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Scarlet fever

Students infected with illness at Horizon Elementary

By Josina Paimer
Times-News writer

JEROME — Scarlet fever may seem like a thing of the past, but it has been very real at Horizon Elementary School.

An unspecified number of students at the elementary school became infected with scarlet fever early last week.

"We do have a few cases of that going around, but we really seem to have everything going around," Gloria Orth, vice principal of Horizon Elementary School, said Friday. "We have been in contact with our health nurse, and they said it was not a reportable disease."

The federal government requires schools and other agencies to report illnesses that could be life-threatening. School officials did send letters home with students to notify their parents about the outbreak, as well as a description of the infection's symptoms.

Orth said the students who were infected with scarlet fever were sent home last week.

"They are recovering at home, and we know that they are doing well," she said.

Scarlet fever is an infection, which has symptoms similar to strep throat, but is usually accompanied by the scarlet-colored rash that gives the infection its name.

Parents are encouraged to call their doctor if their child develops a rash, especially if the child also has symptoms of strep throat.

Three Idaho soldiers die in Iraq

By Keith Rider
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Three Idaho soldiers from an Army Reserve unit were killed in an explosive attack on their vehicle in Iraq, marking the deadliest attack for Idaho soldiers since combat began in 2003.

Two other soldiers from the same unit, the Boise-based 321st Engineer Battalion, were injured in a second separate

attack, according to a release Friday from the 70th Regional Readiness Command in Fort Lawton, Wash., which oversees the unit.

The attacks happened in Iraq's Anbar province west of Baghdad on Thursday.

The dead soldiers were identified as Pvt. 1st Class Raymond M. Werner, 22, of Boise; Sgt. James Holton, 22, whose parents live in Rexburg; and Spec. Ross A. Clevenger,

22, whose mother lives in Melba and father lives in Kennewick, Wash., according to the release.

The two injured soldiers were Staff Sgt. George G. Nickel, 37, and Sgt. John I. Green, 45, both of Boise. Nickel was seriously injured and Green slightly injured, the release said.

Col. Stephanie Dowling, an Idaho National Guard spokesman, said no one

with the reserve unit was immediately available to comment because they were still notifying the soldiers' families.

Attempts to reach family members were unsuccessful. "I was deeply saddened to receive word about the brave Idahoans who lost their lives and were injured in the line of duty," Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter said in a statement Friday.

"Their families, their loved

ones and their friends deserve our support and help through the difficult days ahead."

The soldiers were among about 300 reservists who left in September for hazardous duty in Iraq, where the unit's leaders said they would spend a year clearing roadside bombs.

At least 21 Idaho residents have died in separate attacks in Iraq since the United States invaded in March 2003.

Two of a kind

Local program gains national recognition

By Josina Paimer
Times-News writer

JEROME — It wasn't that Eric Valencia or Alberto Villagomez were incapable of being the school's next valedictorians.

In fact, teachers say both students were quick learners and extremely intelligent — they just never seemed to apply themselves to their school work.

But, through the eyes of Valencia and Villagomez, there just wasn't any reason to do it.

"I really struggled because I couldn't communicate with anyone, and when it came down to it, I didn't really care about what I was doing in school," Villagomez said.

That was two years ago, before Villagomez and Valencia met Yolanda Gonzalez.

Gonzalez is the coordinator for the Positive Youth Development Project — a combined effort by the Jerome School District and South Central Head Start to help non-native English-speaking students pursue a college education and become active members of their community.

"There is a lot that goes into it," Gonzalez said. "We



Alberto Villagomez, left, and Eric Valencia work with the Positive Youth Development Project — a combined effort by the Jerome School District and South Central Head Start to help non-native English-speaking students pursue a college education and become active members of their community.

See it online

See a short film about the Positive Youth Development Project, which was created by the program's students.

try to match them (at-risk youth) with the right mentor based on what their hobbies

are, their family background and a lot of other things." But this program takes a rather unorthodox approach — it uses at-risk students to mentor younger students who are also at risk.

Unusual, but the statistics show that the project works. Less than five years old, the project is already receiving state and national recognition for its proactive approach to helping at-risk students.

Last year, Gov. Dick Kempthorne recognized the program's students as Idaho's Brightest Stars. And it's now receiving nationwide attention from the Hispanic Institute and the National

Head Start program. Two years after joining the program, Valencia is now studying to be a paramedic at the College of Southern Idaho. He still mentors, and he is an active member of several student groups at the college.

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Mom and dad take time.
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Gumdrops and DNA

Creative Bliss science teacher awarded \$10,000 grant

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

BLISS — All science teacher Andrea Robbins knew was that she and her class needed to be at Friday's special assembly.

So it was a surprise when her name was called and Qwest Idaho President Jim Schmitz presented a check for \$9,982.10.

"I went into the gym today wondering what the heck was going on," said Robbins, who teaches seventh-through 12th-grade science and applied for the Qwest Foundation grant in the fall. "I was shocked."

The money will allow Robbins' science students to test local ground- and drinking-water supplies and communicate their findings to the community. They'll use probes and software to gather

and analyze groundwater samples and information about the sample-collection area and land use.

The students also will collect drinking-water samples from area homes and businesses and test them a g a i n s t acceptable levels of contaminants.

"They'll gather water samples from the community and bring them back to class," Robbins said. "The computer software will help us analyze the contaminants in the water."

Robbins is one of 11 Idaho

States: Drop the comb and the flute and drive

By John Curran
Associated Press writer

BARRE, Vt. — Put down the flute and keep your eyes on the road. And forget about sipping that cup of coffee on the way to work, or smoking a cigarette on the way home. In some states, it could soon be illegal — if it isn't already.

Emboldened by the passage of cell phone bans for drivers in some communities, states are turning their attention to other things that drive motorists to distraction.

Vermont lawmakers are considering a measure that would ban eating, drinking, smoking, reading, writing, personal grooming, playing an instrument, interacting with pets or cargo, talking on a cell phone or

Verboten In Vermont

Lawmakers are considering a measure to ban certain distracting activities while operating a motor vehicle in Vermont.



- Planning to ban:
- Personal grooming
 - Drinking beverage
 - Eating
 - Smoking
 - Phone, online devices
 - Playing with pets in car

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS	Today	Tonight	Sunday
	Cloudy skies and a few showers	Mostly cloudy, chance for light showers	Cloudy with scattered showers
	High 46	Low 35	51/34

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Generally cloudy with scattered showers. High's in the middle 40s.
 Tonight: Cloudy and cool with scattered rain and snow showers. Lows in the lower 30s.
 Tomorrow: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies, scattered showers and a little warmer than normal. Highs upper 40s.

Complete weather report: See page B12

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Benefit dinner for Leo Poehler, a turkey, ham and fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings, 5 to 8 p.m., Buhl Poppewell Elementary School cafeteria. Buhl, proceeds go to the family to help with medical expenses, 543-6884.
Musle Comes Alive, a fundraising concert featuring more than 30 local musicians, 7 p.m., Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls, \$10 for adults and \$5 for children (proceeds go to the Boys and Girls Club and AMACHI program), 736-7011.
A benefit auction for Ken Christensen, proceeds to help with medical expenses, 5 p.m., Shakers, Declo, donations needed, 654-2719 or 654-4421.
"Sweetheart's Dinner", presented by Soft Touch and Declo High School Jazz Band with show, chicken coronado bleu dinner and dancing, 6 p.m., at the Declo Elementary School gym, Declo, \$35 per couple, 878-9170 or 431-1142.
Jerome Firat Church of God Food Pantry Fundraiser, with three-course dinner, silent auction and raffle, 5:30 to 8 p.m., basement of Jerome Firat Church of God, 131 E. Ave. F, Jerome, hard goods, cash donations, gift certificates and discount coupons needed for auction, (208) 358-2147.
Twin Falls Chapter of Ducks Unlimited 19th Annual Couples Banquet, with silent and live auctions, raffles, Spousal Table, early-bird packages and more, 6 p.m. no-host cocktails and 7 p.m. Ave. W., Twin Falls, limited seating, 736-6220, 280-2950 or 734-5711.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

XI Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International (a society of women educators) meeting, with the theme: Legislation and Teacher Welfare, 10 a.m., Room 276, Taylor Building, College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, chrismann@purechd.com.
Alpha Kappa Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Luncheon, to honor 2007 Valentine Queen Betty White, 1 p.m., home of Doris Finney, Twin Falls, 734-0417.
Daughters of the American Revolution awards reception, for the local high school Good Citizens, the chapter winner and recognition of winners (grades 5-8) of the DAR's American History essay contest, 1:30 p.m., Jerome Public Library, 100 First Ave. E., Jerome, open to members, prospective members, invited students and their families, 308-1810.
Battons 'n' Bows square dance club Valentine's Dance, red-and-white theme: all square dancers welcome, 7:30 p.m. pre-dances and 8 p.m. squares, Twin Falls Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, no cost (bring finger foods), 308-4628.
Post #19 Fairfield Annual Sweetheart Dinner, 5 p.m. social hour and 6 p.m. dinner, Legion Hall, Fairfield, 934-4738, 934-5796 or 358-0012.

HEALTH

"Miracle Valley Spiritual Healing with Pastor Bea Kilbourn," 7 to 9 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 3rd Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Hearts and flowers table runner class, 1 to 4 p.m., Carleen's Fabrics & Crafts, Etc., 450 21st St., Heyburn, free class (\$15 available), 679-3573.
Monthly Indoor Flea Market, with over 30 vendors, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, Flea, \$50 admission (bring used eyeglasses for local optometrist club donation), 312-4900.
Valentine's Date Night at Hands On, 2 for 1 special and snacks, 5 to 9 p.m., Hands On, 147 Shoshone N., Twin Falls, 736-4475.

MUSEUMS

Fossilizer Planetarium, "How to Build a Plane" at 2 p.m.; "Star Signs" at 4 p.m.; "Far Out Space Places" at 7 p.m.; and "Plink Floyd: Dark Side of the Moon" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families (children under age 4 not admitted), 732-6655.
February Star Party, free telescope viewing (weather permitting), 7 p.m. to midnight, Centennial Observatory, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.

OUTDOORS

West Magic Lake Recreation Club "Fun Days", with snow mobile events, (sign up from 10 to 11 a.m.), \$2; indoor "tournament" games at 11 a.m.; fun run at 2:30 p.m., (\$5); and chili and hot dogs (donations), West Magic Resort, 487-2734 or www.damfoogs.com.

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

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Program gains nationwide recognition

JEROME — The Positive Youth Development Project — a combined effort by the Jerome School District and South Central Head Start — is helping non-native English-speaking students pursue a college education and become active members of their community. The project is receiving state and national recognition for its proactive approach to helping at-risk students.

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BLISS — Bliss science teacher Andrea Robbins Friday won a Qwest Foundation grant worth a total of \$10,000. The money will allow Robbins' students to test local groundwater, drinking water supplies and communicate their findings to the community.

Students infected with Scarlet fever in Jerome

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Some MV school districts struggle to find drivers

KIMBERLY — Rural school districts are struggling to find qualified people to drive their school buses, and in some cases the school administrators are helping out by filling in.

Other aims to remake government

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's plan to rewrap state agencies got a cold reception Friday from House and Senate budget writers, another sign the new chief executive and the 2007 Legislature are still struggling to define their relationship.

OBITUARIES

Hal J. Amidon, 47;
Howard Glenn Arrington, 83
Joshua Keith Barnes, 18
Adaline Amalia Emily Dohse, 88

Snowpack Levels

Wetted	% of Avg.	% of peak
Saltmon	73%	40%
Big Wood	66%	46%
Little Wood	61%	40%
Big Lost	60%	39%
Little Lost	59%	42%
Henry's Fork/Teton	68%	46%
Upper Snake Basin	69%	46%
Oakley	74%	52%
Salmon Falls	68%	46%

As of Feb. 9
 * A comparison of basin snowpack on this day, with a 30-year average.
 ** An indicator of base snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.



YOUR MORNING BRIEFING

One way for Gov. Otter to reach out

When Gov. Butch Otter took office last month, most legislators were expecting the genial ex-lawmaker to be the anti-Kempner: open, approachable, flexible.
 It hasn't turned out that way, and many legislators are upset about it — particularly about the governor's handling of the Statehouse expansion, revising construction contracts that had already been signed and potentially endangering the state's bond rating.
 It's time for Otter to follow the example of two of his predecessors, Cecil Andrus and Phil Batt, and have coffee once a week with various lawmakers at Moon's Kitchen, an unimpressive downtown Boise diner.
 And Butch should buy.

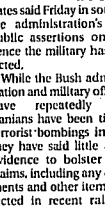
— Steve Crump, columnist

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NATION/WORLD

Pentagon chief says Iran tied to insurgency

MUNICH, Germany — Serial numbers and other markings on bombs suggest that Iranians are linked to deadly explosives used by Iraqi militants.
Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Friday in one of the administration's first public assertions on evidence the military has collected.



Video reportedly shows helicopter going down

BAGHDAD, Iraq — An insurgent group linked to al-Qaida posted a Web video Friday showing what it said was the downing of a U.S. military helicopter this week. Seven Americans were killed in the crash.
 The U.S. military has said it did not believe the CI-46 Sea Knight helicopter was shot down in the crash Wednesday northwest of Baghdad.



Official: Smith death case needs more time

DANIA BEACH, Fla. — Prescription drugs were found in Anna Nicole Smith's hotel room, but there were no pills in her stomach, and investigators said Friday they are awaiting tests that could tell whether the former centerfold died of an overdose, as some close to her suspect.

IDAHO/WEST

Woman sentenced in death of autistic boy

MICHELLE Bort-Graham was charged with first-degree murder in the death of Cameron Hamilton, who died at a Utah hospital in December 2005 after suffering severe brain trauma.
 Bort-Graham pleaded guilty to two lesser charges as part of a plea bargain in October.

Golden Eagles rip CNCC

The No. 7 College of Southern Idaho basketball team cruised past a worn-down eight-man CNCC squad 129-70 to move to 21-2 on the season and 11-2 Scenic West Athletic Conference record. CSI jumped out to a 68-33 half-time lead, passed the 100-point plateau with more than 11 minutes left, and was never challenged by a 16-10 (1-3 SWAC) Spartans team.

General: Friendly fire death haunts pilots

BOISE — Two Idaho Air National Guard pilots involved in a 2003 friendly fire case in Iraq that killed a British soldier are visited daily by images from that desert mission, said a general who oversees their fighter wing.
 "There's not a day goes by that the pilots involved in this particular instance don't think about this, and that's something that they will live with and deal with the rest of their lives," Brig. Gen. Gary L. Saylor, deputy commanding general for the Idaho National Guard's aircraft operations, told The Associated Press.

Coercing an abortion could become felony

BOISE — Coercing a woman or girl into having an abortion could become a felony, if a northern Idaho lawmaker gets his way.
 Rep. Bob Nonil, R-Coeur d'Alene, has introduced legislation to outlaw the use of threats or physical force meant to prevent a pregnant woman from giving birth.
 Idaho already has laws punishing people for using fraud or coercion to force minors into sex trafficking.

SPORTS



CSI women roll to 60-point win Friday

"TWIN FALLS — No sweat. The No. 16 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team saved the drama for a later date, rolling, past visiting Colorado Northwestern Community College 103-43 in Scenic West Athletic Conference action Friday night in Twin Falls.

The Golden Eagles ripped off a 28-0 run to start the game before CNCC's Cheryl Knabbe hit a pair of free throws to finally put the Spartans on the board with 9:47 left in the first half.

CSI baseball outpitches Glendale in two games

GLENDALE, Ariz. — The College of Southern Idaho baseball team pitched its way past Glendale Community College, sweeping the double header with wins of 2-1 and 7-1.
 In Game 2, the Eagles' bats began to power the ball as they recorded several extra-base hits. Grant Kvedler and Brad Brady both hit triples and Jeff Hanson belted two doubles.

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Program

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Villagomez is in his senior year at Jerome High School, and he plans on studying landscape architecture at the University of Idaho.

Student mentors can earn college credit, and even a small stipend for books and supplies.

But the mentors say helping other at-risk youth is the real reward. "I think it works because we know that these kids are going through," Villagomez said. "I had a hard time in school, and I don't want them to suffer through that like I did."

They say that they put aside whatever the students have done in the past, and focus on helping them succeed.

And sometimes that means there are a few heart-to-heart conversations that only these students can relate to.

"One of the kids I mentored asked me what he had to do so he wouldn't be a bum," Valencic said. "So I told him, I said, 'You need to start doing your homework and respect your teachers, otherwise, you're going to be on the corner begging for money.'"

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Teacher

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winners of this year's technology grants from the Quest Foundation. The Idaho Department of Education administers the grant program, which is in its third year and has attracted hundreds of applicants. The program has funded projects from rocketry to robotics to improving fitness. This year Quest increased the total funding from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

Jumping right in

Good science teachers are hard to find. Only a couple of days before the 2006-07 school year started, Bliss School suddenly found itself without a science teacher. Robbins was getting ready to begin her last semester in Idaho State University's secondary education program, which included a student-teaching position in a Twin Falls school.

Then she got a call from Bliss. "We had a couple of other options, but she was the best one," said Jeff LaCroix, principal at the 168-student K-12 school. "We were just glad to have her. I think she got stuck in the line of fire in a hurry."

Because she was still a student teacher, she ended up teaching the fall semester for free — and paid tuition to ISU. When she received her bachelor's degrees in secondary education and biology in December, the Bliss School District asked her to stay on.

"She's a fantastic lady, and she does a

wonderful job for us," LaCroix said. "She does a lot of hands-on activities using things kids can find around their homes, like gumdrops and marshmallows to make DNA strands. She's also very demanding of them. She has high expectations for them and holds them to those high expectations and high standards."

Robbins grew up in the St. Louis area and earned a degree in nutrition from the University of Missouri at Columbia. When she and her husband, Travis, moved back to his hometown of Jubil seven years ago, she discovered that jobs for nutritionists were few and far between. So she returned to school at the College of Southern Idaho and later ISU to become a teacher. She and Travis, an electrical apprentice at Jerome Cheese Co., have two daughters — 3-year-old Chloe and 13-month-old Baylee.

Some teachers steer clear of junior high, but Robbins embraces it.

"They are so fun," she said. "They're at that age where they're still excited to learn."

And what's the most rewarding part of her job?

"When they come back the next day and they've taken something you taught them and applied it to their real lives," she said. "When you actually know they really get it, not just memorize it, but really get it."

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Driving

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using any other personal communication devices while driving. The punishment is a fine of up to \$600.

Similar bills are under consideration in Maryland and Texas, and Connecticut has passed one that generally bans any activity that could interfere with the safe operation of a motor vehicle.

"Cell phones attracted people to this issue," said Matt Sundeen, a transportation analyst with the National Conference of State Legislatures. "Now that people are more focused on distracted driving issues, they're beginning to talk about the broader

range of distractions."

For the sponsor of the Vermont bill, the motivation came from his observations.

"What finally pushed me over the edge was when I was at a stop sign and somebody opposite me was trying to navigate around the corner with a cell phone to the ear in one hand and a cigarette in the other, and she wasn't doing very well," said Republican state Rep. Thomas F. Koch.

He said his wife recently saw a driver playing the flute, which led him to include the instrument ban in his bill.

"There are a lot of bad habits out on the road. This isn't just for drivers' own good. This is to

protect the other people on the road," he said.

Often, they need protection: • In Illinois, a bicyclist was killed by a driver who had been downloading cell phone ring tones while behind the wheel last September.

• In Westminster, Calif., a 7-year-old boy was struck and killed by an SUV whose driver lost control as he was trying to reach a cell phone and plowed into a family at a bus stop Nov. 29, authorities said.

• In Spokane, Wash., a man driving a pickup who was allegedly using a cell phone crossed a highway median and struck another truck head-on, killing five children, in 2005.

• In Athens, Ala., a woman lost control of her car while reaching for a ringing cell phone and crashed into a church last month.

Distracted drivers were involved in nearly eight out of 10 collisions or near-crashes in a study by the Virginia Tech Transportation Institute that was released last year by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Jeff Rogers, 41, of Barre, filling up his pickup at a gas station Thursday, said the Vermont bill is "going a little too far."

"I can understand the cell phone thing," he said. "But the rest of it, how are they going to enforce that?"

CDC finds dramatic rise in accidental drug-overdose deaths

ATLANTA (AP) — Unintentional fatal drug overdoses in the United States nearly doubled from 1999 to 2004, according to a report released last week that says the nation's second-leading cause of accidental death, behind automobile crashes, the government reported.

The number of accidental drug overdose deaths rose from 11,155 in 1999 to 19,838 in 2004, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The report was based on death certificates, which do not clearly detail which drugs played the greatest role. But CDC researchers said they believe sedatives and prescription painkillers like Vicodin and OxyContin were the chief cause of the increase.

OxyContin has been blamed for hundreds of deaths across the country in recent years, becoming such a scourge in Appalachia that it is known as "hillbilly heroin."

Deaths from falls climbed between 1998 and 2004 at a more modest rate, from 13,162 to 16,807, the CDC said. Motor vehicle crashes accounted for 40,965 fatalities in 1999 and 49,432 in 2004.

The South now ties the West for having the highest rate — about 8 per 100,000 population.

"This is the first study really to describe the large relative increases in poisoning mortality by rates in rural states. Historically, the drug issue has been seen as an urban problem," said Dr. Len Paulozzi, a CDC epidemiologist.

The federal report, issued this week, noted that accidental drug overdoses remain most common in men and in people 35 to 54. But the most dramatic increases in death rates were for white females, young adults and Southerners.

Other findings: • The death rates for men remained roughly twice the rate for women, but the female rate doubled from 1999 to 2004 while the male rate increased by 47 percent.

• The rate for white women rose more dramatically than

for any other gender group, to 5 deaths per 100,000 population.

• The rate of overdose deaths

among teens and young adults, ages 15 to 24 rose to 113 percent in the study years, to 5.3 deaths per 100,000 population.

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Who's impersonating whom?

Music Comes Alive as local personalities impersonate national celebrities to benefit the youth of Magic Valley.

Acts include: Dick Clark, Carrie Underwood, Gary Brooks, The Evely Brothers, Mariah Carey, Roy Rogers, Patsy Cline, Lee Greenwood, The Supremes, Al Jolson, Celine Dion, Merle Haggard, Anne Murray and Shirley Temple.

Performers include: Randy Hansen, Camille Cox, Summer Brander, The McBride Brothers, Gale Cartwright, Jack Van Buren, Debbie Kindred, Kody Reinstein, Ethan Kulhanek, Carolyn Anderson, Brian Cole, Brandon Severe, Luke West, The Golden Moments, Camera Man, Burt Huish, Bob Hanchey and more.

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Close call: Nobody injured in collision near Filer

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

FILER — When Violet Smith realized the truck was going to hit her all she could do was yell, "Oh no."
Smith, of Buhl, was traveling east on U.S. 30 Thursday morning, when Francisco Serrano, driving a white GMC Duramax pickup and hauling a

stock trailer, failed to yield from the stop sign at 2000 East.
Serrano, traveling south along the 2000 East road, wanted to cross the highway and said he didn't see Smith's white Toyota Corolla until it was too late.
"He said he stopped at the stop sign, looked both ways and pulled across," said Joaquin Ramirez, who translated

for Serrano. "But there she was."
Ramirez is the manager of the John Reitsma calf ranch in Filer where Serrano is employed.
No one was injured in the accident. The Twin Falls County Sheriff's Department called Serrano with failure to yield at a stop sign.
William Smith, who was in the car with his wife, said she tried to get

around the truck but was struck anyway. The impact flung the car into the borrow pit.
"We got turned around, that's for sure," he said.

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Resolution to study technical class costs approved

Jared Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — The House approved a joint resolution Friday that would ask higher education officials to study whether costs for professional/technical classes in Idaho should be standardized.

The House voted 50-15 to ask the State Board of Education and university and college presidents to see whether standardized credit prices are a good strategy to increase affordable education in Idaho.

The Senate passed the resolution 26-8 last week.
State Sen. John Goedde, R-Coeur D'Alene, who co-chaired a summer interim community college committee, has estimated credit hours at the four-year universities cost about \$200; at the College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College, around \$100; and at Eastern Idaho Technical College, about \$75.

Although no fiscal note was attached to the resolution, Goedde said that if \$120 were used as a measurement, about \$3.3 million would need to be made up by the state over three years.

Two Magic Valley lawmakers, Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, and Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, opposed the resolution.

"There's a reason there's a difference," Patrick said in reference to credit costs. He said the difference can make "education more affordable."

Bill to prevent judges from serving dies

BOISE — The House Judiciary, Administration and Rules committee killed a proposed Bill Friday that would have made it illegal for any judge who loses a re-election bid to ever be reappointed as a judge.

"It's kind of like a felon. Once you're a felon you can't vote," said Rep. Lynn Luker, R-Boise, who voted to kill the bill.

Bowling alley smoking ban still up in the air

BOISE — A House bill that would ban smoking in bowling alleys has been transferred from the Health and Welfare Committee to the State Affairs Committee.

The bill, proposed by Rep. Robert Ring, R-Caldwell, would lift an exemption from an earlier clean-air act that bans smoking tobacco at various public places.

But its fate is now unclear because, earlier this week, State Affairs Committee Chairman Thomas Loertscher, R-Iona, did not vote in favor of printing the bill.
"I thought I'd go to Health and Welfare," said Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls, who chairs the Health and Welfare Committee.

Statehouse correspondent Jared S. Hopkins can be reached at (208) 343-0901 or jhopkins@magicvalley.com.

Now hiring



Bianca Fuentes, a driver for Western States Bus Co. in the Twin Falls School District, pulls her bus away from the curb Friday afternoon at Bickel Elementary School.

School districts struggle to find bus drivers

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

KIMBERLY — It's not very often that you see a school superintendent driving a bus full of students at six in the morning.

But on any given day that's exactly what you will see in Kimberly.

Rural school districts are struggling to find qualified people to drive their school buses, and in some cases the school administrators are helping out by filling in.

"It's a little hard to find qualified people who are willing to do the job," said Kimberly School District Superintendent John Garner.

"You have to find someone who will get up around 4 a.m. to drive almost 50 kids to school, and then come back in the afternoon to do it all over again."

School districts such as Kimberly, Shoshone and Murtugah own and operate their school buses, while other school districts such as Twin Falls and Wendell contract with bus companies to provide the service.

Garner said the decision to operate a school district's own bus services depends on the resources that are available.

For example, the Kimberly School District invested in fuel-storage tanks several years ago, which allow the district to maintain a small surplus of fuel during price fluctuations. And it operates only a small number of buses, which reduces equipment and personnel costs.

"Like everybody else, we struggle with pay and compensation," Garner said. "We can only offer a little more than minimum wage for our bus drivers, while most bus companies can pay more. It makes it very difficult to hire someone, who can earn more doing the same job in Twin Falls."

Western States Bus Co., which provides services for the Twin Falls School District, pays about \$9 an hour, but it frequently posts signs on its buses that advertise openings for drivers.

Paul Treglow, operations manager for the bus company, said the wages may be better, but his employees cannot supplement their income with other jobs in the schools.

"Being a part-time split shift, it's difficult to find the right person," he said. "Most of our employees are students at CSI, retired people or farmers and ranchers who have schedules

they can't work around."
School officials say the job requires a unique personality — kind of a cross between a truck driver and a school teacher.

Besides maneuvering a bus that is more than three-times the size of the average sport-utility vehicle, bus drivers also have to keep up to 48 adolescents in their seats and under control.

"You can imagine that if they (drivers) don't know how to manage the kids, it can become a problem very quickly," Garner said.

So what happens when schools can't find enough bus drivers?

Federal requirements say schools must provide the transportation, and neither the federal government, nor the state is planning to increase funding for bus drivers' wages.

In fact, Idaho has been lowering a school transportation cap on the amount of money school districts can spend on student transportation. Twelve school districts appealed penalties last year for spending above the state cap.

"You have to find a way to do it somehow," Garner said.

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IDAHO LEGISLATURE

Otter aims to remake Idaho government agencies

The Associated Press

BOISE — Gov. CL "Butch" Otter's plan to revamp state agencies got a cold reception Friday from House and Senate budget writers, another sign the new chief executive and the 2007 Legislature are still struggling to define their relationship.

Otter wants to disband the 180-employee Department of Administration and the 36-worker Division of Human Resources by July 1. He also aims to split the Department of Commerce and Labor into two agencies.

Ninety-four jobs would be eliminated. Several Human Resources employees are already gone, their positions eliminated even before legislation has been drafted to make their agencies vanish.

At a Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee hearing Friday, lawmakers from both parties said Otter's moves to trim government and make it more effi-

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— Keith Johnson, Department of Administration

cient may be laudable, but they've yet to see any actual analysis showing how the moves will benefit Idaho taxpayers.

"I don't see how they can possibly complete the job this year," said Rep. Marnie Bell, R-Terme and budget panel co-chair. "That appears to be a two-year process."

Keith Johnson, Otter's hand-picked Department of Administration buster, told budget writers he had not completed a budget proposal to reflect the agency's breakup. Bell told him he'd better hurry, because the committee only has until March 9 to wrap up the budget bill and send it to the full House and Senate.
Sill, Johnson said Otter has set an

ambitious course for Idaho government. Attempts to delay until 2008 would be counterproductive, he said.

"If you send a message that you'll wait a year, then you may be saying, 'Why not wait two?'" Johnson told The Associated Press. "It's no secret Butch Otter is a very ambitious governor. He says, 'Let's proceed rapidly.'"

Among other things, Otter wants to outsource some functions within the Department of Administration, such as computer support, to the private sector, and end a turf feud between some state agencies and Human Resources by moving its functions under the oversight of the Financial Management division.

It may well be a good thing to do away with Administration and Human Resources, said Rep. Fred Wood, R-Burley and a member of the budget writing committee. Still, Wood said he wants to see the analysis.
Johnson told him Human Resources functions would continue, only elsewhere.

"To kind of clarify the governor's vision, it is not to do away with the Human Resources division," Johnson said. "His desire to bring the Division of Human Resources component into (the Division of Financial Management) — that was to more closely align the financial planning function with the HR function in state government."

Wood responded, "I'm not so sure that in a successful organization that the complete alignment with the financial division is, something that actually makes a successful organization. In fact, that may be what makes an unsuccessful organization."

OBITUARIES/COMMUNITY

Hal J. Amidan

ALMO — Hal J. Amidan, 47, passed away Monday, Feb. 5, 2007, in Burley, Idaho, of pancreatic cancer.

He was born June 24, 1959, in Ogden, Utah, a son of Don and Lillie D. Amidan. He graduated from Weber High School in 1977. Hal was a lifelong member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He worked for Humphreys Construction until 1980, when he moved to Challis, Idaho, to begin his lifelong career of cattle ranching on the Dobbs Family Ranch.

In 1986, Hal purchased a ranch in Northern Box Elder County located just south of Almo, Idaho, where he lived for the remainder of his life doing what he loved. Hal was a well-loved and respected member of the community, a willing supporter of church

and scouting activities, and volunteered his time to help build the Almo Volunteer Fire House.

He was also a member and president of the Bridge Grazing Association. Surviving are his father, Don; brother, Larry Amidan; and sisters, Judy Christofferson, Linda Farmer and Lori Payne.

Hal was preceded in death by his mother; nephew, Eric Christofferson; and his grandparents.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday at Lindquist's North Ogden Mortuary, 2140 N. Washington Blvd. in North Ogden, Utah. Friends may call from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the mortuary. Interment will be in the Millville City Cemetery in Millville, Utah.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Cancer Research Fund of your choice.

Condolences to the family may be sent to lorie@lindquistmortuary.com.

Howard Glenn Arrington

TWIN FALLS — Howard Glenn Arrington passed from mortal life on Feb. 8, 2007.

He was born in Twin Falls, Idaho, on April 12, 1923, the eldest son of Robert Glenn and Annie Lucretia (Tuttle) Arrington. Raised at a family homestead on Highland Avenue, Howard attended Bickel Elementary School and later graduated from Twin Falls High School. Following one year at the University of Idaho, he worked as a construction timekeeper at the Farragut Naval Reserve project in Coeur d'Alene. With World War II in full swing, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and was assigned to the destroyer USS Cowell in the South Pacific. Following his discharge, he married Janell Ravsten on May 29, 1946, in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple. They are the parents of five children, Susan (Fried) Hill of St. Cloud, Minn.; Gayme (Keith) Hammond of Sandy, Utah, Glenn (Kenna) Arrington of Twin Falls, Colleen Arrington (Janie Fischer) of Draper, Utah, and April (Paul) Rieks of Draper, Utah.

Howard worked as a fuel delivery man for Gem State Oil Co. for two years, then began a 10-year tenure with Glen Jenkins Chevrolet. He worked one year for McVey's, selling Interurban Harvesters, tractors and his brother, Lewis.



joined Arrington in 1962 and began Arrington's Construction. From then until his retirement in 1990, the company built many prominent buildings in the Magic Valley. Howard was an active member of the LDS Church and served as bishop of the Twin Falls 1st Ward for nearly 11 years. He served as a temple officer in the Idaho Falls and Boise LDS temples. He and Janell served a full-time mission to India, Malaysia and Singapore in the early 1990s.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Annie Belle Arrington, Mildred Shobe and Emila Adams; and brothers, Glenn Arrington, Lewis Arrington and Norman Arrington. He is survived by his wife; five children; 16 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; his sisters, Gilda Garrison and Elsie Eght; and brothers, Alden Arrington and Lee Arrington.

The funeral will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at the Elizabeth Street LDS Ward Building. Viewing will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, at White Mortuary. "Chapel by the Park" and from 10 until 11:15 a.m. on the day of the service at the LDS Chapel. Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park. Flowers are a lovely tribute, but many more can benefit from a contribution to the Primary Children's Hospital, Memorial and Honor Gift Program, P.O. Box 58243, Salt Lake City, UT 84158-0243. Any wishing to make a donation may do so at White Mortuary.

Joshua Keith Barnes

TWIN FALLS — Joshua Keith Barnes, 16, of Twin Falls, passed away Feb. 7, 2007.

Josh was born Aug. 30, 1990, in Twin Falls, Idaho. He was born and raised in Twin Falls. He was employed at Jayco Manufacturing and often talked about his co-workers. Josh grew up playing baseball, whether it was a backyard game with his brother, cousins or his Morrisville buddies. He played all levels of baseball including T-ball, Cal Ripken, Babe Ruth, Twin Falls All-stars, Twin Falls High School baseball and American Legion. Lifelong friends were playing through the years of playing baseball, friends that were "family" to Josh and his parents.

Josh was a natural all-around ball player, avid hunter and fisherman. He could hunt anyone in a backyard hunt, even on a dog's command. Someone he found the patience to out fish ants, uncles, cousins and friends. His parents were always amazed that he would wake up at the crack of dawn when it involved hunting. He would spend hours hunting with his dad, brother, uncle and friends and, most always, he was lucky. His favorite places to hang out were the ranch in Malad and the fields in the South Hills. Josh loved to snowmobile with his dad, brother and all the other snowmobile guys. He loved hanging out with those "snowmobile guys." Doug (Dip), Pat,



Ruher, Elam and Byron. Outdoor recreation with friends and family were a priority in his life. He spent many hours working on his truck and figuring out what to do to it next. Josh always had to have some kind of pet. Once it was frogs he brought home from Stanley Lake, then salamanders from Malad. Next it was a pet mouse, a rabbit and even birds. He was known to capture somehow and, at present, his two cats and three dogs.

He is survived by his parents, Don and Kathy Barnes; and older brother, Kody Barnes and Melissa of Twin Falls; grand-nephews, Bob and Janell Barnes of Twin Falls and Josie Thomas of Malad; uncles and aunts, Brent (Pam) Thomas, Gordon (Kathy) Thomas and Jack (Robyn) Barnes, all of Twin Falls; Dave (Gayme) Barnes of Boise; Denise Thomas of Twin Falls; and numerous cousins, all of whom loved him very much. He was preceded in death by his Grandpa Sam Thomas, his No. 1 buddy in life. The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at the First Christian Church on Shoshone Street in Twin Falls, with Pastor Tubbs officiating. A burial service will follow in Malad, Idaho. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions be made in memory of Josh Barnes at First Federal Bank. The funds will be used for adolescents in need of mental health care. Contributions may also be made to Twin Falls High School Baseball in memory of Josh Barnes.

SERVICES

Marlon Tennant Hugenbrotler of Orem, Utah, Burial will be noon today at the Rupert Cemetery (Sundberg Olin Mortuary in Orem, Utah).

Brian J. Schmidt of Filer, funeral at 10 a.m. today at the Filer LDS Church, 841 W. Midway; friends and family may call from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. today at the church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Thomas J. O'Halloran of Dayton, Ky., and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls.

Robert Dean Webster of Paul, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Paul United Methodist Church, 127 W. Clark St.; friends may call one hour before the funeral today at the church (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Col. Phillip N. McGaha of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Peace Lutheran Church in Filer (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Troy H. Guggell of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 11 a.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Robert H. Hadd of Jerome, graveside service at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Cemetery (Hove-Robertson Funeral Home in Jerome).

Dorothy E. Ratcliff Rose of Jerome, memorial service at 1 p.m. today at the Jerome Presbyterian Church, 262 E. Ave. A (Farnsworth Mortuary and Crematory in Jerome).

Terrell Gean McCaskill of Twin Falls, memorial service

at 1 p.m. today at the Kingdom Hall, 2628 Whiskey Pine Drive in Twin Falls (Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

Emmett Guy Whitaker of Boise, memorial celebration of life at 4 p.m. today at the First Congregational Church, 2201 Woodlawn Ave. in Boise (Alden-Waggoner Funeral Chapel in Boise).

Orville Valentine "Vic" Freeman of Burley, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 6051 H St. (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Judge John Charles Hohorst of Twin Falls, funeral at 2:30 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Reform Church, 1631 Grandview Drive N. (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

William Woodson "Woody" Estes of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday and one hour before the service Monday at the funeral home.

Geraldine L. Bateman of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at the Jerome LDS 2nd Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S. (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Margo Ellis Sears of Wendell, funeral at noon Monday at the Wendell LDS Church on North Idaho Street; friends and family may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Demary's Funeral Chapel in Wendell and from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Monday at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Margo Sears Memorial Scholarship Fund at U.S. Bank.

Adaline Amalia Emily Dohse

TWIN FALLS — Adaline Amalia Emily Dohse, 88, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 7, 2007, after a lingering illness.

She was born Dec. 24, 1918, at home in Buhi, Idaho, to her parents, Edwin E. Thamer and Thekla Louise Nelson. Adaline was baptized into God's kingdom at the Clover Lutheran Church in Buhi and confirmed at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. She was a charter member of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly; a member at Peace Lutheran Church in Filer; and currently a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. Her Christian faith in the Lord was very important to her. She attended Clover Lutheran School and various schools in Twin Falls.

She married Erhard Dohse on Nov. 17, 1939, at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls. They met at a church function and were married for 58 years. He died in 1997. In recent years, Adaline had a lifelong special friend and companion, Marlin Ruher. Adaline was raised and lived her life in the Twin Falls area and was a dedicated wife, mother and home-



maker. She loved to garden and always had beautiful flowers. She loved crocheting and making quilts until her eyesight failed her. Her greatest joy was her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She retired from Idaho Frozen Foods.

Her surviving children include Shirley (Henry) Schutte of Eden, Gary Dohse of Federal Way, Wash., Bonnie (Robert) Gilligan of Twin Falls, Kenneth (Diana) Thact of Twin Falls and Becky Dohse Weeks of Jerome; one brother, Erwald Thamer of Twin Falls; 15 grandchildren and their spouses; 32 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Erhard; son, Roger; a grandnephew, Angela; and her sister, Lucella Erickson. A visitation for friends and family will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 11, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, Idaho. The funeral will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 12, at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, Idaho, with Pastor Lawrence Velder officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. The family suggests memorial contribution be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church or The Commission for the Blind.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday. Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@mvgvalley.com.

DEATH NOTICES

William Newman

BOISE — William Newman, 72, of Boise resident and formerly of Burley, died Friday,

Feb. 9, 2007, at his home in Boise. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Payne Mortuary in Burley.

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The Kimberly City Library Foundation announced that Sue Brown, left, of Kimberly won a quilt embroidered by Rosemary Palmer and hand quilted by Dorothy McCrory. From left are Brown with Janet Coonits and Jacquie Luff, foundation board members. The money raised by the raffie provided matching funds for the Libri Foundation grant given to the library. The grant helps rural libraries acquire children's books that they could not otherwise afford to buy. The Kimberly City Library purchased \$1,500 worth of new children's books with the grant money and matching funds through the Libri Foundation's Books for Children program. For more information, call 423-4556.

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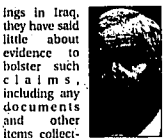


NATION

Gates: Iran involved with insurgency

MUNICH, Germany (AP) — Serial numbers and other markings on bombs suggest that Iranians are linked to deadly explosives used by Iraqi militants, Defense Secretary Robert Gates said Friday in some of the administration's first public assertions on evidence the military has collected.

While the Bush administration and military officials have repeatedly said Iranians have been tied to terrorist bombings



Gates

in Iraq, they have said little about evidence to bolster such claims, including any documents and other items collected in recent raids in Iraq.

The assertions have been met with skepticism by some lawmakers still fuming over

intelligence reports used by the administration to propel the country to war with Iraq in 2003.

Gates' comments came as a new Pentagon Inspector General's report criticized the Defense Department's assertions of al-Qaida connections to Iraq.

Gates told reporters Friday that markings on explosives provide "pretty good" evidence that Iranians are supplying either weapons or technology for Iraqi extremists.

"I think there's some serial numbers, there may be some markings on some of the projectile fragments that we found" that point to Iran, he said.

Gates' remarks left unclear how the U.S. knows the serial numbers are traceable to Iran and whether such weapons would have been sent to Iraq by the Iranian government or by private arms dealers.

and allied countries anticipate a renewed offensive this spring by the Taliban, and as they seek additional reinforcements from NATO countries. The effort to bolster forces there so far has brought only limited success, with a few nations promising handfuls of additional troops and equipment.

Pentagon plans to extend troop buildup in Afghanistan into '08

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (AP) — The Pentagon plans to extend its buildup of several thousand combat troops in Afghanistan, initially announced as lasting until late spring, well into next year, a senior U.S. military official said Friday.

The move comes as U.S.

and allied countries anticipate a renewed offensive this spring by the Taliban, and as they seek additional reinforcements from NATO countries. The effort to bolster forces there so far has brought only limited success, with a few nations promising handfuls of additional troops and equipment.

U.S. airstrike mistakenly kills Kurdish fighters

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. helicopters targeting insurgents mistakenly killed at least five allied Kurdish militiamen in the northern city of Mosul early Friday. The military also reported three more American soldiers killed in combat, pushing the U.S. death toll to 33 in the first eight days of the month.

They were killed and nine others were detained, the U.S. military said, offering condolences to the families of those who died. Kurdish officials put the casualty toll at eight killed and six wounded.

Kurdish lawmaker Mahmud Othman denounced the airstrike. "This is not a good sign for the new security plan that they (U.S. forces) have started," he said.

However, a spokesman for the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, Azad Jundyan, said the party realized the airstrike was a mistake. "We are allied with the coalition; it was a friendly fire incident, not an intentionally hostile act," he said.

Jundyan identified the dead as peshmerga — Kurdish militiamen who once battled Saddam Hussein's regime. Many peshmerga have been incorporated into the Iraqi army since the U.S.-led invasion.

The incident far from Baghdad underscored a rise in violence in northern Iraq, where it is feared some insurgents are

fleeing to avoid the security crackdown in the capital.

U.S. and British forces also face mounting casualties as they step up their presence to shore up Iraqi forces.

Three more American soldiers died Thursday in fighting in Anbar province, the U.S. military said Friday. Officials said they were from Iqah. More than half the 33

American deaths this month have been in Anbar, an insurgent stronghold stretching from Baghdad to the borders with Syria, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

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Officials said the Kurds were killed about midnight as they guarded a branch of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, a political party led by Iraqi President Jalal Talabani, a key supporter of U.S. efforts in Iraq.

The U.S. military said the strike was launched after American ground forces spotted armed men in a bunker near a building they thought was being used to make bombs for al-Qaida in Iraq. The troops called out in Arabic and Kurdish telling the men to put down their weapons and also fired warning shots before the helicopters opened fire, the military said.

Five men later determined to be Kurdish police officers

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Al-Qaida-linked insurgents post video said to show downing of U.S. helicopter

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — An insurgent group linked to al-Qaida posted a Web video Friday showing what it said was the downing of a U.S. military helicopter this week. Seven Americans were killed in the crash.

partially in control, though smoke and bright flames are trailing from it. The helicopter then disappears behind a line of trees as it hits the ground.

The video was issued by the Islamic State in Iraq, an umbrella group of Iraqi insurgent groups that includes al-Qaida in Iraq. The group on Wednesday issued a written claim of responsibility for the craft's downing and had promised a video would follow.

The video, titled "The Hell of Christians and Apostates in Iraq," was posted on a Web forum where the group and other Islamic militants often post messages.

The Islamic State in Iraq has also claimed responsibility for downing two other U.S. helicopters — a Black Hawk which crashed northeast of Baghdad on Jan. 20, killing 12 Americans, and an Apache shot down Feb. 12, in which two U.S. soldiers died.

At least six U.S. helicopters have crashed or been forced down under hostile fire since Jan. 20. In the wake of the recent crashes, U.S. officials have said they were reviewing flight operations and tactics.

The U.S. military has said it did not believe the CH-46 Sea Knight helicopter was shot down in the crash Wednesday northwest of Baghdad.

But a U.S. official, who was not authorized to address the topic publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity, said "the video appears to be legitimate" — meaning that it shows a Sea Knight crashing.

The two-minute video — which says it shows the "downing of U.S. aircraft on Feb. 7" — shows a helicopter that appears to be a Sea Knight flying. An object trailing smoke is seen in the sky nearby, and then the craft bursts into orange and red flames, with a spray of debris emerging from it.

It is not clear whether the object is a rocket, and it cannot be clearly seen connecting with the craft. In the footage, the helicopter heads downward, but appears to be at least

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More tests needed in Smith case

Prescription drugs found in hotel room

DANIA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Prescription drugs were found in Anna Nicole Smith's hotel room, but there were no pills in her stomach, and investigators said Friday they are awaiting tests that could tell whether the drugs were in her center-fold diol of an overdose, as some close to her suspect.



Smith

At the same time, a judge in Los Angeles ordered that the models' body be preserved for at least 10 days for a possible DNA test related to a paternity dispute. The ruling could interfere with plans for a funeral.

Dr. Joshua Perper, the Broward County medical examiner who did the autopsy, said no illegal drugs were discovered in Smith's stomach and the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood after the 39-year-old pinup collapsed there on Thursday. He would not identify the prescription drugs.

But CNN quoted an unidentified



Dr. Joshua Perper answers questions about the death of Anna Nicole Smith on Friday outside his Dania Beach, Fla., office after performing an autopsy on her.

law enforcement source as saying there were large amounts of prescription drugs, including Valium and antibiotics, as well as over-the-counter cold and flu medication.

Perper said there were no pills in Smith's stomach and no other immediate signs of an overdose, but officials "do not exclude any kind of contribution of medication to the death." He reported signs of inflammation in Smith's heart — "Something which looks a little bit unusual" — but added, "It may be nothing."

He said it would take three to five weeks to conclude the investigation. Authorities also planned to interview a nurse

and others and examine on her records before settling on a cause of death.

Seminole Police Chief Charlie Tiger said there was no indication the voluptuous blonde was the victim of a crime, and Perper said the autopsy was able to exclude any kind of physical injury such as blows to the body or asphyxiation.

"There are a number of possibilities" as to the cause of death, Perper said, including, natural causes, a drug reaction or some combination of the two.

Perper said she had been sick for several days with some kind of stomach flu.

And in yet another strange twist in the case, a third man — the husband of actress Zsa Zsa Gabor, Prince Frederick von Anhalt — stepped forward Friday to claim he may be the baby's father.

Smith, a small-town Texas girl who went from topless dancer to Playboy Playmate of the Year, Guess jeans model and bride of an 89-year-old oilman, was found unconscious in her hotel room by a private nurse, officials said. A bodyguard performed CPR, Tiger said, but Smith was declared dead at a hospital.

In recent TV appearances, Smith's speech was often slurred and critics said she seemed drugged-out.

Michael Scott, a former attorney for Smith in the Bahamas, said he suspects drugs "featured in her death." And Smith's mother said Friday she believes her daughter died of an overdose. Smith's 20-year-old son, Daniel, died in September of what was believed to be an accidental drug overdose, around the time Smith gave birth to her daughter, Dannielynn.

"I think she had too many drugs, just like Danny," her mother, Vergie Arthur, told ABC's "Good Morning America."

Cartoon Network chief resigns following botched marketing stunt

ATLANTA (AP) — The head of the Cartoon Network resigned Friday over a publicity stunt that caused a terrorism scare in Boston.

In a memo to staff members, Jim Samples, general manager and executive vice president, said he regretted the incident and felt "compelled to step down, effective immediately, in recognition of the gravity of the situation that occurred under my watch."

Dozens of blinking circuit boards showing a cartoon character giving the finger were planted in 10 cities as part of a guerrilla marketing

campaign to promote the cartoon "Anita Teen Hunger Force."

In Boston, the discovery of the devices Jan. 31 led police to shut down bridges and highways and send in the bomb squad.

Cartoon Network's corporate parent, Atlanta-based Turner Broadcasting, acknowledged a few hours into the scare that the devices were part of a publicity campaign.

On Monday, Turner Broadcasting and an advertising agency involved agreed to pay \$2 million in compensation for the trouble it caused.

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Public view of Congress improves just slightly

WASHINGTON (AP)

Three months after a power shifting election, a majority of Americans still disapprove of Congress — a sign of public impatience with the new Democratic majority even among party loyalists.

SIP, an Associated Press-Ipsos poll conducted this week shows that Congress' public image has improved slowly but steadily since the November elections when Iraq, partisan fighting drove congressional approval ratings below those of President Bush.

According to the poll, 65 percent of those surveyed disapprove of the way the president is handling his job, slightly up from his disapproval ratings last month. As for Congress, 58 percent disapprove of the work of lawmakers, a slight decrease from last month and a 14 percentage-point decrease from congressional disapproval last October.

Democrats ran on a message of changing the country's direction on the war and economic policy. "But Congress is still trying to find its voice on Iraq and legislation at the top of the Democratic

AP/IPSOS POLL

Bush's approval rating

The majority of people poll disapprove of President Bush's handling of his job and domestic policy issues.

... Approve ... Disapprove
... handling his job
65% 35%

... domestic policy issues like health care, education, energy and the environment
61% 39%

Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?
Right direction Wrong track
68% 32%

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?
68% 32%

NOTE: Poll of 1,000 adults taken February 5-7, 2007. Margin of error ± 3.1 percent for all results. "Mixed feelings" and "not sure" were omitted.

agenda has yet to make its way through the Capitol and to the president's desk.

Boy, 14, charged as adult in death of sister's boyfriend

UKIAH, Calif. (AP) — A 14-year-old boy accused of gunning down his sister's boyfriend on a small American Indian reservation shook his head and cried Friday as a judge explained the murder charge.

A judge set bail at \$550,000 for Marcos C. Escareno, who is being charged as an adult and did not enter a plea. The judge postponed arraignment until Feb. 21 after Escareno's family asked for more time to hire a lawyer.

Authorities say Escareno used a rifle to "shoot" Enoc Cruz, 21, in the head and back as Cruz sat in a van Tuesday near Escareno's home on the Manchester-Point Arena Rancheria, Mendocino County Sheriff's Lt. Kurt Smallcomb said.

Authorities did not discuss a possible motive but said Cruz dated Escareno's 22-year-old sister.

Escareno, who arrived in county court wearing an orange jail shirt with his hands shackled at his waist, is a member of the Manchester band of Pomo Indians, a tribe spokesman said. Cruz was not

a member of the tribe, the spokesman said.

Escareno was arrested, hours after the shooting at his mother's house on the rancheria, a small reservation where 250 members of the Pomo tribe live near the coast about 140 miles north of San Francisco.

The boy could be sentenced to up to life in prison if convicted.

His mother, aunt and two of his sisters wept in court during the short hearing.

Escareno's mother, Mary Logan, later said she didn't know what happened and that her son had not had problems with the law.

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EPA rule would cut benzene, other air toxins from cars, gas

WASHINGTON (AP) — Toxic fumes from cars and gasoline would be cut significantly under new limits on cancer-causing benzene, adopted by the Bush administration under legal pressure from environmental groups.

The requirements, to take effect between 2009 and 2011, would reduce toxic emissions of benzene and other pollu-

tants from passenger vehicles by as much as 30 percent in the next two decades.

The Environmental Protection Agency said the rules would tighten benzene standards for gasoline, require cleaner-starting engines in cold temperatures and tighten fuel container standards to reduce the evaporation of harmful fumes.

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CROP REPORT

Corn prices steady, soybean prices up

By Libby Quid
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The high prices farmers are getting for their corn remain steady, and soybean prices have risen, the Agriculture Department said Friday.

There was little change from January in the monthly crop report.

Vigorous demand for corn-based ethanol fuel will consume one-fifth of the nation's corn crop, and about the same share will be sold to foreign

buyers, the department said. Average corn prices remain at near-record levels of \$3.20 a bushel, analysts said.

The forecast for soybean prices rose to \$6.20 a bushel, the second-highest level in a decade. Last month's forecast was \$6.10.

Wheat prices are now forecast at \$4.25 a bushel, down from \$4.30 last month but up from \$3.42 last year.

"Across the board, when you look at the major crops, very strong prices, and driven by demand, which is unusual,"

said Keith Collins, the Agriculture Department's chief economist.

Dairy prices are also strong, Collins said. That's despite an increase in the number of dairy cows as well as milk per cow, because poor weather has trimmed production in competing countries such as Australia and New Zealand, he said.

The all-milk price is forecast at \$14.70 per hundredweight, up from \$12.90 last year.

The report offered no assessment of damage to cit-

rus and other fruits and vegetables from the cold in January. Surveys of growers are under way, and new forecasts will be released next month for citrus in California, Arizona and Texas, the department said.

The cold snap, with temperatures at or below 38 degrees for more than a week in California's San Joaquin Valley, was among the worst in a quarter-century, hurting citrus as well as artichokes, avocados, broccoli, strawberries and many other vegetables.

Nominations being taken for Twin Falls business awards

Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Nominations are being accepted for awards to be presented at the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce and the College of Southern Idaho will present the 2007 Success Breakfast April 5 at CSI.

This year's theme is "Riding the Waves of Success" and the special guest speaker will be Sharon Allen, a Kimberly native and the first woman chairman of the board of Deloitte and Touche USA.

The festivities will get underway at 7 a.m. with breakfast in the CSI Gymnasium followed by an awards presentation, words from the guest speaker and breakout educational sessions to help you succeed in business. Tickets are \$40 and include breakfast, the guest speaker's presentation and breakout sessions. To order tickets, call the chamber office at 733-3974 or buy them online at www.twinfallschamber.com.

Small Business Person of the Year

This award is presented to recognize a local small business person who has demonstrated achievement in ownership or management of a small business as well as leadership in the business community or to one who has made significant contributions to the small business environment. The individual selected will have demonstrated leadership in bringing about business growth and will have an outstanding reputation. Management skill may be demonstrated through many acts, including innovation, cost controls, quality of business performance and problem-solving abilities in response to adversity.

Special Accomplishment Award

This award recognizes a small business or an organization in business in the community for at least one year for extraordinary achievement other than excellence in entrepreneurship. Business growth or cornerstone contributions that are especially noteworthy would be eligible for this award as would situations where major challenges have been surmounted. Examples might include the following:

- A small business that made an exceptional change in operations or direction with major results.
- Situations where owners or employees have exhibited efforts far above and beyond those encountered in normal business relationships.
- A small business that overcame adversity, facing a unique circumstance not generally encountered in the normal course of business and made a comeback in spite of odds against it.
- An organization that has provided exceptional assistance to others in business by assisting them in a unique, complementary or above-average manner.

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• A unique franchise development or other business evolution or process.

Growth Award

This award is given to a business that is locally-owned or locally-operated, in business at least three years under the current ownership or management, and has demonstrated significant or continuous growth in sales, service and employees. Data should show comparative growth over the three-year time period (all information will remain confidential).

Entrepreneurial Award

This award is given to a business that is locally-owned or locally-operated and in business at least two years but not more than five years. The business will have demonstrated a creative business approach and current success. It will have had impact on the local business community.

Deadline for nominations is March 20. To complete the nomination, please provide the business or individual contact information and details related only to the information requested. Please do not submit additional information such as news clippings, letters of support or copies of other awards. E-mail nominations to shawn@twinfallschamber.com or mail them to the chamber office at 858 High Street Blvd., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

For more information, call the chamber at 733-3974.

Women bringing home a bigger slice of the bacon

By Holly Saville
Los Angeles Times

Aaron Frazier married his college sweetheart, Danielle, four years ago knowing that she out-earned him by \$10,000 a year. Now, that gap is bigger.

Although Aaron's accounting salary is half the \$30,000 his wife makes monitoring clinical drug trials, it doesn't cause any friction.

"I think both of us are pretty modern," said Danielle, 29.

"She does more cooking and I do more housework," said Aaron, 30, adding that if the Antioch, Tenn., couple have a baby, he will start out being the primary care-giver.

Couples such as the Fraziers — with the wife bringing home most of the bacon — are becoming increasingly common and accepted among America's twenty- and thirtysomethings, the result of shifting educational and job market patterns, and new attitudes toward work, family and gender differences.

That could fuel a growing number of marriages in which women are the sole or primary breadwinners. Census Bureau data show that 25.3 percent of women in two-income marriages bring home the bigger paycheck, up from 17.8 percent in 1997.

Younger women, now graduating from college at higher rates than men and aggressively recruited by many employers, are becoming anything but desperate housewives. Some, including Danielle Frazier, out-earn men years starting with their first jobs.

The salaries of college-educated women have risen much faster than those of male graduates, up 34.4 percent since 1979 versus 21.7 percent for men, according to Catalyst, a New York-based research



Aaron and Danielle Frazier at their home in Antioch, Tenn. Aaron earns half as much as his wife does, but that is not a problem for them.

group.

Among twenty- and thirtysomethings, more women than men have college degrees. The gap is widest among 25- to 29-year-olds, according to the Census Bureau, with 25.5 percent of men holding a bachelor's degree as compared with 32.2 percent of women. Women now account for close to half of medical and law students, funneling them into lucrative careers as doctors and lawyers.

The Labor Department projects the education disparity will widen in coming years. Partly fueling that gap is the belief among many women that they still need to be better trained than men to succeed in the job market.

"To jump through the hoops," said Stephanie Green, a historian at Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., "Men don't feel that as much."

Indeed, men in their 20s and 30s are increasingly comfort-

able being the lower-paid spouse and more willing salary even — than their fathers to take on responsibility for child-rearing and household duties, surveys show. Although men overwhelping say they would prefer to work, a growing number have told pollsters over the last 20 years that they'd be OK with their wives supporting them.

The most recent Gallup Poll, taken in 2005, found the strongest support for that view, 27 percent. With that trend most pronounced for men younger than 50 — at 35 percent — even more men may opt to become the family caretaker.

To be sure, men overall still define their self-worth in terms of their salaries more than women do. And men on average continue to bring home bigger paychecks.

But the pay gap is shrinking, even as some highly paid women choose to leave their

jobs to raise children and others run into glass ceilings that stifle upward mobility. Women earned 81 cents for every dollar a man made in 2005, up from 76.1 cents in 2001 and 66.6 cents in 1983, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

In addition to young females, many baby boomer women have out-earned their husbands for years, the result of early professional choices and ambition. Others revved up stalled careers in their 40s and 50s when their children left home or as their husbands began to downshift professions.

No matter their age, women say father paychecks reflect their soaring career goals, and have loosened them from traditional roles as wives or mothers while giving them a stronger voice in marriage.

"I don't feel beholden to my husband," as one woman put it.

Elko gets new casino with a bit of Gold Dust

By Tom Martin
For the Times-News

ELKO — The Gold Dust West-Elko casino will have a "soft opening" in the early days of March, according to executives of Jacobs Entertainment Inc. of Golden, Colo.

Also in March, community and business leaders will be invited to a VIP party as a benefit for the Igloo recreation center, according to Mike Shuble, chief operating officer for Jacobs and Mike Hachquet, general manager of the Elko property.

"Later in the year we will have a grand opening with all kinds of prizes and promotions for the general public," Hachquet said.

The early March opening is a change from the initially announced opening date of Feb. 15 because "we want it to be right," Shuble said.

"If midnight will be in February if the date has more than 28 days," he said.

There have been no problems with construction progress, Shuble said, which recently included erecting a

sign on Mountain City Highway that can be seen from the freeway to the north.

There were some delays when crews had time off during the holiday period, he said.

General manager Hachquet said a March opening gives employees a little more time to train. He said 110 employees have been hired and applications are still being accepted at the company office at 975 S. Fifth St.

"We have received more than 600 applications already," Hachquet said. Announced plans call for 180 employees in the 24-hour operation.

Construction, which started in November, primarily involves reworking the interior of a former 35,000-square-foot grocery store and the parking lot on about six acres on Mountain City Highway and Aspen Way.

The parking lot is lined for more than 400 parking spaces and a formal entry driveway on the south side of the building, while Shuble and Hachquet said work on the interior is nearly complete.



A brief tour revealed that carpeting and other flooring is complete, with most of the 350 slot machines in place, including 28 at the large, U-shaped bar. Shuble said more than 20 LCD plasma televisions will be installed throughout the casino, including two big-screens in the sports book area.

Market Watch
Feb. 9, 2007

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Nasdaq compoq	-28.85	2,459.82
Standard & Poor's 500	-10.25	1,438.06
Russell 2000	-9.28	807.11

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Legislative profiles in courage, a lack thereof

CCHEERS to the House State Affairs committee, for giving the heave-ho to a primary election reform bill.

That bill was sponsored by a freshman Republican lawmaker in the House, but it also had the heavy support of GOP House leadership. In no small terms, that means the bill could have received more than its share of professional courtesy — even if it was a bad idea.

This reform bill was exactly that. The measure aimed to close Idaho's primary elections unless voters are registered with a party. Yet two Republicans on House State Affairs, Reps. Mark Souders, R-Meridian, and Max Black, R-Boise, voted against it leading to its 9-8 defeat. Both said they were unaware of leadership's support for it.

That didn't last long. GOP leaders called a hasty caucus meeting moments after the measure died. Since this idea was hatched at last summer's GOP convention, expect it

to see tighter support later in the session. But it's good to see committee members voted their conscience at the get-go.

JEERES to freshmen legislators Rep. James Ruchti, D-Pocatello, and Lynn Luker, R-Meridian, for thumping down a critical bill sponsored by Attorney General Lawrence Wasden.

The AG's office brought legislation, that would have strengthened Idaho laws enforcing misuse of public funds. Wasden's staff wanted to extend that law toward prosecution of all state public officials who abuse public funds. But Ruchti and Luker, both lawyers, were key spokesmen for the bill's defeat on a 44-25 House vote. Both complained that Wasden's bill didn't differentiate between office holders and average public employees.

Elected officials should face felony charges, Ruchti argued, while regular employees aren't put into office with the same level of trust, so they only warrant a misdemeanor.



Try telling that to taxpayers when an unselected public employee takes tens of thousands of dollars — as has happened in the past here in the Magic Valley. These legislators may be trying to soften a hard law, but they're failing to send a message about what the public expects from its government workers.

JEERES to Rep. Lenore Barrett, R-Challis, for proving in one sentence why community college reform is still not a priority in Idaho.

The House Revenue and Taxation Committee presented legislation this week to lower the supermajority

requirement for college districts. The plan was favored by Gov. Butch Otter, and a number of educational and business organizations in Idaho. But failed in committee, even after two Treasure Valley legislators — where the need for a community college is greatest — voted no. Opponents said the plan was premature since college district votes haven't been held in years in Treasure Valley or eastern Idaho.

But Barrett's comments went even beyond that, calling training provided by community colleges an insult to workers.

"I really find it a little offensive to imply that we've got a bunch of dummies out there in the work force," she said.

Perhaps Barrett doesn't intend to put a stigma on community college students, but that's clearly what her comment did. In a state where fewer than half of high school graduates go onto any college, Barrett shows an obtuse understanding of the affordable opportunities these schools create.

CCHEERS to U.S. Rep. Mike Simpson, for doing the job he was elected to do — even if it meant crossing party lines.

Simpson, congressman for Idaho's 2nd district, sits on the House Appropriations Committee, which has direct influence on the spending bills that go to the full House. Earlier this month, the Democratic-controlled House finally passed a \$463.5 billion fiscal 2007 package that funds most Cabinet agencies.

While most Republicans voted against the measure for various differences, Simpson was one of 57 GOP members who gave his approval.

"There's some things in this I don't like, but it's hard for me to complain about it because we left them with such a pile of (expensive) from the end of the last session," Simpson said, in a quote from Congress Daily.

"Republicans were in charge in the House and Senate and we didn't do our job."

What makes an astronaut crack?

As a former NASA astronaut training manager responsible for crew training for shuttle missions, I was not entirely surprised by the initial reports of the sad, bizarre case of Lisa Marie Nowak.

This isn't the first case of astronauts having difficulties in their personal lives. Usually, the straying astronaut simply resigns or retires, and every-thing is hushed up. But being charged with assault, attempted kidnapping and attempted murder is far greater than anything I ever observed or imagined could occur. Perhaps this tragedy will bring some of the agency's long ignored problems into the open.

First is the tremendous and unnecessary pressures brought to bear on the members of NASA's cloistered astronaut office. This is the division at the Johnson Space Center in Houston where the astronauts work. It is the office that assigns each astronaut his or her job. Since most astronauts are willing to be put on a mission, these jobs — such as working on the shuttle hydraulic system or sitting in on meetings about a new science payload — are important, but they're usually no more difficult than the ones accomplished routinely by other NASA engineers and scientists.

The difference is the astronauts come under constant scrutiny by their management to determine who will fly and who will not. Some never get assigned to a space mission, yet they are called astronauts as long as they work for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Nowak was hired as an astronaut in 1986. It was a decade before she flew into space. During that time, she was passed over again and

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again. Somewhere along the line during those dispiriting years, I think she became brittle. She finally flew, landed and then was sent to the back of the astronaut line again. My guess is that her personal life started to become unglued from the accumulated strain. But why did Nowak have to endure 10 years of scrutiny and constant competition with her fellow astronauts before she got to fly? The fact is, there are too many astronauts (more than 125) and not enough opportunities to fly. The NASA inspector general said the same thing in a 2003 report. Yet the astronaut office hired 11 more astronauts in 2004. Last year, the shuttle flew three times, carrying just seven astronauts per flight. Its replacement vehicle, which is under design now, will carry at most six astronauts.

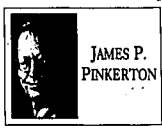
Does it make sense to have this many overachievers all walking on eggs, vying for such a limited number of slots?

My suggestion to lessen the pressure on the astronauts and also to decrease the resentment others in the agency feel toward them is to reorganize their office, first by shrinking it. There are two types of astronauts — pilots and mission specialists. The latter are more or less like flight engineers who are generalists. They operate robots, perform experiments and go on spacewalks. They make up the bulk of the astronaut corps, and we just don't need so many. They should be offered other jobs within the agency. There would remain just a small, core group confident that they will fly.

U.S. security funny? Punch line won't be

Many Americans think that homeland security is a joke, and in Boston it's been proved to be a joke. But in light of increasing threats, perhaps we should take homeland security seriously — for a change.

Maybe we need a little homeland-security tough love. That is, tough on those who undermine our safety and love for our fellow citizens, such that we will do everything to keep them alive and well.



JAMES P. PINKERTON

Last week Boston discovered that two hired pranksters had planted small electrical devices in public places, part of a promotional stunt for a cartoon show. The pranksters were utterly unapologetic, even defiant, in a subsequent televised news conference. And while Turner Broadcasting agreed to pay \$2 million in damages to the city, executives of Turner's Cartoon Network must be thinking that they got a hundred times that amount in free publicity for their show.

Meanwhile, The Associated Press reported Tuesday that when one of the pranksters learned that the Boston bomb squad was removing one of his spunky devices, he went out and filmed that operation, too — never telling the authorities that the devices were harmless.

And what if an emergency worker had been hurt in dealing with what was, in effect, a false alarm? Well, the punk-provocator wouldn't have cared. One imagines that even now he is working on a YouTube video in which he



will show just how funny and cool he is. In contrast to the square and dull authorities. So let's hope that both these punks are criminally prosecuted. Such legal action would send a useful signal that even hipsters are not allowed to mess with homeland security.

But in addition, let's remember this unfunny fact: In nine other cities our homeland security personnel didn't even notice the same dopey devices planted in public places. You can bet that terrorists noticed how easy it is to stash an unknown object beneath a bridge.

If the United States were taking homeland security seriously, many things would be handled differently.

Let's consider, for example, the tornado that struck central Florida last week: 20 people were killed, most of them while sleeping.

Many people in the Tornado Belt have an "all hazards radio" permanently

tuned to the National Weather Service, an arm of the Commerce Department. These radios, available for \$50 or so, can be switched on by a signal from the Weather Service or other authorities. If everyone had such a mechanism, fewer people would be caught unawares by disasters, and fewer people would die.

Jim Hubbell of Whitesboro, Texas, a volunteer storm spotter and assistant emergency coordinator for Grayson County, north of Dallas, has survived enough tornadoes to know the lifesaving value of an early warning. "The radios are great," he declares, "making all the difference between getting hurt and not getting hurt." But the problem, he notes, "has always been getting people to buy them."

They also require a little programming and maintenance once in a while.

OK, so it would take some work and effort — and money — to make sure that everyone in this country had a func-

tioning all-hazards radio. But isn't it worth it? Aren't we worth it? In fact, we've learned that it's cheaper to save lives through preventive action, as opposed to after-the-fact rescue and relief. So here's a thought: If Uncle Sam were really serious about homeland security, he would figure out a way to get the entire country networked into a truly reliable emergency response/civil defense system.

The feds should work with state and local governments, churches and other civic groups to make sure that everyone is wired into the grid.

Surely we can love our neighbor at least that much.

Because, as we all know, we have to worry about more than the familiar natural disasters. The Big One is coming. It's abundantly clear that right now we aren't ready. And that's no joke.

James Pinkerton is a columnist for Newsday.

Writer is denial over the threat of wolves

This is in response to the letter published in Louis Brombacher. He stated in his letter that "not once have I read about, heard or witnessed a wolf attacking, let alone killing a human." Well, Louis, it makes me wonder — Are you just ignorant or are you the typical environmentalist liar?

Nov. 8, 2005, geological engineering student Kenyon Carnegie from the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada, was killed by a pack of Canadian gray wolves. Another Canadian man in 2004, Fred Desjarlais, suffered multiple bites in a hand-to-hand battle with a large gray wolf before a head-to-head draw drove the wolf off. Then there is this one. A single wolf attacked two families in September, 2006 in

Katherine's Cove, a popular tourist spot on Lake Superior. Six victims in two separate attacks were injured and treated for fear a 4.3-year-old had to have 15 stitches.

Hunters in the United States have shot wolves that were stalking them. (Luckily, they had guns.) Wolf experts are telling people to keep their dogs on leashes and to keep away from wolves, which is becoming more of Idaho now. Ranch families have often sent dogs with their children to do chores or even when playing on the ranch. The dogs would keep mountain lions and bears away now they will draw the wolves to them.

It's too bad that the people have to deal with the devastation of the wolves — ranchers losing livestock, hunters losing game animals, people losing their pets. It should be the wolf advocates who have to pay instead of silencing their butts in their condos while their congressmen advocate the poor wolves.

Do yourself a favor, Louis, get a subscription to Range magazine and bone up on the truth. The winter edition is available in most book stores. DELOY BAKER Jerome

Retired readers enjoyed letter in Sunday's paper

We applauded Vaughn Phelps for his letter in the Sunday (Feb. 4) paper. It was read aloud to us in a current events gathering at Creekside Residential Care Center in Jerome. We like his take of the situation in Iraq.

Resident Leatha Hancock says, "Bring our troops home to a safe place to build their own government." Resident Rita Gray stated, "The government should tell us the truth

or have their ears pinned back."

Like you, Vaughn, we love our country and support the families who have someone serving in the war. The Bible reference to the beloved David and Goliath story, and the comical ending, made the letter a joy to discuss. CATHIE HOPPER Jerome

(Editor's note: Cathie Hopper is the activities director at the Creekside Residential Care Center in Jerome.)

Critic of BID should be more involved

I would like to correct the information stated in a letter printed on Feb. 7 by Jack Goodman. First, Mr. Goodman has never once, in the 3 1/2 years I have been on the board, come to any of our board meetings to

request any of the financials or bylaws. This information is public and can be requested. This is an annual public meeting every year for the members of the Historic Downtown District, at which time financials and bylaws are reviewed and other items discussed. The sad thing is that, on a good year, only 50 people attend; there are more than 325 property owners and business owners downtown.

I would also be curious as to where Mr. Goodman received his information regarding the board's reactions to the recent break-in. He alleged that the board was going to look the other way and ignore it, which is untrue. It was discovered and discussed at our board meeting and the police were called and a report filed.

As far as the rumors and allegations of wrongdoing, Mr. Goodman's letter stated there

are large sums of money not accounted for. All the money is accounted for and the books have been through a city audit. Many businesses have had years of Business Improvement District had one last year. The key is figuring out the issue and correcting it.

We have an active board this year that went right in and discussed the issues, made changes and, at our last board meeting, the financials presented showed a \$38,514 profit. I think we are on the right track!

If Mr. Goodman has a concern, there are procedures for handling it. I would suggest he come to a board meeting or put it in writing to be presented at the meeting. JILL TROWELL Twin Falls (Editor's note: Jill Trowell is a member of the Historic Downtown Twin Falls Board.)

IDAHO

General: Idaho pilots haunted by Iraq friendly fire death

By John Miller
Associated Press Writer

BOISE — Two Idaho Air National Guard pilots involved in a 2003 friendly fire case in Iraq that killed a British soldier are visited daily by images from that desert mission, said a general who oversees their fighter wing.

There's not a day goes by that the pilots involved in this particular instance don't think about this, and that's something that they will live with and deal with the rest of their lives," Brig. Gen. Gary L. Saylor, deputy commanding general for the 149th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron involved in the event that resulted in the death of Lance Cpl. Matty Hull.

Hull was killed when at least one U.S. jet fired on his convoy in the southern Iraq city of Basra.

The case has jumped back into the international spotlight because of an ongoing British probe of Hull's death.

Although a British tabloid has published the name of one of the two men, Saylor, Idaho National Guard spokeswoman Lt. Col. Stephanie Dowling and other U.S. officials won't confirm the pilot's identity.

In a 20-minute interview at the Idaho Air National Guard's home at Gowen Field in Boise,



Brigadier Gen. Gary L. Saylor, deputy commanding general for the Idaho National Guard's aircraft operations, speaks with an Associated Press reporter on Thursday at Gowen Field in Boise.

Saylor said the men involved have temporarily moved their families from their homes, in an attempt to skirt intense media scrutiny that's developed since excerpts of a leaked combat video of the botched mission were published in the British newspaper The Sun on Tuesday.

Since then, U.S. officials finally agreed to release a cockpit video capturing the exchange with the two Idaho pilots.

For Saylor, the case has already been resolved. Neither pilot from the Boise-based squadron was disciplined in the U.S. military's investigation, which concluded the pilots "followed the procedures and processes for engaging targets."

A Central Command investigation was conducted, which included both U.S. and British air and army officers," Saylor said. "We feel a full investigation was done. These individuals were totally cleared."



Both men still fly with the Idaho unit, said Lt. Tony Vincelli, a Guard spokesman.

No training changes were deemed necessary, Saylor said. A-10 pilots have focused on their customary practice procedures.

"I'm not sure we will ever prevent things like this from happening as long as we engage in combat," he said. "Did we specifically focus on this (the 2003 mission)? I don't believe so. We focused on the same kind of standardized procedures. Clearly, part of all of our training deals with all of

the things that happen in combat."

In Idaho, Guard A-10 pilots regularly fly to ranges south of the Mountain Home Air Force Base, located about 40 miles east from Idaho's capital, to hone their close-air support skills by dropping bombs and firing the aircraft's high-velocity cannon. Over the southern Idaho desert, the tank-busting A-10s — nicknamed "warthogs" for their ungainly design — practice combat scenarios, including those that involved the potential for encountering allied troops in a confusing, hostile battlescape.

A scenario at the range would be, the pilot in the other airplane acting as the controller," Saylor said. "It's relaying information to those pilots he wants to engage on a target. We give them target area briefings... where the friendlies are, where the enemies are. That's always built into these scenarios."

Pilot dies in Rexburg plane crash

REXBURG (AP) — A California pilot was killed when his light plane crashed just after takeoff from the Rexburg Airport, police said.

ly flew his Cessna 210 back and forth from his home in Granite Bay, Calif., to Rexburg to check on property he owned in the area, said Rexburg Police Lt. Shang Truman.

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Coercing an abortion could become felony in Idaho

BOISE (AP) — Coercing a woman or girl into having an abortion could become a felony, if a northern Idaho lawmaker gets his way.

Rep. Bob Nouni, R-Coeur d'Alene, has introduced legislation to outlaw the use of threats or physical force meant to prevent a pregnant woman from giving birth.

Idaho already has laws punishing people for using fraud or coercion to force minors into sex trafficking. Nouni, who is working on the bill with Boise-based anti-abortion activist David Ripley, said it would prohibit threatening to do anything that the person does not have the legal right to do against the pregnant woman.

That could include employers threatening to withhold a job or promotion or a school counselor maybe describing to a young person that by having this baby you have no future — those kinds of acts," he said.

If the law passes, it wouldn't matter whether a woman had an abortion. Somebody who attempted to force her into such a procedure could still be prosecuted.

Causing physical injury to a pregnant woman would be a felony punishable by as many as five years in prison, a \$5,000 maximum fine or both. Using non-physical



coercion would be a misdemeanor punishable by six months in jail, and a fine of as much as \$1,000.

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Official concludes some prewar intelligence work inappropriate

WASHINGTON — Pentagon officials undercut the intelligence community in the run-up to the U.S. invasion of Iraq by insisting in hearings to the White House that there was a clear relationship between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaida, the Defense Department's inspector general said Friday.

Acting Inspector General Thomas F. Gimble told the Senate Armed Services Committee that the office headed by former Pentagon policy chief Douglas J. Feith took "inappropriate" actions in advancing conclusions on al-Qaida connections not backed up by the nation's intelligence agencies.

Gimble said that while the actions of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy "were not illegal or unauthorized," they "did not provide the most accurate analysis of intelligence to senior decision makers" at a time when the White House was moving toward war with Iraq.

"I can't think of a more disgusting commentary," said Armed Services Committee Chairman Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich.

He cited Gimble's findings that Feith's office was, despite doubts expressed by the intelligence community, pushing conclusions that Sept. 11 hijacker Mohammed Atta had met an Iraqi intelligence officer in Prague five months before the attack, and that there were "multiple areas of cooperation" between Iraq and al-Qaida, including shared pursuit of weapons of mass destruction.

Israeli police, Muslim rioters clash at Jerusalem holy site

JERUSALEM — Anger over Israeli construction to repair a damaged ramp near a disputed Jerusalem holy site erupted into violence Friday as police used tear gas and stun grenades to disperse thousands of rioting Muslims. Protests spread across the Arab world, with demonstrators accusing Israel of plotting to harm Islamic shrines.

Israeli officials accused Palestinians of distorting the project to rally their fractious population against the Jewish state a day after the competing Hamas and Fatah factions announced an agreement in the Saudi holy city of Mecca to end the interecine violence that has claimed 130 Palestinian lives since last May.

The Israelis insist the replacement of the ramp, which was damaged in a 2004 snowstorm, would not harm the holy site about 200 feet away.

U.N. nuke agency suspends tech aid projects to Iran

VIENNA, Austria — The U.N. atomic monitor on Friday suspended nearly half the technical aid it provides to Iran, a symbolically significant punishment for nuclear defiance that only North Korea and Saddam Hussein's Iraq had faced in the past.

The decision was in line with U.N. Security Council demands that Iran impose on Iran for its refusal to suspend uranium enrichment. It must still be approved by the 35 countries on the board of the International Atomic Energy Agency. But with the agency empowered by the Security Council to freeze any aid to Iran that could be misused for nuclear weapons, approval was likely.

IAEA chief Mohamed ElBaradei's report to board members called for the full or partial suspension of 18 projects that it deemed could be misused to create nuclear weapons. The agency had already suspended aid to Iran in five instances last month.

Branson offers \$25 million prize to fight climate change

LONDON — British tycoon Richard Branson dangled a \$25 million prize before the world's top scientists Friday seeking to spur research into devising ways to suck greenhouse gases out of the air.

Former Vice President Al Gore lent his support to the challenge, which came a week after a landmark report by the world's leading climate scientists and government officials warned that global warming

will continue, creating a far different planet in 100 years.

"Man created the problem, therefore man should solve the problem," Branson said.

He compared the quest to a competition Britain's Parliament launched in 1714 to devise a method of estimating longitude accurately. Six decades passed before English clockmaker John Harrison received his prize from King

George III for discovering an accurate method.

"The Earth cannot wait 60 years. We need everybody capable of discovering an answer to put their minds to it today," Branson said.

Branson hopes his offer will lead to a viable machine for vacuuming the Earth's atmosphere of carbon dioxide, one of the greenhouse gases blamed for rising temperatures.

It's an idea many scientists and the intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change say may be possible someday.

U.N. peacekeepers raid slum in operation against gangs

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Hundreds of U.N. peacekeepers raided Haiti's largest and most violent slum Friday, seizing a portion of it in a six-hour

gunbattle that left a gang member dead and two soldiers wounded, officials said.

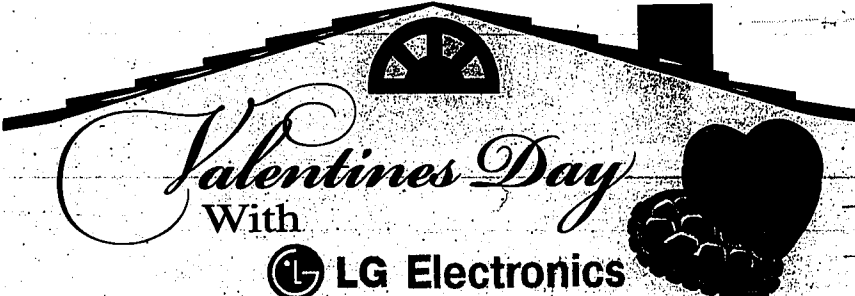
More than 700 heavily armed blue-helmeted troops from seven countries participated in the pre-dawn raid on Port-au-Prince's sprawling Cité Soleil slum, entering the maze-like shantytown in armored vehicles and on foot as U.N. helicopters circled above.

The peacekeepers seized

several abandoned buildings in a section known as "Boston," that had been used by gangs to stage attacks. The raid sparked an intense firefight within the densely populated slum of 300,000 people.

Two U.N. soldiers — from Brazil and Bolivia — were slightly wounded, one by gunfire and the other in an unspecified incident.

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CSI softball continues season today

Golden Eagles face NNU, Albertson

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Nick Baumert apparently isn't one to rest on his laurels.

Fresh off the College of Southern Idaho softball program's opening weekend and 3-5 showing against some of the best competition the NJCAA ranks has to offer, the Golden Eagles are

taking on the next challenge today.

Baumert will pit his team against a pair of four-year schools today as the Golden Eagles take on Northwest Nazarene University and Albertson College of Idaho in Nampa. The pair of games against experienced squads will continue to aide CSI's growth heading into next week-end's Snow College Invitational in St. George, Utah.

CSI opens up against NNU today at noon. The Crusaders finished 23-28 last year but lost a

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Eagle Eyes

Today: CSI (3-5) at Northwest Nazarene University, noon and Albertson College of Idaho, 2 p.m. (Both games will be played at NNU in Nampa)

Last week: The Golden Eagles opened up their inaugural season with a 3-5 record at the 2007 Great Western Shootout in Yuma, Ariz. On the horizon: CSI is back in action on Friday and Saturday at the Snow College Invitational, held in St. George, Utah.

CSI season leaders
Batting: Average — All Spear .467,

Rochele Noren .429, RBI — Jelena Williams 4, Rachel Evans, Stephanie Holmes, Anna Sorrell 3, Runs — Spear, Williams 5, Evans 4, 2B — Williams 3, Holmes 2, 3B — Evans, Katelynn Warren, Williams 2, HR — Spear 1, 5B — Williams 2, 2, 2, Spear, Noren, Belinda Turley 1-1.

Pitching: Record — Desiree Thomson, Holmes 1-1, Jody Zillner 1-2, SV — Thomson 1, 50 — Thomson 14, Holmes 10.

Opponents' average — Zillner .243, Thomson .256.

Eagle women clobber CNCC



College of Southern Idaho post Whitney Thompson dives for the ball past Colorado Northwestern Community College's Kristine Lewis during the first half of their game Friday night in Twin Falls.

Friday's outcome never in doubt after early 28-0 lead

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — No sweat.

The No. 16 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team saved the drama for a later date, rolling past visiting Colorado Northwestern Community College 103-43 in Scenic West Athletic Conference action Friday night in Twin Falls. The Golden Eagles ripped off a 28-0 run to start the game before CNCC's Cheryl Knabe hit a pair of free throws to finally put the Spartans on the board with 9:47 left in the first half.

CSI head coach Randy Rogers got his wish as his Golden Eagles not only won with defensive pressure, but solid execution in the halfcourt game. The 19-4 (10-3

SWAC) Golden Eagles hit 64.3 percent of their first-half field goals and dished out 16 assists before the break. Life wasn't as good on the other end of the court for the 5-17 (0-13 SWAC) Spartans, who committed 17 turnovers in the first half, including a stretch of six straight possessions early in the game.

"It's hard to tell if we came a step from last week or not, but I think we executed, we attacked off the break and ran well," Rogers said. "All the kids came in and gave us good minutes."

Every CSI player scored in the game as Maria Moore led CSI with 14 points in 15 minutes played. Freshman guard Tera Tremayne scored 11 points off a CSI bench that put up 60 points for the game, while Brittany Moore, Kall Hess and Anita

Burdick each finished with 10.

"It just builds our team confidence for next weekend when we go to Salt Lake," said Tremayne, who also finished with seven rebounds and four steals. "Before the game, Coach said we've got eight games left and we've got to go 8-0."

The Spartans shot only 19 percent from the floor for the game as Brittany Whiteinan was the only player able to score in double digits. Whiteinan finished with a game-high 17 points, while Ashley Washburn added eight.

The Golden Eagles' weeklong emphasis on defense and boxing out paid dividends as the combination of 25 turnovers and a 55-30 rebounding deficit was way too much for an

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MAGIC VALLEY SOUTHSIDE

Wolves escape with win against Huskies

By Bradley Cairns
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — The Castleford Wolves edged out the Hansen Huskies twice this week, but the one which helps Castleford the most came Friday at the Magic Valley Southside tournament.

The lead changed often during the game, but the Wolves held on in the fourth quarter for a 52-50 win which puts them in the Southside championship game on Monday against the winner of Friday's late Hagerman-Raft River match.

"Whoever it is (on Monday) will be formidable," Castleford head coach Scott Dean said.

Tied at 50 with just a hair under 30 seconds left, Castleford's Kody Irving picked

a key steal for possession to call a time out at 15.3. The Wolves went for the win, but junior Zach Kline was fouled and went to the line. He hit nuyen on both for the 52-50 lead with 11.3 ticks on the clock.

"We've had a bunch of close games... the last quarter... we just stick together. It's why we've done as good as we have," said Kline, who finished with a game-high 19 points.

Irving would also draw a foul and go to the line, exactly 10 seconds later. He didn't add any points, but more importantly, the Wolves controlled the finale to avoid overtime. Ethan Tverdy and Dan Hill nabbed eight boards, and Spencer Vulgamore pulled

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Late 3-pointer lifts Bruins past Tigers

By John Derr
Times-News writer

JEROME — A big shot and a big comeback.

Twin Falls needed both to defeat cross-canyon rival Jerome on Friday night as both teams ended the regular season.

With a late 3-pointer, the Bruins erased a double-digit half-time deficit to earn the 54-51 victory over the Tigers in boys nonconference basketball.

The last time the teams met, Twin Falls started fast and never let up, finishing with a 22-point victory, Jerome (12-8), celebrating senior night, wasn't going to let that happen again as it dominated the second quarter and lead 36-24 at the half.

The Bruins opened the third with a 7-0 run with Bryant Ward scoring inside while freshman Ryan Petersen hit his second from

beyond the arc.

Jerome went 4-for-4 from the free-throw line pushing its lead to nine. Twin Falls needed a rally and Cory Cook answered. The senior guard drained back-to-back 3-pointers.

"The first one felt good and the second one helped us get back into the game," said Cook, who chipped in eight points.

Next it was Ryan Simmons hitting a 3-pointer as the Bruins took the lead. Kevin Williams, who paced Jerome with 15 points, scored late for the slim one-point edge heading into the final period.

With Twin Falls in a zone the Tigers took their time of the offensive end. Williams hit two more free throws for the 44-41 edge. Simmons scored for the Bruins (9-11) on the drive then Ward

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College of Southern Idaho defender Artson Parakhooni (45) tries to block a shot by Colorado Northwestern Community College's Houston Power Friday night during the first half in Twin Falls.

CSI men slam overmatched CNCC squad

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — The shrug said it all.

Kelvin Davis' missed dunk on a three-on-zero fast break 14 minutes into the second half of Friday night's...haha...game...against...the...Colorado Northwestern Community College Spartans brought groans from the pro-College of Southern Idaho crowd. But as Davis turned to Golden Eagles head coach Barrett Peery heading into an ensuing timeout, he was met with a simple shrug.

Up 45 points, another two didn't really matter.

"One thing you can't forget is they're still just kids and in a blowout like this, they all want to go down there and make the flashy play," Peery said after the game.

The No. 7 Golden Eagles cruised past a worn-down eight-man CNCC squad 129-78 to move to 21-2 on the season and 11-2 Scenic West Athletic Conference record. CSI jumped out to a 60-33 half-time lead, passed the 100-point plateau with more than 11 minutes left, and was never challenged by a 6-16 (0-13 SWAC) Spartans team.

"I thought we played the way we should," Peery said. "It was a challenging situation once we got up, but I think we did some good things."

Four Golden Eagles scored at least 20 points. Terry Fields' career-high 24 points paced CSI, while Kelvin Davis added 22 points and 11 rebounds. Juan Partillo finished with 21 points, 10 rebounds and an army of athletic dunks, while Brandon Stokes worked the paint for 20 points and 14 rebounds.

CNCC was led by Houston Power's 25 points, while Jordan Pratt added 21 points and 11 rebounds. CSI's Paul Wayne came off the bench to score six points, dish out 10 assists and collect seven steals, while DeCarlos Tilly scored 11 points after missing last weekend's games due to illness.

CSI sophomore shooting guard Derek Lorenzen came out of the game with 5:10 left after drawing his second charge on as many CNCC possessions. Lorenzen was rained by Gordon Stevens on the sideline by the CNCC bench and was slow to get up, holding the ribs he injured earlier this season.

"That one hurt him bad," Peery said. "He has those cracked ribs and he took that one there that good. I almost didn't want him to take."

That charge came not long after Peery was assessed with a technical foul late in the game for arguing a no-call on a collision between a CNCC offensive player and a CSI defender.

"I felt like I had to go to bat for the guys because that's something I preach and try to reward in practice," Peery said.

CSI played Friday without leading scorer Brad Garrett, who jammed his thumb during the late stages of Thursday's practice.

The Golden Eagles and Spartans will meet for the last time in the regular season at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

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SPORTS



Utah Jazz center Mehmet Okur (13) looks to pass against the Philadelphia 76ers on Jan. 3 in Salt Lake City. When the Jazz signed Okur as a free agent in 2004, the deal was overshadowed by the arrival of Carlos Boozer. But it's Okur who has been the most durable player on Utah's roster, and his clutch outside shooting of late has the Jazz pulling ahead in the Northwest Division.

Durable and dependable Okur performing well for surprising Jazz

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—When the Utah Jazz signed Mehmet Okur as a free agent in 2004, the deal was overshadowed by the arrival of Carlos Boozer.

But Okur has been the most durable player on Utah's roster, and his clutch outside shooting has helped keep the Jazz atop the Northwest Division. And his play has eased the loss of leading scorer and rebounder Boozer, who has a broken leg.

In close games, the Jazz are comfortable getting the ball inside or even outside to their 6-foot-11 sharpshooter. "I have confidence in my shots. So do my teammates and coach," Okur said. "If they need me, I'll be there for them."

Okur is the top 3-point shooter on the Jazz at 38 percent. He's also second on the team from the foul line, and second only to Boozer in scoring as Utah appears headed back to the playoffs for the first time in four years.

"There's not many guys 6-11, 7-foot that can shoot like that," Jazz point guard Deron Williams said. "It comes at the right time as well. He likes those clutch shots."

Utah lost Boozer, who has been averaging 22 points and 12 rebounds, at the end of January when he broke a bone in his left leg. But Okur rallied the Jazz to three wins in their next four games.

He scored 29 and hit a game-winning shot with 5 seconds left in a win at Phoenix. Then he scored 12 of Utah's last 14 points in a 100-95 win over Chicago. Okur scored 31 against the Spurs on Jan. 31, going 10-for-14 from the field and 3-of-5 from 3-point range in a 97-93 victory. Okur scored eight in the fourth quarter, including a 3-pointer with 27 seconds left that gave the Jazz the lead for good.

The 3-pointers have been fan favorites, as Okur is trying to adapt to being called "Money" for his clutch shooting.

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— Jazz point guard Deron Williams on Mehmet Okur

Boozer is expected back by late February or early March. When Boozer returns, Okur will move back to center and once again give Utah the combination the team envisioned when both players signed as free agents in 2004.

Boozer's deal was a little bigger and his arrival easily overshadowed that of Okur, even though Okur was coming from the NBA champion Pistons.

Boozer played two seasons with Cleveland and came from a high-profile college program in Duke, where he won a national championship in 2001. Okur came from Turkey, another big European taken in the second round in the 2001 draft. He entered the league in 2002 and played mostly as a reserve for two seasons with the Pistons.

The Pistons couldn't afford to re-sign Okur and kept Rasheed Wallace and Ben Wallace after winning the NBA championship. The Jazz had plenty of salary cap space available.

Boozer still gets the fanfare, while Okur plays with a shy grin above the scrum on his chin. He had played in 229 consecutive games through Friday, including 213 with the Jazz.

"He's bought into the work ethic. He's bought into improving himself in the off-season," said Kevin O'Connor, Jazz vice president of basketball operations.

"Everywhere he's been, he's rebounded. We also knew he could make shots and we also knew he had some toughness. And we've gotten more than we expected in all those areas."

Okur's rim with the Jazz is all the more remarkable considering his arrival in 2004, when Sloan was not pleased to see a somewhat more stout version of his new center. After winning the NBA title with the Pistons, Okur got married and signed a six-year, \$50 million deal with the Jazz.

He lived a little too comfortably that summer and paid for it right away once practice started.

"The people say get in your shape because you're going to need it, especially with Jerry," Okur said. "I thought I was in shape, but as soon as I saw what we were doing out there, a lot of running stuff. 'Uh, oh, I'm in trouble.'"

Okur started just 25 games that first season, even though the Jazz were short-handed through much of it because of injuries. Okur was still the only member of the Jazz to play in all 82 games that season.

Sloan's message registered and Okur came back in better shape. He has started every game since and he still has the stamina to shoot well at the end of games. "He's been in great shape, and he's able to have success," Sloan said. "You can talk about it all you want, but it's up to him to do it. He's got a wonderful shot. That hasn't changed. He's had that all along."

Growing up in Turkey, Okur wanted to be a soccer player. But when he grew to taller than 6 feet by age 14, it was apparent he might have a better future in basketball. His family persuaded him to try it.

"I scored first shot, so I just kept working," Okur said. "I think I did a good choice to play basketball."

Anthony, Howard added to NBA All-Star squad

NEW YORK — Carmelo Anthony is going to the All-Star game after all.

The NBA's leading scorer was picked by commissioner David Stern on Friday as an injury replacement and will make his first All-Star game appearance on Feb. 18 in Las Vegas. Stern also added Dallas forward Josh Howard to the Western Conference team. He needed to replace Houston center Yao Ming and Utah forward Carlos Boozer, who will be unable to play because of injuries.

Anthony averages an NBA-high 30.8 points, but wasn't voted in by the fans and then wasn't chosen as a reserve by West coaches. He was undoubtedly hurt by missing 15 games when Stern suspended him for his role in the brawl at Madison Square Garden in December.

But Stern said he would not consider Anthony's penalty when deciding whether to suspend him for a replacement spot.

Howard also is a first-time All-Star, giving the team with the NBA's best record two players in the game. Phoenix and San Antonio, the Mavericks' closest pursuers, each have multiple All-Stars. Howard is averaging 19.6 points and 7.3 rebounds.

Stern may still have one more pick to make. Denver's Ian Antonio, bothered by a sprained ankle, has talked recently of skipping the game if necessary. Seattle's Ray Allen or Utah's Deron Williams would be the likely candidates if another guard is needed.

West coach Mike D'Antoni of Phoenix will choose the replacement for Yao in the West starting lineup.

Accused chair thrower jailed for six months

PONTIAC, Mich. — The only person charged with a felony in the November 2004 brawl



Denver Nuggets forward Carmelo Anthony (15) was added to the NBA All-Star team on Friday.

during a Pacers-Pistons game at The Palace of Auburn Hills will spend the next six months in jail after a judge determined he violated his probation.

Bryant Jackson was found guilty of a probation violation by Oakland County Judge Rae Lee Chabot on Wednesday because he did not attend anger management classes or pay \$6,000 in restitution.

Jackson turned himself in last week after a bench warrant was issued for his arrest. He was ordered jailed after he skipped court appearances for a probation violation hearing, but he posted bond Feb. 1.

In March 2005, Jackson pleaded no contest to one count of felony assault and one count of misdemeanor assault and battery. He was accused of dislodging a metal chair and heaving it over his head as Indiana Pacers players fought with Detroit Pistons fans.

Jackson was sentenced to two years of probation for his role in the brawl. — The Associated Press

NCAA upholds sanctions against Stampede coach

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The NCAA said Friday it is upholding sanctions — it imposed last year against Jay Lopez, a former Oklahoma assistant basketball coach and Fresno State head coach.

Lopez was involved in separate infractions cases for improper recruiting practices at Oklahoma, where he served as an assistant to current Indiana head coach Kelvin Sampson from 1995 to 2002, and Fresno State, where he went 50-37 in three seasons as the head coach before resigning in March 2005.

Lopez now is an assistant coach for the Idaho Stampede of the NBA Development League. His Dunsmuir, Okla.-based attorney, Toby Baldwin,

said Lopez was disappointed with the NCAA's ruling, "but they've made their final decision and we have to live with that."

"He is fortunate that he's got a lovely family and a circle of friends as a support group who know what kind of person he is and what kind of coach he is," Baldwin said.

In April 2006, the NCAA Division I Infractions Committee released its findings regarding the Fresno State violations, saying Lopez and members of his staff had made 457 impermissible telephone calls to prospects between April 2002 and October 2004. Of those calls, 73 were made to one prospect and 44 to another. Lopez made 234 of the 457

Bryant's late 3-point miss gives Raptors fifth straight victory

TORONTO — Chris Bosh had 29 points and 11 rebounds, Kobe Bryant missed a potential tying 3-pointer in the final seconds and the Toronto Raptors won their season-high fifth straight, 95-92, over the Los Angeles Lakers on Friday night.

Anthony Parker added 18 points and Andrea Bargnani had 14 for the Atlantic Division-leading Raptors, who have won seven straight at home and 14 of 18 overall. Bryant scored 25 points for the Lakers, who dropped to 3-4 on their eight-game road trip. Bosh's layup gave Toronto an 86-75 lead with 5:41 left, but the Lakers followed with an 11-0 run to tie it.

After trading leads in the last two minutes, the Raptors were up 95-92 with 11 seconds left following free throws by Bosh and Anthony Parker.

Trail Blazers 108, Bobcats 100, OT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Zach Randolph had 40 points and Jifert Jackson added 12 of his 20 points in overtime to help Portland snap a three-game

losing streak. After hitting one of two free throws with 2.1 seconds left to send the Blazers to their second straight overtime game and their fifth in nine games, Randolph scored the first four points of OT to give Portland the lead for good.

Jack made nine of 12 free throws in overtime, including two with 10 seconds left that led to the Blazers' victory. Brandon Roy had 15 points for Portland.

Clippers 90, 76ers 89

PHILADELPHIA — Sam Cassell scored 22 points and Curtino Mobley had 17 to lead the Clippers, who ended a nine-game losing streak in Philadelphia by winning here for the first time since March 10, 1996. Chris Kaman added 15 points for the Clippers, who rallied from a 13-point deficit against the Invigorated Sixers and improved to 2-3 on a seven-game, 12-day road trip.

Andre Iguodala carried Philadelphia with 22 points, Kyle Korver had 15, and Samuel



Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant watches a foul shot in the final seconds of the Lakers' 95-92 loss to the Raptors in Toronto, Canada, Friday.

Dalembert had 14 points and 15 rebounds.

Indians 102, Pacers 95

INDIANAPOLIS — Carmelo Anthony celebrated his late addition to the Western Conference All-Star team by scoring 34 points, and Denver

stopped a three-game skid. Anthony shot 11-for-24 from the field and 12-for-13 from the free throw line. Eduardo Najera added 18 points for the Nuggets, who played without injured starters Allen Iverson and Marcus Camby.

Nets 92, Celtics 78

BOSTON — Vince Carter scored 21 points, Jason Kidd had 13 points and nine assists, and New Jersey spoiled Paul Pierce's return to Boston's lineup by extending the Celtics' franchise-record losing streak to 17. Reserve Marcus Williams added 17 points for the Nets. Delonte West led the Celtics with 21 points.

Magic 106, Spurs 104

ORLANDO, Fla. — Dwight Howard leaped high to dunk a long inbound lob from Hedo Turkoglu with 0.2 seconds left, and Orlando halted a three-game losing streak. Howard had 30 points and Jameer Nelson scored a season-high 31 for the Magic.

Tim Duncan led the Spurs with 24 points.

Mavericks 95, Rockets 74

DALLAS — Josh Howard, chosen as a Western Conference All-Star earlier in the day, had 22 points and seven rebounds to lead Dallas to its team-record 17th straight home victory.

Jason Terry added 18 points, Dirk Nowitzki had 15 points and eight rebounds. Tracy McGrady scored 20 points and Rafer Alston 14 for the Rockets.

Cavaliers 103, Heat 79

CLEVELAND — LeBron James ended a mini-scoring slump with 29 points and Cleveland had a better job containing Miami's Dwyane Wade in snapping Heat's five-game winning streak.

Wade finished with 27 points, but never got a chance to take over the way he did a week ago when he outscored Cleveland 24-23 in the fourth quarter and had 41 points in Miami's 92-89 win.

Grizzlies 105, Timberwolves 97, OT

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Rudy Gay scored 19 points, including seven in overtime, to help Memphis snap a four-game losing streak and send Minnesota to its fifth loss in six games.

Gay also had a block of Ricky Davis' jumper with just over a minute left. The Grizzlies pulled away by outscoring Timberwolves 13-5 in overtime, and Gay kicked-started the run with the first five points.

Hawks 120, Suns 111

PHOENIX — Former Sun Joe Johnson scored 17 of his 32 points in the fourth quarter to lead Atlanta to victory over a Phoenix team sorely missing playmaker Steve Nash.

Johnson, who asked to be traded to Atlanta after the 2004-05 season, sank a pair of late 3-pointers, one in a decisive 8-0 surge. Josh Smith added 25 points in the Hawks' fourth consecutive road victory. — The Associated Press

Roddick wins, Blake loses in Davis Cup

U.S. tied with Czech Republic

OSTRAVA, Czech Republic (AP) — James Blake was unhappy with his serve and unhappy with the officiating. And the United States was in a familiar spot Friday — scrambling in a Davis Cup match played on clay.

Blake lost to Tomas Berdych 6-1, 2-6, 7-5, 7-5, leaving the U.S. tied 1-1 with the Czech Republic. Andy Roddick defeated Davis Cup rookie Ivo Minnar 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 to give the U.S. the only lead in the first-round World Group series.

"My serve let me down," Blake said.

Doubles in the best-of-five format is Saturday, with reverse singles Sunday. The Americans have an outstanding doubles team in twins Bob and Mike Bryan, winners at last month's Australian Open. They will face an established pairing in Lukáš Dlouhý and his 36-year-old coach, Pavel

Vizner.

The U.S. has not won a Davis Cup World Group match on clay in a decade, and lost to Russia on clay in Moscow in last year's semifinals.

The Americans are 4-1 against the Czechs in Davis Cup play. The winner of these matches will advance to the quarterfinals.

The U.S.-Czech series was one of eight in World Group play. Taking 2-0 leads were Sweden (at Belarus), France (home against Romania), Argentina (at Austria), Belgium (home against Australia) and Russia (at Chile). Tied at 1 were Croatia (at Germany), and Spain (at Switzerland).

Berdych enjoyed a big moment at the 2004 Athens Olympics when he upset Roger Federer. This time, he gave his country a lift in a 2½-hour match played on slow red clay.

"It's a fantastic feeling to have 7-

8,000 people on your side," Berdych said.

He and Blake attacked as they were on a hard court, volleying at the net and going for daring winners, when others usually play a waiting game.

"It was a good match all the way," U.S. captain Patrick Mouratoglou said.

Boosted by a boisterous crowd at CEZ Arena, the 12th-ranked Czech took advantage of a disputed line call to finish off the six-ranked American.

In the fifth game of the fourth set, Blake was convinced he had a vital break when Berdych appeared to double fault. Blake said he was penalized by the umpire for continuing to play the point. Berdych saved that break point, and came back to win the game.

"We agree the ball was out," Blake said. "He said I didn't stop fast enough. In his judgment I reacted to the ball," keeping the rally alive. "Maybe next time I will

sit down on the court."

Blake regrouped and was serving to tie the set at 6, but a double fault coupled with Berdych's winners sealed the victory.

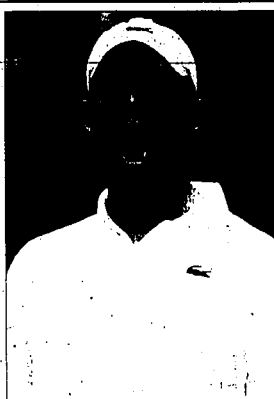
Roddick will play Berdych in the reverse singles and is impressed with the Czech.

"There is no doubt he is one of the young stars in the game," he said. "He is only going to get better."

Minnar, ranked No. 160, was substituting for Radek Stepanek, who had a falling out with Czech tennis officials. He stuck with Roddick for two sets but could not match his power. Roddick ranked No. 4, had 28 aces.

The match was supposed to be easy for Roddick, but the clay court and loud crowd complicated matters. Minnar dominated the early rallies, but was undermined by Roddick's dozen aces in the opening set.

"(My serve) got me out of some tough situations," definitely," Roddick said.



U.S. tennis player Andy Roddick celebrates after defeating Czech player Ivo Minnar in their singles Davis Cup World Group first round match between the Czech Republic and the United States in Ostrava, Czech Republic, on Friday.

Roush Racing completes deal with Sox owner

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — A group of investors led by Boston Red Sox owner John Henry has completed a deal to buy a 50 percent stake in the Roush Racing NASCAR team, a person familiar with the negotiations said Friday.

Although team owner Jack Roush is selling half of the team to the Fenway Sports Group, Roush will continue to run the team's competitive operations, according to the person, who requested anonymity because the deal hasn't been announced.

Both parties have scheduled a Feb. 14 news conference at Jackie Robinson Ballpark, a minor league facility near Daytona International Speedway.

Roush, who was securing his trademark Fedex as he supervised his drivers at Daytona International Speedway on Friday evening, declined comment.

Roush fields cars in the Nextel Cup series for Matt Kenseth, Greg Biffle, Jamie McMurray, Carl Edwards and David Hagan, and has won series championships with Kenseth and Kurt Busch.

An avid racing fan, Henry has been talking to Roush for several years about forming some sort of partnership. Henry is a co-founder of racing.com, a company that allows computer users to play online racing simulation games — and Henry is said to spend hours playing the games himself.

The deal represents a financial windfall for Roush, who started as a small drag racing team owner in the 1960s and entered NASCAR in 1988 with driver Mark Martin.

At NASCAR's pressroom media tour last month, Roush said he needed additional funding to help his team develop the Car of Tomorrow — a new chassis design that NASCAR is introducing this season — and keep up with Toyota, which is entering the Cup series this year and is expected to drive up the cost of racing.

The deal also could help Roush attract more casual sports fans to NASCAR and allies the team with a financial powerhouse.

But even other NASCAR team owners acknowledge their business model isn't an automatic path to huge profits. Teams generally invest much of their profits into research and development.

Unlike teams in other sports, NASCAR doesn't own franchises to team owners. Because the sport is open to anybody who wants to start a team, existing teams aren't worth nearly as much as franchises in other sports — where the addition of a new team must be approved by the other franchise owners.

So what does Henry get out of it? The deal with Roush could boost Red Sox popularity among NASCAR fans and among Fenway Sports Group to a trove of new corporate sponsors willing

Mickelson, Furyk give Pebble Beach nice 1-2 punch atop the leaderboard

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Phil Mickelson is so enthused about how well he is holding the ball that he was looking forward to tough, windy conditions along the ocean Friday at Pebble Beach.

He didn't get what he wanted, and had few complaints.

Mickelson only had to cope with the cold and rain — but not much wind — and that helped him sail to a 5-under 67 and a share of the lead with Jim Furyk at the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

"It was a good day. We got a pretty good draw," Mickelson said. "It was a little windy the last three or four holes, but I'm not going to complain. We had a great day to take advantage of scoring."

He had chances to score even lower, but three straight birdies on the back nine at Pebble Beach, and a simple up-and-down for birdie on the par-5 10th enabled him to catch Furyk and reach 12-under 132.

Furyk also was pleased to see the flags dropping instead of the ping when he arrived at Torrey Pines, especially after seeing a forecast of 15 mph wind and heavy rain. The rain was brief and light, and he birdied all but one of the par 5s in his way to a 65.

"I think we got out of it pretty good today," Furyk said. "Hoping for the same tomorrow."

That gave the AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am a good 1-2 punch at the top from the two highest-ranked players in the field.

Furyk (No. 2) and Mickelson (No. 6) had a three-shot lead over rookie John Mallinger and Kevin Sutherland, who turned in the best round of the dreary afternoon by firing off 10 birdies for a 63 at Spyglass Hill.

Sutherland thought briefly about the course record of 62 at Spyglass, just long enough to snap-hook his 3-wood into the trees and out of play on the par-5 seventh. He rebounded with a two-stroke penalty, reached the green



Phil Mickelson smiles as he prepares to tee off on the fifth tee during the second round of the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am at the Pebble Beach golf links in Pebble Beach, Calif., Friday.

In two, escaped with a bogey and didn't let one bad hole take away from his round.

Spyglass is one of my favorite courses in the world," said Sutherland, who has played it countless times dating to his amateur days in Northern California. "I'd rather play there than Pebble Beach. But a 63 was not the score I was thinking about when I tee off."

Sutherland plays his best golf on the West Coast — his only victory was the 2001 Accenture Match Play Championship at La Costa — and was in the final group two weeks ago at Torrey Pines until he finished in a tie for 14th. The attention that week was on Tiger Woods, who isn't at Pebble again.

The names atop the leaderboard were still enough to get his attention — especially since Mickelson is a two-time winner at

Pebble Beach.

"I'm very much aware I need to make a lot more birdies," Sutherland said with a smile.

Dave Love III made a quiet climb into contention with a 67 at Pebble Beach, but perhaps the biggest surprise came from the group behind Mickelson — 57-year-old Tom Watson, playing this tournament for the last time.

Watson asked to play with his son, Michael, and the old man showed he still has a few tricks. He birdied three of his first four holes, and showed that he wasn't out for a few laughs after slapping his thigh in disgust when he missed birdie puts inside 8 feet on the sixth and seventh holes.

He also made birdie on the par-3 17th, but not with a chip from behind the green, as he did in 1982 when he won the U.S. Open.

The flag flew on the other side of the green, and Watson only had to

make a 15-foot birdie putt.

It led to a 68, leaving him six shots behind at 6-under 138.

"He's playing great," Mickelson said. "I saw him birdie 17, which was nice."

This tournament still won't come into clear view until after Saturday, when everyone completes the three-course rotation. Mickelson heads to Spyglass Hill, where he opened with a 62-40 two years ago on his way to a wire-to-wire victory. Furyk takes up Pebble Beach, and he can only hope the wind stays away for one more day. Pebble is a beast when it doesn't.

Stadler leads at Allianz

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Craig Stadler eagled the par-5 18th hole for a 9-under 63 and a one-stroke lead in the Allianz Championship, while Nick Price shot a 71 in his first Champions Tour round.

The 53-year-old Stadler had a bogey-free round on The Old Course at Birkdale, South. The round was Stadler's lowest since a career-best 60 in the second round of the 2005 Bob Hope Classic.

Price was making his Champions Tour debut after turning 50 on Jan. 28.

Mark James was second after a bogey-free 64. Andy Bean opened with a 66, and Tom Kite, Morris Hatakeyama, John Harris and Bobby Wadkins shot 67s. Jay Haas and Loren Roberts were in a group at 68.

Ahn first at Ladies Masters

GOLD COAST, Australia — South Korea's Ahn Sun-ju shot a 4-under 68 to take a one-stroke lead after the second round of the Australian Ladies Masters.

The 19-year-old Ahn had a 12-under 132 total on the Royal Pines course. Australian's Michelle Hill was second after a 66.

— The Associated Press

Two Toyota's make NASCAR debut in today's Bud Shootout

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — As Casey Kahne navigated through traffic Friday at Daytona International Speedway, he couldn't quite recognize all the competitors.

"Who's that in the 44?" Kahne radioed about the car three spots in front of him.

Kasey, meet Dale Jarrett, the 1999 Cup champion and new Toyota driver.

After a year of buildup, the Japanese automaker will make its highly anticipated debut Saturday night in the Budweiser Shootout. There are two Camrys in the 21-car exhibition event, and Jarrett will lead them to the green flag after earning the pole in a blind draw.

"I'm excited to see what we have," said Jarrett, who won't be behind the wheel of the No. 88 Ford for the first time in 10 years.

"I'll be glad to finally get into these race conditions to see how we stack up and see how we can compete. How much work do we have to do? Or how little do we have to do?"

That's the pressing question in the Nextel Cup garage, where everyone is expected to tune in to check out the competition. Because the Shootout is



NASCAR driver Dale Jarrett celebrates after drawing the pole position Thursday for the Budweiser Shootout, a race today for last year's top winners and drivers who previously won the exhibition race in Daytona Beach, Fla.

participating.

"It's the first entry of a non-American manufacturer, so it's going to be a historical day," Dodge car owner Jay Everstam said. "And it's one more thing to pay attention to. They are the new competition and everyone will want to see what they've got."

Based on Friday's two practice sessions, it's not totally clear how the Camrys will run. Jarrett was in the middle of the pack on the speed chart, but Vickers was all the way at the bottom — close to five mph off of Denny Hamlin's fast lap of 189.745 mph.

But that's OK for Toyota officials, who aren't all that concerned with the Shootout. As far as they're concerned, the non-points event is nothing more than extra preparation time for the season-opening Daytona 500.

Dave Blaney and Jarrett, based on their own Jay Everstam's provisional, are the only two Toyota drivers assured of making the 500 field, so Toyota is taking every chance it can get to gain information it can carryover into qualifying.

Andy Graves, director of Toyota's Cup program, has been in this post-

Nascar Nextel Cup-Budweiser Shootout Lineup

After Thursday Practice Race Today at Daytona International Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap Length: 2.8 Miles
(Car Number in Parentheses)

1. (44) Dale Jarrett, Toyota
2. (10) Scott Riggs, Dodge
3. (80) Boris Said, Ford
4. (83) Bray Vickers, Toyota
5. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford
6. (15) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet
7. (21) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet
8. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet
9. (12) Ryan Newman, Dodge
10. (31) Mark Martin, Chevrolet
11. (54) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet
12. (31) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet
13. (38) David Gilliland, Ford
14. (20) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet
15. (3) Casey Kahne, Dodge
16. (37) Bill Elliott, Dodge
17. (8) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet
18. (18) Elliott Surratt, Ford
19. (2) Kurt Busch, Dodge
20. (29) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet
21. (11) Denny Hamlin, Chevrolet

Debuting: He helped start Chip Ganassi's NASCAR program in 2001, the same year Dodge re-entered the Cup series. Bill Elliott ran a Dodge in the Shootout, then won the pole for 500, and Sterling Marlin drove his

Dodge to a victory in a later qualifying event.

"The biggest thing I know from the past and starting a new program is it was big to be in the Shootout as far as the information we were able to gather," Graves said. "We're going to be able to collect a lot of data and feedback that all the teams can use. So we're absolutely grateful to have even one car in the race, let alone two."

Graves said the two Camrys also will be out to "earn some respect on the race track, with both the competition and the fans."

Right now, Jarrett would settle for some within the industry.

Because he's with a new team and didn't carry any points into this season, his spot in the garage pecking order is near the very bottom of the list. It meant the former champion had to park his team hauler in the Truck garage — a five-minute walk from the hassle of bustle of the Nextel Cup epicenter.

"There's no doubt this is incentive," Jarrett joked. "Right now, this isn't really so bad. We're away from everything and we're able to get everything done."

SPORTS

Phillips happy to have T.O. 'part of my family'

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Wade Phillips hates being asked how he's going to handle Terrell Owens — or any other player.

"First of all, I don't handle players," he said every time that word came up. "I work with them."

Phillips takes over as coach of the Dallas Cowboys with a long reputation as someone plays like working with.

Will that be good enough for T.O.? Owens could not immediately be reached for comment Friday. Odds are, though, he heard the smooth way Phillips let everyone know during his introductory news conference Thursday that the new boss is different from the old boss, Bill Parcells, who usually referred to Owens as "the player."

"Terrell Owens," Phillips said, smiling widely. "I did say his name. Terrell Owens."

"He's part of the Dallas Cowboys family. So he's part of my family," Phillips added. "We are going to trust each other. We are going to be loyal to each other and have a common purpose."

Then again, there's a chance Phillips may never have to deal with Owens.

T.O. is due a \$3 million roster bonus in June, then a \$5 million salary this season. Cutting him before then would save a lot of money and headaches. But it also would cost the club its biggest personality — especially now that Parcells is gone — and its leading receiver. Owens caught 85

passes for 1,100 yards and a league-best 13 touchdowns last season.

Owens has said he's willing to come back, but isn't sure the team wants him. Just to be safe, the clearest cut his locker and stripped off his nameplate. When team owner Jerry Jones gave Phillips a tour of the locker room Thursday night, it was the only nameplate missing.

The decision will be up to Jones, who thus far has consistently said he's willing to deal with all the problems T.O. causes in exchange for his production.

"I've said that he's back, he's here, he's under contract," Jones said. "In the interviews I've been through (to hire a new coach), it was very clear

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— Dallas Cowboys head coach Wade Phillips

to me how highly he's thought of and how much of an impact he had on our offensive success."

Having a new, player-friendly coach might help, too.

"I think that it can work," Jones said. "Wade has a good track record, as he said, of working with players. With what I know about Terrell and the relationship I had with Terrell, that's a potential good fit personally, we and the owner."

Phillips said he makes a point of

getting the most out of his best players. And even though his background is in defense, he proudly noted that tight end Shannon Sharpe and wide receiver Eric Maulds flourished when he was their head coach.

"I think the most important thing is they know you are trying to get them the football," he said.

There was one thing Phillips said that Owens might not like.

"I can't get him the ball right now," Phillips said, laughing.

Jones is back atop hierarchy for Cowboys

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Jerry Jones insists Wade Phillips will have as much input into personnel decisions for the Dallas Cowboys as Bill Parcells had. It even says so in his contract, Jones added.

Then came the kicker: Dave Campo and Chan Gailey had the same wording in their contracts.

So forget what's on the legal documents and focus on the reality. After four years of working alongside Bill Parcells, Jones is once again taking full advantage of his dual titles as owner and general manager.

"It's just not correct that I don't have the ability or the energy or the skills to do what I do every time I make a decision," Jones said Thursday, following the hiring of Phillips. "I talk to a lot of people and get a lot of different perspectives before I make a decision. I get a lot of input and I factor it. If I didn't get the input and didn't do the homework, shame on me."

Jones views the Parcells experiment as vindicating. He sucked in his ego and appeased his critics by bringing in a proven "football guy" to help shape the organization.

And while Jones says "the better offer in a very significant way because Bill was here," he couldn't help but point out that the Cowboys won as many playoff games under their high-falutin' coach (zero) as they did under Gailey and Campo, who were mocked for being Jones puppets.

"I didn't work," Jones said of the Parcells era. "We had some success, but at the end of the day we did not have the kind of success we wanted."

Thus, Jones feels free to doing things another way. His way.

He went into the coaching search looking for someone who could develop quarterback Tony Romo. Now Turner was his best bet, although Jones was so impressed with Jason Garrett that he hired him away from Miami without knowing what role he'd have.

Jones liked the idea of Turner and Garrett working with Romo and the rest of the offense. Problems was, Jones still had to fix the team's bigger problem: defense.

He could've hired Ron Rivera to put in the 4-3 scheme Rivera used to get the Chicago Bears into the Super Bowl. But Jones, the general manager, decided he really wanted to stick with the 3-4 scheme that Jones, the owner, had spent so much time and money putting together for Parcells the last two years.

"I looked at it with an open mind," Jones said of changing defensive styles. "But at the end of the day, I decided I didn't want to I wanted to keep going in the way we were going."

"I think it is fair for somebody in my role to make those decisions about the way you're going and the schemes in general, the philosophy," Jones added.

"Now, that doesn't mean I'm going to tell (the coach) how to line up and whether to shade or stunt, those sorts of things. That's not what I'm going to do. But I can decide we are going to play the 3-4."

That led him back to Phillips, with Garrett running the offense.

"There's no question his availability opened some possibilities up with going with a more defensive-oriented head coach," Jones said.

Jones knows that he's taking a risk by entrusting Romo's development to Garrett, whose only coaching experience is two years as Miami's quarterbacks coach.

But it's a risk the former oil wildcatter is willing to take.

"Jason will be operating without a net," Jones said. "I like that. I think that brings out the best in people."

Garrett definitely has a good pedigree. The son of a longtime NFL scout who spent many years working for the Cowboys, Garrett graduated from Princeton and played for the Cowboys, breaking in under Turner while backing up Troy Aikman. He later played for offensive guru Jon Gruden in Tampa Bay and Sean Payton in New York.

Jones said he was thinking about hiring Garrett before Parcells retired. Now that he's here, he's already considered the front-runner to eventually replace Phillips.

Maybe yes, maybe no. But one thing is certain: When that time comes, Jones will have the final say.

PRO BOWL Rookie Young not on vacation



Tennessee Titans quarterback Vince Young looks downfield during AFC practice for the NFL Pro Bowl game at Island Resort in Napolei, Hawaii, Thursday. The annual game will be played today at 4 p.m. MST.

HONOLULU (AP) — Vince Young didn't see this trip to Hawaii as a vacation. The Tennessee quarterback figured a rookie should never stop learning, even at the Pro Bowl.

So Young mined his fellow stars for any vein of information during the week leading up to Saturday's game at Aloha Stadium. He got solid coaching advice from the AFC's Bill Belichick, while Peyton Manning spoke with him about resilience.

Oh, and every Pro Bowl player taught Young that it's important for the rookies to buy the drinks while everybody is sitting on the beach.

"It's been great. My head's kind of spinning, but it's a great time," said Young, who will back up Manning and Carson Palmer in the NFL's 57th all-star game. "I learned something every day. I'm just looking forward to playing in the game and having one more great experience to finish the year."

Young is the first rookie quarterback to make the Pro Bowl since Dan Marino, but he's just one star on the loaded AFC roster for the conference's 37th meeting since the merger in a lead-back series tied 10-10.

Manning the Super Bowl MVP will start with league MVP Tomlinson before an impressive defense led by Miami's Jason Taylor and Denver's Champ Bailey takes the field.

Even with standouts at every position around him, Young still attracts attention with his stunning physical abilities — particularly among players who still hadn't seen him in person.

"We razz him a little bit because he's a rookie, but he seems really mature," Kansas City tight end Tony Gonzalez said. "You have to be mature at that position. He's already headed toward a great career. Hopefully Carson and Peyton can teach him a little something."

"I'm just glad he's on my team now," Indianapolis receiver Reggie Wayne said. "He's a freak out there, and there's lots of guys out there who don't have all kinds of skills."

Young got, this opportunity through a little serendipity, since he wasn't an original selection to the Pro Bowl after a debut season he called "good, but not great." Though he went 6-5 as a starter with seven rushing touchdowns,

Pro Bowl
When: Today
4 p.m. MST
TV: CBS

his passing was admittedly erratic as the Titans missed the playoffs.

When San Diego's Philip Rivers was forced to drop out of his first trip because of a foot injury last month, the NFL waited nearly two weeks to name Young to the game. Tom Brady reportedly declined a Hawaii invitation, preferring to play golf at the A&E Pebble Beach National Pro-Am.

Baltimore's Steve McNair also declined, but for a very good reason: He wanted Young, his friend and successor in Tennessee, to have the opportunity he already had enjoyed.

Young should see plenty of playing time behind Manning, the Pro Bowl's career leader in yards passing, and TD through from his first six appearances. He gladly acknowledged being on cruise control all week after leading the Colts to their Super Bowl victory, and isn't likely to play much.

Young, a Houston native who led the University of Texas to the 2005 national title, will welcome every learning opportunity.

"He said he'd throw a touchdown pass to me, just for the people back home," Houston Texans receiver Andre Johnson said.

While Young makes his Pro Bowl debut, retiring New York Giants running back Tiki Barber will suit up for the final time in his 10-year career — and Kansas City guard Will Shields also might be making his 12th and final appearance in Hawaii. Shields, the Chiefs stalwart who has opened holes for Priest Holmes and Larry Johnson, could retire in his offseason.

The NFL's squad has considerably less star power, a fitting reflection of the AFC's dominance of the regular season and the Super Bowl. Drew Brees, the New Orleans quarterback who finished behind Tomlinson in MVP voting, will team up with San Francisco running back Frank Gore and Carolina receiver Steve Smith.

Yet Pro Bowls rarely turn into blowouts: Just four games since 1998 have been decided by more than two touchdowns.

Softball

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number of their top players to graduation. NNU features only one senior in infielder Astin Salisbury, but returns one of last year's top bats in sophomore Vanessa Shaw, who hit .349 with three home runs and 27 RBIs as a freshman.

The NNU pitching staff is fairly inexperienced, which could help CSI continue to work into its hitting groove. The Golden Eagles hit only .233 over their first five games, but have five players hitting over .300.

CSI can get the bats going throughout the lineup, they'll be increasingly tough to handle.

Freshman outfielder Al Spear had the strongest initial showing of any CSI player, hitting .467 with one home run and five runs scored over last weekend. Rochelle Noren also hit well, finishing with a .429 average over CSI's first eight games. The young Golden Eagles will look to capitalize on those numbers and continue to improve in the field, as they committed 20 errors over last weekend.

CSI's second game of the day is against an Albertson squad that finished 18-25 last season. The Coyotes are led by Katie Zillner, the older sister of CSI pitcher Jody Zillner. Albertson's Zillner finished last season with a .358 batting average and a team-high 27 RBIs last season. She's also Albertson's top pitcher, coming off a 7-9 season with a 3.82 ERA. Jody Zillner has a 1-2 record with a 3.18 ERA this year and the two could go head-to-head in today's late game.

The Albertson lineup could test CSI's pitching, as sophomore Stacy Smith finished with a .290 average, eight home runs and 25 RBIs last season, while A.J. Cavanaugh blasted five homers last season. The Coyotes are also a young team with only one senior on their roster.

CSI will use the weekend as a good tune-up for the Snow invitational where it will play six games in two days against Scenic, West Athletic Conference and Arizona Community College Athletic Conference competition.

Former NFL official claims firing was spurred by race

NEW YORK — A former supervisor of NFL officials sued the league in federal court Friday, claiming he was unfairly fired after some referees lodged false complaints that he was racially biased.

Earnie Frantz, a head linesman in the NFL from 1981 to 2001, said he was fired as assistant supervisor of officiating in the spring of 2005.

In a lawsuit filed in Manhattan, Frantz said part of his job as a supervisor included grading the performance of officials after each week of play.

But while performing that role, the suit said, Frantz became a target of complaints by "a vocal component of the minority officiating crew," who complained that he was racially biased and graded minorities more harshly than whites.

"In terminating Mr. Frantz's employment, the NFL bowed to the pressure of the minority members of the officiating crews whom he supervised," the suit said.

Frantz, who is white, claimed in the suit that he was essentially fired "because of the color of his skin."

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On a big stage, no small actors

I bumped into an old high school classmate the other day (of course, I use the word "old" selectively here. He is old; I, however, am not).

As you might expect, we started talking about old (there's that word again) friends and we tried to update each other on who was doing what where. I told him about the popular, fun-loving guy who now owns a couple of professional sports franchises. He told me about the athlete who is now his family's dentist. I mentioned the class officer who is making Donald Trump look small time on Wall Street (and no, we didn't go to school with Rosie O'Donnell).



VALUESPEAK
Joseph Walker

Then it occurred to me: I wasn't sure what my friend was doing. So I asked,

"Alec," he responded, a tad uncomfortably, "Oh, I'm just a teacher."

At the time I understood what he was trying to say. After running through that litany of 50-something success stories, anyone might be a little intimidated. Some particularly insecure types might have even been tempted to exaggerate their own professional accomplishments (which reminds me: how long do you think it'll take him to figure out that I'm not really writing a nationally syndicated humor column under the pen name "Dave Barry"?)

But the more I reflect on my friend's response — and, quite frankly, my own — the more I realize that our perspectives were shallow and limited. It's easy to fall into the trap of thinking that human worth is a dollars-and-cents proposition, or that fame and fortune is the sick with which we must ultimately take the measure of the individual. That's why there is still room in our contemporary definition of "success" for those whose contributions are less widely known and whose compensation is less grand.

I suppose there are some folk who have been "just a teacher" in an apt description. Then I think of Mr. B, the high school speech and drama teacher whose skill, passion and caring literally turned my life around 36 years ago. Mr. B has more on professional and educational administration, but to hundreds of other students who, like me, trace an important part of our developmental evolution back to him, Mr. B will always be a teacher.

It's never "just a teacher." Most of us have been positively influenced by teachers who cared enough to make a difference in our lives. It is that impact diminished by the fact that those teachers probably never lived in the "next part of town" to tell you the truth, I don't know where Della Tuttle lived. All I know is she helped me feel good about myself when I was the new kid in her second-grade class and I needed a friend.

"Just a teacher?" No way. Nor, come to think of it, was the nurse who tenderly held my hand through a frighteningly serious operation when I was 19 "just a nurse." Nor is the firefighter who spear-headed a last-minute fundraising drive for a family in our community who lost all of their presents in a Christmas Eve fire "just a firefighter." Nor is my daughter-in-law Jen "just a homemaker" or my nephews Bud and Mike "just cops."

"There are no small roles," Mr. B used to tell us, "only small actors." It's that way with the roles we play in life, too. Even though we may never be profiled in People magazine and our contribution to the Gross National Product may be grossly insignificant, our contribution to society need not be. You don't have to be somebody to be somebody. All you have to do is care enough to help make the world a better, happier place. And you can do that — know you can. Even if you're just a writer.

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A SEED sprouts in Twin Falls



Candle holders, trays and other brass objects wait to be selected from a shelf at Mustard Seed Ministries' thrift store in downtown Twin Falls Thursday. The store celebrates its fifth anniversary this weekend.

Reformed Church's Mustard Seed Ministries finds a way to help

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Let's say you're sick, you're broke, and Medicaid doesn't know your name.

Until recently, the only answer was the hospital's emergency room. Now, as an outgrowth of a downtown non-profit thrift store, there's an alternative.

Mustard Seed Ministries, which opened its store five years ago this month as an outreach ministry of the Reformed Church of Twin Falls, has grown into a full-service provider for the needy. In addition to collecting, refurbishing and reselling used clothing, furniture and housewares, Mustard Seed offers assistance from its food pantry.

Its two-year-old wellness clinic on Martin Street near St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center is staffed at various times by 21 physicians — including Drs. Rick Sandison, Brian Fortuin, Joe Ippolito, Craig Holman, Lisa Burgett, Cole Johnson, Kevin Knaal, David McChusky, Ron Mielak and Jack Trotter — 26 nurses and 30 other volunteers.

And a Mustard Seed dental clinic will open in the next month or so. "In this country, 47.6 percent of the people don't have health insurance," said John Sexton, one of the clinic's co-founders. "Those are the people we see."

Starting the thrift store, located at 455 Main Ave. E., was the idea of several parishioners at the Reformed Church, with the help of Kelly Golay, then the church's director of education and missions.

"Some of us were interested in Christian outreach, and the thrift store seemed like a good way to start," said Liz Mandelkow, co-manager of the store.

"When the Mustard Seed was finally established in 2002, it was the result of the fulfillment of key

Join the celebration

Mustard Seed Ministries will mark the fifth anniversary of its downtown Twin Falls thrift store Sunday at the Reformed Church of Twin Falls, 1631 Grandview Drive N., in conjunction with the church's 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. worship services. Refreshments will be provided, and the public is invited.

About the clinic

The Mustard Seed Wellness Clinic, 284 Martin St., provides free health care to people with little or no health insurance, Medicaid or Medicare coverage and inadequate financial resources. The clinic's hours are 9-5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays; there's also a women's-only clinic on Wednesdays from 9-9 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 320-2856 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. If there is no answer, leave a message.

TFRC members' vision as well as the church's to help people in the community beyond offering low-cost thrift store items," said Lisa Buddecke, a member of the Mustard Seed board of directors. "Over the past five years, Mustard Seed thrift store sales have increased 25 percent, over 65,000 volunteer hours have been logged, over 2,500 food boxes have been distributed, over 2,000 families have been served and the wellness clinic has opened to provide free medical care to those in need."

"All of this success is almost totally volunteer-driven," she added, "with only a handful of paid staff."

"The idea was to do something to reach out to the whole community, regardless of religious background," said Golay, who now works in the private sector in Boise. "It was no questions asked."

Perhaps for that reason, help has come from across the religious spectrum.

Open for business

The Mustard Seed Ministries thrift store at 455 Main Ave. E. is open Mondays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mustard Seed accepts donations of clothing, housewares and furniture items at the store, or you can phone 733-9515.

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— Kelly Golay, former TFRC director of education and missions

donations from members of the Reformed Church, by now the operation is largely self-sustaining. "Volunteers make that possible," Mandelkow said.

Many of those volunteers are former clients, she adds.

"It's a way of giving something back to people who are in the same situation they were in," Mandelkow said. "And it's also acting on Christ's injunction to help the poor. The Reformed Church of Twin Falls is part of the Reformed Church in America, a mainline Protestant denomination that believes, according to the RCA Web site, that 'our purpose is to continue the work of Jesus Christ, who welcomed sinners, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and preached good news to the poor. In fellowship with Christ the church is called to follow Christ in mission, led by the Holy Spirit, to bear witness through God's unconditional love to those who are among the poor, who are strangers, and who have become outcasts.'"

"Mustard Seed operates in the Christian spirit," Mandelkow said. "It's very rewarding."

"Mustard Seed also offers counseling — and access to a network of assistance with agencies such as South Central Community Action Partnership.

"If someone has, say, \$300 through Community Action and needs another \$150 to rent an apartment, we can do that," Mandelkow said.

Although there have been major

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What's the science behind spirituality?

The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Religion and science can combine to create some thorny questions: Does God exist outside the human mind, or is God creation of our brains? Why do we have faith in things that we cannot prove, whether it's the afterlife or UFOs?

The new Center for Spirituality and the Mind at the University of Pennsylvania is using brain imaging technology to examine such questions, and to investigate how spiritual and secular beliefs affect our health and behavior.

"Very few are looking at spirituality from a neurological side, from the brain-mind side," said Dr. Andrew Newberg, director of the center.

A doctor of nuclear medicine and an assistant professor at Penn, Newberg also has co-authored three books on the science-spirituality relationship.

The center is not a bricks-and-mortar structure but a multi-disciplinary team of Penn researchers exploring the relationship between the brain and spirituality from biological, psychological, social and

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Dr. Andrew Newberg, director of the Center for Spirituality and the Mind at the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, lectures recently at Yale University. Newberg and his colleagues are investigating how spiritual and secular beliefs affect health and behavior.

RELIGION

'Recognized by God' topic of sermon

TWIN FALLS — Elder Mark Koffer will speak on "Recognized by God" for worship at 10 a.m. Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Scott Atkins will read the scriptures, Psalms 139:1-18 and John 1:43-51. Peggy Homer and Kristin Keller will facilitate the 9:30 a.m. adult Sunday school in the fellowship hall on selected studies from "The Thoughtful Christian." A nursery attendant will be available from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Sunday mornings so adults can attend choir practice and Sunday school.

Refreshments will be served after worship in the fellowship hall. The gym will be available for children to play during fellowship. Evening worship services are available in the church office. This service is not only for those not able to come to church anymore, but those who are home sick or out of town that week. Call 733-7023 to receive a copy.

The deacons remain every cassette tapes of their worship service are available in the church office. This service is not only for those not able to come to church anymore, but those who are home sick or out of town that week. Call 733-7023 to receive a copy.

The deacons are organizing boxes to be sent to servicemen and women and college students to be delivered this month. To donate items for servicemen and women, call Laurie Hansen at 723-5185. To donate to college students, call Colleen Miltenberger at 734-5781.

Murray will be installed as pastor

HANSEN — The Rev. Bruce Murray will be installed as pastor of the Hansen Assembly of God Church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, with Southern Idaho District Superintendent Doyle Fulkes of Nampa officiating. The church is located on the corner of Maple and Second Street East.

Church news

Murray has served 30 years in pastoral ministry, starting in 1975 as associate pastor at the Twin Falls First Assembly of God. He served as senior pastor in Carson City, Nev., from 1983 to 1996, and in Chico, Calif., from 1996 to 2005. He was district presbyter of the Northern California-Nevada District for 12 years. During the past 20 years, he served as private chaplain, school principal and is currently administrator at the Canyonside Christian School in Jerome.

His wife, Linda Garrison Murray, was born and raised in the Butte area. She has assisted him in his pastoral work and served in music ministry and as a teacher for Bible study and prayer groups. The Murrys have four children.

Fulkes wife, Julia, will assist in welcoming the Murrys to Hansen.

Everyone is invited to join the celebration.

Rev. Keith Miller will be guest speaker in T.F.

TWIN FALLS — The Rev. Keith Miller will be the guest speaker at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Agape Foursquare Church, 181 Morrison St.

A Valentine-themed potluck dinner will follow worship. Bring a favorite Valentine dish. Everyone is invited.

Pastor will speak on 'Beloved Community'

JEROME — Pastor Ronald Matheny will speak on "The Beloved Community" for worship at 10:30 a.m. Sunday at the Jerome First Presbyterian Church, 262 E. Ave. A.

A Valentine-themed potluck dinner will follow worship. Bring a favorite Valentine dish. Everyone is invited.

Matheny's text is from the passage known as the Song of the Samaritan in Luke 10:25-37. The theme is in honor of February being Black History Month.

For more information or prayer, call 324-2972.

Wash sets sermon at Presbyterians church

BUHL — Blake Walsh will speak on "The Good, the Bad and the Best of Us" from Jeremiah 17:5-10, Psalms 1, 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 and Luke 6:17-26 during worship at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Buhl First Presbyterian Church.

Sunday school for all ages starts at 10 a.m. Nursery care is provided for children under 6 during services.

All are welcome.

'Turning Bad Days into Good Days' in Hollister

HOLLISTER — The Rev. Kendrick Gould of Twin Falls will speak on "Turning Bad Days into Good Days" at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Hollister Community Presbyterian Church, 2461 Central Ave.

Scripture reading will be 2 Corinthians 4:1-12.

Refreshments will be served after worship.

Visitors are welcome.

Methodists raise money to assist wounded officer

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls First United Methodist Church will take special offerings Sunday to assist injured Idaho State Police officer Chris Glenn Fench.

The annual Boy Scout breakfast to support Troop 67 will be held from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Sunday in the fellowship hall. The menu includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, hash browns, juice and coffee.

Worship will be at 8:30 and 11 a.m., with church school for all ages at 9:45 a.m. The choir,

directed by Matt Eilers, will sing "Here I Am Lord."

At 3 p.m. Sunday, cookies will be packaged to send to students and military personnel from the church. Donations of cookies, postage and help with packaging will be appreciated. For more information, call Rosie Strohbel at 736-1753 or Colleen Thelbert at 733-4058.

The homeless meal sponsored by Safe Harbor will be served at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 17 at the First United Methodist Church. Several area churches have been invited to bring potluck items to share.

Women's ministry offers free weight-loss class

GOODING — The Women's Ministry of the Gooding First Christian Church is hosting a free Prism Weight Loss Program Introduction Class for both men and women at 6 p.m. Monday at the church, 334 Fourth Ave. W.

For more information, call 934-4508.

Non-denominational luncheon set Wednesday

WYNDHAM — The Ladies Lifeline Fellowship will hold a non-denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe.

The theme will be "Heart to Heart." Dr. Margo Saunders will present the program, and David Graham will provide the music and speak.

Prayer Circle will be Feb. 21, with hostess Leola Bailey. Call 438-5524 for directions.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trina Tegan, South Idaho Press office, 200 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

MISSIONARIES

Elder Dustin Allen Hymas has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the California Riverside Mission.



Hymas

Hymas is the son of Val and Linda Hymas of Filer, an Eagle Scout and is in the Filer 1st Ward. He graduated in 2006 from Filer High School, where he participated in basketball and was team captain; track in high jump, long jump and triple jump; and in Madrigals for four years.

Elder Justin Shaun Loar has been called to serve a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Family and Church History Mission in Salt Lake City.



Loar

Loar is the son of Sheldon and Sherry Loar of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 14th Ward. He graduated in 2006 from Twin Falls High School and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho.

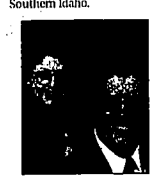
Elder Darren Dwayne Brown has returned from serving a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the



Brown

Sherry Loar of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 14th Ward. He graduated in 2006 from Twin Falls High School and attended Brigham Young University-Idaho.

Medico Tijuana Mission. Brown is the son of Alcen Bastow Brown of Twin Falls and the late Darrell D. Brown, a Twin Falls 8th Ward. He graduated from Twin Falls High School, where he participated in cross country and other sports. He says he enjoys outdoor activities and fishing and plans to work and continue his education at the College of Southern Idaho.



Jeanne and Glen Spencer

Elder Glen Spencer and Sister Jeanne Spencer have returned from serving a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in the Family and Church History Mission in Salt Lake City.

The Spencers live in Wendell and are in the Wendell 1st Ward. They plan to travel, visit their children and grandchildren and serve another mission in the future.

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Catholics, Iowa diocese struggle after allegations against former bishop

IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) — The Roman Catholic Diocese of Davenport is in bankruptcy.

Its headquarters will go on the auction block this spring. The bishop's home also is going to be sold, and the diocese has paid \$9 million to resolve cases in which 37 men say they were sexually abused as boys by priests.

But for all the hardship the diocese is undergoing as a result of molestation claims, bankruptcy may be better than what the church in Iowa could have faced — the civil trial of a former bishop from a neighboring diocese.

The case of retired Sioux City Bishop Lawrence Sotens vividly illustrates the trade-offs at play when dioceses make decisions about handling the national abuse crisis, which is still spinning out five years after a Boston case became a flashpoint for the problem.

"When the bankruptcy was declared... it was like hitting a brick wall for so many who were following the Sotens case and looking for answers," said Dorothy Whiston, a coordinator of Concerned Catholics of the Davenport Diocese, a group of parishioners and priests focused on church reform. "And for laity, most of them just don't want to hear

any more about priests or Bishop Sotens."

Sotens' legal troubles began in 2003 when the first of three sex abuse lawsuits was filed against him for his actions in the 1960s, when he was the principal of Regina High School in which 37 men say they were sexually abused as boys by priests.

Fifteen plaintiffs — all male — stepped forward with details of their claims are similar. Under the guise of discipline, Sotens brought students into his office, where he rubbed and sometimes pinched their crotches, according to documents filed in the cases. The students also accused him of frequently pinching and twisting their nipples, an activity described in court documents as "pursing."

Sotens denies the charges, and a diocese internal investigation into a complaint filed in 2002 found that while Sotens' behavior may have been inappropriate, it was not sexual in nature.

"Some actions may have occurred which would not have been appropriate," the report stated. "However, in looking at the definition of sexual abuse in the (policy), we questioned whether any of this conduct described would be for the adult's gratification."

Methodists turn their Web site into social networking center

WASHINGTON, D.C. (AP) — Methodists have a new way to connect.

United Methodist Communications recently unveiled the church's redesigned Web page, updated to function as a social networking site, similar to MySpace or Facebook.

The church spent more than two years developing the new umc.org, to allow visitors to see up personal profiles, upload photos, create a blog and establish a network of friends.

The Web site is <http://www.umc.org/>. The United Methodist Church has 8.3 million U.S. members, along with many members overseas.



Congregants are baptized under hoses spraying water at the end of a nondenominational service held in front of the United House of Prayer for All People church in South Los Angeles last Sunday. More than 200 people participated in the service and baptisms.

Baptism by fire hose

Event gives worshippers a chance to heal

LOS ANGELES Times

LOS ANGELES — As water from a fire hose blasted down on her in the middle of Vernon Avenue in South Los Angeles on Sunday, Pearl Fuquay lifted her face to receive it.

All around her, as brass bands played, hundreds of other worshippers dressed in flung white, sopping-wet clothing danced, sobbed and exulted in what they said was the city's first open-air baptism by fire hose.

Fuquay, the event was more than an unusual rite for members of her own congregation, the United House

of Prayer.

"It's baptizing the city of Los Angeles," said the mother of four, who lost one son to an early death and is trying to raise another in a gang-riddled neighborhood known as the jungle. "It's a cleansing of the city."

The street around her church is testament to the needs of the area. The stuccoed walls of nearby businesses are layered with graffiti from warring gangs. Less than half a block from the church, a young man was shot to death last week. When the sidewalk was cleaned in front of the church, a dark mixture of blood and water ran down the gutter.

But Sunday, church members said the water in the street was holy, a symbol of faith and rebirth.

fire hoses in the street, said Pastor Wilbert Swaringer, because Los Angeles does not have access to the Inland River, where the faithful believe Jesus was baptized. When asked about the Los Angeles River, Swaringer said he had not considered that.

Swaringer said church leaders found resonance in the symbolism of the hoses. During the civil-rights era, hoses were used to "fight people." But now, he said, "we are using the hose for healing." All members of the church were encouraged to take part, even those who had already been baptized. Community members also were invited, as were members from congregations around the country.

"It's spiritual healing," said Benicio Smith, 34. He came from San Diego, where he serves in the Navy and said he had dedicated his prayers Sunday to fel-

low soldiers serving in Iraq.

"They're fighting a very dangerous battle," he said. "They need the prayers so they come home safely to their mothers and fathers."

The United House of Prayer is a nondenominational Pentecostal church founded in 1919 in Wareham, Mass., by Bishop Charles M. "Sweet Daddy" Grace and incorporated in 1927. The church is known for its brass bands, ecstatic worship and exaltation of its bishops, who are known by the title "Sweet Daddy."

The 3 million-member organization has held outdoor baptisms with fire hoses in East Coast cities such as New York and Philadelphia.

In North Carolina last year, one reportedly drew 2,500 people. But this was the first baptism for California, according to church officials.

A test of faith

Evangelical Christian teen breaks into mainstream, out of comfort zone

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Danny Leydorf's world was about to be turned upside down, and he couldn't wait.

The extroverted teenager had shined at the mostly evangelical Annapolis Area Christian School in Maryland, but now he wanted to test his faith in a more diverse world. With hopes of becoming a lawyer or politician, he badly wanted to understand people who didn't think like him.

"I feel like I exist to be interacting," the lanky, towheaded 19-year-old said eagerly shortly after his graduation.

So he'd deliberately picked a large, secular college: the University of Maryland. But the week before he was to leave, the wider world dealt him a blow.

"I hate evangelical Christians," read the Facebook.com profile of his roommate-to-be, who had seemed so perfect on the phone — who, like Leydorf, loved politics and "The Simpsons."

That was just the first of many challenges and unexpected twists Leydorf has faced this school year as he plunged into the mainstream. His gaps from student body president back home to outsider. He struggles with when to talk about God and when to keep his mouth shut. He wrestles with how Jesus would define tolerance.

Leydorf is traveling an



Danny Leydorf, 19, who graduated from an evangelical Christian high school, chose to attend the University of Maryland because he wanted to experience a secular school and a range of viewpoints. "I want to sincerely seek the truth, not just what you want to believe," says Leydorf, shown on campus in College Park.

increasingly common path for graduates of private evangelical schools, institutions that sprung up in the 1970s specifically to shelter students from the broader culture. In years past, these graduates often went on to religious schools or overseas mission work. But today's young evangelicals live in a Jess tidy world, where Capitol Hill and Wall Street are considered mission fields and evangelical leaders are taking more, diverse positions on

issues including global warming and homosexuality. Since last spring, The Washington Post has visited with Leydorf as he has sought a toehold in the new landscape. Leydorf had founded the debate team, played junior varsity soccer and was on the student disciplinary board. But what he really craved was the chance to deconstruct the religious and political beliefs with which he was raised. As a senior he'd even set aside his

own "right-of-center" political leanings and pursued an internship with Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., "a notorious liberal," Leydorf said. "I want to sincerely seek the truth," he said in May, "not just what you want to believe." Educational historians say the evangelical private school movement was one of the fastest-growing segments of the private-school world from the 1970s, when the schools began, until, recently, when growth flattened.

Romney's switch on abortion, gay rights stirring criticism

Los Angeles Times

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Presidential hopeful Mitt Romney has taken pains to prove himself a staunch ally of evangelicals and other social conservatives who denigrate the Republican primaries.

He made his combat against legalization of same-sex marriage a hallmark of his governorship of Massachusetts. His support for overturning the U.S. Supreme Court ruling that legalized abortion is a pillar of his campaign for the White House.

"I'm firmly pro-life," he told news crews gathered on a Mount Pleasant fishing dock overlooking Charleston Harbor.

But when he ran for governor of his liberal-leaning state in 2002, Romney pledged to "protect a woman's right to choose." And for years, Romney backed gay rights measures that he now opposes, even if his stand against same-sex marriage has not wavered.

For Romney, 59, the rightward shift on abortion and gay issues poses one of the main challenges of his candidacy: Can he convince social conservatives that he is one of their own and capture his party's nomination?

That question carries especially strong resonance in Iowa and South Carolina, two of the first states to hold 2008 Republican nomination contests, and both dominated by conservative evangelicals.



Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney speaks to a group of conservative activists in Baltimore last week. Romney, who was elected governor of Massachusetts five years ago as a pro-choice advocate, has changed his position now that he's running for president.

Both of Romney's chief Republican rivals, Sen. John McCain of Arizona and former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, have strained ties with social conservatives.

But two other Republican White House contenders, Sen. Sam Brownback of Kansas and former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, have stronger connections with them and have jabbed at Romney for switching stances on legal abortion, which they oppose. Some social conservatives have questioned whether voters will accept the fact that Romney is Mormon.

Spirituality

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ideological viewpoints. Founded last April, it is bringing together some 20 experts from fields including medicine, pastoral care, religious studies, social work and bioethics.

"The brain is a believing machine because it has to be," Newberg said. "Beliefs affect every part of our lives. They make up who we are. They are the essence of our being."

Spirituality and belief don't have to equate to religious faith, Newberg said. The feelings of enlightenment and well-being some derive from religion can come to others through from artistic expres-

sion, nonreligious meditation, watching a beautiful sunset or listening to stirring music. "Atheists have belief systems, too," Newberg said.

How does the center test the relationship between the mind and spirituality? In one study, Newberg and colleagues used imaging technology to look at the brains of Pentecostal Christians speaking in tongues — known scientifically as glossolalia — then looked at their brains when they were singing gospel music. They found that those practicing glossolalia showed decreased activity in the brain's language center, com-

pared with the singing group. The imaging results are suggestive of people's description that they do not have control of their own speech when speaking in tongues. Newberg said scientists believe that speech is taken over by another part of the brain during glossolalia, but did not find it during the study.

Other recent studies looked at the brains of Tibetan Buddhists in meditation and Franciscan nuns in prayer, then compared the results to their baseline brain activity levels.

Among other changes, both groups showed decreased activity in the parts of the

brain that have to do with sense of self and spatial orientation — which suggests the description of oneness with God, of transcendence sometimes experienced in meditation or prayer.

Prayer and meditation also increase levels of dopamine, often referred to as the brain's pleasure hormone.

"The mind and the body are the flip side of the same coin," said Dr. Daniel Monti, head of Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's integrated medicine center. "Now we know some of the mechanisms by which that occurs, and it's becoming better and better understood."

Mask of Jesus prompts rebuke

HOME (AP) — A "Jesus" mask on sale in Verona for Italy's winter Carnival, a celebration that comes every February, prompted a rebuke from the local bishop.

The mask appeared recently in a store in the northern Italian city and consists of a fake beard and a long, brown-haired wig made in China, according to the ANSA news agency. On the box are the words "Jesus," and a drawing of Christ with a crown of thorns.

"I felt humiliated. For me and for millions of people the suffering Christ is a beloved

image, and instead it is mocked," Bishop of Verona Flavio Carraro said Tuesday. "We must respect the religious sentiments of our people," Carraro added. "That image is part of art history and poetry; and it's had to ruin it like that."

Carnival festivities, which were centered in Venice and have since spread throughout the country, hit their zenith in the 1700s when European nobility were drawn by the promise of an anonymous good time before Ash Wednesday and the somber Lenten season.

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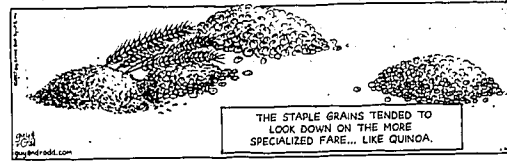
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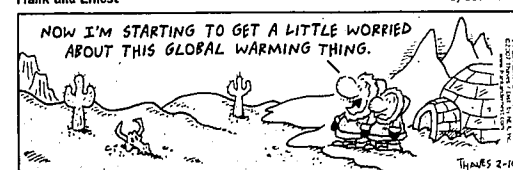
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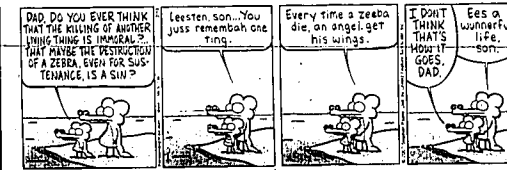
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Do some counting first, Sagittarius

IF FEB. 10 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Keep your chin up, just because things aren't going your way now does not mean that these conditions will last forever. Your best month for romance and glamorous experiences is April. That is a good month to start a new health regimen or take a once-in-a-lifetime vacation. In June, avoid starting anything of importance such as making a major purchase or entering into long-term contracts. If you have a sincere prayer it is likely to be answered in August. Accept any opportunity that knocks on your door then, as in some way it will improve your life or be of great benefit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Put intense energy to good use. Clean out the garage or attack a pet project with gusto. You might be better off working independently so that your concentration won't be interrupted.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Keep the lid on a certain can of worms. Try not to challenge others or to become entangled in conversations. Head off conflict by engaging in sports or activities that require physical exertion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

HOROSCOPE Jerakline Saunders

Back off from disagreements. Disputes that occur now could take a long time to settle. Find practical ways to exercise both body and mind. Gather relevant knowledge to make progress next week.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Moods don't matter. If you hit a sour note early in the day, just find something to keep your hands occupied. Perhaps it is a good time to clean out the closet or make minor repairs.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): When the going gets rough, the tough get going. Physical exercise will alleviate frustrations. Try a walk around the block, a bike ride through the woods or jumping jacks to let off steam.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A stitch in time saves nine. Look around and see where a small amount of effort can prevent future irritations. Put your energy to good use by following through on domestic chores.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Don't gamble with your heart or your wallet. You may be under the impression you are completely right when you are most

likely wrong. Adhere to comfortable routines for best results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Nail down loose boards. You have powerful energy at your disposal and should use it in constructive activities. Problems or errors might be pointed out. It is time to fix what is broken.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Count to 10 before you react with hostility. Situations might improve through constructive criticism if you don't display defensiveness. Leave your piggy bank alone this weekend.

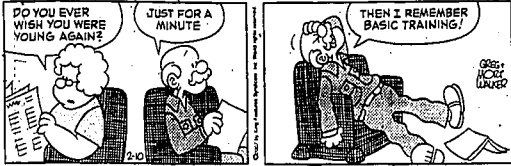
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't dwell on the past. Everyone makes mistakes, but the important thing is to learn from them. You will do better by being self-disciplined and by controlling your impulses.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Ignore the nagging little voice that spouts negativity. Everyone needs a short time out from a relationship or from intense labor.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Disagreements don't need to deter you. Don't stew in worries or allow petty criticisms to cause pain. Make a wholehearted attempt to be a positive influence on everyone you meet.

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



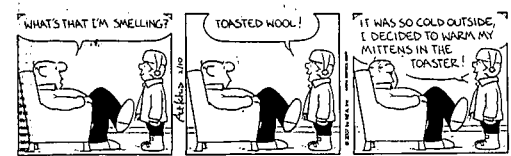
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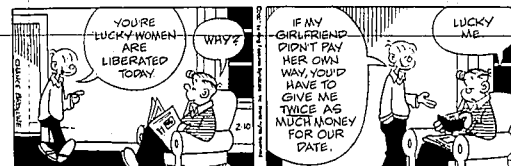
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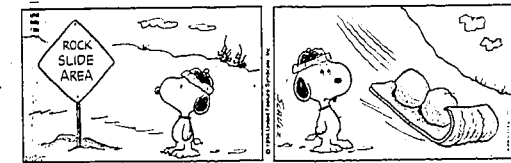
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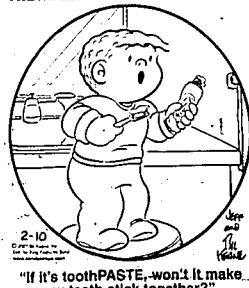
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Girl who was in high gear now feels stuck in park



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm 19 and dropped out of college in December 2005. After years of going through honors classes, I felt like I had nothing left. My brain was on cruise control. I was present but my mind wasn't. I'd go to class and feel like a shell.

My friends and family attribute it to laziness. I felt like I didn't know what I wanted to do and was wasting my father's money being there — so I left.

My father doesn't believe in "doing nothing." If you're not in school, you get a job. So for the past 14 months I have had a job to fill my day.

I think I want to go back to school in August, but I also feel I'm doing it to please everyone else. Honestly, I no longer know what I want to be in life. I have no idea what I want to major in. I'm just lost.

I have never dated, used drugs, drunk, partied or anything else besides go to school. And I was good at it.

I try not to look girly or pretty because it attracts guys' attention. But now I realize that no matter what you do, they're going to notice you. I feel like my life has to change for the sake of my emotional health. I feel purposeless.

I have dreams of what I want out of life — a mansion, a nice car, money in the bank — but I don't necessarily have

to go to college to achieve that. I know it sounds like a cliché, but I feel like I don't know who I am. I can't backpack through Europe, nor do I have the money to even travel around the United States. So my question is, how should I go about finding myself?

— NEEDS HELP
IN CHICAGO

DEAR NEEDS HELP: Your first step should be to return to college. Your second step should be in the direction of the student health center to talk to someone about being screened for depression and anxiety. Although you were a good student, it appears that you had no social life. A young woman your age should not be hiding to keep from being noticed.

Your third step should be the college's career counseling department. It is important that you learn what it is you enjoy as well as have an aptitude for. After that, I predict a lot of things in your life will fall into place.

DEAR ABBY: I live with a close friend. Recently a per-

son who knows us both sent out invitations to his wedding. I received one; my housemate did not. Further, there is no "and guest" indicated on my invitation.

I feel very uncomfortable about it — and more than a little miffed. I say that if the inviter knows both adult members of a household but invites only one, then the inviter should at least communicate briefly with the one not invited rather than make the one who was invited feel awkward. That seems like common courtesy to me. However, I have checked the etiquette resources and the issue isn't addressed even in passing.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?
— UNCOMFORTABLE
— IN NEW YORK

DEAR UNCOMFORTABLE: I have never heard of a host having to explain to someone not invited rather than make the one on a guest list. I am sure of one thing, however. There was a reason for the exclusion, whether it was personal or budgetary.

An invitation is an invitation, not a command performance.

Because you feel "stuck in the middle" that your housemate was not invited to the wedding, feel free to send your regrets — and if you are asked why you didn't accept, tell the person what you have told me.

Singing telegrams arrived this day in 1933

This day in history: Sing a happy birthday greeting to the singing telegram. First delivered on Feb. 10, 1933, by an employee of the Postal Telegraph Co. of New York.

Sometimes things work out just fine. A young Julie Andrews played the role of Liza Doolittle in Broadway's "Milk Fair Lady," but movie studio heads decided she wasn't a big enough star to play in the movie, so they replaced her with Audrey Hepburn.

So Andrews signed on for the Mary Poppins role and won the Oscar that year for best actress.

The Scots outlawed golf twice in their history: once in 1457 because they were afraid that men were playing golf instead of practicing war skills, and the second time in World War II to save the rubber in golf balls for the war effort.

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RANDOM KINDS OF FACTS
Erin Barrett & Jack Mingo

England, it means 1,000,000,000,000.

A good custom artificial eye, matching your natural color perfectly, will cost you from \$1,700 to \$2,400. But don't call them "glass eyes" — they're made from unbreakable plastic.

Knights who served in the Crusades were buried with their legs crossed.

Keep this in mind when pricing pizza: one 10-inch pie yields little more pizza than two 7-inch ones (78.5 square inches vs. 77). One 14-inch pizza yields just a little less than two 10-inchers (157 square inches vs. 154).

In Europe, taking baths fell out of favor for twelve

centuries after the Catholic church decreed in 500 A.D. that exposing your skin — even to yourself — was a sin.

"Kiki" was the childhood nickname of Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

A reader asks "How and when did the term 'Pin Alley' originate?" It was coined in 1908 to describe the area around 28th Street in New York City where song writers, worked and music publishers had offices. In the summer, the sound of a hundred pianos waiting through open windows sounded like a metallic cacophony.

They're called "buffalo wings" not because they're made of American bison, but because the spiced and fried chicken originated at Frank & Teresa's Anchor Bar in Buffalo, N.Y.

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Internet bragging helps officers nab suspect

FARMINGTON, W. Va. (AP) — It was so brazen that police say a man and his father illegally killed two bucks on the first day of hunting season, but what got them into trouble was bragging about it on the Internet.

Robert Daniel "Murphy" Kane, 26, and his father were fined after the state Division of Natural Resources was tipped off Jan. 23 to the Internet posting, which included photos, on an outdoors-related message board.

In the posting, Kane bragged

of killing two bucks on the first day of the 2006 buck season, even though the legal limit is one buck a day, said Sgt. Roy Coof of DNR's District 1 law enforcement section in Farmington.

"I guess you can say that Kane's boasting of his deer kills on the Web drew plenty of attention, but not the kind he wanted," Coof said in a news release.

Kane, of Bridgeport, was charged on Jan. 27 with five wildlife violations, including conspiring to violate wildlife laws.

Investigators also confiscated Kane's 10-point rack, which was waiting to be mounted at the taxidermist, the DNR said.

His father, Robert Daniel Kane, 53, of Clarkburg was fined \$381 on charges including conspiring with his son to game law violations.

HORSE MONTHLY

Debuts on January 30th...

a new page that will run in the Country Road Section.

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WINTER FORECAST

Today: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies spotty showers. Highs in the middle 40s.
 Tonight: Continued cloudy to mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Lows in the middle 30s.
 Tomorrow: Mild temperatures with cloudy skies and scattered showers. Highs near 50, lows middle 30s.

SUNRISE & SUNSET FORECAST

Today: Generally cloudy with scattered showers. Highs in the middle 40s.
 Tonight: Cloudy and cool with scattered rain and snow showers. Lows in the lower 30s.
 Tomorrow: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies, scattered showers and a little warmer than normal. Highs upper 40s.

BOISE FORECAST

Today: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies with light snow for today and Sunday. Small drift accumulations are likely. Valley locations will see mixed light snow showers with a bit of sleet on night for light snow.

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TWIN FALLS, FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Today	Tonight	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
High 46	Low 38	61 / 34	52 / 28	48 / 28	50 / 28

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Today: High 46, Low 38	0.04"	71%	30.11 in.	Sunrise: 7:40 AM, Sunset: 6:24 PM
Record High: 88 in 2000	Record Low: -18 in 1998	Record High: 100% in 1998	Record High: 30.52 in 1998	Sunrise: 7:28 AM, Sunset: 6:27 PM

Moon Phases

Feb 10	Feb 17	Feb 24	Mar 3
Last Oct.	New Moon	Full Oct.	Full Oct.

Moons and Moonset

Today	Tomorrow	Today	Tomorrow
Moons: 1:00 AM	Moons: 1:00 AM	Moons: 1:00 AM	Moons: 1:00 AM
Moonset: 3:00 AM	Moonset: 3:00 AM	Moonset: 3:00 AM	Moonset: 3:00 AM

REGIONAL FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Today	Tomorrow
City	HI	LO	HI	LO
Boise	46	38	50	35
Idaho Falls	42	34	48	32
Pocatello	40	32	46	30
Twin Falls	38	30	44	28
Blackfoot	36	28	42	26
Arco	34	26	40	24
Blaine	32	24	38	22
Bravo	30	22	36	20
Butte	28	20	34	18
Chamberlain	26	18	32	16
Chubbuck	24	16	30	14
Condon	22	14	28	12
Driggs	20	12	26	10
Elgin	18	10	24	8
Emery	16	8	22	6
Franklin	14	6	20	4
Hammond	12	4	18	2
Heppner	10	2	16	0
Home	8	0	14	-2
Hope	6	-2	12	-4
Jerome	4	-4	10	-6
Ketchikan	2	-6	8	-8
Leto	0	-8	6	-10
Malheur	-2	-10	4	-12
Marion	-4	-12	2	-14
McCall	-6	-14	0	-16
Minidoka	-8	-16	-2	-18
Morehead	-10	-18	-4	-20
Mountain Home	-12	-20	-6	-22
Northwood	-14	-22	-8	-24
Orlando	-16	-24	-10	-26
Oronogo	-18	-26	-12	-28
Parma	-20	-28	-14	-30
Payson	-22	-30	-16	-32
Prater	-24	-32	-18	-34
Reynolds	-26	-34	-20	-36
Rice	-28	-36	-22	-38
Shoshone	-30	-38	-24	-40
St. Charles	-32	-40	-26	-42
St. Paul	-34	-42	-28	-44
St. Regis	-36	-44	-30	-46
St. Victor	-38	-46	-32	-48
St. Albans	-40	-48	-34	-50
St. Anthony	-42	-50	-36	-52
St. Ignace	-44	-52	-38	-54
St. Joseph	-46	-54	-40	-56
St. Leon	-48	-56	-42	-58
St. Michaels	-50	-58	-44	-60
St. Patrick	-52	-60	-46	-62
St. Peter	-54	-62	-48	-64
St. Raphael	-56	-64	-50	-66
St. Rose	-58	-66	-52	-68
St. Vincent	-60	-68	-54	-70
St. Xavier	-62	-70	-56	-72
St. Yves	-64	-72	-58	-74
St. Zeno	-66	-74	-60	-76
St. Agatha	-68	-76	-62	-78
St. Agnes	-70	-78	-64	-80
St. Ann	-72	-80	-66	-82
St. Ann's	-74	-82	-68	-84
St. Ann's	-76	-84	-70	-86
St. Ann's	-78	-86	-72	-88
St. Ann's	-80	-88	-74	-90
St. Ann's	-82	-90	-76	-92
St. Ann's	-84	-92	-78	-94
St. Ann's	-86	-94	-80	-96
St. Ann's	-88	-96	-82	-98
St. Ann's	-90	-98	-84	-100

CANADIAN FORECAST

City	Today	Tomorrow	Today	Tomorrow
City	HI	LO	HI	LO
Calgary	18	8	22	12
Edmonton	16	6	20	10
Regina	14	4	18	8
Saskatoon	12	2	16	6
Winnipeg	10	0	14	4
Victoria	8	-2	12	2
Vancouver	6	-4	10	0
Montreal	4	-6	8	-2
Ottawa	2	-8	6	-4
Quebec	0	-10	4	-6
Halifax	-2	-12	2	-8
St. John's	-4	-14	0	-10

Yesterday's Weather

City	HI	LO	Prob.
Boise	50	35	0%
Idaho Falls	47	33	0%
Chamberlain	45	31	0%
Blackfoot	43	29	0%
Arco	41	27	0%
Blaine	39	25	0%
Bravo	37	23	0%
Butte	35	21	0%
Chubbuck	33	19	0%
Condon	31	17	0%
Driggs	29	15	0%
Elgin	27	13	0%
Emery	25	11	0%
Franklin	23	9	0%
Hammond	21	7	0%
Heppner	19	5	0%
Home	17	3	0%
Hope	15	1	0%
Jerome	13	-1	0%
Ketchikan	11	-3	0%
Leto	9	-5	0%
Malheur	7	-7	0%
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McCall	3	-11	0%
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St. Leon	-39	-53	0%
St. Michaels	-41	-55	0%
St. Patrick	-43	-57	0%
St. Peter	-45	-59	0%
St. Raphael	-47	-61	0%
St. Rose	-49	-63	0%
St. Vincent	-51	-65	0%
St. Xavier	-53	-67	0%
St. Yves	-55	-69	0%
St. Zeno	-57	-71	0%
St. Agatha	-59	-73	0%
St. Agnes	-61	-75	0%
St. Ann	-63	-77	0%
St. Ann's	-65	-79	0%

Real Estate

& classifieds



Today's Listings: Open Houses: 43 Homes for Sale: 148 Rentals: 123

Open House Homes For Sale Homes For Sale Homes For Sale Open House Open House Open House Open House Open House

OPEN HOUSE
Sat. & Sun. 1-5pm
TWIN FALLS For Sale By Owner
2104 sq ft split floor plan w/visionary room 3 bdrm, 2 baths, custom deck w/built in hot tub, live pit, vegetable garden, trees.
\$269,900
2636 Longbow Drive
208-725-4076

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Selling Property? Don't pay any fees until it's sold. For free information about avoiding time sharing and real estate scams, write to:
Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580 or call the National Fraud Information Center, 1-800-876-7060.

BUHL/FILER Buhl-Country living, 1877 sq ft, 3 bdrms., 2 bath, split back home on 2 acres w/fenced back yard. Large kitchen w/new cabinets & new carpet, tile, & laminated flooring throughout. Walkout pantry, vinyl windows, new paint, recent gas furnace & AC. Great view site to appreciate.
\$225,000 543-4852, 358-0152

BURLEY \$124,900 Oversized yard with a huge sandbox for the kids. Interior was repainted in the last year. All new windows with oak trim. Call: 539-5758
TheAdeRealEstate@aol.com MLS #98278168 PC#7881

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208-734-0100
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BUHL JUST LISTED This spacious 5 bdrm home boasts a formal dining room and nice kitchen. Detached garage/shop. Only \$69,900. Call Rodi BARKER REALTORS Call 543-4371

OPEN HOUSE
SATURDAY • 12-3 P.M.
589 BUTTE DRIVE, TWIN FALLS

3 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, all brick home, family room with fireplace & bar
\$199,900
Hosted by: Joe Korch 358-1999
Prudential Idaho Homes & Properties

EDEN New construction 3 bdrms., 2 bath, 1344 sq. ft., on 1 acre, 2 car carport, well & septic tank, \$159,600 Call Byrd Goley 731-2973 or 734-7728

OPEN HOUSES FROM 1-4 P.M. WATCH FOR ASSIST 2 SELL SIGNS!

154 Avenida Del Rio - TF
North on Dale Lane & Washington, West on Avenida Del Rio
3 bedrooms, 2 baths
1200 sq. ft., \$124,900 REDUCED!!!

2799 Chaparral Circle - Twin Falls
East at Railroad & Elizabeth, South on Truitt on Chaparral and Co
4 bedrooms, 2 baths
1729 sq. ft., \$188,000

1pm - 3pm Only 241 Cedar Park Circle - TF
North at Addison Ave. E. A. Carnegie Ln N. Left on Washington, Right on Cedar Park Circle
3 bedrooms, 2 baths
1384 sq. ft., \$188,500

OPEN HOUSES

1662 Brookfield Ct., T.F.
Today 11-1PM
Beautiful home, Park like setting in Stonebrook Subd.
MLS# 9826290 \$235,000
Host: Sarah Higley 948-0851

453 Pierson St., T.F.
Today 11-1PM
Get a lot for the price in a great neighborhood. Directions: West on Filer past Blue Lakes, turn South on Pierce
MLS# 98277126 \$169,000
Host: Richard Bateman 731-2474

4 BR 2.5 Baths
1547 Lawndale Dr., T.F.
Today 1-3PM
Great home with hardwood floors, hickory cabinets and more!
Directions: Locust N. Right on Lawndale
MLS# 98282224 \$296,000
Host: Diana Whitney 731-3588

700 Pina St., Filer
Today 1-4PM
4 beds, 3 baths, 2,485 SF
Lots of unique features!
Directions: HWY 30 S to Steven Rd. Turn W to Pina St.
MLS# 98267637 \$283,000
Host: Peggy Connolly 423-3357

OPEN HOUSES TODAY

1061 Arrow Wood, Twin Falls
This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring the oak floor plan by Washington Homes. Home has a nice breakfast bar and home features a 2 car garage!
Price: \$179,900 MLS# 98275194
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

1037 Arrow Wood Court, Twin Falls
This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring the oak floor plan by Washington Homes. Home has a nice breakfast bar and home features a 2 car garage!
Price: \$179,900 MLS# 98253417
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

1067 Arrow Wood Court, Twin Falls
This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring the oak floor plan by Washington Homes. Home has a nice breakfast bar and home features a 2 car garage!
Price: \$159,900 MLS# 98253364
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

1045 Arrow Wood Court, Twin Falls
This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring the oak floor plan by Washington Homes. Home has a nice breakfast bar and home features a 2 car garage!
Price: \$164,900 MLS# 98253416
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

277 Quincy Street, Twin Falls
Fertile ground, great location, 1.5 acres, 1 1/2 bath, 1100 sq ft, 2 car garage, 12' x 12' tile floor, split back deck, great location. Bottom half of acreage is zoned for a home. Great investment!
Price: \$125,000 MLS# 98270689
12:00 - 1:00 pm

1516 N Elm Street, Jerome ID
This is a beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home featuring the oak floor plan by Washington Homes. Home has a nice breakfast bar and home features a 2 car garage!
Price: \$199,900 MLS# 98282515
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

913 River Mist Path, Twin Falls ID
Price: \$305,000 MLS# 98283623
12:00 - 1:00 pm

1410 Summer Place, Jerome ID
Price: \$274,900 MLS# 98281067
12:00 - 1:00 pm

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SOUTH PARK AVENUE AND THE TF MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE. REALTY OWNED. DEVELOPMENT LAND WITH PUD IN PROCESS FOR 1-UNITS.
\$4,252,500

GREAT STARTER HOME ON PRESIDENT STREET.
2 bedrooms 1 bath with detached garage. Good sized lot. \$43,900.

IN FILER
2 bedrooms home with extra large lot, grassed in front and back porch. \$79,900.

YOU MUST SEE THIS ONE!
Great family home on spacious corner lot, 3 bedrooms 2 bath vinyl siding, fenced yard, 2 car garage with shop. \$169,500.

FANTASTIC VIEW
3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths on large lot with 2 driveways. New metal siding and roof. \$179,900.

PARK YOUR RV HERE
3 bedrooms 1 1/2 baths on large lot with 2 driveways. New metal siding and roof. \$179,900.

488 Driftwood Ln., Jerome
Today 1-4PM
4 BR 2 BA with 2262 SF. Great home property with 1 acre.
Directions: From Twin Falls, take Golf Course Rd. to Northridge, turn East to Driftwood and turn right.
MLS# 98278546 \$279,900
Host: Roger Urnsbach 328-0032

Horses Welcome
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MLS# 98278546 \$279,900
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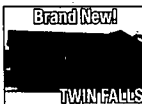
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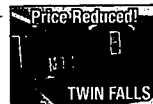
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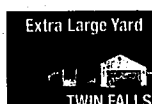
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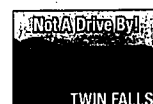
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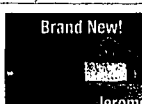
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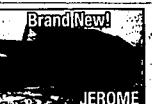
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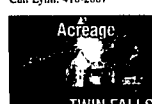
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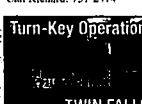
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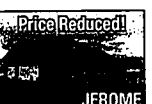
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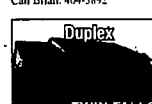
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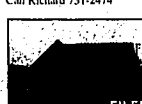
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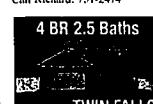
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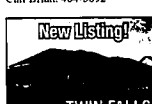
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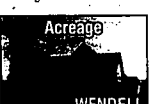
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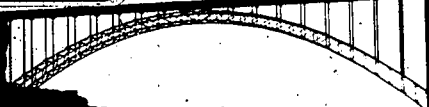

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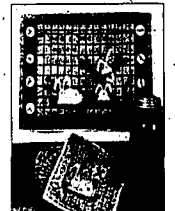
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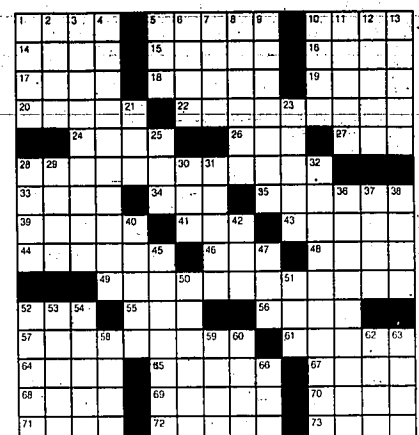
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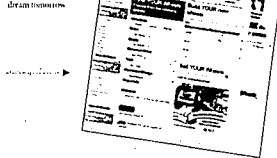
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Yes, Eisenberg put in the heart jack, allowing declarer to capture the trick with dummy's queen and repeat the diamond finesse. Now South cashed the third diamond and exited with the heart king. Eisenberg took his ace and cleared the clubs. South took the second club and crossed to the spade ace to lead the 13th diamond. Now he exited with the nine of hearts, but Kantar could take this trick, cash the last club, then lead to his partner's spade king for the setting trick.

Note that if Eisenberg follows with the heart ace at trick three, he concedes the contract at once. If he plays low, as would most of us in sleep, declarer can keep East off lead in hearts because Eisenberg is left with the two master hearts. The defenders are unable to reach their second club trick, since there is no entry to East's hand. West can be endplayed with the third round of hearts, forced to lead spades into South's spelt tenace for the ninth trick: Even discarding the heart ace would not be sufficient if South reads the position right.

NORTH 02-18-A

♥ A 9
♥ Q 9 8 4 2
♥ 10 6 3
♦ K 8

WEST

♠ K J 6 5
♥ A J 5
♦ 9 5 2
♣ 10 9 6

EAST

♠ 10 7 4
♥ 10 7 6
♦ K 7 4
♣ Q J 5 4

SOUTH

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ K 3
♦ A Q 8
♣ A 7 3 2

South West North East
1 NT Pass 2 ♦ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 3 ♥ Pass
3 NT All pass
*Forcing Stayman

Opening lead: Club 10

BID WITH THE ACES 02-18-B

South holds:

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ K 3
♦ A Q 8
♣ A 7 3 2

South West North East
Dbl. 2 ♥ Pass 1 ♥ Pass
?

ANSWER: Partner's double is takeout for the minors. (With spades, he would bid them.) A two-no-trump bid by you now not only would be unwise if it were natural, but should be played as artificial, offering partner the choice of minors. So bid three clubs, the contract you know you want to play in.

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