it feels like when you're drowning," one of the disc jockeys said.

At one point, a listener who identified herself as a nurse called in to warn the disc jockeys that the stunt could be fatal, according to an audio tape of the broadcast.

"Yeah, we're aware of that," one of them responded.

Another DJ laughed. "Yeah, the medical releases, so we're not responsible. We're OK."

The lawsuit claims that Strange never signed a liability waiver. Instead, the form merely granted the station permission to use the content in its promotional materials.

said the family's attorney, Roger Dreyer.

The radio station would not comment directly about Thursday's lawsuit, Entercom spokesman Charles Sipkins said.

"We reiterate our deepest sympathies and condolences to the Strange family, but we do not comment on pending litigation," he said.

The lawsuit seeks unspecified medical, legal, burial and funeral costs. It also seeks punitive damages for the loss of companionship for Strange's husband, William, and the children, who are 11 months, 3 and 11 years old.

# Water

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Idaho farmers have learned to be efficient and residential users need to do the same, Sedivy said.

Tension over rights to water from the aquifer has risen with a case pending before the state Supreme Court, which has been asked to resolve a dispute between canal companies that hold senior rights and groundwater pumpers with junior rights.

A decision could come between now and April, and any ruling could be followed by state legislation that would revise laws on water rights to ease the economic impact.

Repeating a campaign pledge, Otter said he planned to call a water summit to tackle disputes over water rights.

"I will be the champion of the solutions you do come up with as long as they fit the state Constitution," the governor said.

Former association president Harold Mohlman of Rupert praised Otter's approach.

"If you have a governor who's basically saying he's for water, you're going to get something done," Mohlman said.

"There's groups of us here, we're fighting right now, the junior and the senior water users, and it's important to have a governor who supports us all."

Last year then-House Speaker Bruce Newcomb R-

Burley, failed to get the Legislature to approve an aquifer recharge plan, but Steve Howser, general manager of the Aberdeen Springfield Canal Co. said Otter might succeed.

"Every time we come up with a plan, the difficulty is funding," Howser said. "The leadership to acquire that funding has to come from the governor's office."

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# California woman fends off mountain lion after animal attacks husband

By Lisa Leff  
Associated Press writer

SAN FRANCISCO — Wildlife officials on Thursday credited a woman with saving her husband's life by clubbing a mountain lion that attacked him while the couple were hiking in a California state park.

Jim and Nell Hamm, who will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary next month, were hiking in Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park when the lion attacked.

"He didn't scream. It was a different, horrible plea for help, and I turned around, and by then the cat had wrestled Jim to the ground," Nell Hamm said in an interview from the hospital where her husband was recovering from a torn scalp, puncture wounds and other injuries.

After the attack, game wardens closed the park about 320 miles north of San Francisco

and released hounds to track the lion. They later shot and killed a pair of lions found near the trail where the attack happened.

The carcasses were flown to a state forensics lab to determine if either animal mauled the man.

Although the Hammes are experienced hikers, neither had seen a mountain lion before Jim Hamm was mauled, his wife said. Nell Hamm said she grabbed a four-inch-wide log and hit the animal with it, but it would not release its hold on her husband's head.

"Jim was talking to me all through this, and he said, 'I've got a pen in my pocket and get the pen and jab him in the eye,'" she said. "So I got the pen and tried to put it in his eye, but it didn't want to go in as easy as I thought it would."

When the pen bent and became useless, Nell Hamm went back to using the log. The

lion eventually let go and, with blood on its snout, stood staring at the woman. She screamed and waved the log until the animal walked away.

"She saved his life, there is no doubt about it," said Steve Martarano, a spokesman for the Department of Fish and Game.

Nell Hamm, 65, said she was scared to leave her dazed, bleeding husband alone, so the couple walked a quarter-mile to a trail head, where she gathered branches to protect them if more lions came around. They waited until a ranger came by and summoned help.

"My concern was to get Jim out of there," she said. "I told him, 'Get up, get up, walk, and he did.'"

Jim Hamm, 70, was in fair condition Thursday. He had to have his lips stitched back together and underwent surgery for lacerations on his head and body. He told his wife he



Nell Hamm sits with her husband Jim Hamm in the intensive care unit at Mad River Hospital in Arcata, Calif., Thursday, the day after he was attacked by a mountain lion at Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park. State wildlife officials credited his wife with saving her 70-year-old husband's life by clubbing a mountain lion that had his head gripped in its jaws until the animal let go.

still wants to make the trip to New Zealand they planned for their anniversary, she said.

Nell Hamm warned people

never to hike in the backcountry alone. Park rangers told the couple if Jim Hamm had been alone, he probably would not

have survived.

"We fought harder than we ever have to save his life, and we fought together," she said.

## Show honors missing Moscow councilman

MOSCOW (AP) — A northern Idaho man whose favorite play involved a woman who vanishes is being celebrated with performances of that play after his own disappearance earlier this month.

John Dickinson, 62, went missing Jan. 7 after stopping to help another driver whose car had crashed on an Oregon bridge over the John Day River. A third vehicle crashed into Dickinson's car.

Authorities say Dickinson might have jumped over a concrete rail in an attempt to get out of the way, not realizing in the dark that he was plunging into the river 35 feet below, with a temperature around 40 degrees.

Dickinson is presumed dead, but his body has not been found. His friends say the play might help the community deal with the loss because no memorial service has been held.

Dickinson worked as a computer science professor at the University of Idaho until retiring in 2002. He could often be seen downtown on his bike and in coffee shops. He was elected to the city council in November 2003, and chosen as its president the week before he disappeared.

In 2001, he helped form the nonprofit Strus Idaho Theatre, and began acting although he had never been on stage before. In "Death of a Salesman" he played Ben. Willy Loman's successful brother

## Idaho plans to charge \$26.50 to bag a wolf following delisting

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — For the price of a tank of gas, Idaho hunters may soon be able to kill a wolf legally.

Idaho plans to charge \$26.50 per tag for residents who want to bag one of the predators in a public hunt — once federal Endangered Species Act protections are lifted. The cost would be \$250 for out-of-state hunters.

The Fish and Game Commission also plans a special hunt outside a regular

wolf season. Those tickets would be offered to the highest bidder or in a lottery.

The commission approved the plan Thursday at a hastily called special meeting on a package of changes that now must be approved by the Legislature.

Wolves were reintroduced to the northern Rocky Mountains — including Idaho, Montana and Wyoming — a decade ago after being hunted to near-extinction. More than 1,200 now live in the region, including about 650 in Idaho.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service has announced plans to begin delisting the animals from federal protections in Idaho and Montana as soon as this month. Until then, Idaho can't hold a hunt.

"In anticipation of a delisting by the federal government, the Department of Fish and Game and the Fish and Game Commission want to set up wolf tags and a hunting season," Fish and Game spokesman Niels Nokenntved said. "All of this is contingent on whether wolves are delisted. This is moot until they are."

Wyoming still doesn't have a federally approved management plan for its wolves, so a delisting plan there remains in limbo.

Idaho Fish and Game plans to draw up wolf hunting seasons by November, Nokenntved said. The agency plans to manage wolves as it does cougars and black bears, for which there are legal hunting seasons now.

The number of wolf tags hasn't yet been made public, he said.

Public wolf hunting is allowed in Alaska, but is out-

lawed in the lower 48 states.

"It's part of a necessary process to change from an Endangered Species Act-managed species, which in our opinion is no management, to a state-managed species as part of a state-managed program," said Nate Helm, director of Idaho Sportsmen for Fish & Wildlife. That group has championed wolf delisting in Idaho out of concern the animals are killing too many elk.

"I intend to do like most other sportsmen in this state in helping to manage wolves through harvest," Helm said.

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An Idaho Falls Police Department evidence room technician looks for a item in the thousands of things filed away in the space Tuesday in Idaho Falls.

## Idaho Falls police go online to auction evidence

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — The power of the Internet has reached the evidence room at the Idaho Falls Police Department.

Faced with more than 100,000 forfeited or unclaimed items — some that have been stored for decades — the eastern Idaho agency has contracted with a police auction site — PropertyRoom.com — to unload the goods.

"If we don't do something soon, we're going to be in trouble as far as space goes," Idaho Falls Police Department Capt. Steve Roos told the Post Register. "We're just bulging at the seams."

The Internet auction company based in Mission Viejo, Calif., collects merchandise from evidence rooms of more than 800 law enforcement agencies around the country and then sells the items online, getting 50 percent of the take while the remainder typically goes back to a public agency.

Buyers can search by item category and price, and even browse the "Hot Pursuit Specials."

The company, according to its Web site, is managed by former police officers.

"It's a win-win situation," said Detective Zuelia Nelson, who's managed the Idaho Falls evidence room for three years. "I was hoping for (this) for a long time."

Whatever money comes back from the sale of the items

goes to the city of Idaho Falls' general fund. The police department, meanwhile, is saved the expense of going through the items and auctioning them off at an annual event.

"That's the real savings for us — time," Nelson said.

Last year, the city collected more than \$36,000 from the annual auction hosted by Idaho Falls and other departments. With the recent agreement with PropertyRoom.com, items will be picked up once a month, starting next month, to be put on an online auction. The company takes care of selling, packing and shipping. That will make more space available in the Idaho Falls Police Department's property room.

"This is a problem for a lot of departments across the country," Roos said. "Most of the time, they put money into a bigger room."

An auditor recently deemed the Idaho Falls property room overcrowded, unsafe, and containing too many firearms. However, PropertyRoom.com does not sell guns on the Internet.

PropertyRoom.com also has a section — StallBack Recovery Service — that allows crime victims for free to register the serial numbers of stolen items.

If that item turns up at PropertyRoom.com, the company said it will contact the owner to return the item.

## Boise woman found slain; police arrest teenage son

BOISE (AP) — A 42-year-old Boise woman was found slain Thursday in the bedroom of her home and police arrested her 16-year-old son. Ehan Windom was booked for investigation of first-degree

murder in the death of Judy E. Windom, police spokeswoman Lynn Hightower said. Police said they believe the woman was killed late Wednesday night or early Thursday as she slept.

The teen walked to his father's house and told his father that something was wrong with his mother, Hightower said. The boy was arrested at the father's house. Police recovered two

weapons at the mother's home that detectives believe were used in the crime, and believe more weapons may have been involved, but refused to disclose the type of weapons or the injuries she suffered.

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WHEN IS YOUR BOY GOING TO GO OVER THERE AND PIMP A TOY TO PLAY WITH?

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AAAGH! THIS ONE HAND SANITIZER! HAND SANITIZER!

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

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GRACE AND BALDO?

HOW CAN I GROW AS A HUMAN BEING TODAY?

HAS IT GROWING WAY OUT OF CONTROL?

**Brevity** By Guy & Rodd

YOU KNOW, I BET IF WE STEAMED THAT AND DIPPED IT IN MAYO, IT WOULDN'T BE HALF BAD...

THAT, OR USE IT AS SOME SORT OF WEAPON.

**Dilbert** By Scott Adams

CAN YOU COME TO A MEETING RIGHT NOW?

NO, IT'S ALMOST LUNCH TIME.

IF I MISS LUNCH, MY DAY WILL BE 12 HOURS OF UNINTERRUPTED MISERY. I WILL ENVY THE DEAD.

THAT'S STUPID. THE DEAD DON'T EAT LUNCH EITHER.

**Doonesbury** By Garry Trudeau

ACTUALLY MR. PRESH... JOINING THE TRAMP LINE MIGHT BE A GREAT WAY TO CHANGE THE SOCIETY.

A LITTLE HARMLESS NAME-CALLING KEEPS EVERYONE FROM THE PUBLIC LONDS!!

CHANGE THAT SUBJECT? HERE WE GO AGAIN.

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

Professor... could you give me a hand with this crossword?

I'll try, Boone.

12 across... 29 letters... the act of estimating something as worthless (flocinaucimihnilification)

Of course! How could I have missed that?

I once scored 340 points in "Scrabble" with that one.

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

WHEN I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL I USED TO TRY TO GET TO THE GYM EARLY!

I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A NICE THING TO DO... BUT NOW I'M THINKING IT'S KINDA NEAT.

SO WHEN DO YOU GET TO BOOZ WITH YOUR NEW BOO?

ACTUALLY HE'S FIGURING HE'LL BE HERE AND WE'RE GOING TO GET A PIZZA. HE SHOULD BE HERE RIGHT NOW.

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

ONCE UPON A TIME AND A HALF WILLIAM TELL SHOT AN APPLE ON HIS SON'S HEAD.

PLINK!

NICE SHOT, DAD!

PLINK!

**Luann** By Greg Evans

SO MY PARENTS SPENT THE DAY WITH THEIR LONG-LOST SON.

IT'S AMAZING THAT HE LOOKED FOR HIS HIGH- AND LOW- AND PULP'S A SISTER!

YEAH, WHEN BEN CALLED, MY FOLKS WERE OVERLOUT. I WAS A BIT SLOTTED. BUT NOW I'M THINKING IT'S KINDA NEAT.

SO WHEN DO YOU GET TO BOOZ WITH YOUR NEW BOO?

ACTUALLY HE'S FIGURING HE'LL BE HERE AND WE'RE GOING TO GET A PIZZA. HE SHOULD BE HERE RIGHT NOW.

**Mallard Fillmore** By Bruce Tinsley

IN THE WAKE OF NEWS THAT THE EPA HAS APPROVED A NEW DRUG TO FIGHT OUR PET-OBESITY EPIDEMIC... COMES NEWS FROM CHINA HEALTH MINISTRY...

THAT CHINA NOW HAS AN EPIDEMIC OF OBESE YOUNG PEOPLE?

THERE'S NO WORD AS YET...

REGARDING WHETHER THIS CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO THEIR CONSUMPTION OF OBESE DOES...?

**Pearls Before Swine** By Stephan Pastis

DO YOU, GEORGE, TAKE THIS GLADY TO HOLD FROM THIS DAY FORTH.

IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH, GLADY WILL HOLD AND BITES OFF YOUR HEAD?

I do.

PRATING MANTIS WEDDINGS ARE SO UNROMANTIC.

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

GRAMPA, HOW COULD YOU THINK YOU'LL LIVE?

WHO KNOWS, NELSON? I COULD BE HERE FOR TWENTY MORE YEARS OR I COULD CHECK OUT TOMORROW.

LIFE IS UNCERTAIN, ESPECIALLY AT MY AGE.

IS THAT WHY YOU EAT YOUR DESSERT FIRST?

BRIGHT BOY.

**Rosa is Rose** By Pat Brady

UN-OH! IT LOOKS LIKE A PARTY UNATION!

I'M GUESSING A BIEER BEAR, LIKE BECK BEAR.

AND THE NIGHT ENDS WITH A LARGE-NIGHT SHOW.

OULNIT BETTER BOTY FACTORY! I HOPE THEY MAKE GOOD TOY CAROLINE!

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

HOW CAN YOU TUCK ME?

REALLY?

LEAVE YOUR HANDS OFF MY ROOM FOR AGES!

MAY I PROMPT THIS?

I THOUGHT I GOUNDED BETTER THAN YOU'D YOU CARRY ALL OF MY DIRTY DIRTIES DOWN TO THE KITCHEN FOR ME.

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

AFTER BUSINESS CASUAL' MADE THIS OBSOLETE, WE DECIDED OMBES AND CHAIRS WERE TOO LAST-CENTURY SANDATORY...

## Pay attention to the details, Gemini

**HOROSCOPE**  
Heraldine Saunders

IF JAN. 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Finding a balance between your various desires and responsibilities will be one of your challenges this year. You may find yourself torn between a desire to enjoy your home and a wish to take advantage of the financial opportunities this year should present. Do your best to find a way to do it all without overruling yourself. Communications with a significant other could become problematic about summertime, so try to make sure that you actually set your great care to make yourself understood and avoid misunderstandings.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Gains money by playing hardball are temporary, and could have repercussions that actually set you back in the long run. Remember that the people you meet going up are the same people you'll meet coming back down.

**TAUROS** (April 20-May 20): A gift for saying the right thing, at the right time, to the right people is yours today. Make the most of the opportunity this presents to connect with the people who can do you the most good.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Take great care to spell out things clearly now, as misunderstandings could run rampant — especially misunderstandings that actually cannot be resolved. Don't assume anything.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Today is not the best day for making important financial moves, so try to resist the urge of finalizing anything important. Even if you make decisions today, rethink them tomorrow.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Family moves to center stage, especially later in the day. Spend time with those you care about.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You are especially popular today and can influence others in a light and friendly way. This could be a great time to make new friends, and one of them could also turn into a love interest if you are single.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You are virtually irresistible now and for a few days to come. You have the right words for every occasion and your fan club will finally grow considerably. Promote worthy causes while you hold the stage.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Though romance may have cooled a bit from its incendiary high a few days ago, you still have what it takes to draw in a new flame or keep the home fires burning brightly.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If emotions crop up today that are basically inconsistent with normal ones, they should be disregarded and definitely not used as the basis for actions. You'll regain equilibrium before tomorrow.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): If it seems like there are forces working against you, slow down and hold off taking action until your path looks clearer. You may have to work harder than you think you are about — on being patient and perseverant.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Short-term opportunities are available now and for the next few days, although your real breakthroughs are still a few months away. But you can still make progress now by completing preparatory steps.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Both written and spoken communication — and thinking in general — are heightened. Misleading research is also favored to some degree.

COMICS

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



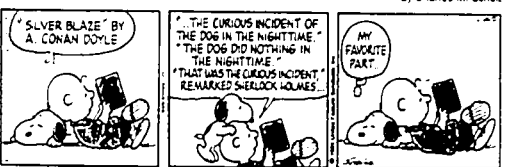
Hi and Lois

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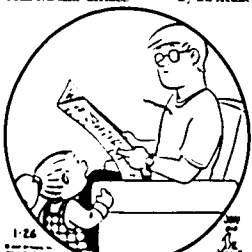
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketcham



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



# Neighbor's spotlight puts resentful couple on stage



DEAR ABBY  
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My next-door neighbors are renovating their house to sell and have installed motion-sensor lights. Unfortunately, their floodlights shine on our deck and hot tub, and have destroyed our privacy. I have spoken to them about it several times, and they turned them off for a while.

Now that they're getting ready to sell, they have turned them back on. Their property is only about 45 feet wide. One light is shining on the center of their property seems sufficient to me. Despite my having talked to them, they seem unconcerned. They say they need them to walk through their property at night, but they don't do that often.

I don't want to do anything that could escalate into something ugly. Other than politely asking them again to do something about the floods, what's my recourse? They have seen the lights shining on our property and acknowledged that they do shine on our deck and hot tub, but it doesn't seem important to them. I hope you can help.

— BLINDED BY THE LIGHT

DEAR BLINDED: Write your neighbors a nice registered letter and ask them to reposition their sensor lights so that when they go on, they do not illuminate your property. If they ignore you, then consult an attorney. I seriously doubt their property will sell easily if there is the taint of forthcom-

ing litigation.

DEAR ABBY: I have one child, a daughter. When I was divorced, "Maddie" was 17. I have been there for her in good times and bad. She now has three beautiful children.

The problem is Maddie treats me like dirt. She yells at me constantly for stupid reasons, or because she's in a bad mood or maybe had a fight with her boyfriend. I have stopped loaning her money because all I get is empty promises to pay it back.

When things don't go her way, Maddie threatens me with "you won't see your grandkids." She wasn't raised this way, but she is one of the rudest people I know. I cry all the time. I can't sleep, and I know how to deal with her anymore.

By the way, my daughter is 25. Because she is my only child, I don't want to lose her or my grandkids.

— HEARTBROKEN

MOTHER AND GRANDMA

DEAR HEARTBROKEN: Your daughter may be 25, but she appears to have the maturity of a young teenager. It's

time to realize that her abusive behavior is having an effect on your health. For your own sake, you must draw the line.

Abuse sometimes makes the heart grow fonder, so please step back and devote some time to healing yourself. Spend time with friends, devote some energy to activities that bring you pleasure. I promise, the next time your daughter needs something, you will hear from her, and she'll be reminding you how much your grandchildren "love" you, not threatening you with banishment.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 43-year-old woman with a lot of experience in my field of expertise. My problem is, my boss hired a student intern full time. I have been working here four years and, basically, run the store — opening up, etc. — but the student is making more money than I do.

What would you do? Move on, or stay and feel unfairly treated?

— THE OLD SHOE

DEAR OLD SHOE: I would certainly explore other employment opportunities. Money talks, and by paying you less than the intern, your boss has sent you a message.

It appears your boss is taking you for granted.

Before you leave, have a chat with the boss and give him or her the opportunity to offer you a raise and retain a trusted employee.

## How can lizards, flies crawl on walls?



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS  
Eric Barrett & Jack Mingo

Lizards and flies never lose their suction when climbing on walls, because they don't use suction. Microscopic grooves in their feet grab microscopic pits and scratches, even on a "smooth" surface like glass.

This day in history: It's Australia Day. The date doesn't commemorate the under-country's independence. Instead, it celebrates the arrival of the first shipload of convicts to England's new penal colony on Jan. 26, 1788. Why Australia? Because after the revolution, America was no longer available as Britain's prisoner dumping ground.

In 1906, the typical first-time groom was 26, 1.78 in height, 22. By 1964, those averages had lowered to 23 (men) and just over 20 (women). The ages began rising again in 1970. Lately, the average first-married couple is 27 and 25.

The average e-mail user checks his in-box five times a

day. (Is that all?)

About 1 in 5 of all American children are overweight. If current trends continue, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 30 percent of the boys and 40% of the girls born in 2000 will develop diabetes during their lives.

Of all Californians, 24 percent say they have tried surfing. It may be hard to remember a time when presidents took pride in cultural pursuits, but two presidents published books of their poetry: John Quincy Adams and Jimmy Carter.

Although wages may not

seem high enough, teachers have it comparatively easy nowadays. In the 1800s, many had to moonlight as choir leaders, bartenders or gravediggers to earn a living wage.

Farmers say that pigs love eating rattlers, gobbling the poisonous snakes up before they have a chance to strike.

According to the people who keep abreast of unusual tourist attractions, the biggest fiberglass cow in the world is reported "Salem Sue" in New Salem, North Dakota. She stands 38 feet tall.

Kings like to think they're experts in everything. Henry VIII believed that he'd discovered a cure for syphilis — a paste of powdered pearls and ginseng resin — which he marketed to his subjects as "The King Majesty's Own Plaster."

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## Woman offers belly for Super Bowl ad



Odds and ends

(CHICAGO) — The most imaginative Super Bowl ad might not appear on television, but on Jennifer Gordon's pregnant belly.

The self-proclaimed "dihard" Chicago Bears football fan is offering up her nearly nine-months pregnant belly space for advertisers to paint. She'll showcase it at the Feb. 4 Super Bowl, when the Bears play the Indianapolis Colts in Miami.

All the Chicago woman wants in exchange is two tickets to the game.

Gordon, a publicist, has posted ads online on eBay and Craigslist detailing the ploy.

"I will agree to have your message painted on my belly visible to Super Bowl attendees and the millions of fans around the world who watch," her Craigslist ad reads.

The going rate for Super Bowl tickets is currently \$3,000 to \$5,000. Gordon and her husband Mitch have already booked flights to Florida and have a place to stay. She also has a doctor's note giving her permission to do, she said.

"I thought it was brilliant," Mitch Gordon said. "It's certainly cheaper than a Super Bowl ad. Isn't that what fanatics do?"

So far, Gordon has received about 45 inquiries. The 35-year-old mom-to-be has only one condition: "I have my standards," she

spool Wilbanks' infamous divorce appearance before her scheduled 2005 wedding. In fact, it will show how the communitas came together and bonded over the experience, which included a massive search for Wilbanks before she turned up a few days later.

WILBANKS and her then-flame, John Mason, will only be minor characters, Pitt said. "The show is more about the city and the tenacity and camaraderie of its citizens," he said.

Initial reactions to the upcoming show have been mixed, ranging from laughter to shock.

"When some people hear about the show, their chins drop to the floor," Pitt said. "Other people, they just laugh. Some people worry that it will be harmful to the family, but that is not at all our intention."

Wilbanks got her nickname "runaway bride" after fleeing before her wedding and making up a story about being kidnapped and sexually assaulted. Actually she got cold feet and fled to New Mexico. She later recanted, saying she ran away because of personal fears, but she refused to consent to telling police a phony story.

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Mark Pitt, the theater's owner, says the show will not

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NATION

# Damage to spot in brain seems to erase the urge to smoke

By Laran Neergard  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — A longtime smoker, a patient code-named Nathan simply forgot his two pack-a-day addiction after a stroke.

He had no cravings, no desire to quit. "My body forgot the urge to smoke," he told his doctor nonchalantly.

His comment inspired research that suggests damage to a silver dollar-sized spot deep in the brain can wipe out the urge to smoke. The surprising discovery may shed important new light on addiction.

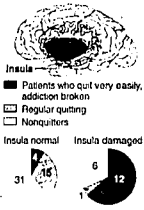
"The quitting is like a light switch that went off," said Dr. Antoine Bechara of the University of Southern California, who scanned the brains of 69 smokers and ex-smokers to pinpoint the region involved. "This is very striking."

Clearly brain damage isn't a treatment option for people struggling to kick the habit.

But the finding, reported in Friday's edition of the journal Science, does point scientists

## Portion of brain linked to addiction

A recent study found smokers with brain damage to the insula were able to stop addictive urges.



SOURCE: Science

toward new ways to develop anti-smoking aids by targeting this little-known brain region called the insula. And it sparked excitement among addiction specialists who expect the insula to play a key role in other addictions, too.

"It's a fantastic paper, it's a fantastic finding," said Dr. Nora Volkow, director of the

National Institute on Drug Abuse and a longtime investigator of the brain's addiction pathways.

"What this study shows unequivocally is the insula is a key structure in the brain for perceiving the urges to take the drug," urges that are "the backbone of the addiction," Volkow added.

Why? The insula appears to be where the brain turns physical reactions into feelings, such as feeling anxious when your heart speeds up. When those reactions are caused by a particular substance, the insula may act like sort of a headquarters for cravings.

Some 44 million Americans smoke, and the government says more than 400,000 a year die of smoking-related illnesses. Declines in smoking have slowed in recent years, making it unlikely that the nation will reach a public health goal of reducing the rate to 12 percent by 2010.

Nicotine is one of the most addictive substances known, and it's common for smokers to suffer repeated relapses when they try to quit.

# Fruit absent from fruit-labeled children's foods, report finds

By Mary Engel  
Los Angeles Times

About half of the most aggressively marketed children's food with pictures or names of fruit on the packaging contains no fruit at all, according to a report to be released Friday at the 2007 California Childhood Obesity Conference in Anaheim.

Some of the least nutritious products were cereal and yogurt, said lead author Leslie Mikkelsen, a dietitian for Prevention Institute, an Oakland, Calif.-based nonprofit that promotes community-based health and safety programs.

She pointed to a box of Berry Berry Kix that showed a spoonful of cereal with what at least looked like raspberries and blueberries.

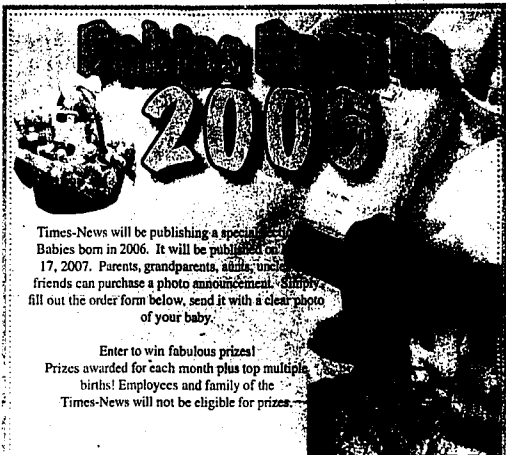
But, said Mikkelsen, pointing to the ingredients listed on the box, "all that's in there is red dye and blue dye."

Similarly, Yoplait Go-Gurt Strawberry splash yogurt contained no strawberries. General Mills, the maker of the cereal and the yogurt, declined to comment, saying the company had not seen the report.

Of the 37 products examined, 19 contained no fruit ingredients and six had only minimal amounts of fruit

juice. Two contained 100 percent fruit juice, and 10 contained actual whole fruits, which have less sugar and more fiber and nutrients than juice alone.

The six-page report, "Where's the Juice? Fruit Content of the Most Highly Advertised Children's Food and Beverages," was sponsored by the Strategic Alliance for Health Food and Activity Environments, a statewide coalition of public health and nutrition organizations. It comes amid growing concern about rising rates of obesity in children and adolescents, and a related surge in Type 2 diabetes.



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

Enter to win fabulous prizes! Prizes awarded for each month plus top multiple births! Employees and family of the Times-News will not be eligible for prizes.

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Parents Names: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Will Pick-up photo \_\_\_\_ include a SSAE if you wish photo mailed to you.

Grandparents Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Deadline: February 6 @ 5 pm. All mailed entries must be postmarked by Wed. Feb. 6th 2007. Price \$20. These fees will be donated to the NIE Program. Late entries will not be accepted.

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## Hunting, wives, and the truth

**W**ives, what can you expect from three guys going hunting? A flawless journey that will end with a bounty of meat? Or will it be a Don Quixote sojourn from one idiotic circumstance to another? Pointless and meatless.

It's like this. We agree to meet at 7 a.m., actually T.J. agrees to pick up Andy at 7. Then a person (not to be named later) will be picked up shortly after 7.

Now who would think that T.J. would show up at Andy's 20 minutes early, and who would imagine that Andy would be ready, let alone on time? It's just wouldn't be natural, normal, and customary.

But it was true, and the person lollygagging, waiting until 7, or more likely 7:30, got caught with his pants down.



ACCIDENTAL STORIES  
Bill Studebaker

At a quarter to 7, he and his wife were relaxing in front of the fireplace when they heard L.B. start whining.

So, in slippers, boxers and nightshirt L.B.'s loyal human walks out back to see what's up.

No one is in the yard, but L.B. is not in the kennel. Headlights are shining around the corner of the garage, and the garage door is going up.

It must be T.J. Before seven Andy must have decided not to come along. (Hummm.)

Andy and T.J. are loading L.B. in to the truck.

Andy's look is wry astonishment: "What? You're not ready?"

"Of course not, it isn't even 7."

As L.B. knows, her master is unaccustomed to being anything less than punctual.

He hustles into the house calling to his wife: where are my hunting pants, lucky shirt, faded orange cap, and marvelous, lightweight, hunting boots?

With her help, he dashes swiftly, grabs his gun, hunting pack, and canteen of water.

Off we go, west toward the mighty Jarbridge River.

It's a fine ride, and the desert is snow covered, every track, every bird sneeze will show. The dogs should have an easy time, notwithstanding the poor shooting the trio has exhibited on occasion.

"Hey, did you bring your shells?" T.J. asks.

"No, I didn't. I left the gray box in my truck."

"I've got a box," Andy says.

"Great. I have four. Should I run out, I'll use yours."

(Pause)

"Nice ski caps you guys have."

"Yeah," Andy and T.J. say in unison.

"I forgot mine."

"I have an extra," T.J. says.

All is good.

We park the truck at the end of the road and set out for a day's hike, across flats and canyons.

Within 10 minutes L.B. is on point. A dozen chukars get up. Two birds go down. Boco, Andy's dog, and Liza, T.J.'s dog, each retrieve a chukar. L.B. watches.

Tails are wagging. Gunners are pleased. What luck to stumble upon a covey of partridges so soon.

The walk to the next covey is two miles. Boco and Liza find the birds. Shots are fired and fired. (Pause.) Fired again.

"How many?"

"None," they reply.

With lips nearly in the snow, they drift off to the right. L.B. takes the lead to the left. L.B. works hard. No birds, but she discovers that catching voles is a snap. Snap and they are dead.

There's a hiker's lull, a stiffness in which the heart pounds. Bang! Bang! Bang! (Pause.) Bang! They must have gotten some.

Twenty minutes later, back at the truck:

"How many?"

"None," T.J. says. "Why did you come back early?"

"I forgot my hunting license."

"How about you, Andy, any birds?"

"No, but Boco pointed like a statue."

"I guess if you shoot enough shells to get a limit that's nearly as good as a getting a limit."

"I don't think so," Andy says.

"We have two birds. We've spent 25 dollars on gas, 20 on shells, and who knows what on treats. That's about 24 dollars per bird."

"What are we going to tell the women?" With that question hanging in the air, we get into the truck. L.B. who's particularly tired and spoiled crawls in the cab. The other dogs are forced into the back.

"My wife's taking her sister back to Boco," T.J. says.

(Pause.)

"I'm sure we'll think of something, L.B. What?"

What?

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# Fury of the slope

## Avalanche danger looms in the hills

By Matt Leidecker  
Times-News correspondent

I am standing on top of a beautiful, shapely bowl filled with light powder snow. Below me on the ridge to my left are two sets of ski tracks, next to which a third skier is floating effortlessly downhill as the snow billows around him.

As I wait, eagerly anticipating my run, I notice that something looks strange in the bowl beneath me. Silently, the entire slope fractures into large chunks and begins sliding away just 30 feet beneath my skis. Within seconds, the blocks disintegrate and the river of snow accelerates. As it hits the choke at the bottom of the bowl, a powder cloud explodes 1500 feet into the blue sky. I scan the moving snow with my eyes, looking for any signs of my fellow skiers caught in the slide.



A deep avalanche crown lit by the afternoon sun.

When the first snow falls in late October or early November, it marks the beginning of a narrative that continues throughout the winter until the last patches of snow melt from the high peaks in central Idaho. Following this story and its complex web of characters and plot twists is vital to avoiding avalanches in the mountains.

Every winter storm adds another chapter, and thickens the growing snow pack. In between storms, weather affects the surface of these layers. Strong winds buffet the slopes, eroding through some layers and re-depositing snow to thicken and densify others. The sun's rays melt snow on the warmer aspects forming surface crusts that will be buried by the next storm. Daily variations in temperature create pressure gradients that drive water vapor through the snow pack. This vapor movement can help stabilize the snow or, like a mysterious villain, alter the crystals in a way that creates greater instability.

As winter's layers accumulate on steep mountainous terrain, gravity tries to move this snow down the slope. This gravitational strain builds with each new storm, until the stress applied to the snow puts the balance causing a fracture between layers that results in an avalanche.

The snowpack described in the opening chapter was in a delicate balance. It could withstand the weight of skiers on its surface, but when the third person in our group fell, the added stress penetrated to a weak layer three feet beneath the surface. The resulting avalanche was an eye opening experience.

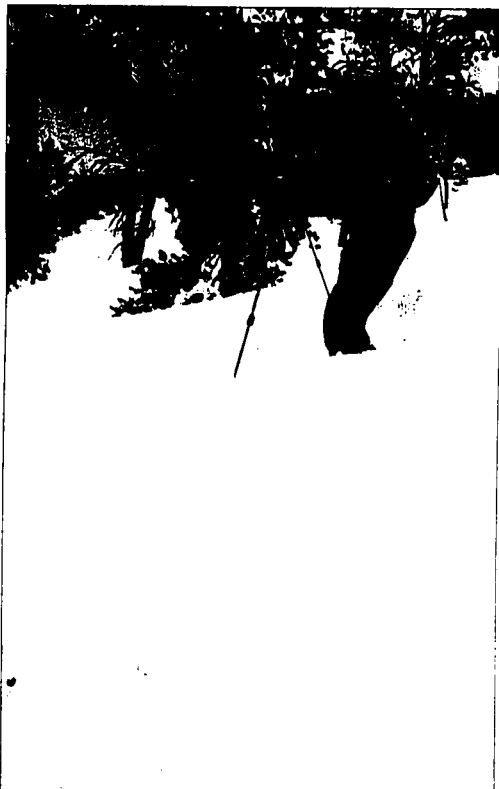
Actually watching an avalanche run its course has taught me the most about the dangers lurking in the winter snowpack. Not only does it reinforce the destructive and potentially deadly forces at play, I am acutely reminded that I do not want to be in that moving snow. Watching avalanches from safety from the sidelines offers valuable insight into what kind of terrain is susceptible to slides and, more importantly, where you want to be if and when a slide occurs.

Interpreting the subtle interplay of character and plot twists in winter's seasonal story can take a lifetime of field experience and education. Fortunately recreating safely in avalanche terrain doesn't require a Ph.D. in interpretational literature. It does, however, require educated decision-making that can be augmented by taking an avalanche course.

The Wood River Valley has a long history of recording and reporting of avalanche conditions. Forest Service snow ranger Butch Harper began sending a phone message with updated snow pack information and avalanche hazard



A skier follows a safe tread ridge near Galena Summit.



Local guide Marc Kellumman performs a retachblock stability test.

### Learn more about it



A photograph captures a shallow slab avalanche falling down.

Additional local resources for avalanche education can be found at:  
Local Resources  
Sawtooth National Forest Avalanche Center  
Web: <http://www.avalanche.org/~swcto/>  
Avalanche hotline - 208-622-8027  
Openair hotline - 208-622-0099  
Sun Valley Building  
Web - [www.swntf.com](http://www.swntf.com)  
Phone - 208-788-1966  
Level I Course Dates  
Jan 26-28  
Feb. 9-11  
Sawtooth Wilderness Guides  
Web - [www.sawtoothguides.com](http://www.sawtoothguides.com)  
Phone - 208-720-1823  
Level II Course Dates  
Feb. 1-4.

In 1983. When Harper retired in 1994, Doug Abramite moved north from Salt Lake City and brought with him years of avalanche experience gained in the Wasatch Mountains of Utah. Doug currently heads The National Avalanche Center. The NAC coordinates the nearly 20 individual avalanche forecasting centers spread through-

out the 50 states. Janet Kellum has been the local director of the local Sawtooth National Forest Avalanche Forecasting Center for 11 years. Besides making regular field observations and providing a daily



OUTDOORS

# F&G releases off-season pheasants

Program helps boost population of ring-necks

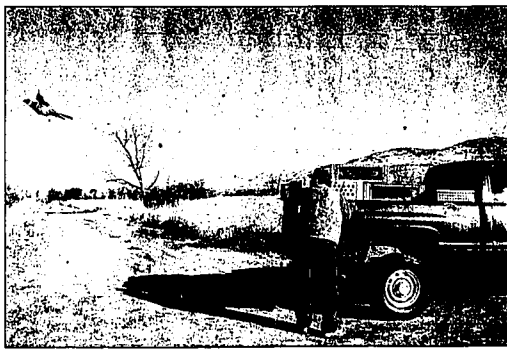
By Jerry Deal  
Idaho Fish and Game

Ring-necked pheasants continue to provide one of the more popular hunting opportunities in Idaho after more than a century since their first introduction to the state. Since its peak in the 1950s and 1960s, pheasant harvest has gradually declined due to changes in agricultural practices, land use and public access.

Hunter interest has shifted to wildlife management areas (WMA) which are operated by Idaho Fish and Game with an emphasis on natural production of pheasants in quality habitat, but these areas have been unable to meet the demand. The WMA pheasant program is managed to supplement natural production by stocking pen-reared game farm birds on selected WMAs.

With the pheasant hunting season now over for 2006, Fish and Game is already preparing for the 2007 season. There will be any changes in the upland game seasons and rules for 2007 because they are set by the Fish and Game Commission on a two-year cycle. However, pheasant stocking on WMAs takes some advance planning and this year's season needs to be evaluated.

In order to have roosters to hunt for the WMA pheasant program, Fish and Game must



Fish and Game biologist Tim Shelton releases a pen-reared ring-necked pheasant on Montour Wildlife Management Area near Emmett.

contract with a game farm to grow them. Once the state administrative contracting process is done and a supplier is chosen, raising pheasants has to start early in the year. Hens have to lay eggs, those eggs have to incubate, and hatchlings have to have plenty of time to grow. The contract specifies high standards for the cock pheasants supplied to WMAs, so that only healthy, mature birds are put out for hunters. Because of these exacting standards, most hunters have to look carefully to tell the difference between a contract bird and a wild rooster. In order to determine how well the WMA pheasant pro-

gram is working, Fish and Game does an annual survey of hunters. The WMA pheasant permit allows for the harvest of six pheasants. These permit fees pay for only a portion of the cost of the 16,000 birds purchased by Fish and Game each year. By surveying hunters, Fish and Game can better determine how many of the pheasants released were actually harvested by hunters and where hunters were most successful. By estimating the cost per harvested pheasant by WMA managers can adjust stocking rates to ensure hunters get the best value from their license and permit fees. Other information from the survey may help deci-

sion makers adjust rules based on how current programs and proposed changes are accepted. For instance, hunter orange was first required this year on select WMAs in response to input by hunters using these funds.

In partnership with pheasant hunters, Fish and Game staff will work diligently to ensure that the very popular WMA pheasant stocking program maintains its exciting standard, while remaining as cost-efficient as possible.

Jerry Deal is a habitat manager for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Southwest Region.

# Seasonal rules apply to bobcats, cougars

Q: "The other day while hunting chukar partridge my bird dogs cornered a bobcat in the rocks. By the time I got close to where the bobcat was he had outsmarted the dogs and escaped. What rules apply and what permits are required to harvest the bobcat?"



ASK THE OFFICER  
Gary Hompland

A: Bobcats and mountain lion areas frequently observed in chukar hunting areas. Bobcats are a fur-bearing species that can be lawfully taken by hunting as well as trapping. Mountain lions are classified as a big game animal and may only be harvested by hunting. As a big game animal, mountain lions taken with shotguns are restricted to 0 Buckshot or shotgun slugs; bird shot is not allowed.

Here are a few rules that would apply to taking either bobcats or mountain lions. First, the season must be open and overlap with the chukar hunting season.

The current bobcat season runs from Dec 14, 2006 to Feb. 16, 2007. The mountain lion season in our area runs from Aug. 26, 2006 through March 31, 2007. Additionally, to take a mountain lion, hunters must first purchase a mountain lion tag before harvesting a lion.

All bobcats and mountain lions harvested must be taken to an Idaho Department of Fish and Game regional office so the mandatory harvest report can be completed and a metal tag attached to the hide. All bobcats must be reported and tagged within 10 days of the close of the bobcat season. Mountain

lions must be reported within 10 days of the date of harvest. Bobcats are a listed species with the Convention on the International Trade of Endangered Species (CITES). It doesn't mean they are endangered, it means there are special rules about possessing green hides and exporting their pelts to other countries.

This special bobcat pelt tag called a "Cites tag" costs the trapper \$2 for each tag. It allows bobcat pelts to be sold and shipped to international fur markets. Pelt tags are attached to mountain lion hides at no charge. Hunters are required to validate and attach their mountain lion tags to the carcass or hide immediately after the lion is killed.

If you intentionally use your hunting dogs or trailing dogs to hunt bobcats or mountain lions you would be required to purchase a hound hunting permit. As an incidental harvest while hunting chukar partridge you need not purchase a hound hunting permit.

Gary Hompland is a regional conservation officer at the Magic Valley Regional Office of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game at (208)324-4350 or e-mail him at the Fish and Game Web site at <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.

## SMALL CATCH



Lincoln-McKiesey Primary School third-grader Eliska Scaggs, 9, of Harry, Mont., holds a small yellow perch at the Fresno Reservoir on Jan. 18 during the Montain Fish, Wildlife and Parks Ice Fishing event.

# Indoor shooting range becomes reality in Lewiston

LEWISTON (AP) — Bob Jones of Lewiston had long dreamed of opening an indoor shooting range. But after extensive research and writing a business plan, he determined the time wasn't right to make his dream a reality.

That was seven years ago. In 2004, Jones, a retired probation and parole officer for the Idaho Department of Corrections, had a chance meeting with Lewiston attorney Bill Fitzgerald at the Nez Perce County Courthouse. Fitzgerald said something like, "What this

town really needs is an indoor shooting range."

"Funny you should mention that," Jones replied. He shared his idea with Fitzgerald and even showed him his business plan. The two men and their wives, Tamara Jones and Debi Fitzgerald, decided to go into business together. They quickly found a vacant building in Lewiston and poured in money and sweat to convert it to the Diamondback Shooting Range.

The business that gives shooting sport enthusiasts a place to pull the trigger opened

Jan. 6. Already the business is growing through nothing but word of mouth and a "NOW OPEN" sign.

"I haven't put in anything less than a 12-hour day and word hasn't even gotten out yet," Jones said.

Fitzgerald and Jones enjoy shooting and both were having a hard time finding places close to town to do it. Gun enthusiasts have long used gravel pits to shoot targets. But many of the public and private rock pits have been closed to shooting because of safety

concerns or because some shooters leave trash behind.

"We wanted a place where responsible gun users could go and shoot and be away from that element," Fitzgerald said.

"I like to shoot," said Jones, who teaches hunter safety for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and served as the local shooting and tactical handgun instructor for the Department of Corrections. "You just couldn't find anywhere close to shoot a pistol or a rifle without driving 20 to 30 minutes or more."

# Avalanche

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conditions. Kellum and her staff offer several basic avalanche awareness courses throughout the season. The classes are free, but a \$5 donation is recommended to help support the center.

"There has been a gradual growth of avalanche awareness in this community. Every time there is a local accident it serves as a big wake up call to backcountry skiers and snowboarders," says Kellum.

"Our classes teach basic avalanche awareness, but we always encourage people to gain additional experience by taking more advanced courses offered by the local outfitter

community."

The Level I and Level II avalanche courses offered by local guide services follow a national curriculum of avalanche education. The courses are organized and taught by local guides who often bring in national experts to provide a broader perspective to the course.

According to Erik Leidecker of Sawtooth Mountain Guides, "The goal of the American Avalanche Association curriculum is to be a competent member of a winter touring party. We teach backcountry travelers how to use the necessary tools to make informed decisions in avalanche terrain."

The Level I avalanche courses cover a range of topics ranging from tour leadership, snow stability evaluation, avalanche hazard forecasting, snow metamorphism, and the effect of weather on the snow pack. In addition, much attention is given to the "human factor" that drives individual or group decision-making in avalanche terrain. An advanced Level II course is offered by both Sun Valley Trekking and Sawtooth Mountain Guides.

Over the years, the outdoor industry has also developed lots of new gear aimed at making backcountry skiing a safer sport. I asked Kellum what she thought was the best technical improvement on the market

today. After thinking for a moment she replied,

"I would say the information available for people to put into their brains. Some of the new technology is great, but is like putting a seat belt on and then driving your car faster. Your chances of getting hurt or killed in an avalanche are very high, even if you are using the latest technology."

I have to agree with Janet. If you enjoy skiing, boarding, or even snowmobiling in the backcountry, it is imperative to learn about avalanches. Understanding how to make safe decisions about where and when to travel in the backcountry is the best insurance policy you can buy.

# Trapshoot association targets Sunday start

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Gun Club will start the 23rd annual Snake River Trapshooting Association league this Sunday. The league will run for 10 weeks and the annual championship shoot will be held in Twin Falls on April 20 to April 22.

New rule changes will apply. A rookie is anyone who has not shot a total of 500 targets in an ATA or IFA registered shoot, or who has not shot a score in the S.R.F.A league or annual shoot. Cold barrel rule, first 25 targets shot first from the 16 yard line and no shooting ahead one score per week.

The Twin Falls Gun Club will have five different classes AA, A, B, C and D class. Each club will shoot against a different club each week. The clubs are located in western Oregon, southern Idaho and eastern Idaho.

The Twin Falls Gun Club is open on Thursdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. The cost of shooting 25 targets is \$4 for members and \$5 for non-members. Single membership is \$25 for \$40 for a family membership. For additional information call the Twin Falls Gun Club at 734-0639 on Sundays or Thursdays.

# Join CSI Outdoor Program for snowshoe trek Feb. 10

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho Outdoor Program will coordinate a snowshoe fun day Feb. 10 near Magic Mountain. Those who have been on snowshoes as well as beginners, ages 12 and older, are welcome.

Group leaders for the event will take participants through trails and snowfields near the Magic Mountain lodge and the Diamondfield Jack warming hut.

Participants are welcome to join groups that cover smaller or longer distances, depending on their abilities. Those

who wish to participate must contact the Outdoor Program for instructions on what to bring, how to dress, and where to meet the vans at CSI that morning.

Vans will leave the CSI parking lots at 8 a.m. and return at about 4 p.m.

The Outdoor Program will provide all transportation and equipment rental for \$10 per person. The price is \$6 for those who can bring their own snowshoes.

For information, contact Stacey Ward at 732-6696 or at [ward@csi.edu](mailto:ward@csi.edu).

# Noted author highlights annual flyfisher banquet

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Fly Fishers will host their 38th Annual Banquet and Membership Drive on Saturday, Feb. 3. This year's event will be held at the Turf Club in Twin Falls, with doors opening at 5 p.m. As in years past, the banquet will feature many fantastic raffles, games, and give-aways. Doc Hogan, noted author, guide, fly-tier, and one of the founders of the M.V.F.F., will be the featured speaker, and will be giving a presentation called "A Passion for

Steelhead." Proceeds from the event will be used to promote, preserve, protect, and enhance fisheries and fly-fishing throughout the Magic Valley and the state of Idaho. The M.V.F.F. strives for the betterment of fly-fishing through conservation projects, education programs, and community service.

For more information on the banquet, please contact Connie Herbert at 739-9334, or Chad Chorney at 420-4096.



# Rare bear

## Polar bear-grizzly hybrid comes to Idaho — as a trophy

By Alicia P.Q. Wittmeyer  
Associated Press Writer

GLENNIS FERRY — Jim Martell has been hunting since age 8 and has dozens of trophies, including two 10-foot-tall brown bears from Russia, a wallaby from New Zealand and two foxes from Kyrgyzstan. But his most exotic is the world's only recorded incidence of a wild polar bear-grizzly crossbreed.

Martell, 66, shot the hybrid that scientists have dubbed a "pizzly" this spring, sending shockwaves through the scientific community. The now-stuffed bear took its place in his trophy room this month, a few feet away from a Canadian wolf.

He plans to have friends and people in town over to celebrate the big kill with a bear party in the next few weeks.

"It is just a beautiful animal," said Martell, who owns a telephone company out of Glennis Ferry, and operates a Salmon, Idaho-based elk ranch. "When we first got up to it, my guide said to me, 'you have a million dollar bear.'"

The pizzly — Martell prefers "polar grizzly" — can't actually be legally sold. But Martell has already received requests from museums that want to display the animal, and had calls from scientists asking him to describe the characteristics of the unusual creature.

From a distance, the animal looks like a slightly dirty polar bear. But up close, dark rings around its eyes, a hump on its back, long brown claws and an indented face are giveaways to its unique heritage.

DNA tests in April showed the bear's mother was a polar bear and his father was a grizzly. The bear has the small head and neck of a polar bear — they come in handy when going after seals through holes in the ice — but at about 7.5 feet long, it's closer in size to a grizzly than a polar, which can grow up to 11 feet.

The bear caused a stir in biological circles after Martell shot it on a 14-day, \$45,450 hunt on banks in Idaho in northern Canada earlier this year.

Polar bears and grizzly bears have been successfully mated in the past, but only in zoos; both bears' breeding habits have them mating several times before the female can become fertile, which means the two bears would have had to get along for about a week in the wild together, said Ian Stirling, a biologist who specializes in polar bears with the Canadian Wildlife Service in Edmonton, Alberta.

"It's obviously not a case of — to use a very crude term — a one-night stand," Stirling said. "They've had to interact socially and very intensely socially for a very extended period of time."

That's what makes it so surprising they obviously look different, you'd think they'd recognize that they were dealing with a different kind of animal.

Martell nearly missed the bear that rocked the scientific world this spring. His guide spotted the polar bear-grizzly cross walking on a ridge above the ocean, about 300 yards



Jim Martell's mount of a polar bear-grizzly bear hybrid rises above him where it sits in the game room at his home in Glennis Ferry. Martell shot the world's first recorded polar bear-grizzly bear hybrid in Northern Canada last April. The bear had a polar bear mother and a grizzly father.

away. Martell had just one shot.

Then he completely missed the flurry of scientific excitement that surrounded his prize: he was back up in Northern Canada on another hunting expedition, this time to nab a full-blooded grizzly.

"I called my wife and she said, 'How is my famous husband?'" he said. "I missed it all."

He got back just in time for the infancy. The pizzly discovery was prime big-fodder, and many were less interested in the bear than the man who shot it. Anti-hunting activists and environmentalists jumped on Martell for killing what, for now, seems to be a one-of-a-kind animal.

"We should have him mounted. Jim that is," one comment read. One web site devoted to the bear, [www.save-thepizzly.com](http://www.save-thepizzly.com), lamented: "Why is the rare, never seen bear OK to kill?"

"I just got piled on; phone calls, letters," he said. "A lady from Missoula sent me an e-mail, saying, 'I'd like to put you

in a barrel, with a bear and no gun."

But Martell says the comments haven't bothered him. Had he not shot the bear, no one would have known pizzlies — or grolar bears, if you prefer — could exist in the wild.

"I had a just went and died, they wouldn't have known it could happen," he said. "It's actually helped biologists."

He also has his own theories about why his bear might not be one-of-a-kind for long. Polar bears evolved from brown bears like grizzlies, and are still very closely related — their offspring, like Martell's bear, are fertile. Martell

believes polar grizzlies like his could be the next evolutionary step for the bears — perhaps a response to global warming and their shrinking habitats.

Grizzly bears are already listed as a threatened species, and the Bush administration proposed giving polar bears "threatened" status last month.

Meanwhile, Martell's next step is to take his trophy to the Safari Club hunting show in Reno this week — he has a booth for his elk ranch there, and he thinks his famous bear will help draw people in.

After that, he says, it's staying in his trophy room until it goes to his oldest grandson.

# Island Park still a paradise for snowmobilers

By Roger Phillips  
Idaho Statesman

BOISE — If you heard Island Park is closed for snowmobiling, you heard wrong. It's alive and thriving. Island Park, in the northeast corner where Idaho, Montana and Wyoming meet, remains the most popular snowmobile destination in the state, and for good reason.

There's sled-in, sled-out lodging, restaurants and services. There are 500 miles of groomed trails, play areas galore, high-elevation terrain and scenic destinations.

"One of the reasons people come here is the diversity of terrain," said Dave Claycomb, off-highway vehicle program manager for the Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation.

There's also a place next door called Yellowstone National Park. Guess what? You can still snowmobile there, too. But it's Yellowstone that has caused a bit of a problem for Island Park and the rest of Fremont County.

With the continuing controversy over snowmobilers in national parks, people have gotten the wrong idea that trails in Idaho have closed as well.

"The situation in Yellowstone didn't change the number of snowmobile trails in Idaho," Claycomb said.

The attractions for snowmobiling still draws lots of people to the area, including Doug and Toni Vandel of St. Anthony, who ride about 800 miles every winter in the Island Park area.

"This is my favorite place because the scenery is so beautiful," Toni said. "It's so peaceful, and you can ride for miles and miles in beautiful country."

The Island Park area remains the most popular area in the state, based on snowmobile registrations.

When snowmobilers register their machines, they designate which area they want their money to be spent. About one in five designate their money to Fremont County.

The money funds parking areas and trailheads, trail grooming, maps and trail signs, and other services for snowmobilers.

But local businesses still get cash from people who think the area has been closed to snowmobiling, which annoys a community that has a long-standing reputation for welcoming snowmobilers.

Island Park is the rare place where snowmobilers unload their sleds and use them for primary transportation. Many

trails parallel the highway; there also are portals to reach services in town.

"Island Park makes it easy to enjoy the sport because you can ride your machine to the gas station and to restaurants and then go riding," said Troy Elmore, outdoor recreation specialist for Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation.

There are several trailheads and plowed parking lots throughout the Island Park area. There's also a variety of businesses that cater to snowmobilers, including dealers, repair shops and snowmobile rentals and guided snowmobile tours.

Snowmobilers will find a wealth of opportunities for all types of riding, from smooth groomed trails to rugged mountains to open meadows that are great play spots.

The area starts at about 6,000 feet, and nearby peaks are over 10,000 feet. The snowmobiling season typically starts in late November or early December, and the area receives an average of about 250 inches of snow each year.

The season can last as long as April, or even May if riders want to stay in the high country. Parks and Rec.'s Elmore said February is typically the most reliable month for good snow.

The Island Park area features the Henrys Fork River and several lakes and reservoirs. The Henrys Fork winds through thick lodgepole forests that are interrupted by broad meadows and steep river canyons. Groomed trails access many of the scenic attractions, including:

**Upper and Lower Mesa Falls** — The upper falls are about 300 feet wide and drop about 114 feet. There is a groomed trail to the falls overlook. You also can visit the historic Mesa Falls Inn on weekends. The hotel is now a museum operated by the Parks and Recreation and the Forest Service.

**Big Springs** — See the source of the Henrys Fork River at this spring, where thousands of gallons of clear, cool water bubble from the ground. The spring is home to monster rainbow trout, which luck beneath the bridge and are easy to see. They even rise to eat bread tossed on the water.

**Mountain-top riding** — Nearby Mount Jefferson, Two Top Mountain, Sawtell Peak, Iteas Peak and others top out over 9,000 and 10,000 feet. Experienced snowmobilers can access many of them.

On the Net: [www.island-parkidaho.org](http://www.island-parkidaho.org)

# Colorado lynx found raiding chicken coop in Wyoming

CHEYENNE, Wyo. (AP) — A lynx that had been released in southwest Colorado in 2004 was found hundreds of miles away in Cheyenne where it apparently had been raiding a chicken coop.

The lynx was captured by Wyoming Game and Fish Department employees on Tuesday and returned the same day to the Colorado Division of Wildlife in apparently good health.

South Cheyenne resident Laurie Waters first suspected an unusual predator in the vicinity when two of her chickens were killed last Friday night.

"I could tell the chickens weren't killed by a fox because there were no feathers strewn around — just blood sprayed all over," Waters said in a Wyoming Game and Fish news release Wednesday.

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Ford Motor Co. posts record annual loss of \$12.7 billion

## All the wrong moves?



A long line of unsold 2007 F-150 pickup trucks sits on the lot awaiting buyers at a Ford agency in the south Denver suburb of Centennial, Colo., on Tuesday. Ford Motor Co. lost \$5.8 billion in the fourth quarter amid slumping sales and huge restructuring costs, pushing the failed automaker's deficit for the year to \$12.7 billion, the largest in its 103-year history.

## Auto giant Ford posts 4Q loss of \$5.8B but expects 'favorable results' in 2007

By Tom Krisher  
Associated Press writer

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford Motor Co. lost \$5.8 billion in the fourth quarter amid slumping sales and huge restructuring costs, pushing the automaker's deficit for the year to \$12.7 billion, the largest in its 103-year history.

The annual loss reported Thursday surpassed its previous record of \$7.9 billion set in 1992. The 2006 loss amounted to \$6.79 per share versus a profit of \$1.44 billion, or 77 cents a share, in 2005.

It was far from the largest quarterly or annual corporate loss on record — Time Warner Inc. reported a \$97.2 billion loss in 2002, largely due to new accounting rules about how to value assets. Ford could not rely on accounting rules, however, to explain its staggering total, which represented a loss of \$1,380 on each car or truck it sold in 2006.

Ford's loss also fell short of the biggest annual deficit in the auto industry: General Motors Corp. lost \$2.1 billion in 1992.

Dearborn-based Ford predicted more losses for this year and in 2008, but said its

"We know where we are. We are dealing with it and we're on plan."

— Ford Chief Executive Officer Alan Mulally

restructuring plan is on track to return to profitability in 2007.

"We know where we are. We are dealing with it and we're on plan," Chief Executive Officer Alan Mulally told reporters and industry analysts at a conference call.

The company, which lost \$6 billion on North American operations alone, said it expects to burn up \$10 billion in cash to run its business through 2009 and spend another \$7 billion to invest in new products.

The fourth-quarter loss was the worst final-quarter loss in Ford's history and its second-worst quarterly performance. Ford lost \$6.7 billion in the first quarter of 1992, due mainly to accounting rule changes on health care liabilities.

Including special items, Ford lost \$1.70 per share in all of 2006, worse than Wall Street predicted. Fourteen analysts polled by Thomson Financial expected a loss of \$1.35 per share for the year,

excluding special items.

Its shares rose 16 cents, or 1.8 percent, to \$8.36 in midday trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Ford, faced with increasing competition from overseas rivals such as Toyota Motor Corp., is banking on the restructuring to pull it through the next two years. Mulally, hired from aerospace giant Boeing Co., is leading the drastic effort to turn around the company.

Ford mortgaged its assets to borrow up to \$23.4 billion to pay for the restructuring and to cover losses expected until 2009. About 38,000 hourly workers have signed up for buyout or early retirement offers, and Ford plans to cut its white-collar work force by 14,000 with buyouts and early retirements.

Chief Financial Officer Don Lee said Ford expects favorable results from its automotive business in 2007. But because of interest on its debt "total automotive results are expected to be worse in 2007 than in 2006,"

he said.

Lee said the company finished 2006 with \$43.8 billion in cash available for its automotive operations, including \$12 billion that it borrowed in December. He said the company could tap into nearly all of that cash to fund its operations.

The company is on target, though, to achieve its goal of cutting \$5 billion in annual costs by 2008 compared with 2005 levels, Lee said.

Mulally said Ford will continue to review its costs, looking for more cuts as it gains efficiencies from building more cars worldwide on fewer frames in more efficient factories.

"The more I review the details, the more confident I am that we can continue that cost reduction through 2009 and beyond," he said.

Ford, which relied on truck and sport utility vehicle sales for much of its profits, was hurt last year as \$3 per gallon gasoline sent consumers fleeing to smaller, more fuel-efficient vehicles. Ford has seen its market share deteriorate in recent years. At the same time, Toyota has seen its U.S. sales rise, beating Ford out for the No. 2 sales spot in July and November.

## Burley good fit for ethanol plant

Times-News

BURLEY — Pacific Ethanol Inc will soon break ground on a 50 million gallon per year ethanol facility in Burley. The plant is expected to open in about a year.

Ethanol, or grain alcohol, is an environmentally-friendly fuel additive that is growing in national popularity as a safe and clean addition to gasoline.

Pacific Ethanol Chief Executive Officer Neal Koehler said Burley is a great location for an ethanol facility.

"The Burley plant expands our production footprint to new markets in the western U.S. from existing markets in California, Oregon and Colorado," Koehler said in a news release from the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization. "Moreover, the Burley plant fits well with our destination model and will serve local markets for both fuel and feed with significant production cost advantages over products imported from the Midwest. We would like to thank the city of Burley for being so helpful to us in the development of

this project. We look forward to bringing new jobs and economic growth to the local community."

The plant, employing about 40, will be located on 177 acres with direct access to both the Union Pacific Railroad and Interstate 84. There will be enough dairy and feedlot cattle to consume all the wet distillers grain from the new facility, and there's a fuel blending rack within eight miles of the plant site.

Another alternative-energy company, Renova Energy based in London, has also announced plans to build a 20-million-gallon plant in southern Idaho next fall. That plant will employ about 30 people.

This is good news for area corn growers who have already seen a nearly doubling of corn prices thanks to the national push for developing corn-based ethanol, the news release said. These new operations will also be supported by local supply services and provide a source for alternative animal feeds.

The plants will be the first fuel-grade ethanol facilities in Southern Idaho.

## Plan to join states in Internet tax push survives committee

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Idaho took another step Thursday toward joining the states' push to force Internet and catalog businesses to collect sales taxes when they sell items to customers in other states.

A divided House Revenue and Finance committee voted 9-8 to deepen the state's involvement in the so-called Streamlined Sales Tax Project. Lobbyists for giant retailers and chambers of commerce told the committee all sales should be taxed the same, whether they're over the Internet or at a physical store.

"This puts everyone on the same level," said Pam Eaton, a lobbyist for the Idaho Retailers Association, whose members include Wal-Mart Stores Inc., Target Stores and Walgreen Co. "It's a fair business."

Lovers in Thursday's vote were arch-conservative lawmakers who fear the push will sever Idaho's tax sovereignty.

States began studying how to capture tax revenues they're losing to Internet and catalog sales several years ago, after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled it unconstitutional for a state to impose a tax on a business not physically in its jurisdiction. Forty-four states joined a



sales tax, but they do it in vastly different ways, and it would be onerous for businesses to try to negotiate each state's system, the court ruled.

Now, many of those states are joining forces on a simplified set of sales tax rules, in hopes of meeting Supreme Court muster — and of eventually convincing Congress to allow states to capture more taxes from Internet commerce.

"My 'Main Street' retailers have been after this for a long time," said House Minority Leader Wendy Jaeger, of Ketchum, one of five Democrats who joined four Republicans in favor.

Although people in Idaho and elsewhere who buy from out-of-state Internet and catalog companies legally must pay taxes on their purchases, they rarely do. Such laws are rarely enforced.

A University of Tennessee study estimates states lost some \$24 billion in online sales taxes in 2006. Idaho's share exceeded \$50 million, the study said.

## Senate defeats 'poison pill' minimum wage proposal

By Jim Mahon  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — An effort to increase the minimum wage in all states, even those that already have wage floors higher than the federal base, failed Thursday after Democrats labeled it a "poison pill."

Democrats said the Republican proposal was designed to kill underlying minimum wage legislation.

An amendment offered by Sen. Jim DeMint, R-S.C., was an effort to show how raising the federal minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.25 over 26 months would have no effect in eight states because they already have wage floors of

\$7.25 or higher. Another two states have scheduled minimum wage increases that also would place them above the proposed federal floor.

Eighteen other states have higher minimum wages than the current federal floor, but not as high as the \$7.25 in the proposed legislation.

"This is a mandate on low-cost-of-living states, but not on high-cost-of-living states," DeMint said.

The amendment failed on a 78-16 vote after Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., raised a budget point of order challenging it. Massachusetts is among the states that already have a higher minimum wage and would not be affected by the federal law.

## Market Watch

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Con Agri	26.43	▲ 26
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March Oil	54.23	▼ 1.14
(Light sweet crude by barrel)		
Live cattle	88.38	▲ 27.75
Feb. gold	648.1	▼ 0.1

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## Employers must post illness/injury summaries



Times-News

WASHINGTON — The Occupational Safety and Health Administration on Thursday reminded employers that beginning Feb. 1, they must post a summary of the total number of job-related injuries and illnesses that occurred during 2006.

Employers are only required to post OSHA Form 300A — a summary — and not the OSHA 300 log. The summary must be posted from Feb. 1 to April 30, 2007.

"This is an excellent time for employers to review their 2006 log and determine where injuries and illnesses are occurring and determine a strategy to reduce and hopefully eliminate these safety and health hazards," said OSHA Administrator Ed Louie in a news release from the agency.

The summary must list the

total number of job-related injuries and illnesses that occurred in 2006 and were logged on the OSHA 300 form. Information about the annual average number of employees and total hours worked during the calendar year is also required to assist in calculating incidence rates. Companies with no recordable injuries or illnesses in 2006 must post the form with zeroes on the total line. All summaries must be certified by a company executive.

The form is to be displayed in a common area where notices to employees are usually posted. A copy of the summary must be made available to employees who move from work site to work site, such as construction employees and employees who do not report to any fixed establishment on a regular basis.

Employers and employees in certain industry groups are normally exempt from federal OSHA injury and illness recordkeeping and posting requirements.

Exempt employers may still be selected by the Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics to participate in an annual statistical survey. All employers covered by OSHA need to comply with safety and health standards and must report verbally within eight hours to the nearest OSHA office all accidents that result in one or more fatalities or in the hospitalization of three or more employees, the news release said.

Copies of the OSHA Forms 300 and 300A are available on the OSHA Recordkeeping Web page in either Adobe PDF or Microsoft Excel Spreadsheet format. For more information, visit [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov).

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WORLD

# Curfew imposed in Lebanese capital shows tension

**By Brian Murphy**  
Associated Press writer

BEIRUT, Lebanon — University students loyal to Lebanon's government clashed with Hezbollah supporters Thursday, setting cars ablaze and battling with homemade clubs and stones. The melee deepened worries that Lebanon cannot contain the political and sectarian rivalries threatening to push it toward civil war.

At least three people were killed and dozens were injured before army troops backed by tanks and firing barrages of warning shots into the air dispersed most rioters. The military then declared Beirut's first curfew since 1996.

But the fallout reaches far beyond the casualty count.

The clashes, sparked by a cafeteria scuffle between pro-government Sunni Muslims and pro-Hezbollah Shiites, reinforced fears that Lebanon's sectarian divisions are erupting into violence as they did during the 1975-1990 civil war.

It was the third straight day of violence, sparked by a Hezbollah-led strike Tuesday that came ahead of a crucial gathering of donor nations in Paris. The conference Thursday raised pledges of \$7.6 billion to help Prime Minister Fuad Saniora's U.S.-backed government rebuild after last summer's devastating Israel-Hezbollah war.

The money and show of international support could boost the embattled Saniora. The Iranian-backed Hezbollah has vowed to bring

him down unless the opposition is given more power.

The chaos has paralyzed the government. Hezbollah leader Sheik Hassan Nasrallah said Wednesday that donors were backing the wrong side in the standoff and that he could topple Saniora at any time.

In Paris, Saniora pleaded to his countrymen to "distance themselves from tensions."

"No one can help a country if the people of this country don't want to help themselves," he said. "I call on your wisdom and reason."

Leaders on all sides called for calm. Nasrallah — who has insisted in recent days he does not want Lebanon to tumble into civil war — went on TV in the evening to tell followers it was a "religious duty" to get off the streets to allow security forces to keep order.



An injured Lebanese man leaves the hospital after being treated, following confrontations between government and opposition supporters in Beirut Thursday.

## Georgian uranium smuggling case throws Russia on defensive for anti-proliferation efforts

**By Henry Meyer**  
Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — Russia responded with silence Thursday after Georgia revealed a foiled effort by a Russian man to sell weapons-grade uranium, an episode that appeared to cast doubt on the nation's ability to halt the black market trade in nuclear materials.

The origin of 3.5 ounces of highly enriched uranium seized early last year in the former Soviet republic remains unclear, and some experts accused Georgia of trying to strain Russia at a time of strained relations between Moscow and Washington.

The Russian government said nothing publicly about the inquiry. An unidentified official at the nuclear agency Rosatom, quoted by the Interfax news agency, denied Georgian accusations that Russia was not cooperating with an investigation of the case.

U.S. and Georgian officials

told The Associated Press that Georgian authorities, aided by the CIA, set up a sting operation that led to the arrest last year of a Russian citizen who tried to sell a small amount of uranium enriched to about 90 percent U-235, suitable for use in an atomic bomb.

Georgian officials said attempts to trace the source of the nuclear material, and to investigate the man's claim that he had access to larger quantities of highly enriched uranium, failed because Russia did not cooperate.

The Rosatom official was quoted as saying that Georgian authorities had given Russia too small a sample to determine its origin, and had refused to provide other information.

Georgian Interior Ministry official Shota Utiashvili identified the detained man as Oleg Khinsagov, a resident of Vladikavkaz in North Ossetia, a region of Russia that borders Georgia.

Utiashvili said Georgian

authorities had thwarted an earlier smuggling attempt also involving a small amount of highly enriched uranium in 2003, but gave no further details.

Russia's Federal Security Service, Interior Ministry and Rosatom did not respond to requests for comment.

Officials from Rosatom and the Federal Security Service attended an early interrogation of the suspect, and Russian authorities were given a small sample of the nuclear material, the Rosatom official said, according to Interfax. But Georgia offered no further cooperation, the unidentified official was quoted as saying.

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Lynn Frey leaves B.C. Supreme Court during the fourth day of the trial of accused serial killer Robert Pickton Thursday. Pickton is standing trial for the murder of Frey's step-daughter, Marilee, and five other women.

## Canadian court sees video interview of suspect in 26 killings

**By Jeremy Hainsworth**  
Associated Press writer

NEW WESTMINSTER, British Columbia — A pig farmer accused of killing 26 women appeared in a video-taped interview during a videotaped interview shown to jurors Thursday, and told police they were making him out to be more of a killer than he actually is.

Robert William Pickton, 50, is charged with 26 counts of first-degree murder in a case that has drawn widespread attention. Most of the victims were prostitutes and addicts who vanished from a drug-ridden Vancouver neighborhood in the 1990s. He is accused of luring women to his pig farm on the east side Vancouver, where investigators say he threw drunken parties with prostitutes.

In the interview shown to jurors on the fourth day of the trial, Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers told Pickton they had enough DNA and eyewitness testimony to put him in prison for good, so he might as well confess. They persuaded him on how many women he killed 10, 20 or 30.

"We're making me more of a mass killer than I am," Pickton told Staff Sgt. Don Adams. Pickton denies any involve-

ment in the murders and has pleaded not guilty, but he also appeared to repeatedly contradict himself during the 11 hours of interrogation.

"I made my own grave," he told Adams, who also asked how he got caught after so long. "Carelessness on my behalf," Pickton replied.

Adams told Pickton he didn't do a good job of cleaning up the women's blood. "I was sloppy," Pickton appeared to concede. Adams asked Pickton if the videotaped interview how many women died in a trailer borne on the farm. "I'd say two. Probably two. Maybe three," Pickton said.

Adams told Pickton that one of the women, Mona Wilson, probably died around the end of November or the beginning of December in 2001.

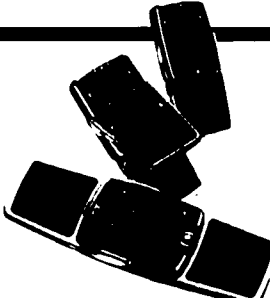
"You're close," Pickton acknowledged.

Prosecutors will maintain Pickton told an undercover officer planted in his jail cell that he killed 49 women and intended to make it "an even 50." He is on trial for the deaths of six women — Wilson, Serena Abbott, Andrea Jaybury, Brenda Wolfe, Georgina Payton and Marilee Frey.

A separate trial will be held for the other 20 women.

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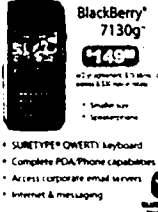
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2007 SUBARU OUTBACK WAGON

## Sophisticatedly capable

RoadWorthy!  
By Ken Chester, Jr.  
Motor News Media Corporation

Currently in its third generation, the all-wheel drive Subaru Outback model lineup was simplified for 2007. A new lower-priced 2.5i Basic model is now the entry point for the Outback model line. The Outback wagon is also available in 2.5i, 2.5i Limited, 2.5XT Limited and the 3.0R L.L. Bean Edition models.

Power for the Outback is provided by a choice of three engines: normally aspirated 2.5L four-cylinder, turbocharged 2.5L four-cylinder or a 3.0L six-cylinder unit. Gearbox options include a five-speed manual, four-speed automatic and a five-speed automatic with SPORTSHIFT for manual control via the floor shift handle or steering wheel buttons. The automatic transmission uses a lateral-G sensor and cornering logic to select and hold the appropriate gear to enhance cornering performance.

The Outback is equipped with three types of Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive depending on the transmission: Continuous All-Wheel Drive for five-speed manual, Active All-Wheel Drive for the four-speed automatic and Variable Torque Distribution for the five-speed automatic.

Underway, the Outback equipped with the 2.5L turbo-charged engine, is strong and sure-footed. Refined, advanced, smooth and solid, the Subaru wagon inspires driver confidence when the going gets rough. The company's proven all-wheel drive systems also make the Outback quick and responsive.

Built on the company's proven Ring-Shaped Reinforcements Frame safety structure, the Outback makes extensive use of aluminum and high-strength steel as well as advanced construction techniques. Control hardware consists of a four-wheel independent heavy-duty raised suspension with a strut-type suspension, lower L-arm and



The 2007 Subaru Outback - strong and sure footed

### 2007 Subaru Outback by the Numbers

**VEHICLE:**  
105.1 overall length; 188.7 width; 69.7 height; 61.6 measurements are in inches.

**ENGINE:**  
2.5L, four-cylinder - 175 hp at 6,000 rpm and 169 lb-ft of torque at 4,400 rpm; 2.5L, turbocharged four-cylinder - 243 hp at 6,000 rpm and 241 lb-ft of torque at 3,800 rpm; 3.0L, six-cylinder - 245 hp at 6,000 rpm and 215 lb-ft of torque at 4,200 rpm.

**TRANSMISSION:**  
Five-speed manual, heavy-duty five-speed manual, four-speed automatic with SPORTSHIFT, five-speed automatic with SPORTSHIFT.

anti-dive geometry in front; a multi-link setup at the rear with anti-lift and anti-squat geometry. Front and rear stabilizer bars work together

**Price:** The base Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price (MSRP) for the 2007 Subaru Outback wagon starts from \$21,995 for the 2.5i Basic up to \$34,195 for the 2.5XT Limited with navigation. Destination charges add \$625.

**EPA FUEL ECONOMY:**  
2.5L - 23 city/28 hwy., (manual); 22 city/26 hwy., (automatic); 2.5L turbo - 21 city/27 hwy., (manual); 20 city/26 hwy., (automatic); 3.0L six-cylinder - 19 city/26 hwy.

**CARGO CAPACITY:**  
65.4 cu. ft.

**TOWING CAPACITY:**  
3,000 lbs.

**SAFETY FEATURES:**  
Dual front airbags, front seat-mounted side-impact airbags, automatic headlamp control, fog lights, alarm system, side-curtain

to keep the Outback connected to terra firma. Inside the cabin, Subaru's sharpened focus on premium design and refinement

become quickly evident. High-quality materials are designed into an upscale environment. The instrument cluster for all models is aug-

mented by a combination digital clock and trip computer located in the center of the dashboard. The top-end Limited models are a luxurious study in a Japanese rendition of a high-ticket European sports sedan - minus the high price.

Seating is comfortable, front and rear - with wagon models equipped with a one-stage 60/40 split rear seat back that provides a flat load floor without the need to lift the rear seat cushion forward. The moonroof on the wagon is a dual-panel type that provides a single large opening when the tilt-up front section and retracting rear section are opened - allowing rear seat passengers to enjoy the benefits of sunshine.

## 4 vs. 6 cylinder?

Q. I'm considering the purchase of a new Accord or Camry and was hoping for some advice on engine choices. What are the pros and cons of a four cylinder vs. a six? They want quite a bit more for the six. Is it worth it?  
-Sandy Orland  
Palo Alto



**UNDER THE HOOD**  
Brad Bergholdt

A. You're asking a male whether to get the larger or smaller engine? I'll do my best to be objective. Four-cylinder engines are a model of simplicity - compact and easy to service. They also tend to be of smaller displacement, 2.5 liters or less, which aids fuel economy but limits power somewhat. Unless equipped with balance shafts or sophisticated engine mounts, larger four-cylinder engines can become a bit choppy in operation. A four-cylinder engine would be a great choice for a value-conscious person whose driving habits don't require substantial power (few passeng-ers, around-town driving).

Most six-cylinder engines arrange their cylinders in a V configuration, making the engine substantially greater in width. This can really fill up an engine bay, making some service jobs more difficult. With a greater number of cylinders comes improved operational smoothness and larger displacement.

The silky smoothness of a six and the more authoritative sound of its exhaust say better than words that this is the premium version of the car. A six-cylinder engine would be best for a person who loads the vehicle, drives in hilly terrain, or is luxury-oriented. It also will command greater resale value at trade-in time.

Choosing between the two will require more than just facts and figures. You'll need to drive both versions of the car noting idle quality and acceleration ability. No place will the difference be more apparent than merging onto the freeway. From a steady speed of 40 mph, try flooring the accelerator. This is a great test of get-the-job-done engine torque and transmission coordination. Does the car inspire merging confidence?

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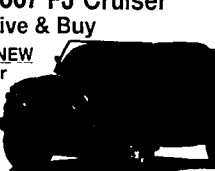
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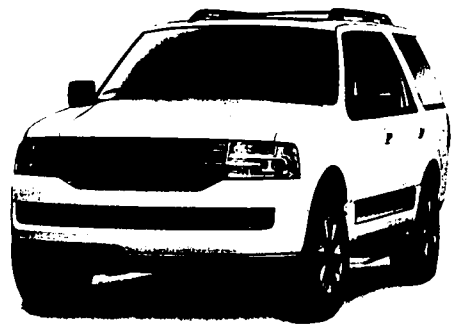
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Actions planned and taken by your government are contained in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government is doing. As self-government charges all citizens to be informed, this newspaper uses every effort to read and study these notices. We advise those citizens who seek further information to exercise their right to access public records and public meetings.

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Parcel No. 181P18252550A

**NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE**

On May 10, 2007, at the hour of 11:00 a.m. of said day, at The front entrance of First American Title Company, 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho, First American Title Insurance Company, as trustee, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, cashiers check drawn on a State or National Bank, a check drawn by a State or Federal Credit Union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank, all payable at the time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County of Twin Falls, state of Idaho, and described as follows: to-wit: Township 15 South, range 18 East, Boise meridian, Twin Falls County, Idaho section 25. A Parcel of land located in the NW1/4 more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said section 25, from which the West one-quarter corner of said section 25 bears South 00°53'01" West 2664.18 feet, thence South 00°53'01" West along the West boundary of the NW 1/4 of said section 25 for a distance of 130.00 feet to the true point of beginning, thence South 89°38'04" East for a distance of 151.10 feet to the center of the Highline Canal, thence South 00°15'23" West along the center of the Highline Canal for a distance of 334.02 feet, thence bearing the center of the Highline Canal on a bearing of North 89°08'45" West for a distance of 400.64 feet, thence South 87°40'58" West for a distance of 57.84 feet, thence North 89°08'46" West for a distance of 45.05 feet, thence South 00°53'01" West for a distance of 52.31 feet, thence North 89°08'44" West for a distance of 45.79 feet, thence South 00°34'39" West for a distance of 44.82 feet, thence North 81°25'33" West for a distance of 156.40 feet, thence North 09°08'22" East for a distance of 207.13 feet, thence North 88°52'54" West for a distance of 95.93 feet to a point on the West boundary of the NW1/4 of said section 25, thence North 00°53'01" East along the West boundary of the NW1/4 of said section 25 for a distance of 203.92 feet to the true point of beginning. Together with an access of ingress and egress for the purpose of ingress and egress and utilities, said easement being on, over, under and across a strip of land that is encompassed by the following-described boundary: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said section 25, then South 00°53'01" West along the West boundary of the NW1/4 of said section 25 for a distance of 333.92 feet, thence South 88°52'54" East for a distance of 33.00 feet to a point on the Eastern right-of-way boundary of the county road known as Rock Creek Road, and bearing the true point of beginning, thence continuing South 88°52'54" East along the Southern boundary of the before-described parcel for a distance of 926.93 feet, thence South 09°02'42" East along the corner boundary of said section 25 for a distance of 207.13 feet, thence North 81°25'33" West for a distance of 50.00 feet, thence North 09°08'22" East for a distance of 175.33 feet, thence North 88°52'54" West for a distance of 872.61 feet to a point on the Eastern right-of-way boundary of the county road known as Westernly Boundary of the before-described parcel. Commonly known as 2004-A North 2800 East Balmoreside Blvd 83334. Said sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in the Deed of Trust executed by Esther F. Butler A Married Woman As Her Sole and Separate Property as Grantor, to The Trustee, Inc. as Trustee, for the benefit and security of National City Mortgage Lender of National City Bank of Indiana as Beneficiary, recorded November 29, 2005, as Instrument No. 2005-027115. Mortgage records of Twin Falls County, Idaho. THE ABOVE GRANTORS ARE NAMED TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 45-1004(a) AND (b) AND SECTION 45-1005. NO REPRESENTATION IS MADE THAT THEY ARE, OR ARE NOT, PRESENTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS OBLIGATION. The default for which this sale is made is in arrears. To pay the monthly payment due September 1, 2006 of principal, interest, escrow and other charges, including late charges, plus late charges, together with all subsequent sums advanced by beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and to satisfy the obligation secured by and pursuant to the deed of trust is \$334,863.57, including interest, costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation transferred or in the sale and trustee's and/or reasonable attorney's fees as authorized in the promissory note secured by the deed of trust. First American Title Insurance Company, 260 Third Avenue North, Twin Falls, Idaho. Call Customer Service at 206-733-3334. Attorney: Kathleen Meyerette, Asst. Sec. R-134617.

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

Case No. CV 2006-87  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
In the Matter of the Estate of SWAN JERGIN, Deceased.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that Victoria L. Orr has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of the above named decedent. All persons having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to the Personal Representative at the law office of Severn Swenson, Jr., 130 Fourth Avenue West, Coalinga, Idaho 83303, or filed with the Clerk of the Court.

DATED this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007  
Victoria L. Orr  
Personal Representative

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**BOARD OF TWIN FALLS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**MINUTES OF MEETING BRIEF SYNOPSIS**  
Complete set of minutes are on file at County Courthouse, Twin Falls, Idaho.

A limited number of Commissioners' minutes are available at [www.twinfallscounty.org](http://www.twinfallscounty.org) for the transaction of further business of the board.

Nov 1-Appointed Lyle Williams to fill board, approved Emery Asphalt contract, approved 11 indigent cases, denied 6 cases  
Nov 2-Approved 2 indigent cases  
Nov 3-Approved consent calendar, approved Resolution approving Robert Clancy to Economic Development Corporation, approved Resolution authorizing destruction of juvenile records, approved 13 indigent cases, denied 3 cases  
Nov 4-Approved consent calendar, approved contract with CVS  
Nov 9-Approved consent calendar, approved Members of Health Initiative Trust, approved 13 indigent cases, approved 13 indigent cases, approved Blinchnant contract, approved amended plan with Horizon View, approved Resolution declaring surplus property, approved cooper contract, approved siting team Resolution  
Nov 15-Approved 14 indigent cases, denied 9 cases  
Nov 16-Approved grant for 2007 National Crime Victims' Rights Week, canvassed records of 2006 general election  
Nov 20-Approved consent calendar, approved October accounts payable, approved expenditure for Fair, approved contract with Rod Lewis for TASC0, approved contract with St. Luke's MVMAC for CPE Fund Grant, approved Contract Fees Day, approved Board of Children's Interns P.L.Z. Administrator, met in executive session  
Nov 21-Approved 10 indigent cases, denied 5 cases, met in executive session  
Nov 22-Approved 1 indigent case  
Nov 27-Approved consent calendar  
Nov 28-Approved 7 indigent cases, denied 6 cases  
Nov 29-Approved Thousand Springs Kiosk Grant  
Nov 30-Expenditures by fund for November 2006  
Citizens Expense #478,364.94, State Price 26,063.18, Twin Falls County Extension #14.80, H&M 9,754.07, Parks 8, Recreation 21,965.75, Solid Waste #43,588.28, Ad Vietnam 48,724.48, District Court 28,513.44, Indigent Fund 151,078.92, Revenue Sharing 5,889.92, State Control 224.21, County Bond License 8,286.12, Snowmobile 2,579.21, Justice Fund 4,894,774.54, State Block Grant 11,096.53, Tobacco Tax Grant 11,782,004.94, State Price 28,983.87, Film District 505,225.71, Section 187 Outright Protection 418.11, Parks 20,636,723.73, Strengthening Families Program 228.73, JAG Grant 13,411.00, Sheriff Drug Expense Money 1,786.89, Juvenile Protection 1,444.00, Youth Center Grant 2,794.57, Centennial Wetland Control Project 28,284.30, District Court 2,434.41, Youth Court 1,814.24, Family Out Reach 1,034.01, District Court 80,721, Mental Health Court 182,92, Citizen-Covadsa Grant 3,880.00

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Oct 2-Approved consent calendar, approved computer grant, approved tax settlement with IBC, severed contract with Dr. Cooper and contract with Dr. Wilkes  
Oct 3-Approved 12 indigent cases, denied 6 cases, met in executive session  
Oct 5-Approved consent calendar, approved polling places, approved County Extension budget  
Oct 10-Approved 9 indigent cases, denied 7 cases  
Oct 20-Approved consent calendar, approved Red Ribbon Contract, approved agreement with Buhl for SIRC/MAC, approved Justice Fund paperwork, approved 08 HSGP grant forms, approved nomination of Cleone Joyce to ICAMP board, approved Holloway Subdivision Plat  
Oct 12-Approved consent calendar  
Oct 18-Approved consent calendar, approved 07 leases  
Oct 17-Approved 9 indigent cases, denied 4 cases  
Oct 20-Approved 3 indigent cases, denied 1 case  
Oct 19-Approved 1 indigent case  
Oct 23-Approved consent calendar, approved Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week, approved September accounts payable  
Oct 24-Approved 9 indigent cases, denied 3 cases  
Oct 30-Approved consent calendar, approved grant for DUI Court, approved Resolutions for budget orders  
Oct 31-Expenditures by fund for October 2006  
Citizens Expense 894,562.81, Tort 181,062.50, Safe Place 21,291.18, Twin Falls County Extension 1,868.47, Weeds 8,794.47, Parks 1, Rec 31,488.12, Solid Waste 421,108.29, Ad Vietnam 49,110.23, District Court 32,881.37, Indigent Fund 250,867.86, Public Health 53,891.88, County Bond License 8,282.84, Snowmobile 105.84, Justice Fund 46,074.48, State Block Grant 10,886.98, Tobacco Tax Grant 20,309.10, Bond Grant Watersheds account 945.32, Outdoor Services 5,537.31, Film District 505,229.57, Parks-Grants 645.80, Sheriff Drug Expense Money 8,304.84, Prosecutors Drug Security 20,896.86, County Fee Program Fund 8,052.59, Twin Falls Co VCCA Search & Rescue 258.87  
Juvenile Protection Misc 130.00, WOOD Balmoreside Grant 2,848.00, Centennial Wetland Control Project 12,728.87, Drug Court 89,089.65, Youth Court 18,113.14, Court Assistance 29.99, Family Court Services 3,478.33, DUI Court 818.00, Mental Health Court 1,040.20, Sheriff's Expense 628.81

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

The American Falls Free Library District requests qualifications from general contractors to construct an addition and removal to the existing building with a total construction of 13,500 sq. ft. For further information and to request a copy of the Request for Qualifications, please contact Harriet Newlin of Ann Charney, 206-228-2335. Qualifications are due by 12 p.m., February 2, 2007.

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- Moderately good
- On the contrary
- Royal decree
- Baltimore player
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- Andes animal
- Knack for music
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- Sandra or Ruby
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**THE ACES ON BRIDGE** Bobby Wolff

*"Propaganda does not deceive people; it merely helps them to deceive themselves"*  
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If you were playing in four spades on today's deal, you might be disappointed at mistagging hearts and not making the over-trick. Had you stopped in two spades, you wouldn't really expect much difficulty in making your contract — unless Kees Tammen of the Netherlands was defending in the West seat.

Tammen found the diabolical lead of the diamond queen against this contract. Declarer played low from dummy. After all, he thought West had led from a Q-J sequence, with East holding the ace. West's continuation in diamonds, he fondly believed, would ensure him a trick.

Tammen followed up with his small diamond. Again declarer ducked in dummy, expecting the ace to appear from East. But it was the jack, and now a small heart was returned.

Declarer, still believing that East held the diamond ace, decided to play for split aces by inserting the jack. West pounced with his queen, cashed the diamond ace, then returned a heart to East's ace.

East cooperated in this fine defense by now playing the 13th diamond, which Tammen was able to ruff with his spade jack. This promoted a trump trick for East's queen, and the net result was one off.

I am not suggesting that you defend every hand this way. More often than not, it will prove costly. However, choosing the right moment to underlead an ace plants seeds of doubt — useful when you meet the same opponents again.

<b>NORTH</b> 01 26 A			
♠ A K 8 6			
♥ 10 7 5 2			
♦ K 7 4			
♣ K J			
<b>WEST</b>			
♠ J 5			
♥ Q 8 4 3			
♦ A Q 3			
♣ 10 7 5 2			
<b>SOUTH</b>			
♠ 10 9 4 3 2			
♥ K J			
♦ 10 8 6			
♣ A Q 9			
<b>Vulnerable: North-South</b>			
<b>Dealer: North</b>			
<b>The bidding:</b>			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	All pass
<b>Opening lead: Diamond queen</b>			
<b>BID WITH THE ACES</b> 01 26 B			
<b>South holds:</b>			
♠ J 5	♥ Q 8 4 3	♦ A Q 3	♣ 10 7 5 2
♠ 10 9 4 3 2	♥ K J	♦ 10 8 6	♣ A Q 9
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass

**ANSWER:** Bite the bullet and bid three no-trump. Your stops in the unbid suits are feeble, but you have enough high cards to go to game, and you know that partner, with a topless diamond suit, still had enough to invite game. So he must be looking at enough high cards outside diamonds to fill in your gaps. With your balanced hand, no-trump looks better than diamonds.

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<b>2006 CHEVROLET UPLANDER</b>  <b>\$15,988</b> STKP 3406	<b>2006 MAZDA 6</b>  <b>\$16,988</b> STKP 261V	<b>2007 FORD FUSION</b>  <b>\$17,888</b> STKP 450V	<b>2007 CHEVROLET 1500</b>  <b>\$17,988</b> STKP 2520
<b>2005 CHRYSLER 300 TOURING</b>  <b>\$17,988</b> STKP 401V	<b>2003 FORD F-250 CREW CAB 4X4</b>  <b>\$23,988</b> STKP 2463	<b>2006 DODGE 1500 QUAD CAB HEMI 4X4</b>  <b>\$23,988</b> STKP 2351	<b>2006 FORD EXPLORER EDDIE BAUER 4X4</b>  <b>\$25,988</b> STKP 3554

### TRADES FROM OUR EXPO SALE

<b>1998 DODGE 2500 DIESEL 4x4</b>  STKP 308	<b>2002 INFINITI QS</b>  STKP 867	<b>2004 JEEP WRANGLER SPORT</b>  STKP 882	<b>2003 CHEVROLET 1500 EXT CAB 4x4</b>  STKP 213	<b>2005 TOYOTA MATRIX</b>  STKP 666	<b>2004 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA GLS TURBO</b>  STKP 616	<b>2002 CHEVROLET CAMO</b>  STKP 616	<b>2004 BUICK 2500 HD CAB REG. 4x4 8SP</b>  STKP 284
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**Your Auto Super Store!**  
 510 2nd Avenue South • Twin Falls, Idaho  
**(208) 733-5777**

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**AB-LOUNGE XL**  
 Excellent condition, used once. \$200 or best offer. 324-8444

**816- Miscellaneouis For Sale**

**ARBONNE** Now 2 travel kits, 1 night cream. \$35. 208-853-5338. Call 208-734-8611

**BATH MIRROR & CABINET** 24"x24" three view, sale \$265. Call 208-733-8914

**CAMPER SNELL & STOCK** rack for full size pickup, loading chute, fiberglass shower tub unit. Make offer. Sleeping area. 208-312-3531.

**CHIHUAHUA PUPPIES**, males, \$150, great Valentine gift. \$150. 208-737-3760

**LOVE SEAT & SOFA** light colored, 800 set. GE side by side refrig with ice/water and GE self cleaning oven. \$500 set. Kitchen more AC with remote. 208-208-731-6289.

**MATTRESS** set, king, Everson \$70. Sling Whitegold \$75. Mattress dog/doggie dryer \$125/set. 733-9379

**MEMBERSHIP** Clear Lake Country Club Golf Course for sale or lease. Call 208-538-2193

**MOVING BOXES** (4), better than anywhere else, used once, were \$700 now \$300/offer. 208-324-6647

**REFRIGERATOR** commercial, 6 door, 4 back bar convection oven. 733-2080.

**STOCK TRAILER** Featherlite, 7 x 20, air cond, heat, air, rain, alloy. Mercury '98 Marquis LS, all options, air, cond. Call 208-670-2728

**TICKET** one extra for 3 days at The Las Vegas Nascar Races. Approximately 8000. March 9<sup>th</sup> thru 11<sup>th</sup> of 2007. 208-734-5555

**TRAILER** w/amp, chra, hatches, couches, TV's, DVD player, entertainment center. Call 208-670-2728

**WILLYS** '50-51 pickup & '55 Gladiator. QMC '87 school bus motor home (5) & wheelers 16' feed bed (2) '78 Chevy van '72 Chevy Suburban '73 Dodge 4WD Anque farm machinery. Home wagon 208-670-1934

**GRAND PLANO** Moving Mfg. Set Yamaha CE-6111 Back Seat with Speakers Action Incredible Sound 208-308-8888

**CLASSIFIEDS** If you're ready the time print Call The News-News to place your ad 208-733-0931 ext. 2

**GENERATOR** INVERTER 3500 watt 120V/240VAC, 6.5 HP OHV. New. \$200 638-8822.

**SHOP EQUIPMENT** Closing business, silver metal shop equipment, a dozen \$50 per dozen. Call 208-738-8018

**TOOLS** - Veteran mechanic is looking to sell full set of tools for only \$12,000. This is not a starter set. Tools too numerous to list. Call for details. Kevie at 208-467-2323.

**WANTED** 1988 Harley Davidson 800 cc. Call 208-422-8828

**WANTED** 8 inch-10 inch padded sofa. Please call 208-339-8087

**WANTED** Antiques, art, furniture, light fixtures, silver, cowboy, postcards. 208-734-4000

**WANTED** Any old-guns, pistols, rifles, pictures, Indian items, Law's, horse & book, jewelry, toys, and tokens. 208-424-4721 or 838-4721

**WANTED** Cab\*Tran side-in camper with bed and stove. Call 208-308-1591.

**WANTED** cash for empty ink and toner cartridges. 208-733-9467

**WANTED** Elliptical Machine, used but good quality. 208-339-5338.

**WANTED** Ford '84 Bronco, 4 door, for parts, prefer blue. 423-5864 or 420-7833

**WANTED** Heavy ladders, and planing, 2 1/2 to 3 inches thick x 8, 10, 12 inches wide. Varsity 100 inch. Sleeping bag, down, Back Pack women's thermal frame jacket. Call 208-829-5554

**WANTED** Old gas pumps or gas station tank. Top money paid. Tony 208-866-0274

**WANTED** Older Honda XR100 motorcycle 1985 to 1990. Call Gary at 733-8724.

**WANTED** Small freezer in good working order. Needed - for frozen fish storage. 208-734-5864

**WANTED** Small to medium green house. Call 208-308-2176.

**WANTED** Used Casio phone for high school student. Call 208-326-3313

**WANTED** to buy Cash paid for older US-made, back patches, uniforms, sweaters, hankies and light gear. 733-1891 or 432-9414

**WANTED** TO BUY Tractor, snowblower, repair/washers, mtc. equipment. Call: 208-670-2728

**WANTED** to rent, for approximately 2 months, an electric wheelchair. 948-8200

**WANTED** Used tool cabinet, CD box and CD player. Call Gabe at 208-329-1552 or leave message 208-487-2356

**WANTED** Used "chewing" and used exercise equipment star stepper type. Call 280-0785

**Medical Supplies**

**GRAND-AIRE** Rapid oxygen tank, light, excellent condition. 208-733-8211 or 208-316-0312

**LIFT CHAIR** heavy duty, good condition. \$600 Call 208-208-0416 or 208-431-6893

**GUN SHOW** Jan 27 & 28<sup>th</sup> Sat 9-4 & Sun 9-4 Shio Conventual

**780 Lindsay Blvd.** Idaho Falls, Idaho 208-748-0587 Admission \$5.00

**LOTTI** CZ 45A, 9mm in box, \$750/offer. RID BY CZ 416, 18er in box, \$775/offer. Both with extra ammo in box. 208-843-8991

**WANTED** Rifle in CAL 222 Remington only Call 208-734-8422

**DECOYS** 747 - Best goose decoy. A dozen @ \$50 per dozen. Call 208-731-8818

**LEARN TO FLY** - Beginners from 100-500 miles with a great pilot in the Twin Falls area. Rising prices in the area may be in for sale call Rich Post, 208-423-8777

**WANTED** Dave Anderson's 208-423-8042.

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