

Prepare to paddle

A Snake River whitewater run is seeing improvements.

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Playoff basketball

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Every flake counts for water users

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — With each snowflake, Magic Valley irrigators get closer to a promising water year.

Problem is, it'll take several billion more flakes between now and April 1 before farmers can stop worrying.

Despite a week of white weather, Twin Falls was still below average for precipitation in February. Only 1.4 inches of precipitation were measured in Twin Falls since Monday, and with canal systems set to open soon, farmers are running out of time.

"We're still trying to play catch-up," said Ron Abramovich, a water-supply specialist with the National Resource Conservation Service. "We need a couple more weeks of this [snowy weather]."

That's not likely to happen. The National Weather Service predicts temperatures near 50 degrees over the weekend with a chance of more rain early next week — before it gets dry again.

Les Collins, lead forecaster in the NWS Boise office, says southern Idaho will see higher-than-normal temperatures and below-average precipitation between now and the growing season.

Worse, Abramovich said, the Upper Snake Basin needs precipitation to be about 188 percent of average — about twice the normal amount — during March to bring snowpack and watershed levels back to normal.

Still, water specialists aren't giving up hope just yet.

"Every little bit counts," Abramovich said. "It all helps."

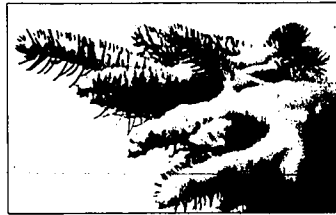
Times-News staff writer Matt Christensen covers natural resources. He welcomes comments at 735-3243 and at matt.christensen@tcn.net.

Elsewhere



Deadly tornadoes strike in Alabama.

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Snow covers tree branches in Rock Creek Park on Thursday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Lawmakers unfazed by Idaho's poor child care center ranking

The Associated Press

BOISE — When a nationwide survey ranked Idaho the worst state in oversight of child care centers, some advocacy groups hoped the criticism would shame state lawmakers into stepping up supervision of day care.

But most lawmakers interviewed Thursday seemed unfazed.

"That does not bother me in the least bit," Rep. Peter Nielsen, R-Mountain Home, said of the ranking. Nielsen was among those who voted

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—Rep. Peter Nielsen, R-Mountain Home

Monday to kill a bill that would have required minimum safety standards and criminal background checks for day care centers in Idaho.

"I don't see the need for all the extra regulations," he said.

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Anti-pot advertising of the 1930s and 40s used fictitious tales like 'Marijuana Girl,' a story about a teenager who traded her body for drugs and kicks ...

True tales

But today's anti-meth media campaigns such as the Montana Meth Project use gritty images and true stories of actual meth addicts to deter kids from using meth.

Photo: Steve Granitz/Photo Disc/Getty Images

Tell the truth: A \$12 million anti-meth lesson

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

FILER — Idaho is bracing itself for a 10-year, \$20 million-plus war of propaganda against meth that paints the drug as menacing as the anti-pot advertising of the 1930s and 1940s' portrayed marijuana.

But unlike "Reefer Madness," "Marijuana Girl" and cartoonists' depictions of head-eyed demonic fiends, new media campaigns such as one Idaho will soon borrow from the Montana Meth Project, slam the senses with real images and stories of actual meth users.

"Anti-marijuana campaigns were based on fictions. They were trying to get the shock out there," said Brent Evans, drug-free workplace coordinator at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. "But kids are smart."

The traditional drug ad. Evans said, entails an adult who has never tried drugs

AFTER METH



"Pain of Meth." The Partnership for a Drug Free America.

BEFORE METH



"Pain of Meth." The Partnership for a Drug Free America.

warning against its many ills. So, Evans takes before-and-after photos with him to visit middle school and high school classrooms, and sometimes actual recovering addicts.

Sending moral warnings,

as Reefer Madness, and raising health issues, as in the infamous "this is your brain on drugs" TV ad featuring eggs sizzling in a frying pan, are not what kids voted for in Montana's \$12 million privately funded project.

"Kids told us — and they are our target population — having an adult stand up in front of them really doesn't work," said Peg Shea, executive director of the Montana Meth Project. "Kids in Montana really wanted to hear from other kids in Montana."

Idaho is raising \$2.7 million in private money to copy the campaign in Montana. In 2005, the Montana Meth Project bombarded newspapers, billboards and airwaves with graphic images and first-hand stories of recovering addicts aimed mainly at youth ages 12 to 17.

"It reaches a target audience better than more

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Shortages threaten Guard's capability

By Ana Scott Tyson
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Nearly 90 percent of Army National Guard units in the United States are rated "not ready" — largely as a result of shortfalls in billions of dollars worth of equipment — jeopardizing their ability to respond to crises at home and abroad, according to a congressional commission that released a preliminary report Thursday on the state of the U.S. military reserve forces.

The report found that heavy deployments of the National Guard and reserves since 2001 for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and for other anti-terrorism missions have deepened shortages, forced the cobbling together of units and hurt recruiting.

"We can't sustain the (National Guard and reserves) on the course we're on," said Arnold Punaro, chairman of the 13-member Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, established by Congress in 2005. The inde-

pendent commission, composed mainly of former senior military and civilian officials appointed by both parties, is tasked to study the mission readiness and compensation of the reserve forces.

"The Department of Defense is not adequately equipping the National Guard for its domestic missions," the commission's report found. It faulted the Pentagon for a lack of budgeting for "civil support" in domestic emergencies.

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Staff Sgt. Rob Jenkins greets his daughters, Alex Jenkins, 8, right, and Rylan Jenkins, 5, as he and others in the Idaho National Guard 1-183rd Artillery Battalion arrive in Boise Thursday following 18 months in Afghanistan.

Jerome hospital sold

Minnesota-based Benedictine Health System taking over

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

JEROME — St. Benedict's Family Medical Center has a new owner.

The Boise-based nonprofit Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center announced Thursday it has transferred ownership of the 25-bed critical access hospital to Benedictine Health System, a Catholic health care organization based in Duluth, Minn. BHS owns nine acute-care hospitals, including two others in Idaho — Clearwater Valley Hospital in Orofino and St. Mary's Hospital in Cottonwood. It also owns or manages more than 50 long-term care facilities of various types, including nursing homes, assisted-living facilities and independent living facilities in eight states.

How the ownership transfer will affect St. Benedict's plans to build its new 25-bed hospital at Crossroads Point is unknown. However, Bryan Craig, who sits on the hospital's board, said the hospital intends to go forward with its plans to build.

"Obviously, with a new parent there's no guarantee, but that's what the intent is," Craig said Thursday.

Saint Alphonsus had been working to secure financing for the new \$20-plus million hospital and it looks as though BHS plans to continue on that path.

"We intend to focus our efforts on revisiting the current facility design to see if it meets the community's future needs, and embark on the goal of attracting the right financing to build a replacement hospital," said Dan McGinley, senior vice president of BHS in a news release.

The transfer of ownership will have little impact on patients, hospital staff and physicians, McGinley said. Saint Alphonsus will retain one seat on the St. Benedict's Board of Directors.

So why did Saint Alphonsus decide to transfer ownership of St. Benedict's?

"We considered how to advance health care services in Jerome, and determined that a Catholic partnership based on our clinical strengths and BHS' special expertise operating long-term care and

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TODAY'S FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

Partly to mostly cloudy and mostly dry High 39 Low 24 48 / 26

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Mostly sunny skies and chilly temperatures. Highs in the upper 30s. Tonight: Mostly clear and dry. Lows near 20. Tomorrow: A little warmer and mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 40s, lows middle 20s.

Complete weather report: See page C8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

'South Pacific' the musical, presented by Minico High School, 7 p.m., Minico High School, 100 S. 300 W., Rupert, 55 adults and 53 children, 43-721. 'First Fridays,' Country Swing, Bob Wills style, with 'Cowboy Country' featuring Rob Harding and Johnny U, Eric Ettesvold in Rudy's Live Kitchen, beverages sold by the glass, food tasting and more, 6 to 9 p.m., Rudy's A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave. W., Twin Falls, 733-5477. 'Give My Regards to Broadway,' presented by the Snake River Flats with several music groups and featuring the Rocky Mountain High quartet, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, \$6 general admission, \$5 senior citizens, \$3 students and \$18 for a family, 436-6047. Ernest Lehman's 'Hello, Dolly!,' presented by the Oakley Valley Arts Council, 7:30 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley, 58, 677-ARTS.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

'Canyonside in the Country' auction and fundraiser for Canyonside Christian School, 6 p.m. dinner (catered) by Rocky Mountain BBQ and 7 p.m. auction, Jerome Best Western Sawtooth Inn, Jerome, 320, 324-3444. Bingo, sponsored by the Gooding County Historical Society, 7 to 10 p.m., Sally's Office Solutions, 338 Main St., Gooding, \$11 per ticket (20 games), 934-4412.

BUSINESS

Open House, College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging, to celebrate new location and meet staff, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., in the former Center for New Directions building (one block north of previous location), C.S.I. campus, 315 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, 736-2122 or 1-800-574-8656.

EDUCATION

Raises project to support Latino communities in Jerome, Rupert, Heyburn and Burley — with music, food, bilingual information and presentations, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Jerome High School Cafeteria, 104 North Tiger Drive, Jerome, (208) 260-1042.

FAMILY

'Youth Options,' activities for young people ages 13-19, 7 to 10 p.m., The Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, 52, 733-8720. 'Fiesta Friday Dinner,' a buffet-style, traditional Basque meal sponsored by the Gooding Basque Association, 6 to 8:30 p.m., the Basque Cultural Center at the intersection of Highways 26 and 46 in Gooding, general donation of \$14 (seniors eat for \$12), 208-352-4266 or 308-5051.

GOVERNMENT

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

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho's Over Sixty and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m., at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Jerome Rec Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Gym and Blaine County Campus Gym; and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at CSI Burley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 48 Chapter of Jerome, a weight loss support group, 4 p.m., the Jerome Public Library, 100 1st Ave. E., Jerome, 420-3823. 'Overcoming Co-dependency,' 6:30 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 3rd Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603. 'Abuse is the Training for Addiction,' facilitated by Dr. Sharon Custer, 6:30 p.m., Miracle Valley Counseling Center, 213 3rd Ave. E., Twin Falls, no cost (free-will offering accepted), 734-9603. Al-Anon/Alateen family groups, to help friends and families of alcoholics, hot-line: 866-592-3198.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium, 'Far Out Space Places,' 7 p.m., Herrert 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.

OPINION MINI EDITORIAL Who am I? Theft sparks identity crisis Someone stole my identity! Now I don't know who I am. — AUTHOR UNKNOWN (Ray Manley, Twin Falls)

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MAGIC VALLEY



Boaters get a break at Hagerman Reach

Extra! Extra! The biggest news to hit whitewater sports in the Magic Valley since the invention of the boat is taking place now on the Hagerman Reach of the Snake River. Idaho Power Co. has begun its recreational development plan for the river from Lower Salmon Falls Power Plant to Shoe String Bridge. SEE PAGE D1

Snow good, but more would be better

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They're small, fast and made for racing. But they are also pink or purple and sparkly, and come with a tiny doll. Girls are getting their own line of \$3 toy race cars this year from the maker of Matchbox — half a century after that brand, now owned by Mattel Inc., introduced its classic die-cast toy for boys. SEE PAGE A4

Truck spills sulfuric acid on interstate

BURLEY — Several gallons of sulfuric acid were spilled Wednesday night onto Interstate 84 east of Burley when a westbound tractor-trailer rig overturned and dumped its load of hazardous materials. SEE PAGE B1

Auction raises money for injured Filer grad

FILER — Jake Hurley raised twice as much as he figured the would when the bumper he fabricated was auctioned during Wednesday's livestock sale at the Twin Falls Livestock Commission. SEE PAGE B1

ISDB marks centennial

GOODING — About 250 people gathered at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind to take part in the school's Centennial Celebration on Thursday. Despite icy roads and the threat of snow showers, the event attracted far more people than officials had expected. SEE PAGE B1

OBITUARIES Betty Jean Brown, 84 Corinne Benkita Haze, 48 Charlotte Ann Myers Thomas Lloyd Twibell, 62 SEE PAGE B2

CORRECTION Wrong address A story on Sunday should have said Impressions Hair & Spa is at 204 E. Main St. in Jerome. The Times-News regrets the error.

IDAHO/WEST



Emmett grieves for five students killed in crash

BOISE — Counselors helped grieving students in the small community of Emmett as officials tried to determine what caused a car to veer off the road and into a pond, killing all five children inside. SEE PAGE B3

Day-care study doesn't faze some lawmakers

BOISE — Idaho lawmakers who backed a failed bill to require safety standards and criminal background checks for day care centers hope a survey that ranked Idaho last among the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Defense Department in childcare oversight changes some minds. But most of the lawmakers who voted against the bill are saying the worst ranking in the nation doesn't bother them one bit. SEE PAGE A1

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NATION/WORLD



Tornadoes bring death, destruction in South

ENTERPRISE, Ala. — Apparent tornadoes killed at least 7 people in Alabama on Thursday, including 5 at a high school where students were trapped under a collapsed roof, state officials said. SEE PAGE B4

Army fires general in charge of Walter Reed

WASHINGTON — The Army on Thursday fired the general in charge of Walter Reed Army Medical Center, saying he was the wrong person to fix embarrassing failures in the treatment of war-injured soldiers that have soured the institution's reputation as a first-class hospital. SEE PAGE B4

Bomb targets convoy of senior Shiite cleric

BAGHDAD, Iraq — A roadside bomb exploded Thursday alongside the convoy of a prominent Shiite cleric whose high-level political ties have made him the target of past assassination attempts. The imam was not injured, but several bodyguards were wounded. SEE PAGE D4

Missouri man charged in kidnapping case

ST. LOUIS — A Missouri man accused of kidnapping and molesting two boys was indicted Thursday on federal charges he took pornographic pictures and videos of one of the youngsters. The indictment marked the first federal charges against Michael Devlin, 41, a former pizzeria manager from the St. Louis suburbs. SEE PAGE B4

SPORTS



Pilots steer past Cougars

BOISE — Experience doesn't matter, at least to Glenns Ferry. The Pilots have not made the trip to state in 21 years, but they proved that didn't matter as they knocked off the West Jefferson Cougars 64-54 in the first round of the Class 2A boys state basketball tournament Thursday at Capital High School. SEE PAGE C1

Buhl pounds Weiser

MERIDIAN — What's big, clad in white and orange and beats its first-round opponent like the bass drum of a glam rock band? A hint: It isn't the Weiser boys basketball team. The Buhl Indians boys squad thumped the Weiser Wolverines 56-46 at Meridian High School on Thursday to make the Class 3A championship semifinals. SEE PAGE C1

Snow delays CSI softball home opener

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho softball home opener will have to wait one more day. Mother Nature conspired to dump snow on Twin Falls Wednesday night, snafu-ing the Twin Falls High School Bruin Diamond beyond playability for today's scheduled Scenic West Athletic Conference doubleheader between the host Gooding Eagles and visiting Salt Lake Community College Bruins. SEE PAGE C1

Burley tops jitters, then Middleton

CALDWELL — After shaking off the first-game jitters, Burley cruised to a 60-40 victory over Middleton in the first round of the Class 4A state boys basketball tournament Thursday at Albion College. SEE PAGE C1

Snowpack Levels

Table with 3 columns: Watershed, % of Avg peak, % season. Lists Salmon, Big Wood, Little Wood, Big Lost, Little Lost, Henrys Fork/Teton, Upper Snake Basin, Galley, Salmon Falls.

As of March 1. * A comparison of basin snowpack on March 1 with a 30-year average. ** An indicator of how much snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.

WEB READER FUNCTION

On the letter 'Thim mentality' stops advances of stem cells'

DOUGLAS HERMAN: 'Maybe the biggest problem with stem cell research is that it was first associated to abortion. Can I challenge all of you to do your own research and find up-to-date studies that have shown stem cells can be collected effectively without an aborted fetus. Yes it's a fact, stem cells can be collected from embryonic fluid and even the dead from natural causes. George Bush doesn't deserve to discuss moral anything unless he's talking to Bill Clinton or his clergyman. To the pro lifers, one question, if a woman has a miscarriage (medically known as a natural abortion) do you accuse God of not recognizing that life He just took? ... Stem cell research may lead man to believe he is greater than God, but I'm sure God will have the last word on that too.'

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Drugs

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 traditional forms of drug awareness could," said John Hanlan, a spokesman for Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter. "They are actual kids talking about their lives after meth. We want to replicate that here because we have got lots of these stories in our state."

"In half a month of fundraising Idaho has raised more than \$276,000. Idaho is scrambling to raise funds to import Montana's aggressive statewide media campaign that took Montana from ranking 5th for workers testing positive for amphetamines in 2005 to 39th in 2006, according to the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Idaho fell from 18th to 28th during that same period."

The Magic Valley has already produced several like-minded initiatives on a smaller scale. Sharon Lutkehus has begun showing her seventh-graders at Filer Middle School a video produced by Dr. Mary E. Holley, the director of Mad Mothers Against Methamphetamine.

"High is a Lie" is a graphic, 40-minute video that centers on Holley's meth-addicted brother who, six months after filming, killed himself. "There's a lot of shock on their behalf," Lutkehus said. "They are surprised at how quickly the addiction happens."

And also how hard it is to break, she added. Evans said the only weakness of the video is that it was filmed outside Idaho.

"Unfortunately in our society we see everything glamorized so much," Evans said. "We

Mad Mothers Against Methamphetamines

Where: 212 Doere St. (off Highway Road)
 When: 6 p.m. Thursday and on March 22; April 5 and 26
 Questions: Call Pam Green, 212-0283

need to see the true downside of what meth is doing to our family, our friends and our community as a whole."

Western States College in downtown Twin Falls distributes its own video called, "Meth in the Valley," free of charge. And it is working on a sequel.

The organization's founder was out of state on a family emergency and unavailable Thursday. But Evans, who has seen the video, said it follows local meth users.

"It talks to our people here locally," Evans said. "When they see this they are not saying, 'Oh, that's Ohio.'"

When the statewide program arrives in Idaho, expect to hear the voices of addicted kids on the radio. However, the TV and newspaper ads will use paid actors.

"I have been in the business of substance abuse for nearly 29 years and I have never seen anything to this degree," Shea said. "Meth in Montana is out of the closet. In Idaho, like it was in Montana, many teens don't understand how ravaging this drug is. Absolutely, but totally and completely honest."

Guard

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 criticizing the "flawed assumption" that as long as the military is prepared to fight a major war, it is ready to respond to a disaster or emergency at home.

From Virginia and the District of Columbia to Indiana and New Mexico, National Guard units lack thousands of trucks, Humvees, generators, radios, night-vision goggles and other gear that would be critical for responding to a major disaster, terrorist attack or other domestic emergency, according to state Guard officials.

The equipment shortage extends to Gulf Coast states such as Louisiana and Mississippi — devastated in 2005 by Hurricane Katrina — where Guard units have only a fraction of what they would need to respond to another large-scale disaster.

The Louisiana Guard, its gear depleted by Iraq and Katrina, is short of Humvees and trucks such as high-water vehicles, critical for a major evacuation. "We are really concerned about

vehicles," said Lt. Col. Pete Schneider, a spokesman for the Louisiana Guard. "We would have enough for a small-scale issue ... maybe a Category 1 tropical storm we could handle — an event that doesn't involve massive flooding or massive search and rescue," he said. But for bigger disasters, Louisiana would need help from other states.

Mississippi lacks trucks and is relying on contractors to fill gaps in engineering vehicles, according to state Guard deputy Maj. Gen. Ike Phant. "We will make do with what we got," he said.

In the Washington area, Guard officials worry about a catastrophic attack. In the event of a "very large ... chemical, biological or nuclear incident in the national capital region, I would need every truck I was authorized, and we don't have that," said Col. Robert Simpson, director of the joint staff for the Virginia National Guard. "We are definitely short trucks, all wheeled vehicles," as well as radars,

bulldozers and other gear, Simpson said. The state Guard could handle ordinary contingencies such as "bad winter weather," he said.

Other state Guard leaders voiced similar concerns. "What keeps me up at night is, I think

I am able to surge ... for the normal disaster, but if I needed to deploy every bit of my soldiers and airmen, I know for a fact I do not have enough equipment," said Indiana National Guard head Maj. Gen. Martin Umberger.

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Hospital

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 rural health care facilities made the most sense," said Sandra Bruce, president and chief executive officer at Saint Alphonsus, in the news release. "We will continue to play a significant role with ongoing clinical collaboration to ensure that St. Benedict's and other rural community hospitals have access to our

critical care services, specialty physicians and state-of-the-art technologies.

Father Norbert Novak, chairman of the St. Benedict's Hospital Board, said the board is "excited about this change in sponsorship and governance."

"We are appreciative for all who have worked so hard to make this transition a reality," Novak said in the news release.

Day care

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 "I look around Idaho, and I think we have enough. I'm comfortable with what we have here."

Idaho's ranking — 52nd in a survey of the 50 states, the District of Columbia and the Defense Department, which runs child care centers for the U.S. military — came in a survey released this week by the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies.

Among the problems it found in Idaho's system:

• Idaho doesn't require child care center teachers to have training in first aid or CPR.

• Monitoring visits to child care centers are only done once a year.

The bill killed Monday would have set standards for health, safety, training and staffing and would have required criminal history checks for staff at day cares with as few as two unrelated children. It's the third year that

Rep. George Saylor, D-Coeur d'Alene, has tried to pass legislation to increase oversight.

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Market Watch

March 1, 2007

Dow Jones Industrials	-34.28	12,234.34
Nasdaq composite	-11.84	2,404.21
Standard & Poor's 500	-3.66	1,403.17
Russell 2000	-2.27	797.00

Stocks of local interest

Con Agri	25.14	▲ .07
Dell Inc.	23.01	▲ .16
Idacorp	34.83	▲ .06
Lithia Motors	23.34	▼ .11
Micron	11.86	▼ .00
Supervalu	36.96	▼ .00

Commodities

April Oil	62.00	▲ .21
Live cattle	98.15	▼ .90
April gold	665.1	▼ 7.4

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Feds may invest in ethanol plant near Shelley

The Associated Press

IDAHO FALLS — The U.S. Department of Energy has announced it might provide as much as \$80 million to a Canadian company that wants to build an ethanol plant in eastern Idaho.

The department — announced Wednesday that it will offer as much as \$385 million in grant money over four years to six biofuel refinery projects.

Ottawa-based Iogen Corp. has proposed building an ethanol refinery near Shelley that would convert vari-

ous crops to fuel. The plant would employ up to 100 people, the Post Register reported.

"That's going to be tremendous for the eastern Idaho wheat growers, because that will give them a little bit more stability in their income, another income stream," Blaine Jacobson, executive director of the Idaho Wheat Commission, told The Associated Press on Thursday. "It's so tough right now to be a farmer, and the more alternatives they are provided with, the longer they're going to be able to stay in business."

Iogen has to negotiate how much money it might receive from the Department of Energy. The company is trying to get grants and loan guarantees from the department because the technology for producing ethanol on a commercial scale is unproven.

Dan Whiting, spokesman for U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, said the department's announcement shows how seriously it considered the eastern Idaho project.

"It's a sign that DOE is committed," Whiting said.

"I'm very optimistic, and I'm very

encouraged," said Jeff Passmore, Iogen's vice president for new market and business development. "This is external validation of our technology and our Idaho project."

The company identified eastern Idaho as the top spot for a commercial ethanol plant based on research done by the Idaho National Laboratory and the University of Idaho College of Agriculture.

In recent years the company has been creating contracts with more than 300 farmers for 400,000 tons of barley straw a year.

Pink, purple and sparkly race cars

Mattel gears speedy toys toward girls

By Abigail Goldman
Los Angeles Times

They're small, fast and made for racing. But they are also pink or purple and sparkly, and come with a tiny doll.

Girls are getting their own line of 53 toy race cars this year from the maker of Matchbox — half a century after that brand, now owned by Mattel Inc., introduced its classic die-cast toy for boys.

Long after the women's movement prompted equality in playthings, with sewing sets for boys and tool kits for girls, no major toy company had endeavored to create an entire line of miniature die-cast racers just for girls.

"Sometimes you just see things that you look at, scratch your head and say, 'Why didn't anybody think of this before?'" said Jim Silver, editor and co-publisher of Toy Wishes magazine. "It's so obvious, but nobody has really done it."

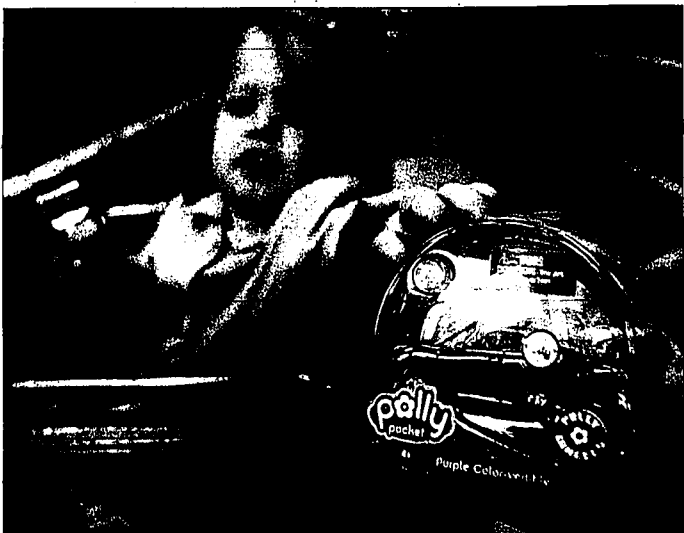
As its new line hits store shelves, El Segundo, Calif.-based Mattel is trying to combine two of its best sellers — dolls and cars.

The company recently introduced its initial collection of 25 Polly Wheels — cars driven by its Polly Pocket dolls — at the American International Toy Fair in New York.

"The question is whether today's doll-playing set — and the parents who shop for them — will want them."

One expert in gender and development, who has studied how boys and girls choose toys, sees promise in the idea. By adding the doll and video themes such as taking a trip to the mall, Mattel introduces a social dimension to the Polly Wheels race cars that is more likely to appeal to girls, said Patricia Geriano, M.A. Alexander, an associate professor at Texas A&M University.

Studies have shown that as many as 40 percent of women recall playing with toy cars



Charlotte LaBaron, 2, at a Target store, reaches for a Polly Wheels. Whether the cars will lure the doll-playing set remains in question.

and trucks, she said.

"They would have a harder time selling baby dolls to boys," Alexander said of Mattel's marketers. "Girls are more receptive and more interested in these nongen-der-typical things."

Elissa Baroz of Los Angeles said her two daughters — particularly her 5 1/2-year-old Polly fan — might be interested in the cars as accessories for their dolls.

Still, she said she didn't think Polly Wheels would have the same staying power as a collectible that Matchbox has had with her son.

"They'll play with it as long as they're into Polly Pocket, but I don't think it will go on longer than that," said Barnes, 37. "You always feel bad making the stereotypes, but boys and girls play differently."

The idea wasn't appealing to

"It's almost a cliched femininity, sparkling and smelling and pink and going to the mall."

— Carolyn Mahboubi, mother of two

Los Angeles resident Carolyn Mahboubi, 39, who works in the luxury goods industry and has a 7-year-old daughter and a 5-year-old son.

"It's almost a cliched femininity, sparkling and smelling and pink and going to the mall," Mahboubi said. "That's not part of our lifestyle."

Despite such skeptics, Mattel seems to have history on its side.

Girls for decades have played with bigger cars that could accommodate Mattel's iconic Barbie and other dolls, snapping up pink convertibles, muscle-blinging limos and

flower-adorned recreational vehicles. And every year, \$200-plus Barbie-themed ride-on cars are among that category's best sellers.

Although many women recall playing with Matchbox cars, mostly borrowed from their brothers and friends, the small metal racers modeled on real cars weren't made with a girl user in mind.

That all changes with the new Polly cars, which are not your brother's Matchboxes. In addition to their candy colors, they also come with tiny removable Polly Pocket dolls, and frosted plastic covers the

metal chassis.

In the fall, Mattel will follow up with 25 more Polly cars, each with a color-coordinated scent: blueberry for blue, grape for purple and so on.

Then, in time for the holidays, Mattel, which also makes Hot Wheels, plans the ultimate melding of traditional boys' and girls' play with a track set for the Polly cars called Race to the Mall.

The winner of the game, the first car to make it up the shopping-center elevator to a boutique, is rewarded with a magnetic shopping bag that "jumps" into the car.

Mattel said the track-set theme, as well as the cars themselves, were ideas that came from girls.

"Girls were the ones who gravitated to this," said Chuck Scotion, general manager of Mattel's girls division.

Stocks dip, then rebound

By Madlen Reed
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — A still skittish Wall Street closed modestly lower Thursday, having clawed its way back from an early-session plunge as upbeat manufacturing data allayed fears about a flagging U.S. economy.

The Dow Jones industrials ended 34 points lower after tumbling 209 points in early trading and then briefly reaching positive territory in the afternoon.

Investors, relieved that manufacturing is still expanding, bought some of the stocks pummeled in Tuesday's drop, which sliced 416 points off the Dow. The blue chip index is now down about 400 points, or 3.2 percent, from its closing level Monday, having rebounded halfheartedly Wednesday on calming words about the economy from Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke.

The Institute for Supply Management's index of February manufacturing activity came in at 52.3, stronger than the 50.0 reading analysts expected.

Manufacturing had contracted a month earlier, according to the index, spurred from the lack of housing market and hard-up auto industry. A reading at 50 and above indicates expansion, while anything below 50 signals contraction.

Credit cards for illegal immigrants causing a stir

Bank of America latest to find itself in the middle of immigration debate

By Iera M. Augstans
Associated Press writer

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — When news broke that Bank of America Corp. was testing a new credit card available to customers who may be illegal immigrants, the reaction was predictably harsh.

Outspoken critics of illegal immigration called for a boycott and said the bank could be supporting terrorists and drug traffickers. Some outraged customers closed accounts and sent back their credit cards. Into the mix came the bank's chief executive, Ken Lewis, admitted that "finding oneself in the middle of a heated national debate is never pleasant."

But Bank of America isn't the first to offer such a card:

Citigroup Inc. said it has done so for years, and Wells Fargo & Co. says it's thinking about it. The cards are merely the latest progression for an industry that has spent millions to attract customers in the country's growing Latino community — and among the estimated 12 million illegal immigrants living in the United States.

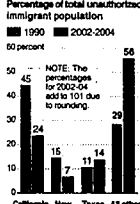
They also reflect a fact faced by every retail business in the United States. While they can't legally employ undocumented workers, there are, if any, restrictions on welcoming them as customers.

"As a business owner, you sell to whomever comes into your store. You sell to whomever buys from you online. It's easy, normally," said Steven Camarota, director of research at the Center for Immigration Studies in Washington. "Just in some cases where specific identification is needed, like in financial services, it's more complicated."

But getting less so. Last month, Bank of America said it had started a pilot program in

Beyond borders

In 1990, nearly half of all unauthorized immigrants in the U.S. lived in California. Since then, a large share of the population shifted to less traditional locales for immigrants.



SOURCE: Pew Hispanic Center, AP

the Los Angeles area late last year that didn't require a Social Security number to sign up for a credit card. The Charlotte-based bank lists the card net specifically designed to attract illegal immigrants, and

says that so far, it has not. The bank hasn't decided if it will offer the card elsewhere, but it would likely be popular with a population that generally lacks access to something as common in most American wallets as the dollar bill and a driver's license.

"It's a no-brainer. It's a very large market," said Jim Johnson, director of the Urban Investment Strategies Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. "The bank is just the latest example of a major corporation recognizing the impact of doing business with Hispanics."

In 2005, the nation's 6.6 million illegal immigrant families had an average annual income of \$29,500 and accounted for nearly \$200 billion in purchasing power, a figure that's only expected to grow, said Pew Hispanic Center demographer Jeff Passel.

"They are impacting the economy," Passel said. "The unauthorized are explicitly coming for an economic basis."

Toyota, GM sales up last month, Ford declines

By Bree Fowler
Associated Press writer

Toyota's U.S. sales climbed 12.2 percent in February and Honda and Nissan posted modest increases while struggling Ford and

DaimlerChrysler lost more ground to the Japanese manufacturers. Industry leader General Motors managed a 3.7 percent increase, however.

Despite Toyota's sales gains, Ford still managed to finish ahead of its Japanese rival in number of vehicles sold despite a 13.5 percent decline for the month in its home market.

Ford said Thursday it sold 210,194 light vehicles in February, while Toyota sold 187,330 vehicles.

Meanwhile, Honda said its U.S. sales rose 3.2 percent on stronger sales of its trucks and Nissan rose 1.2 percent. DaimlerChrysler sales fell

7.7 percent.

Toyota Motor Corp.'s car sales rose 21.1 percent to 105,429, while truck sales rose 2.4 percent to 80,901.

Sales of its Prius hybrid modestly increased while Camry sales surged 66.8 percent to 12,227, while Camry sales increased 17.5 percent to 32,148 and Corolla sales rose 12.9 percent to 28,321.

Ford flamed its sales performance on a 30 percent reduction in fleet sales, while German-American DaimlerChrysler cited lower demand for vehicles from its U.S.-based Chrysler Group.

GM, the world's biggest automaker, said consumer demand was strong for its pickup trucks and sport utility vehicles.

Its fleet sales dropped 18 percent last month as a result of a planned 25 percent reduction in daily rental sales, but the decrease was offset by an 11 percent increase in retail sales.

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EDITORIAL

Add ignorance to state's dismal day-care rating

If you're one of the thousands of Idaho mothers who work outside the home, and require the help of a day-care provider, your task is not enviable. Sending your child to new environs is hard enough. Finding a safe, reliable provider can be even tougher.

But don't expect much sympathy from the state Legislature. This week, members of the House Health and Welfare Committee didn't just shoot down reasonable reform for day care regulations. They cast some indignant verbal stones on those who rely on day care for their children.

Our view: Legislators' rejection of day-care reform looks worse with Idaho's low ranking for oversight.

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

The day care bill was defeated Monday on a 6-5 committee vote after the sponsors made compromises on regulation. The bill would have required state licenses from day care centers that look after six children. An earlier version would have applied to operations with two kids.

That would have hit rural areas hard, according to committee Chairwoman Rep. Sharon Block, R-Twin Falls. And so the main sponsor, Rep. George Saylor, D-Coeur d'Alene, revised the bill. It still would have beefed up regulations, including more training for caregivers, deeper background checks and tighter restrictions on smoking, alcohol, weapons and open water areas near day cares.

The proposals weren't opposed by day care providers. In fact, the industry welcomed the tighter oversight. But rather than weigh the reforms that were drafted, some members opted to go after another target. The problem isn't day care regulation, they said. It's the parents who need day care providers in the first place.

Rep. Tom Loertscher, R-Iona, said day cares are run by individuals who care little for children, and they're needed by a society that places more value on careers than the family.

"I am suddenly beyond belief that we are not willing to back up and look at how we've gotten here," he said. "It's gut-wrenching for me for where society has gone. We've come to a place where we are willing to put our children in a situation that we are not in control of."

Loertscher's comments display an obtuse ignorance for parents and the situation they must wrestle with in raising families. Day care is a necessity for many not by choice, but working circumstance. Rather than enable solutions for families and their children, Loertscher chose to do nothing.

Rep. Steven Thayne, R-Emmett, added more of the same. "I have learned day care can be a dangerous place to go," he said. If he were really concerned about the danger of day cares, why do nothing to make them safer?

Joined by four other Republicans, Loertscher and Thayne ditched the limited regulation bill. Voting with the three Democrats in support of the bill were Republican Chairwoman Block and Rep. Lynn Luker, R-Boise.

On Thursday, just days after the committee's vote, a national study ranked Idaho dead last in the oversight of day care centers. Conducted by the National Association of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies, one of the study's standards was to improve criminal background checks for day care employees — an issue that was addressed in Saylor's bill.

Few critics would doubt that children would be safer and happier in the home during the pre-schooling years. But to label day-care providers as unnecessary, unsafe, and then undervaluing of legislative action is both inept and insulting.

When the day care industry comes asking for more regulation, and legislators refuse to comply, the state deserves the black eye this report delivers.

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LETTERS

Readers gave wide array of answers on tax credit

Thank you to everyone who called with information on the grocery tax issue and how to receive it. Now I would like to pass on the facts I have learned: If you own your own home and file for circuit breaker exemptions on property taxes, you can fill out a form there for grocery tax credit. You can go to a local tax preparer's office and they will give you free forms for grocery tax and federal phone tax exemptions. These can be done without filing state income taxes.

I called the Idaho State Tax Commission. The operator told me the state code reads, you file income taxes, you get grocery tax credit. If you don't, you have to be age 65 or a veteran or a disabled veteran. A local tax preparer is sending me forms to fill out. I am under 65 and on a fixed income. But I am going to fill out the forms and see what happens. Once again, thanks for the huge response. MARK GRAMMER Jerome

British allies on the cheap

Tony Blair's decision to withdraw 1,600 troops from Iraq is understandable. The prime minister had to make a difficult decision about where to allocate Britain's scarce resources, and he decided, reasonably enough, that the top priority was to send reinforcements to Afghanistan, where 5,000 British troops are struggling to hold back a Taliban onslaught.

MAX BOOT

The tragedy is that he had to rob Peter to pay Paul because Britain can't maintain 7,000 troops in Iraq and 7,000 in Afghanistan. Those are already huge numbers for a country of 60 million with the fifth-largest national economy in the world. Yet even as Britain has continued to play a leading role in world affairs, it has allowed its defenses to wither. The total size of its armed forces has shrunk from 305,800 in 1990 to 195,500 today, leaving it No. 29 in the world behind Britain and Burma. This downsizing has reduced the entire British army (107,000 soldiers) to almost half the size of the U.S. Marine Corps (175,000). Shorted regiments such as the Black Watch and the Royal Scots, with histories stretching back centuries, have been eliminated.

Even worse hit is the Royal Navy, which is at its smallest size since the 1500s. Now British newspapers report, of the remaining 41 warships, at least 13 and possibly as many as 19 will be mothballed. If these cuts go through, Britain's fleet will be about the same size as that of Indonesia and Turkey and smaller than that of its age-old rival, France. Britain is hardly alone in its unilateral disarmament. A similar trend can be discerned among virtually all of the major U.S. allies, aside from



Japan. Canada is a particularly poignant case. At the end of World War II, Canada had more than a million men under arms and operated the world's third-biggest navy (behind the U.S. and Britain), with more than 400 ships. Today, it has all of 62,000 personnel on active duty, and its navy has just 19 warships and 23 support vessels, making it one-fourth the size of the U.S. Coast Guard. Of course, numbers aren't the entire story. Britain and Canada have top-notch soldiers, allowing them to punch above their weight class in military affairs. But there is only so much that a handful of super-soldiers can accomplish if their numbers are grossly inadequate. Quality can't entirely make up for lack of quantity.

This shortfall has serious repercussions not only for those countries but for the United States. With about 165,000 troops deployed in Afghanistan and Iraq and more on the way, we are seriously overstretched. We need as much help as we can get,

but there isn't much more that our allies could do, even if they wanted to.

Look at Afghanistan, where NATO is always having trouble dredging up an extra helicopter or another infantry battalion to throw into the fray. The British and Canadians are doing more than their share; their willingness to fight hard and take casualties sets them apart from most NATO countries, which prefer to send troops to safe parts of Afghanistan rather than to the front lines in the south and east. But 5,500 British and 2,500 Canadian soldiers can't cover only so much ground, even with another 1,500 Brits thrown in. As usual, the United States, with more than 27,000 troops in Afghanistan, is left to carry the lion's share of the burden.

The primary culprit is declining defense spending among U.S. allies. According to the International Institute for Strategic Studies, defense budgets among NATO members, excluding the U.S., have fallen from 2.49 percent of gross domestic product in

1993 to 1.8 percent of GDP in 2005. Britain is actually above the norm, spending 2.3 percent of GDP, or \$52 billion, on defense. Canada, with a defense budget of \$13 billion, is below the norm, at 1.1 percent.

All those expenditures fade into insignificance by comparison with the U.S., which spends \$495 billion a year, or 4 percent of the world's largest GDP on its armed forces. That's more than the rest of NATO combined, even though the other countries have, in aggregate, greater demographic and economic resources. Unless the other NATO members are willing to step up their spending — and what are the odds of that? — there is scant chance that their gripes about American unilateralism will be rectified. We act alone, or almost alone, not out of choice but out of necessity.

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Oscar Night in the driver's seat

Although I had plenty of Oscar invites to choose from (pizza at my friend Pauline O'Connor's house; pizza at a pizza place), there was one I could not turn down. Every year, all of the Academy Awards limo drivers park at the Hollywood Bowl to watch the show. These are people with something truly invested in the outcome of each award — their tips.

JOEL STEIN

There's something about seeing almost 1,600 limos next to each other that makes you both proud to live in Los Angeles and ashamed of driving a yellow convertible Mini Cooper. There were acres of black stretch Lincoln Town Cars punctuated by white Rolls-Royces, stretch Cadillacs, stretch Hummers and a small fleet of Prides. I don't know which celebrities chose to save our environment by enduring a trip of several miles without the ability to watch their ceiling lights change color, but I salute them. Inside two giant white tents at the Bowl's museum, the academy had set up tables, space heaters, five big TVs and a buffet catered by the Palina Group, with a decent pemme pomodoro and some awesome brownies. Everyone was very well dressed, like we were at a Mafia convention. The only thing that kept it from being perfect was that a gathering of limo and drivers has even fewer female guests than the party I threw in high school. Much like a high school cafeteria, there were cliques. The drivers of studio heads, producers and producers sat together, looking a little more well-beeled. Actors, drivers



seemed, to my surprise, a step down, because they weren't on the corporate payroll. And then there were the masses of everyone else. "There are drivers here I've never seen here ever," said Dennis Johnson, a 32-year veteran driver of studio execs. "I'm sure they do airport runs, but they're not in our circles." As soon as Dennis finished his penne, he headed back to his car. When I tried to get him to watch the rest of the show, he told me he couldn't — even though his client wouldn't need him for hours: "What if someone got sick? What if his wife didn't feel well? What if someone from home called and said there was a problem with the kids?" Dennis wasn't the most fun of party guests. Not only that, he wouldn't let me print the name of his passenger, who is a famous studio executive. "Confidentiality is extremely important," he said. "All my wife knows is who I drive. She doesn't know where we go. Some things I will take to my grave."

Luckily, Karlo Atienza didn't feel the same way about confidentiality. Which is particularly surprising considering he was driving Eddie Murphy, whom he has served years. Karlo wasn't having a great night because Murphy lost early. "I'm really sad. I feel sorry. He should have won it," Karlo said. "But Alan Arkin is good." Karlo, who drives Murphy — only because he isn't needed by Kenny Reeves, Sandra Bullock or Colin Farrell (Reeves and Bullock both needed him last year, so they rode together), said he figured he would be home by midnight. "He's not a party animal," Karlo said. "Last night, he went to two parties, stayed for 45 minutes and went back home." After the Golden Globes, Murphy went straight home. Even though he won. When he was worried about Murphy's mood, Karlo tried to convince himself that the boss wouldn't be ornery. "When he got the Golden Globe, he just put it in the car and he was the same Eddie Murphy. So maybe he won't care." Right then, at 6:52 p.m., long before Jennifer Hudson will bring her Oscar, Karlo's cell phone rang. "I have to go right now," he said. "I have to pick him up."

As the show got within an hour of ending, a voice over a loudspeaker began to announce the academy-assigned limo numbers being requested at the Kodak Theatre, and the tables of valets began to load into their vans. Which meant that for the first time I could tell 16-year-old Mark Matthews stopped making out with his girlfriend. You are so horny at 16 that you are not going to be stopped just because your girl likes stars wearing a matching red tuxedo jacket and bowtie.

Mark, his girlfriend, his parents, his sister, some cousins and several friends of the family had all signed up with Valet Parking Services for the evening, which was surprising because no one valet parks their cars at the Oscars. So they ended up riding along with the limos and opening the doors for celebrities, working from 11 a.m. until past midnight for just \$40. When I asked Mark why he did it, he explained the thrill of being close to the world's biggest awards show. "The people who stand outside watching would much rather have our jobs," he explained. I should have told him that doing what other people like to watch is a poor way to choose a profession, otherwise we all would be crashing cars on the freeway for a living.

As I left the Bowl, walking by limos packed with drivers sitting in the back quietly trading stories, I felt as though I was leaving the last place in Los Angeles where gossip isn't exploited as a commodity. The ometra was so thick, stars wearing a snafu of their hangers sound in the knowledge that their secrets are safe. Unless you're Eddie Murphy.

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LETTERS

Solutions can be achieved on warming crisis

The goal of the Kyoto Protocol is to lower the overall emissions of six greenhouse gases — carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, sulfur hexafluoride, HFCs and PFCs. The existence of global warming has gone beyond the point of debating its existence. The signs are rising and the earth is getting hotter.

The U.S. National Academy of Sciences says that the earth's surface temperature has experienced accelerated warming during the past two decades and that this is attributable to human activities.

Some of you may remember Boise 30 years ago. It was a beautiful sight to see as the city came into view; hardly any haze then. But look at it now! The valley has trapped the pollutants, and there are many days people are encouraged to stay indoors.

Now what does one do about this? On a local level, we can do little things like keeping our cars tuned up properly. But on a national level, action is more effective if many countries work together to try to cut down on pollutants.

A cooperating nation is what the U.N. is all about. It's a means to allow us and other nations a way to figure out how to live together and make this a better world.

The mention of the U.N. brings fear to some folks. They see it as an instrument to take over us and overthrow our government. Their comments don't say much for the ability of the American people to hold their own or the peoples of the world in their ability to find common solutions to common problems.

But one hopes their views are in the minority. We live on one planet. We must find ways

to get along and work together, and that means working with international organizations such as the U.N.

WILL WHITE
Twin Falls

Strong defense lies in numbers, not guns

Two events have rekindled my interest in the Second Amendment. First was the recent firing of shooting editor Jim Zumbo by Outdoor Life magazine, the second is our war in Iraq.

In his blog, Zumbo mistakenly framed the Second Amendment as a hunting right rather than a self-protection right. He also made a fatal error by questioning the mindset of anyone who owned a "terrorist weapon" like an AK or an Alt assault rifle, which elicited a stream of protests from offended owners. But was he wrong? Do guns really offer protection from governments run amok, or are they merely placebos for Bush's wannabes?

The Iraqis could not topple Saddam despite the fact that Iraq, second only to Somalia — another bastion of freedom — was the most heavily armed nation found in Iraq or other countries awash in guns yet shorn of freedoms.

Owning any type of gun for protection from government is secondary to a willingness to fight in combination with other members of a like-minded group, i.e., a tribe or a well-regulated militia. Civilians might fantasize about repelling an infantry attack single-handedly but it won't happen until neighbors

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are willing to help — something Americans are reluctant to do because we generally trust the police more than we do our heavily armed neighbors. As did the Iraqis before we removed their government and left them to the mercy of their neighbors, who they always feared more than Saddam.

Crime may rightfully be criminalized, but increased firepower is not a rationale argument for dealing with government abuses, but good neighbors are.

GARY ELLER
Twin Falls

Editorial lauded true success in drug courts

Amen to the Times-News editorial of Feb. 11: "Drug courts save more than just state expense... By staying clean for a period of months, attending sessions, submitting to drug tests, gaining employment and completing high school equivalency tests, the drug court graduates avoid jail, break addiction, and may even clean his or her record."

The editorial quoted one drug court successer: "In drug court, she described an

empowering process that teaches responsibility rather than blame." In 25 years as an Idaho Department of Employment rehabilitation counselor, experiencing successes just like that one kept my spirits up even though other "second chances" failed.

I believe Jesus Christ would give approval to the Feb. 11 Times-News piece. His Sermon on the Mount speaks to the same principles of responsibility, love and forgiveness for overcoming the human evils of greed, dishonesty and hypocrisy.

The "drug courts" support editorial lifted my spirits today because it encourages more funds for this system, which "can empower" but does not let the offender off the hook, free to repeat his or her irresponsible actions. ROY (ROYAL) SLOTTEN
Twin Falls

New hospital should continue transitional care

Regarding the Magic Valley Regional Transitional Care Unit:

Recently, I spent eight days in the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. After being treated for a serious infection, my doctor advised me to go somewhere for rehabilitation. For convenience, I chose to stay at the hospital and entered the Transitional Care Unit. I would like to express that my experience there was exceptionally good.

I am writing to encourage people in our community to ask St. Luke's Hospital to include a transitional care unit when phoning and building its new medical center. There is a definite need for this service in our region for people of all ages.

I would also like to compliment the nurses, therapists

and medical staff at the Magic Valley Transitional Care Unit for their excellent care. Your service is extremely profes-

sional, productive and well organized. EUNICE DEMOSS
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Why are conservatives so afraid of Hillary?

It is an odd article of faith among conservatives that Hillary Clinton is a sure-fire lock to win the Democratic presidential nomination in a head-on run on Fox News without hearing some pundit assure viewers that Clinton is the runaway favorite. But this belief says more about them than it does about her. The belief in her intellect is a product of their deepest fears.

After all, it's not as though conservatives think Clinton is a brilliant, natural politician. Nobody does — as a backslider and as a public speaker, she's decidedly average. When they try to talk about why Clinton inevitably will roll over her primary competition, they usually invoke the dreaded "Clinton machine."

So Clinton looks extremely vulnerable. Why do so many conservatives insist that she's a lock to get the nomination? A few of them have a strong vested interest in the Hillary Clinton boogymen. There's an enormous amount of money to be made in scaring the pants off of conservatives about Clinton. Last year, conservative pundit John Podhoretz published the fear-mongering screed "Can She

JONATHAN CHAIT

Be Stopped?" Hillary Rodham Clinton will become the next president of the United States unless you Republicans can find a way to stop her. He's guessing the way of stopping her lies not among other things, buying Podhoretz's book.

The bigger factor, I think, is that conservatives are spooked by the Clintons. They had Bill Clinton on the ropes when they took control of Congress after the 1994 elections. He beat back their revolution. They had him again a few years later when they snatched him from under and made his misbehavior a theme of the 1998 midterm elections. Instead, Democrats won seats.

In the Republican mind, there must be a hidden sort of Clinton voodoo at work. The public was on their side, they believe, yet through some sort of nefarious dark political art, he turned the tables on them.

The conservative hatred of the Clintons has always had around the edges a certain fear of the supernatural. A famous 1993 American Spectator cover story depicted Hillary Clinton as a witch. A witch is an object of hatred, of course, but also a creature with dark and frightening powers.

In reality, the public never really was on the Republicans' side. Yes, they gave them con-

rol of Congress in 1994. But a majority of Americans opposed the deep cuts in popular social programs that the GOP agenda required. And yes, the public was disgusted by Bill Clinton's adultery, but a majority likewise opposed impeachment all along. Stopping these wildly unpopular things didn't require magic or even a fearsome political machine.

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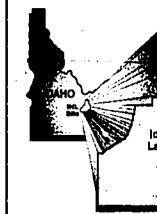
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The remaining waste is from one of four tanks that were installed in the 1950s as part of a system to collect and treat liquid radioactive waste from TAN facilities. The waste in the other three tanks has been treated and the tanks and waste have been safely disposed of at the ICDF.

TAN was established in 1951 as part of the Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion Program that was later cancelled. The unique facilities built there were later used for the investigation of core material from the damaged Three Mile Island-II reactor and as an armor manufacturing facility for military vehicles.

The Explanation of Significant Differences document is available in the Administrative Record file for Operable Unit 1-10. The Administrative Record is located at the DOE Reading Room of the INL Technical Library in Idaho Falls. Access can be found at the Albertsons Library at the Boise State University Campus. The Administrative Record can be accessed on the internet at http://airne.gov/

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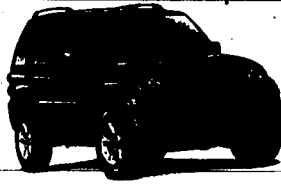
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Overtaken truck spills sulfuric acid

Wreck near Burley poses no health risk to motorists, police say

By Matt Christensen
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Several gallons of sulfuric acid were spilled Wednesday night onto Interstate 84 east of Burley when a westbound tractor-trailer rig overturned and dumped its load of hazardous materials.

The truck, driven by 56-year-old Robert Mack of Marston Mills, Mass., and owned by Arctic Express, a trucking company based out of Hilliard, Ohio, tipped in the cloverleaf at the I-84 junction with Interstate 86 about 13 miles east of Burley, according to a report from the Cassia County Sheriff's Office.

No injuries were reported, though two 55-gallon drums of sulfuric acid were punctured in the wreck, and an unspecified amount of acid leaked at the scene.

Sulfuric acid is a highly corrosible substance that can burn human tissue. Law enforcement officers closed the westbound lane of I-84 for about three hours after the turnover occurred a few minutes after 9 p.m.

Shortly after the spill, representatives from the Department of Homeland Security, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and a local hazmat regional response team discussed the wreck in a conference call with a law enforcement officer at the scene. They decided not to mobilize the regional response team after it was determined the leak had stopped. A state-contracted crew was called to the scene to perform the cleanup.

"Once we determined the product was stable, we called in a contractor," said Dale Naldert, with Homeland Security.

That's the protocol for spills like the one that happened near Burley. Local hazmat teams only respond when leaks are in progress, Naldert said.

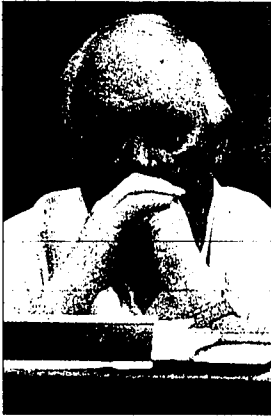
The spilled acid presents no danger to motorists, and I-84 is now open, said Cassia County Sheriff Jim Higgins. A representative at Arctic Express said her supervisors told her the company would not comment on the incident. The driver could not be reached for comment.

The crash is being investigated by Cassia County Sheriff's Deputy Terry Higley, who was off duty Thursday afternoon and could not be reached for comment, and the Idaho State Police.

Times-News staff writer Matt Christensen covers natural resources. He welcomes comments at 735-3233 and at matt.christensen@tee.net.

"I just want to hit him (Commissioner Joe Davidson) back because he's constantly getting into my personal space."

— Jerome County Commissioner Diana Obenauer last week on her fellow commissioner



Jerome County commissioners Joe Davidson, left, Charlie Howell, center, and Diana Obenauer.

Despite clashes, Jerome County commissioners optimistic they can all work together

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — Clashes of opinion on the Jerome County Commission kept spiraling into vicious confrontations.

One commissioner no longer felt safe.

"I just want to hit him (Commissioner Joe Davidson) back because he's constantly getting into my personal space," Commissioner Diana Obenauer said last week. "I don't care if I am a politician. This is a hostile work environment."

Chairman Charlie Howell held out hope that the friction between Davidson and Obenauer would spark constructive debates. But after more than a month of both commissioners leaving meetings upset, Howell has taken

measures to curb the chaos. Howell has moved his desk between his colleagues.

And an official from the Idaho Counties Risk Management Program has explained how to post clearer rules for public participation. Perhaps, cleaning up procedures would relax some tension, Howell said.

And though enforcing stricter discipline, Howell has for now quelled the conflict.

"We are going from too rowdy to a little bit stricter control," Howell said. "You just have to respect the other person's opinion, even if you

disagree. You can't keep hammering on them to change their opinion when they just say 'no.'"

Before, during and after official meetings, Obenauer and Davidson were arguing to different degrees.

This week, Obenauer said she feels comfortable expressing her opinions.

And Davidson said he feels the atmosphere has been better this week than the last.

And Howell said his role as chairman is to keep the ideas flowing.

"You don't want to cut them off from what they are

saying. But part of it falls back to me because I need to slap wrists every once in a while," he said. "There is a fine line."

One way to calm tempers is to create greater structure, said Jim McNall, loss control coordinator for Idaho Counties Risk Management Program.

"I talked about the process to help things run more smoothly between the commissioners," McNall said.

The perfect example arose Feb. 20, when members of the public were barred from

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Curbing the chaos

ISDB celebrates centennial

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

GOODING — Maybe it was a time to set aside their concerns and remember the past, or a time to dream about what lay ahead.

About 250 people gathered at the Idaho School for the Deaf and the Blind to take part in the school's Centennial Celebration on Thursday. Despite icy roads and fierce snow showers, the event attracted far more people than officials had expected.

Students, staff and alumni flocked to the dinner that kicked off the evening. As seats quickly filled, staff and students began setting up dining tables in the school's lobby. "We had prepared enough for 217 people, but we really have 250 right now," said Shirley Cobble, director of media services at the ISDB. "And we expect more for the presentations tonight that are free to the public."

Guests said they came to show their support for the school, and to meet old friends.

Among the guests were Blanche Reay, wife of the late Edward Reay, who was superintendent of the ISDB until 1977, and Pat Klingler, whose husband was the school's doctor for 27 years.

"It's nice to come and see the school," Reay said. "But it's a little disappointing that there is talk of shutting it down."

Although school officials aren't considering closure of the Gooding campus, the

State Board of Education and Idaho lawmakers have directed the ISDB to provide more deaf and blind services through Outreach programs in other areas of Idaho. Some people say that it is being done at the expense of the Gooding campus.

Other guests said they were still curious why Harv Lyter, the former superintendent, unexpectedly resigned — the State Board's director announced Lyter's resignation to ISDB staff last month.

However, Reay and other guests quickly added that the celebration was a time to share fond memories of the school and hopes for the future.

Despite changes within the school, officials say there is much to give hope to future generations of deaf and blind students.

The school has been building a library of material worth more than \$1.5 million for deaf and blind students in Idaho. And much of it is being made available online through accounts with local school districts.

The school has also been able to increase its services to families throughout Idaho with the expansion of Outreach programs. Among other things, the programs teach deaf and blind students, as well as their parents, to communicate with each other.

These things were topics of discussion at Thursday's celebration.

And why not? Guests didn't brave miserable weather just to be miserable.

Welded to success

Filer High student raises \$3,025 for injured alumni

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

FILER — Jake Hurley raised twice as much as he figured he would when the bumper he fabricated was auctioned during Wednesday's livestock sale at the Twin Falls Livestock

Commission.

The Filer High School senior was extremely proud he finished his project and even more excited that he was able to raise \$3,025 for Lindsay Heimes, a Filer High graduate paralyzed in a one-car rollover last July.

"For my senior project I decided to combine something I enjoy, welding, and wanted to help Lindsay out," Hurley said. "Everybody in Filer knew her and I worked with her father.

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Jake Hurley, left, stands with his brother, Cody, who won the auction for a massive bumper his brother created.

Jazzed about classics

What: The Sun Valley Center will present the Turtle Island Quartet, the second event of its winter concert season. **Where:** Presbyterian Church of the Big Wood, Ketchum. **When:** Saturday, 7:30 p.m. **How much:** Tickets, which are \$20 and \$5 for kids 12 and under, are available at the Sun Valley Center at Ketchum or by phoning 726-9491. Tickets are also available online at <http://www.sunvalleycenter.org>

Sharps and flats

What: The Snake River Flats will present "Give My Regards to Broadway," featuring the award-winning quartet Rocky Mountain High. Also performing will be The Snake River Flats Chorus, One Sky, 4 Sure, Ripcord, Note-Mystics and the Burley High School Bel Canto Choir. **Where:** King Fine Arts Center, Burley. **When:** Today and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. **How much:** Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$5 for senior citizens, \$3 for students and \$18 for families. Advance tickets are available at Welch Music and Book Plaza in Burley, the Book Store in Rupert, from any chapter member or by calling 438-6047.

Climb every mountain

What: Company of Fools will present Patrick Meyers' play "K2." **Where:** Liberty Theater, Halley. **When:** Today and Saturday, 8 p.m., and Sunday, 3 p.m. **How much:** Tickets, which are \$28 for reserved seating and \$18 for students 18 and under and senior citizens, are available at the Liberty box office, 110 N. Main St., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, or by phoning 578-9122. Tickets are also available an hour before curtain time.

Party for a cause

What: Hospice Vision's annual benefit, featuring music by Renegade, will be held in Jerome. The event will include hors d'oeuvres, a no-host bar, dancing, auction and a raffle. **Where:** Snake River Flats Lodge, 412 E. 200 S. on U.S. Highway 93. **When:** Saturday, 8 p.m. **How much:** Tickets, which are \$20 per couple or \$25 for a family of four, are available at the Hospice Vision office, 209 Shoup Ave. W. in Twin Falls, or by phoning 735-0121. Tickets will also be sold at the door.

Take her wrap, fellas

What: Deloid Valley Arts Council will present Jerry Herman's musical "Hello, Dolly!" **Where:** Howells Opera House, Oakley. **When:** Today and Saturday, 8 p.m. **How much:** Tickets, which are \$8, can be reserved by phoning 877-ARTS.

YOUR WEEKEND

OBITUARIES/COMMUNITY

Thomas Lloyd Twibell

PAUL — Thomas Lloyd Twibell, a 62-year-old resident of Paul, died Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2007.

He was born Nov. 15, 1944, in Orchard, Neb., to Lloyd Jay and Dora Marie Vullers Twibell. He graduated from Orchard Public School. In 1974, he married June Bernice Raff in Orchard, Neb. They lived in various places, including Loveland, Colo.; Sheridan, Wyo.; and Royal City, Wash., and just recently moved to Paul.



Thomas was a member of the Lutheran Church and the Lions Club. He was an avid supporter of local athletics. One time, he built a horse trailer and donated many hours of work in order to get the local high school football players to the Down-Under Bowl in Australia. Thomas was always concerned about the well-being of his family and friends. He was also always willing to give a helping hand. He was a farmer and a natural born designer and engineer. He was proud of his ability to manufacture the Lazy T, Pro-Western and Western-Pro horse and stock trailers. For a

time, he was also the maintenance manager for the Horizon Organic Dairy.

Thomas loved horses and enjoyed hunting, camping, skiing, snowmobiling and spending time with his family and friends. He had a special saying, "I'm just a farm boy, don't try to make me anything else."

Thomas is survived by his wife, Juilee of Paul; his son, Tim (Marc) Twibell of Orchard, Neb.; stepson, Shawn (Nikole) Raff of Paul; stepdaughter, Danielle (Keith) Caffrey of Royal and Ready, Calif.; son, Chris (Laurie) Twibell of Chambers, Neb.; daughter, Jami (Chad) Fauber of Sheridan, Wyo.; son, Luke Twibell of Billings, Mont.; his two sisters, Jeromy Twibell of Glenviewville, Ga.; Joanne Leiding of Orchard, Neb.; Barbara Mittels of Berthoud, Colo.; and Rebecca Johnston of Royal, Neb.; and 13 grandchildren. He was predeceased in death by his parents.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Friday and again from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday prior to the service at Rasmussen Funeral Home.

We'll see you later, Daddy Bear. We love you.

Connie Benkula Huse

LAS VEGAS — Connie Benkula Huse, formerly of Twin Falls, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2007, at Sandy Valley, Nev.

Connie was born in Twin Falls on March 11, 1950, the daughter of Al and Donna Benkula. She graduated from Twin Falls High School. She started her working career with Taco Bandito for Randy Giles. She then went to work at McDonald's in Twin Falls for Bill and Donna Kyle. Over her career, she managed many McDonald's restaurants, such as in Houston, Idaho; Yuma, Ariz.; Lisbon, Maine; and one on the Naval Air Base in Brunswick, Maine. She married Brian Michael, and from this union came her son, Steven, and twin girls, Jessica and Nicole. Brian and Connie were later divorced. Connie moved from Maine to Sandy Valley, Nev., and married Robert (Bob) Huse and described him as the most wonderful husband a girl could have.

During her school years, Connie spent much of her time in 4-H. She loved her horses and dogs. Her dad bought her a Shetland pony at the age of 8.



They had no place to put the pony but it came home in a Volkswagen van and was tied up in the orchard for a couple of days while they hunted for a pasture. She had horses all her school days. Connie, her mom and her friend, Leann, went to Yuma, Ariz., for a very fine-quarter horse. When she was young, her dad and she picked up her first dog at the animal shelter, which was white terrier that became the love of her life. Presently, she has four horses and three dogs, which she has left behind.

Connie is survived by her husband, Bob Huse; son, Steven; daughters, Jessica and Nicole; her parents, Al and Donna Benkula; brothers, Bill (Dann) Benkula, and Steve (Garry) Benkula; and sisters, Adam Benkula and Brock Benkula; nieces, Aly, Kaly, Destree, Jenna and Ashley Benkula; aunt, Marion (Evan) Glines; uncle, George Larson; cousins, cousins who all loved her very much.

To Connie, family meant everything. She adored her children, husband and her mom and dad. She was her mom's best friend. Connie's winning personality, bright spirit and contagious laughter will be missed very much.

A funeral was held Tuesday, in Las Vegas. A memorial service will be held in Twin Falls at a later date.

COMMUNITY NEWS

STRUTTERS DONATE TURKEYS



The National Wild Turkey Federation "South Hills Strutters" Twin Falls Chapter recently donated over \$1,000 in turkeys, canned goods, and pies to the Salvation Army to be used for the holidays. Pictured from left are John Howard, chairman, and several committee members of the National Wild Turkey Federation delivering the turkeys.

CITIZENS OF THE WEEK



Rupert Elementary School Citizens of the Week for the week of Feb. 8 were, Rupert, Elmer, Samantha, Marina, Chayde; and third row: Iestyn, Hector, Melissa, Alex and Dominique.

HELPING HELPERS



The Snake River Bro's recently donated \$1,500 to the Valley Community Helpers. Pictured from left are Suzie Harper, Steve Harper, Diane Hobbort, Doug Dobrin, and Roger Bolton.

DEATH NOTICES

Helen B. Jolley

RUPERT — Helen B. Jolley, 67, of Rupert, died Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2007, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Benito P. Benavidez

BURLEY — Benito P. Benavidez, 77, of Burley, died Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2007, at Portneuf Medical Center in Pocatello.

A memorial service will be

held at 1 p.m. Monday, March 5, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, with Pastor Daniel Coto officiating. Urn placement will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery. A complete obituary will appear a future newspaper.

Wibur F. Kestler

TWIN FALLS — Wibur Fredrick Kestler, 89, of Twin Falls, died Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2007, at his home.

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

SERVICES

Louigne G. Simpson of Rupert, funeral at 10 a.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Mable "Maie" C. Martens of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Velma Orvela Brown Owsley of Hagerman, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at the United Methodist Church, 270 E. Salmon in Hagerman (Demar's Gooding Chapel).

Lovelle J. Grigsby of Twin Falls, funeral at 10 a.m. Saturday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Glady Shaw of Shoshone, memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church, 205 E. Fifth St. in Shoshone; visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. today at White Mortuary in Twin Falls.

Mary Viola Killinger of Buhl, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Helen Mabbutt-Adams of Boise and formerly of Shoshone, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the LDS 1st Ward Chapel, 2290 Warm Springs Ave. in Boise (Ryleys Funeral Chapel in Boise).

Deana Lee Hite of Rupert, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.

Beverly Wilding Thomsen of Twin Falls and formerly of Pocatello, funeral at 1 p.m. Saturday at the LDS Church on the corner of Jefferson and Walnut streets; friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. today at

the Manning-Wheatley Funeral Chapel, 510 N. 12th Ave. in Pocatello, and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Vada Joyce Parran of Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 E. Ave. H in Jerome (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Valma Canada Houck of Pocatello and formerly of Jerome, memorial service at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Cornelison-Henderson Funeral Chapel, 431 M. 15th Ave. in Pocatello; friends may call one hour before the service Saturday at the mortuary.

Em Lou (Lewis) Craner of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. Saturday at Parker's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Eleanor Maurine Schodde of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St. in Burley; friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 1 to 1:45 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Marilyn J. Huber of Jerome, funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m. Monday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, 216 Second Ave. E. in Jerome; vigil service at 7 p.m. Sunday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church (Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome).

Loretta Brant of Jerome, funeral mass at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Jerome; vigil service at 7 p.m. Monday at the church (Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Betty Jean Brown

TWIN FALLS — Betty Jean Brown passed away Feb. 28, 2007, at the age of 84.



She was born Oct. 22, 1922, in W a m e g o Kan., to Dr. Stephen and twin girls, Jessica and Nicole. Brian and Connie were later divorced. Connie moved from Maine to Sandy Valley, Nev., and married Robert (Bob) Huse and described him as the most wonderful husband a girl could have.

During her school years, Connie spent much of her time in 4-H. She loved her horses and dogs. Her dad bought her a Shetland pony at the age of 8.



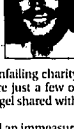
was at home and her role as caregiver with unconditional love to all of the family.

Betty is survived by her children, Pat Benkula of Twin Falls, Scott Brown of Boise, Mac Brown of Twin Falls and Judy Brown of Tyler, and one sister, Marian Carlson of Twin Falls. Also surviving her are seven grandchildren, nine step-grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Meric; parent, Dee and Atlanta Strawser; sister, Grace Duckworth; and brother, Jim Strawser.

The family would like to thank the very caring staff at Bridgeview Estates and a special nurse, Aaron, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center. Contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Charlotte Ann Myers

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley lost some of its might when Charlotte Ann Myers passed on to her Heavenly Father on March 1, 2007.



W o r d s cannot express what this brave woman accomplished in her lifetime.

Her Christian, unflinching charity and strength are just a few of the gifts this angel shared with so many.

Charlotte had an immeasurable capacity for helping others and all who came within her reach felt her unconditional love. She had a way of making strangers feel like friends and friends feel like family. To her daughters, grandsons, mother and brothers and sisters she was an unfailing champion, always on their side. She faced the world with humor, charm and extraordinary resilience, often shouting many along her road, helping them before she

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A service for Betty will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park." A visitation is scheduled for 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, March 2, at White Mortuary.

HELPED HERSELF.

Charlotte moved from Arco, Idaho, to Twin Falls in 1978 with her two daughters. She went to work at The Cove, where she eventually became owner and icon. People came from near and far to visit Charlotte at The Cove because they knew they would be well taken care of.

Those of us who were, by chance, lucky enough to be a part of this woman's life will never be able to forget her lasting touch and her love. She leaves behind her mother, two daughters, seven grandchildren, two sisters, three brothers, and countless friends and loved ones. For many of us, she is irreplaceable.

A celebration of her life for all those who called her friend will be held at the Turf Club, Sunday, March 4, from 6 to 10 p.m. Music, dancing and memories will be shared for anyone who wishes to come and celebrate her journey. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the American Cancer Society, specifically for lung cancer research.

Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., award-winning historian and Kennedy insider, dies at 89

NEW YORK (AP) — Arthur M. Schlesinger Jr., the Pulitzer Prize-winning historian and "court philosopher" of the Kennedy administration who remained a proud liberal even as others dared not use the word, has died. He was 89.

Schlesinger was dining with family members in Manhattan on Wednesday when he suffered a heart attack, his son Stephen said. He died at New York Downtown Hospital.

Schlesinger was among the

most prominent historians of his time, widely respected as learned and readable, with a panoramic vision of American culture and politics. He received a National Book Award for "Robert Kennedy and His Times" and a National Book Award and a Pulitzer for "A Thousand Days," his memoir/chronicle of President Kennedy's administration. He also was a Pulitzer, in 1946, for "The Age of Jackson," his landmark chronicle of Andrew Jackson's administration.

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House OKs hiring retired teachers

By Jared S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — The state House passed a bill that would make it easier for districts to hire retired school teachers as full-time employees.

The bill, sponsored by Assistant Majority Leader Rep. Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, is in response to teacher shortages and a struggle to meet the requirements of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

Eligible people must have reached the "90-rule," which mandates most state workers' combined age and years of service equal 90 to receive full benefits; retired on or after 62 years old; and not be in the early retirement program.

The legislation is aimed to assist areas encountering roadblocks in finding federally-mandated "highly-qualified" teachers. They could work for as little as several months.

The bill passed 62-7. Opponents argued on both philosophical and financial grounds.

"It's going to encourage people to quit on Friday and come back on Monday as new employees," said Rep. Dennis Lake, R-Blackfoot. "It will create more problems than solutions."

More money for water management approved

BOISE — The state House



Resources and Conservation Committee approved a bill that would provide additional funding for the Idaho Department of Water Resources to manage water rights related to the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer.

House Bill 241 also allows for the IDWR to receive funding for water uses not currently subject to water district assessments.

The original bill asked for more than \$200,000, but a revised one being prepared for the floor might change.

The Idaho Water Users Association and the Idaho Ground Water Association are supporting the bill.

Senate rejects effort to remove term limits

BOISE — The state Senate rejected Wednesday a proposal to remove term limits for members of the state Fish and Game Commission.

The 20-7 vote keeps term limits to eight years for commissioners, who are appointed by the governor. Magic Valley legislators who voted for the bill included Sen. Chuck Cannon, R-Twin Falls, and Sen. Tom Gomer, R-Butte.

Sen. Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, told his colleagues that he generally finds term limits bad for elected officials but not always with appointments.

"It's appropriate to have a constant change of people who are selected to serve on the commission," he said. "Frankly, if they have ideas they aren't able to accomplish in eight years, they aren't going to get accomplished."

Funerary demonstrations would be misdemeanor

BOISE — The state House approved 70-0 a bill Tuesday that would make most demonstrations at funerals a misdemeanor.

Prompted by anti-war protests at military funerals in other states, Rep. Eric Anderson, R-Priest Lake, said his legislation would protect Idahoans and apply to anyone who "disturbs the dignity or reverential nature" of a funeral service, burial and other similar processions.

Rep. Nicole LeFavour, D-Boise, the only openly gay legislator, said she supported the bill to curb anti-gay demonstrations.

There is already federal legislation that prohibits demonstrations at military funerals. Similar laws are in effect across the country. Unlike some of those laws, Anderson's bill would not have a minimum distance because it would make it too vague, he said.

Schoolmates grieve for five students killed in crash



Emmett High School seniors Mike Blaser, left, and Matt Meow write their condolences on a sheet to be given to the family of some of the students killed in Tuesday's fatal car crash, Wednesday in Emmett.

EMMETT (AP) — Counselors helped grieving students in the small community of Emmett as officials tried to determine what caused a car to veer off the road and into a pond, killing all five children inside who were on their way to school.

Police said a witness reported seeing the 1993 Ford Tempo slide off an icy winding highway and into the pond at about 7:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Divers found the vehicle in about 20 feet of water with the children from two families, still trapped inside. Killed were driver Brooke Probst, 15; Brandt Probst, 12; Megan Walker, 15; Tyler Walker, 14; and Kyle Walker, 12.

The counselors are helping students at Emmett High School and Emmett Junior High School.

Six counselors from Meridian were helping two Emmett High counselors. Also, some Emmett High seniors in a program called Natural Helpers were aiding fellow students.

"We feel very thankful for the people who have extended their time to us," school Superintendent Tom Carlson said.

Donations needed to help with funeral

RUPERT — Donations are needed to help cover funeral expenses for Laune Simpson.

Simpson has been a resident of Rosetta Assisted Living in Burley and died Feb. 21. A service will be held at 10 a.m. today at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Donations can be sent to Hansen Mortuary, 710 Sixth St., Rupert, ID 83350. For more information, call 436-6221 or 808-0905.

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Baby delivered; nine people hurt in I-84 rollover

For the Times-News

BURLEY — A baby girl was delivered by emergency Caesarean section Wednesday night after a one-vehicle wreck on Interstate 84 near the Kasota Road exit.

Nine people were hurt in the wreck. It happened about 9:48 p.m. when a Gullermina Dominguez, 50, of Burley was eastbound and lost control of her 1996 Dodge van.

The van rolled into the median and stopped in the west-bound lanes.

She was taken to Cassia Regional Medical Center along with passengers Patricia Dominguez, 32, Adriana Dominguez, 25, Maribel Dominguez, 11, Mark Dominguez, 10, Jose Dominguez, 7, and Isiah Dominguez, 7. Two other passengers, Ana

Dominguez, 15, and Erica Montoya, 9, were taken to Minidoka Memorial Hospital.

Patricia Dominguez required an emergency Caesarean section and her baby girl was healthy as of press time.

Isiah suffered severe injuries to his skull and was taken to Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City. Gullermina was cited for driving too fast for conditions.

Chaos

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testifying before commissioners voted against a moratorium on livestock confinement operations.

Observers voted for the measure and later was disappointed when the public was not given a chance to speak. Howell and Davidson rejected it.

"We are not required to allow public comments in our meeting," said Howell, whose decision it was to keep members of the public from speaking. "And, that last meeting, we did not have time."

McNall suggested commissioners separate public comment periods from hearings.

All three commissioners seemed to welcome the suggestion.

Since Obenauer started Jan. 8, she's contributed an average of 15 minutes against Howell and Davidson's two-thirds majority. She said she sometimes feels ganged up on.

Dan Chadwick, executive

director of the Idaho Association of Counties, said other counties have dealt with similar problems.

"If you have new people coming on board, it's not their time to say 'school cult,'" said Chadwick. "Once everyone understands their roles and respects the opinions of others, they usually get worked out."

Project

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When she got in that accident, it really hit everyone hard."

Hurley had been working on the bumper for about two months. In its finished glory the black, diamond-plated and steel tubing structure will fit perfectly on Hurley's older brother's Ford F250 pickup.

Before the bumper was finally claimed by Cody Hurley, who shelled out \$450, it went through a series of owners during its exciting time on the auction floor.

Buyers and sellers of the bumper included Dutch Brothers Enterprises, Diamond E. Twin Falls Livestock Commission, Holtzen Farms and Betty Feedlot. Bolt Livestock also donated \$400.

"I knew of Lindsay but I wanted to support my brother, too," said Cody Hurley of

Hollister. "He did a great job. Jake's mom, Lori Hurley, was at the sale yard to see the bumper sold."

"I didn't think he'd finish," she said. "He's the kind of kid who starts things and then doesn't see them through, but I think this was something he was going to do. I'm proud that he got it done."

Hurley thanked his senior project mentor, John Plitz, a family friend and Twin Falls County Fair manager, for his success.

"He helped me out a lot. If it wasn't for John I probably wouldn't have finished but he helped me design it and taught me a lot," Hurley said. "I can weld a lot better now."

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Plitz agreed, saying that "Hurley learned how to see the process" through and the importance in thinking through the logistics before cutting into expensive metal.

"He's a pretty fair welder for a kid. Jake did about 90 per-

cent of the cutting and all of the welding and did a really good job," Plitz said. "He had his heart in this project."

Proceeds from the sale will be presented to Heilinks during the FIS boxing smoker, scheduled for April.

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SPORTS

Kimberly edged by defending champion Snake River

Bulldogs will face Fruitland today

By Bradley Gaine Times-Herald writer

MERIDIAN — The Kimberly Bulldogs went blow-for-blow with the two-time defending Class 3A state champion Snake River Panthers...

Meridian High School on Thursday.

"It was a tough game to lose," senior post Jason Mumm said. "Of course we started step-for-step with Snake River..."

competed, right down to the final buzzer. When we got down four or five, the kids showed heart and battled back."

"The Bulldogs jumped to an early lead with the help of an 8-2 run to start the game. From there, the Panthers occasionally tied, but never surpassed the Bulldogs until the third quarter..."

Down 51-48 near the end of the fourth, Mitch Darnie came up with a key steal and tossed it over to Nick Wright for the layup that cut the Snake

River lead to only 51-50. Snake River went up again, but leading scorer Mumm came up with a huge 3-pointer to tie the game at 53. The Panthers put another bucket up, only to have Jerke answer with two free throws for the 55-55 tie at 9:3 seconds. It was the last time Kimberly scored.

The only statistic in which Kimberly trailed was offensive rebounds, which Keller called a deciding factor.

"We made some critical errors. We were allowing second shots on offensive rebounds," he said of Snake River's 23-12 edge.

lusion bracket where they will face Fruitland prior to the Bull-Bonnors Fryer game.

Snake River 64, Kimberly 55. Scoreboard listing game results and statistics.

Panthers stay alive

Carey to take on Tri-Valley today

By John Derr Times-Herald writer

CALDWELL — Hustle. That's what it took.

After struggling in a first-round loss Wednesday and a tough start of the first round Thursday, Carey was determined to simply leave it all on the floor.

"It paid off."

"Down a point at the half, the Panthers charged took the lead in the third period and never let up on their way to a 62-54 victory over Clark Fork in the consolation bracket of the Class 1A boys state basketball tournament at Valliuue High School."

"We had it in our minds that we did not want to lose. We needed to hustle," said senior guard Allen Peck, who netted 17 points for the Panthers.

With Clark Fork running a zone, opportunities inside were few and far between for Carey as the Panthers were forced to shoot from the outside. Just like Wednesday's loss to Genesee, they struggled, connecting on just 3-of-15 attempts from beyond the arc in the first half. Peck had all three makes to keep Carey within striking distance.

Down by five midway through the second, the Panthers turned up the defensive pressure. Peck nailed a 3-pointer while D.J. Simpson converted inside and chipped in a pair of free throws for the lead.

The Wampus Cats hit a late jumper and hit 31-30 at the half.

"The teams traded baskets early in the third period before Peck found himself open in the corner and nailed a 3-pointer. On

Carey's next possession, and from the same spot, Peck drained another, putting the Panthers up 40-36. Carey would not trail again.

"The zone they were running left the corners open. It's a good spot," said Peck.

One play offpied the effort of Carey in the second half. Running a full-court press, Clark Fork put a man loose down court. Carey barreled back to tip the ball away, then leaped out of bounds to keep the ball alive and in the possession of the Panthers.

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The Panthers advance to face Tri-Valley today at 11:45 a.m. at Caldwell High School.

Class 1A State Tournament Scores. Lists scores for various games including Carey 62, Clark Fork 54.

Area Class 1A teams fall on second day

Times-Herald

CALDWELL — Hagerman was handily defeated by Cascade, 64-39, in the Class 1A state tournament at Caldwell's Valliuue High School.

Hagerman coach Kevin Cato, said that the "best thing I can say is we completed hard. We played hard. We missed six uncontested lay-ups in the first half when the game was close. If we could have made those shots, the game's complexion could have been different."

As it was, the Ramblers led the Hagerman Pirates 31-18 at the half before completing the victory.

Cascade was led by Nevt Basey's 27 points while Anthony Beskoon added 19. Beskoon scored for a double-double on the night by adding 18 rebounds. Coach Cato described Basey and Beskoon, as "not overly imposing, but the guys could jump." Basey and Beskoon combined for 45 points, surpassing that of Hagerman's team total. Cato acknowledged that "We got beat by a very good team."

The Pirates were impressive offensively, shooting only 12-of-42.5 percent from inside the arc, and 12-15 (13.3 percent) from three-point range. Jason Brown was the leading scorer for the Pirates with nine points.

Morgan Knight followed with eight points, three rebounds, and three steals. Bradrick Cato also had eight points, along with five steals. Rick Emerson added six points and four rebounds for Hagerman.

Hagerman will now face the Sho-Ban Chiefs today in regards to Hagerman's loss and their upcoming match. Cato said, "I told the kids that we are both (Hagerman and Sho-Ban) coming off tough losses. It is heart-breaking at state. The game will depend upon which ever team can bounce back from their loss the quickest, get back to playing basketball."

Hagerman will face off with Sho-Ban at 3 p.m. today at Valliuue High School.



Hagerman's Braulio Carlos drives to the basket between a pair of Cascade defenders Thursday at Valliuue High School in Caldwell.

ward for next year."

Tal Clark scored 19 points in the loss, but was just 5-of-19 from beyond the arc. Michael Lezamic added 11 points and Miguel Tellez scored nine. While Braiden Buckner was held to three points, he did pull down a game-high 12 rebounds.

Kedrick Troesch had 20 points, 11 rebounds and four assists for Mackay. The Tigers end their season with a 20-7 record.

Troy 49, Murtaugh 45

The Murtaugh Red Devils were eliminated from tournament play Friday, falling 49-45 to the Troy Trojans.

Jason Smith scored a game-high 16 points before fouling out to lead the Trojans, who took a decided advantage at the free-throw line. Troy connected on 14 of its 26 attempts from the stripe, while the Red Devils went 4-for-8 from the line.

Jose Saucedo led Murtaugh with 11 points and three assists, while Taylor Wilson and Bryant Bishoff both added 10 points. While the Red Devils turned up the pace to jack up 50 shots for the game, it was Troy's control and precision that led to the win. The Trojans hit 16-of-33 field goal attempts for 48.5 percent for the game.

"Troy's a really solid team,"

said Murtaugh coach Adam Jurtaugh.

Murtaugh was hampered by a four-point second period and trailed 38-28 after three quarters. The Red Devils changed backcourt continuity with a 17-11 fourth-quarter burst, but it wasn't enough to dig all the way out of the hole. Murtaugh's season ends with a 13-11 record in Johnson's first season.

"Midseason we started embracing the new system and really started playing well," said Johnson. "With us losing only two starters and two off the bench, I think we can build off of what we did this year and be pretty competitive next year."

Class 1A State Tournament Scores

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Pilots

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inside, Aaron Crane came off the bench to nail a tray and Tanner Shrum and Cody Darrington chipped in 3-pointers as the Pilots started the second quarter on a 13-0 run.

Late in the period the Cougars started chipping away at the lead as Skidmore, who averages 27 points, scored nine. Glenns Fryer held a 20-24 advantage at the half.

Crane hit another 3-pointer to set the third for the Pilots, but West Jefferson

went on a run and moved in front. Hitterman scored four points late as Glenns Fryer regained the lead 39-38 heading into the fourth.

Class 1A State Tournament Scores. Lists scores for various games including Carey 62, Clark Fork 54, Hagerman 39, Cascade 64.

Mackay 59, Richfield 50

CALDWELL — Hampered by foul trouble throughout the game, the Richfield Tigers suf-

fered a 59-50 season-ending loss to Mackay in the consolation bracket of the Class 1A state tournament Thursday.

Richfield's lone senior, Shayne Buckner, played less than 8 minutes before fouling and was held to three points. The Tigers, District IV's top seed, also struggled to knock down perimeter shots against Mackay's zone defense, hitting just 9-of-37 attempts from 3-point range.

Three Tigers ended the game with four fouls apiece as Mackay's 18-of-32 free throws, while Richfield went 4-for-8 at the line.

The Miners jumped out to a 15-5 lead after one quarter, but the Tigers rallied to get within 26-24 at halftime thanks to quality performances off the bench. But Mackay used a 19-6 edge in the third period to pull away.

While the early exit was certainly a disappointment, Richfield coach Gary Ward said there's a bright future ahead. With eight of nine players coming back, the Tigers should be in the mix for a state title next winter.

"We've accomplished a lot," said Ward, "including a district title. You've got to look at the positives. We set ourselves up, got to have the experience of a couple games at state and hopefully that propels us for-

Bobcats

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Nampa squad to reach the state tournament.

"We knew we beat them twice during the regular season, but it's still state and anything can happen," Carensia said. "We have to come to play hard every night."

Since his team had blown out Middleton twice during the season, Bagley wasn't sure how

the Bobcats would respond.

"I was nervous that our intensity level might not be there, but the guys did a good job," Bagley said. "I want to try it every quarter, and we did that. If we win every quarter, it shows that we're being consistent and we're not having any letdowns."

Burley outbounced

Middleton 44-27. The Bobcats pulled down 23 offensive rebounds.

"We had a height advantage so we really tried to work it inside," Bagley said. "Our guards did a good job of getting the ball to the post and our post players did a good job of playing high-low. We missed some shots, but we did a great job on the offensive boards and that helped out a lot."

The Bobcats have traveled well this season — they are now 11-0 in games away from Burley.

2007 Real Dairy Shootout: Boys State Basketball Tournaments

Class 5A. At the Idaho Center, Nampa. Thursday's results. Game 1: Mountain View Mavericks 81, Lewiston Bengals 73.

Game 3: Burley Bobcats 60, Middleton 40. Game 4: Mirthak Kelly 60, Hillcrest 41. Game 5: Preston vs. Century, 1:15 p.m.

Class 2A. At Capital High School, Boise. Thursday's results. Game 1: Fifth Cougars 91, Mearing Huskies 40.

Game 8: Shelley vs. Snake River, 8 p.m. Game 9: Mackay 59, Richfield 50. Game 10: Troy 49, Murtaugh 45.

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CSI men look to right the ship before tournament

Golden Eagles hoping to end three-game skid

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's time to stop the skid.

The No. 9 College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team is experiencing its second late-season slide in as many seasons. While a replay of last year's trip to the NJCAA Division 1 National Tournament is a major goal for the 23 Golden Eagles, a repeat performance of how last year's team hobbled into the postseason by losing four of its final six games is something to avoid.

The suddenly slumping Golden Eagles can, however, right the ship this weekend against an 18-10 College of Eastern Utah team that comes to Twin Falls with an even 9-9 Scenic West Athletic Conference record and the nation's top scorer in sophomore guard Tyler Kepkay.

The Golden Eagles will need a pair of wins this weekend if they're to keep their already slim hopes of hosting next week's Region 18 Tournament alive. CSI and SNOW standings are tied atop the SWAC standings at 13-5, but the Badgers hold the tie-breaker for hosting privileges. The Golden Eagles will need last-place Colorado Northwestern Community College to pull off the improbable upset of the Badgers, but could end up hosting the tournament, even with a split against CSI.

However, for a team that's dropped three straight after rallying off a 10-game midseason win streak, a split is the last thing in the minds of the CSI players and coaches. After the Badgers slowed CSI's nation-leading offense in last weekend's two losses in Ephraim, Utah, CSI will look to not only pick-up-the-lump, but shore up the hole in its full-court press as well.

That will be a challenge against the guard-oriented attack of CEU. The University of Utah-bound Kepkay is averaging an NCAA-high 20 points per game, while sophomore guard Jeremy Lathan chips in an average of 12.5 points per contest. Forwards Steve Hassell and Anthony Oliver are also capable scorers for a CEU team that ranks among the nation's Top 10 in scoring average at



College of Southern Idaho guard DeCarlos Riley is knocked back by Colorado Northwestern Community College guard Kyle Warren earlier this season. The Golden Eagles wrap up the regular season with home games against the College of Eastern Utah tonight and Saturday.

Eagle Eyes

Tonight: No. 9 CSI (23-5, 13-5 SWAC) vs. College of Eastern Utah (18-10, 9-9 SWAC), 7:30 p.m.

On the horizon: The two Golden Eagles teams meet Saturday night during the final regular-season game of the year. Depending on the outcome of this weekend's CSI/CEU and Snow/CNC games, the Golden Eagles will open Region 18 Tournament play next Friday as the No. 1 or No. 2 seed in either Ephraim, Utah or Twin Falls.

Last time they met: CSI swept host CEU on the road earlier this season, winning 110-104 and 97-83.

On the radio: All games will be broadcast live on 1270 AM KFTV.

On your back: CSI fans are encouraged to wear gold on Friday and black on Saturday to the games.

Sophomore night: Saturday's game will include a ceremony to honor the six sophomores on the CSI roster. **CSI season leaders (SWAC minimums apply):** Points per game — Brad Garrett 16.5, Kelvin Davis 16.2. Rebounds per game — Juan Partillo 7.4, Brandon Stores 6.8. Assists per game — Adis DeLeon 4.2, Reggie Gugon 4.0. Steals per game — Kelvin Davis 2.5, DeCarlos Riley 2.2. Blocks per game — Partillo, Stores 1.2, Kevin Ford 1.0. Field goal percentage — Ford .607 (71-117), Partillo .574 (135-235). 3-point percentage — Davis .714 (58-81), Garrett .400 (74-185). Free-throw percentage — Davis .734 (59-79), Garrett .716 (53-74).

Juan Partillo, Art Parnikowski and Kevin Ford will have to use full advantage of their height against a smaller CEU team, while CSI's talented group of guards can't be worried about going point-for-point with Kepkay. Tonight's game is set to start at 7:30 p.m.

Golden Eagles women host surging CEU team

Weekend SWAC series closes regular season

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — It's all about momentum.

Less than a week away from the start of the Region 18 Tournament, the No. 24 College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team is looking for something more to build on. With the second seed in the tournament already locked up, the 22-6 Golden Eagles won't have the added pressure of securing a first-round bye with a pair of wins over the visiting College of Eastern Utah this weekend. However, against a 15-13 CEU team that enters tonight's game on a four-game win streak, CSI will look to roll into the postseason with a pair of wins instead of limp into next week with a pair of losses.

While CSI has traditionally found itself on the winning side against CEU, the two Golden Eagles teams split this season's earlier SWAC series in Price, Utah, as CEU's 70-50 win was CSI's most lopsided loss of the season at that point. CEU (9-9 SWAC) will look to climb above the .500 mark in the conference standings largely on the efforts of sophomore point guard Elisha Harris and sophomore post Staci Little. Harris is CEU's leading scorer at 13.7 points per game and has caused CSI head coach Handy Rogers and his team headaches throughout her two-year SWAC career. The 6-foot-3 Little has the ability to take over a game in the middle and is averaging 11.1 points and 11.5 rebounds over CEU's recent four-game spurt.

CSI will again be without injured sophomore guard Britany Moore, who is still out after suffering a dislocated kneecap two weeks ago at Salt Lake Community College. While Maria Moore took over CSI's most recent win with a 33-point, 14-rebound double-double against Snow College, the Golden Eagles will continue to look for a consistent second scoring option. Freshman guard Maylene Ornelas has elevated her game to average 14.5 points per game in Britany Moore's absence, and will be a key figure in CSI's playoff push. The same goes for sophomores Amy Bravold, Ashley Thompson and Alexis Tucker, who along with both Moores, will be honored during Saturday's



College of Southern Idaho center Anita Burdick (44) shoots over Colorado Northwestern Community College player Kristine Lewis earlier this season. The Golden Eagles host the College of Eastern Utah for games tonight and Saturday to close the regular season.

Eagle Eyes

Tonight: No. 24 CSI (22-6, 13-5 SWAC) vs. College of Eastern Utah (15-13, 9-9 SWAC), 8:30 p.m.

On the horizon: CSI and CEU meet again Saturday night in the final regular-season game of the season. CSI will be back in action next Friday as the No. 2 seed in the Region 18 Tournament, held in either Ephraim, Utah, or Twin Falls. **Last time they met:** The two Golden Eagles teams split a pair of SWAC games in Price, Utah, earlier this season. CEU won the first game 70-50, while CSI rebounded for a 65-53 Saturday win.

On the radio: All games will be broadcast live on 1270 AM KFTV.

On your back: CSI fans are encouraged to wear gold on Friday and black to Saturday's game.

Sophomore night ceremony: The experience and production of CSI's sophomore corps will be a major factor in how the Golden Eagles finish the season. The five sophomores are the team's top five scorers and make up four of the team's top five in rebounds, assists and steals. If that group is intent on making its last hurrah come at the 2006-07 NJCAA Division 1 National Tournament, it will have to be the driving force that gets CSI to Salina, Kan. Tonight's game is scheduled for a 5:30 p.m. tip-off, with Saturday's game slated to start at the same time.

CSI baseball takes on Wildcats in delayed doubleheader

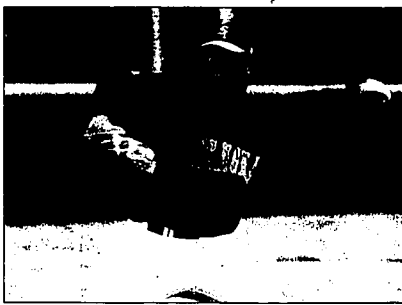
Weather pushes back another SWAC series

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Of all the things a person can — but probably shouldn't — do on a Sunday afternoon in Carson City, Nev., there's one surprising omission: Nobody gets to play baseball at Western Nevada Community College's John L. Harvey Field.

The city ordinance that prohibits Sunday play at the field would normally be of any concern to the 8-5 College of Southern Idaho baseball team, but with recent weather events making the field unusable for Friday play, the Golden Eagles and host Western Nevada Community College Wildcats are scrambling to find a Sunday site after bumping this weekend's quartet of games back a day. CSI and 7-10-1 WNCN are set to play at field, Saturday at John L. Harvey Field, but still need a place to play for Sunday's scheduled noon doubleheader.

Coming off last weekend's Scenic West Athletic Conference split in Twin Falls with Salt Lake Community College, the 8-5 (2-2 SWAC) Golden Eagles will be looking to secure the conference standings with a strong showing against the defending regular-season champion Wildcats. Now in their second season of SWAC play, the Wildcats are led by freshman Logan Parsley, who's scored a team-high 12 runs while hitting .355 at the



College of Southern Idaho reliever Jason Outman pitches against Salt Lake Community College last weekend. CSI visits Western Nevada Community College Saturday and Sunday.

plate. The CSI pitchers will also have to be wary of sophomore slugger Thomas Miller, a player who was murdered on the CSI pitching last season. While the WNCN pitching staff is built around spreading the innings between a number of solid pitchers, the Wildcats pitchers will have to be on alert for the Golden Eagles' staff allowing opponents to bat only .199 on the season. If the Golden Eagles can keep Miller and the WNCN batters from putting up the one big inning that has plagued CSI in each of its five losses on the season, they may be able to inch closer to the SWAC-leading College of Eastern Utah over the weekend. While the CSI pitching rotation hasn't put up the phenomenal numbers last year's staff started with, sophomore Jordan Latham has been outstanding, posting a 3-0 record and 0.45 ERA over his first three starts. Fellow sophomore James Wallace has struck out 23 batters in 15 innings pitched, but has struggled with his control. If Wallace and Adam Urbreg can come up with quality starts this weekend, the Golden Eagles will be in good position. The return of a healthy Mike McClaren will also help a CSI staff that

Eagle Eyes

Saturday: CSI (8-5, 2-2 SWAC) at Western Nevada Community College (7-10-1, 1-3 SWAC), DH, noon.

Sunday: The Golden Eagles and Wildcats are expected to play, not, but due to a Carson City, Nev., ordinance that prohibits Sunday play at WNCN's John L. Harvey Field, the location of the doubleheader is still up in the air. The Golden Eagles continue their SWAC road swing next week, traveling to Rangely, Colo., to take on the Colorado Northwestern Community College Spartans for a quarter of SWAC contests. **Last time they met:** The Golden Eagles eliminated the host Wildcats from Region 18 Tournament play with a 4-3 victory in the semifinal round. Adam

Urbreg picked up the win, while Jordan Latham got the save. **CSI season leaders** Batting: Average — Tony Altavilla .392, Grant Kveder .378, RB — Altavilla, Jed Hanson-Kitchelson, Brad Macy 8. Runs — Nik Guneson 13, Kveder 11, Hita 1, Altavilla 20, Kveder 17, 2B — Altavilla 6, Guneson 3, 3B — Kveder 4, 3B with 1, 1 HR — Guneson 1, SB — Kveder 5, Guneson 5.

Pitching Record — Jordan Latham 9-0; Jason Guneson 20-5V — three with 1, ERA — Latham 0.45, Outman 0.87, IP — Latham 20.0, Adam Urbreg 15.2, 50 — James Wallace 23, Latham 17. Opponents' average — Wallace .122, Latham .123.

Softball

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Rochelle Noren and All Spear are batting .348 and .327, respectively, to enter CSI's batter carries a batting average above reserve Jamie Stone's .273. While Stephanie Holmes and Jalena Williams have supplied CSI with the bulk of its power numbers in the middle of the lineup, head coach Nick Baumert will need more

runners on base this weekend than he's seen so far this season. As a whole, CSI has a 293 on-base percentage while Golden Eagles opponents are getting on base nearly 55 percent of the time.

Weather permitting, Saturday's duo of games will be played at Bruin Diamond, near the intersection of Locust St. North and Stadium Blvd.

missed having his go-to maturity out of the bullpen last weekend. CSI's Tony Altavilla and Grant Kveder are the SWAC's top two batters, but the Golden Eagles have no players ranked in the conference's top seven players in runs batted in. The Golden Eagles will look to find a consistent run producer over the weekend's four games.

GOLF

Wi — not Wie — in lead at Honda

Daly withdraws after photo-related injury

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Charlie Wi was playing in the John Deere Classic two years ago when some fans recognized him.

"That is, they thought they recognized him. "My caddie overheard one of the spectators saying, 'Oh, that's Michelle Wie's dad.' He got a sponsor invite, too," said Wi, who — like Wie — missed the cut at the John Deere in July 2005. "I thought that was hilarious. "If Wi continues to play the way he did Thursday, more people will know who he really is.

Bolestered by a birdie-birdie finish, Wi shot a 5-under 65 in windy conditions at PGA National, giving him a one-shot lead over Bernhard Langer after one round of the Honda Classic. He missed only two fairways, connected on 17 of 20 putts inside 125 feet and made a 40-foot-fer birdie at the par-4 13th.

"Today was definitely my day hitting the ball," said Wi, who has made only 14 cuts in 30 previous PGA Tour starts, but finished tied for ninth earlier this year at the Buick Invitational to make a career-best \$130,000. "And I'm really happy that when you have the opportunity, you capitalize on it. That's really important to me."

Marco Dawson, Robert Allenby, Joe Ogilvie and Cliff Kresge shot 67s on a day made by 20 mph wind and even higher gusts. Brandon Sneeker, 2005 winner Padraig Harrington, Davis Love III and Brett Wetterich were among those who opened with 68s, and Jim Furyk led a group of four another shot back at 69.

Allenby was 4 under after four holes thanks in part to an eagle at No. 3, where he hit a "riper" of a drive, then knocked a 3-wood to 40 feet and made the putt. "You know it's tough," Allenby said, "so you've just got to persevere."

John Daly found conditions especially tough, and that had nothing to do with the course. Daly withdrew after suffering what was announced as a rib injury on the 12th tee, his third hole of the day. He tried to stop his swing when he heard a fan's camera



Robert Allenby of Australia reacts after missing a birdie putt on the 18th hole during the first round of the 2007 Honda Classic golf tournament Thursday in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

clicking, tried to hit another tee ball, said he couldn't handle the pain and went off to seek treatment in the tour's medical trailer. He declined comment.

Kon Kennery, the tournament's executive director, said Daly was injured when a resident of PGA National — who was unaware of the no-camera rule on the course — got "caught up in the excitement of the tournament in her backyard."

"Like the rest of us, she is devastated that her use of a camera resulted in an injury to John," Kennery said. Like Daly, the 49-year-old Langer put in a full day on a sponsor's exemption.

Unlike Daly, he left PGA National in a fairly upbeat mood. Langer, who teed off in the opening 6:45 a.m. group, and got a 4 a.m. wake-up call — boogeyed his opening hole, but made nothing but birdies and pars the rest of the way. He hit 15 greens in regulation, helping him score on a course playing longer than his 7,048 yards.

Masters to show extra hour online

NEW YORK (AP) — The Masters will have one hour of coverage on its Web site before the telecast begins, an example of how new Augusta National chairman Billy Payne wants to see how new media can expand the tournament's audience.

The Masters, which will be held April 5-8, again will feature "Amen Corner Live" on its Web site (www.masters.org), showing every golfer playing the 11th, 12th and 13th holes at Augusta National. A year ago, the club said 3.7 million unique users visited the Web site and a million video streams of live action were served.

"Providing this additional coverage further demonstrates the importance we place on the Internet," Payne said in a statement. "The Internet complements our broadcast and it fulfills one of our principal objectives of exposing as many people as possible to this great sport of golf. Online coverage of the Masters has great potential to reach an even larger audience."

The Web feature called "Masters Extra" will be 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. MDT the first two rounds before USA Network comes on the air, 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. ahead of CBS Sports coverage on Saturday and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. MDT before CBS' final-round coverage.

Weir second at Johnnie Walker

PHUKET, Thailand — Australia's Brad Kennedy shot a 2-under 66 to take a one-shot lead over Mike Weir, Stephen Gallacher, Eusebio Hanson and Graeme Storm after the first round of the Johnnie Walker Classic.

Relief Goson was three strokes back after a 68. Ernie Els and Adam Scott struggled, with Els shooting a 73, and Scott opening with a 74. The tournament is sanctioned by the European, Asian and Australasian tours.

— The Associated Press



Dallas Mavericks forward Jerry Stackhouse, center, works against Cleveland Cavaliers guard Eric Snow, as Cavaliers guard Daniel Gibson approaches at right, Thursday in Dallas.

Mavs tie franchise record with victory

DALLAS (AP) — Dirk Nowitzki scored 16 of his 24 points in the fourth quarter and LeBron James missed two free throws and two 3-pointers in the final 13.7 seconds, letting the Dallas Mavericks slip by the Cleveland Cavaliers 95-92 Thursday night for their franchise record-tying 14th straight victory.

The Mavericks already had come close to the mark twice this season, winning 12 in a row then 13 straight. They've lost only twice since Dec. 11 and just came off a perfect February that earlier Thursday earned Nowitzki and Avery Johnson honors for Western Conference player and coach of the month.

Dallas led since late in the first quarter until James sparked a late rally — on both ends of the court, as he also shut down Nowitzki in the final minutes.

James, who scored 39 points, made a three-point play with 41 seconds left that got Cleveland within 95-92. After a defensive stand by the Cavaliers, James streaked for a layup but Nowitzki shoved him out of bounds so hard he went sprawling into about third row of seats behind the basket. Once he gathered himself, he missed both foul shots.

Cleveland got the ball back out of bounds at midcourt and James quickly put up a potentially tying 3. The rebound bounced back to him and he got another good look, but again came up short, keeping alive the Mavericks' latest and greatest winning streak.

Dallas first won 14 straight at the start of the 2002-03 season. The bid for No. 15 comes at home Saturday night against Orlando.

More had news for the Magic: the Mavericks also have won 21 straight at home, smashing the club record of 16 last season.

Nowitzki again flirted with his first career triple-double, getting 11 rebounds and seven assists. Jason Terry had 20

Blazers GM steps down

TUALATIN, Ore. (AP) — Portland Trail Blazers president and general manager Steve Patterson abruptly resigned Thursday after owner Paul Allen refused to renew his contract.

The move came when the Trail Blazers in next-to-last place at 21-34, a season after they had the worst record in the NBA.

Tod Liewicke, chief executive officer of the Seattle Seahawks, will take over while a full-time replacement is found. Allen, the billionaire co-founder of Microsoft, also owns the Seahawks.

"I think we've had a lot of successes over the last three, four years, but maybe haven't gotten as far as we wanted to on lot of things," Patterson said. "Sometimes it's better for somebody to take the ball the last 10 yards than somebody's who's taken it the first 90 yards."

Patterson said his contract was to expire soon. He had been the team president since 2003 and became the GM after John Nash was fired last May.

"At the end of the day this is all going to be about Portland and the Blazers," Liewicke said. "We're going to lead leadership that lives here, that gets out of bed every day thinking about how we're going to rebuild this franchise and turn it into a championship franchise."

Blazers also scored 10 in the fourth — and Josh Howard had 17 points and 10 rebounds. Erick Dampier added 10 points and nine rebounds.

James didn't get anywhere near as much help from his teammates.

Biedsoe, Horn, McCardell let go

Lions trade Bly to Broncos for Bell

NEW YORK (AP) — As expected, the Dallas Cowboys cut Drew Bledsoe on Thursday. Bledsoe, who lost his quarterback job to Tony Romo after six turnover- and sack-plagued starts last season, was one of a number of aging players cut Thursday as teams adjusted their rosters to get more salary cap room for the first year period that begins Friday.

Joe Horn, one of the leaders of the New Orleans Saints during their 2005 season in Hurricane Katrina-enforced exile, also was cut.

The 35-year-old wide receiver, whose image led a 180-degree turn after Katrina forced the team from its home and left it to spend that year in Texas, was let go at his own request after he declined to take a pay cut.

He could make back. "Joe really wanted to see where his value is around the league for his services," general manager Mickey Loomis said. "With as much as Joe has meant to the Saints and to New Orleans, we don't want to impede his desire to do so, and we have kept the door open for him to return to our team."

Among the other transactions Thursday:

- Wide receiver Keenan McCardell, who turned 37 in January, was released

by San Diego. He had 36 catches last year, his 15th in the NFL. San Diego also let go two troubled players: linebacker Steve Foley, who missed the season after being shot by a policeman, and safety Terrence Kiel, who pleaded guilty last month to felony and misdemeanor drug charges for shipping codeine-based cough syrup to Texas.

San Francisco waived Antonio Bryant, just one season after signing him to a lucrative four-year, free-agent contract. Bryant caught 40 passes for a team-leading 733 yards last season, but repeatedly ran afoul of coach Mike Nolan's disciplinary standards.

Pittsburgh cut linebacker Joey Porter, an outspoken sack specialist whose trash-talking was one of the subplots leading up to the 2006 Super Bowl, won by the Steelers.

Minnesota released three former starters: cornerback Fred Smoot, tight end Jermaine Wiggins and tackle Mike Rosenfield.

- Mike Altosti, the six-time Pro Bowl

fullback who considered retirement after each of the past two seasons, signed a one-year deal with Tampa Bay.

The New York Jets locked up receiver Jerrieco Cochrery on a long-term deal.

The New York Giants tendered offers to starting safety Gilbert Wilks, linebacker Reggie Torbor and running back Derrick Ward. New general manager Jerry Reese held talks with agent Tony Agonico, discussing a possible new contract for center Shaun O'Hara, who will become a free agent on Friday.

Seattle tendered offers to six restricted free agents, including offensive tackle Sean Lockart, receiver D.J. Hackett and defensive back Jordan Babineaux.

Detroit re-signed linebacker Alex Lewis to a three-year contract.

A couple of other veterans stayed on by extending their contracts.

One was the oft-injured running back Fred Taylor, who now is signed with Jacksonville through 2011. Detroit and Denver agreed to a deal that will send cornerback Derf Bly to the Broncos for offensive tackle George Foster, running back Tatum Bell and a fifth-round draft pick. The deal, which won't become official until Friday, when the free-agent period starts, was confirmed by someone with knowledge of the deal who asked to remain anonymous, because it had not yet been finalized.

Late jumper lifts Fresno State past Boise State

FRESNO, Calif. — Kevin Bell's put-up jump shot 9.6 seconds left Thursday night lifted Fresno State to a 70-77 victory over Boise State.

Quinton Hosley had a game-high 24 points and 12 rebounds, and Fresno State (21-9-6), which extended its winning streak to five games.

With Boise State leading 77-76, Anthony Thomas missed the front end of a 1-and-1 with 66 seconds left. Bell grabbed the long rebound and dribbled to just inside the free-throw line before taking the shot.

Bell scored a season-high 17 points along with 11 assists and 10 rebounds. Doug McGulre added 14 points, 11 rebounds and seven blocks for the Bulldogs.

Boise State (16-12, 8-7) led

Utah State 79, No. 10 Nevada 77, OT

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Virginia Tech, beating the Hookies and moving into first place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The Cavaliers (20-8, 11-4), picked to finish eighth in the pre-season, finished 8-0 in league play in their new John Paul Jones Arena.

Georgia Tech 84, No. 8 North Carolina 77

ATLANTA — Thaddeus Young scored a career-high 22 points and Javaris Crittenton handed out 11 assists to help Georgia Tech beat North Carolina.

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NFL

Smith gets what he wants from Bears with extension

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (AP) — Love Smith walked into the conference room and took a seat at the center of the table, which seemed fitting, considering he was in the middle of a storm the past few weeks.

To his left was team president Ted Phillips. To his right, general manager Jerry Angelo. And in front of Smith was the security he craved.

Less than a month after reaching the Super Bowl, the Chicago Bears resolved a major issue Wednesday night when they agreed on an extension with Smith that runs through 2011. It also locked in Angelo through 2013.

Smith said Thursday he had no doubts the Chicago Bears would give him the contract extension he wanted, so he never envisioned himself coaching elsewhere. Coast to coast, considering Smith's agent Frank Bauer said a week earlier the talks had stalled and that his client would likely leave when his contract expired after the 2007 season.

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As late as down at the combine (last week) I thought I made it clear that I thought it would get done, that I hoped it would get done," Smith said.

The lowest paid coach in the NFL, last season at \$1.35 million, Smith would have earned \$1.45



Chicago Bears general manager Jerry Angelo, left, and football coach Love Smith announce a contract agreement during a news conference Thursday at Halas Hall in Lake Forest, Ill.

million in the final season of a four-year contract. Instead, he'll earn \$23.45 million over the next five years — an average of about \$4.7 million per season, the Chicago Tribune reported.

The process wasn't easy. Smith and team president Phillips met Wednesday at Halas Hall and the deal was announced that night. It was a sharp turnaround, considering Smith's agent Frank Bauer said a week earlier the talks had stalled and that his client would likely leave when his contract expired after the 2007 season.

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Barn Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



Hi and Lois

By Chance Browne



Classic: Peanuts

By Charles M. Schulz



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By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



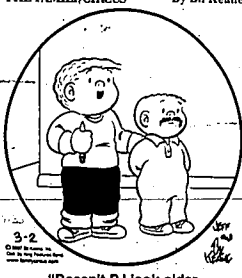
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchum



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Supervisor eats employees out of candy and patience

DEAR ABBY: I have a co-worker who is always picking at everyone's food. At lunch or at break time, people hurry to eat before "Sam" comes to the lunchroom because he goes around helping himself to everyone's food. He doesn't even ask permission first.

People have told Sam it's all they have, but it doesn't faze him. He just finds a way to joke about it. These employees don't want to speak up because Sam is their supervisor.

Sam also creates a problem for the people in the front office. He goes to the front office every day and takes the candy they set out for customers and fellow employees to enjoy. He fills his pockets full and returns to "visit" several times a day until the candy is gone. This has gone on every single day for the past three years. Human Resources refuses to get involved.

How can I stop this? Sam is my co-worker and friend, and I'm the type of person who cannot hurt his feelings. How should I handle this?

HUNGRY IN MADISON HEIGHTS, MICH.

DEAR HUNGRY: Sam's behavior is extremely inappropriate, and if he's been pigging out on everyone's candy for three years, I'm surprised his doctor hasn't told him he has



DEAR ABBY
Jeanne
Phillips

incredibly depressed thinking, "Oh, this will be our last Easter together," or "It sucks that this is our last high school prom."

I don't want it to end, and I know the closer graduation comes the more I'm going to get freaked out about it. I try my best to make the most of every day and enjoy it while it lasts, but I'd be a liar if I said I wasn't sad about it. Am I the only one going through this?

—ERIC IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR ERIC: Of course you're not. There are big changes coming in the lives of every member of your senior class, and not everyone welcomes change without some degree of anxiety or even sadness. Please don't let these feelings ruin your present.

Although you may not be attending "your college of choice," you will be meeting new people, learning new things—and who's to say that you can't transfer to another school in your junior year if you apply yourself and do well?

I am sure that if you discuss this with a trusted teacher or school counselor you will be assured that you're facing a typical number of seniors—and excitement and challenges await you in the months and years to come. That's something to look forward to, not something to be afraid of. Trust me.

Minimum wage workers had it best in 1968

Even if congress manages to raise the minimum wage, the best year for minimum wage workers will continue to be 1968. They earned \$1.60 an hour, the equivalent of \$8.95 in today's money.

This day in history: It had been a disputed election centered around ballot-box shenanigans in Oregon, Louisiana, South Carolina, and (yes) Florida. Even without the disputed states, Democrat Samuel Tilden received 52 percent of the popular vote and stood one electoral vote away from victory. On March 2, 1877, a special committee of eight Republicans and seven Democrats split on party lines and awarded Ohio Republican Rutherford B. Hayes all of the disputed states, handing him the presidency by one electoral vote.

The average American



RANDOM KINDS OF FACTNESS
Erin Barrett
& Jack Mingo

Seville comes complete with a good customer help line; he is considered the patron saint for computer geeks and the Internet.

Miles of all species get a hard rap—many of them take more care of the young than the females. Male penguins, for example, keep the eggs warm while the female goes back to sea to gorge on fish. The male sea horse is the one who carries the eggs. Lakewings, the Darwin frog slurps up the fertilized eggs and carries them in his mouth until the hatchlings are ready to swim away.

Cirrus clouds are the high, wispy, spidery ones. In Latin cirrus means "curling."

About 300 million people worldwide are obese, and 750 million more are overweight.

Trombone means "big trumpet" in Italian.

N.J. doctor sues girl after bicycle accident

MORRISTOWN, N.J. (AP) — A bicycling doctor is suing a roller-skating child neighbor, claiming the youngster caused a collision that left him with a brain collar bone.

Dr. Alexander Duggi, a prominent endocrinologist, maintains he approached Lauren Ellis, then 11, from behind, shouted "watch out"

and rang his bicycle bell. As the girl turned around on her in-line skates, the two collided, and the doctor tumbled from his bike.

This week, a seven-month jury is hearing the doctor's claim that the girl was negligent in the 2003 accident.

Duggi's lawyer, Thomas

Jardim, said the doctor's injury did not heal properly and he had to have surgery in February 2004, losing a significant amount of time at work and income.

Duggi, now 61, has lost mobility in the shoulder and is no longer able to enjoy biking and tennis and has trouble sleeping, Jardim said.

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"Doesn't PJ look older with a mustache?"

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: A little colder than normal and partly to mostly cloudy. Highs upper 30s.
Tonight: Light southwest winds and partly to mostly cloudy skies. Lows in the middle 20s.
Tomorrow: Several degrees warmer and partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 40s, lows middle 20s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly sunny skies and city temperatures. Highs in the upper 30s.
Tonight: Mostly clear and dry. Lows near 20.
Tomorrow: A little warmer and mostly sunny. Highs in the lower 40s, lows middle 20s.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 5 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges.

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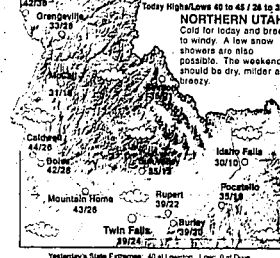
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ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset. Includes historical data for various years.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Small chance of snow showers for today and Saturday.
BOISE Today Highs 28 to 33. Tonight's Lows in the 10s to 14s.



GREGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

'Everything helps an individual more than to place responsibility upon them and to let them know that you trust them.'

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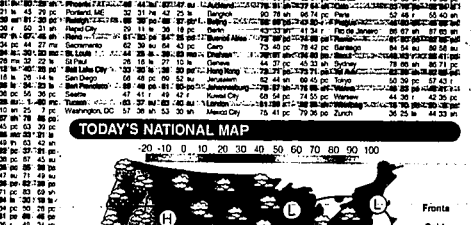
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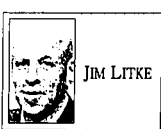
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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Ball players may soon have more to fear than positive drug tests

You may question their motives, but baseball commissioner Bud Selig and his counterparts from around the world of sports were right about this much: The fight against doping won't be won simply by applying pressure from the top down.



JIM LITKE

As long as this sentence, Baseball was forced into drug testing in earnest just two seasons ago, and the NFL started nearly two decades earlier, and the Olympic movement has been on the case — with little more diligence — as far back as the mid-1960s.

and talked about for years. Dick Pound has used the World Anti-Doping Agency as a bully pulpit since the agency hung out a sign in 1998. But his relentless controversy and occasionally reckless, heavy-handed conduct has undercut the message. No matter, The Controlled Substances Act passed in 2004 gave a stick to any prosecutor ambitious enough to wield it.

So good luck to everyone building cases and being sent out on raids in the latest push against doping. They're going to need it. Because as popular as the campaign sounds, my guess is that support for it runs only so deep.

MLB wants information about Matthews allegations

By Nancy Armour Associated Press writer. Baseball has some questions for Gary Matthews Jr., too. Major League Baseball officials want more information on allegations the Los Angeles Angels' outfielder received human growth hormone from a pharmacy that's part of a widespread steroid investigation.

ed criminal sale and conspiracy to sell controlled substances for trying to get doctors to write prescriptions for patients they didn't see. The other indictments remain sealed until defendants appear in Albany County Court.

Sloom reported that Matthews was sent Genotropin, a brand of synthetic growth hormone, in August 2004. The drug, which came from Applied Pharmacy, was sent to the address of Mansfield, Texas, of one of Matthews' former minor league teammates, according to the Internet site.

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — After Luis Gonzalez agreed to a contract 2 1/2 months ago to play in Los Angeles, he purchased a bunch of Dodgers gear for his workout buddies in Arizona.

MLB: SPRING TRAINING



San Francisco Giants pitcher Barry Zito throws a pitch during the first inning of a spring training baseball game Thursday in Mesa, Ariz.

Moneyball matchup: Zito versus Soriano

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — Now this was a real Moneyball matchup: Alfonso Soriano vs. Barry Zito. The two high-priced free agents made their spring training debuts Thursday, and — fittingly — they saw each other right away.

facing each other." The Giants won 9-2 at 101 Hoku Park in Mesa, Ariz. Barry Bonds did not play, and is expected to start Friday against Milwaukee.

Luis Gonzalez feeling refreshed with Dodgers

When he has 8-year-old triplets, that's the kind of thing that can get you in trouble. Jacob saw two dozen hats sitting there, and he said, 'Dad, there are 24 kids in my class,' Gonzalez recalled this week. 'I didn't have the heart to tell him who they were for. When Jacob said that, I looked at my wife, she shrugs, like saying, 'It's you, Big Guy.' Then Alyssa and Megan saw them. They wanted hats for their classmates, too.'

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PREPARE TO PADDLE

Hagerman Reach whitewater run sees improvements

By William Studebaker
Times-News correspondent

Extra! Extra! The biggest news to hit whitewater sports in the Magic Valley since the invention of the boat is taking place now on the Hagerman Reach of the Snake River.

Idaho Power Co. has begun its recreational development plan for the river from Lower Salmon Falls Power Plant to Shoe String Bridge.

Now! Right now! Idaho Power has in place an 80-foot long launching ramp below the dam. It is the only one of its type on the Snake River.

Among ramps it's the best. Unlike other ramps, its super structure is galvanized steel, worthy of bridge construction.

The launching surface is not wood, which is typical; it is conveyor belting. According to Lewis Wardle, compliance program manager for Idaho Power, the material was chosen to facilitate and complement the lowering of drift boats and other craft that are not manufactured from materials like hypalon and PVC (which are typical materials for what is referred to as "rubber" rafts).

Additionally the galvanized steel and conveyor belt will reduce maintenance and at the same time enhance safety. "By eliminating splinters and other hazards that go along with wood structures, we believe we've built a better ramp," Wardle said. "And because this ramp is unique, we will be gathering boaters' opinions."

Also, the launching site will be improved from top to bottom. The parking lot will be organized to specify unloading areas and parking areas. A vault toilet will be constructed, and the pathway to the river will be consummate.

More injuries occur on this path, as it is, than on any other feature on the river. The current dangers will be eliminated.

Folks launching two, three, or more rafts at a time are simply going to see the improvements at the Lower Salmon Falls plant. "The eye-bolts and bollards will allow multiple ropes," Wardle said, "if several boats are, or a fully loaded boat is, to be lowered at one time, using the bollards will make it much easier."

Working with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the small consultations have slowed the developments down. But the recreational developments should be finished from the dam to the bridge by spring of 2008.

Malad Put-in

The Malad Put-in, at the confluence of the Malad River and the Snake, will also be improved. The launching area will be flattened and sloped, but it will remain gravel.

A vault toilet will be installed and a day parking area, away from the launch, will be established.

And then there's another extra. A new facility will be built on river right at the end of Black Canyon (the end of the moving water). This takeout (or launching site) will give float boaters an opportunity not to run the flatwater before Slide Rapid, which is often very difficult during a wind storm.

Also, nervous boaters don't have to run Slide Rapid. The up-and-down river features within a mile or so are suitable for flatwater canoes, touring kayaks, and other non-whitewater craft.

Like the other sites, this one will also have a highly functional parking area, ramp, vault toilet, and amenities that make boating more pleasurable.

The site is a sound symbol of fortuitous planning by Idaho Power, as well as Lauretta and Stan Standal, who sold the property to the Idaho Power.

The Standals are fully aware of the importance for planned and functional development of the recreational resources along the river.

They also own the riverside. Whitewater-rated—some two miles upstream, and for years, they have watched boaters, fishermen, and hunters use the river and river bank. They know the joy people get from using the river, and they know that access is essential.

Shoe String Bridge

The development doesn't end at the Standal site. It ends at Shoe



Construction crews work on this site, which will be organized for traffic parking and with an improved launch pad.

String bridge.

Already the concrete ramp has been extended, making it much easier for two-wheel drive vehicles and heavy loads to be pulled up from the water's edge.

Here too, the parking lot will be improved and a vault toilet will be installed.

These changes and additions to the sites and the development of the Standal Bench will certainly change the current boating experience. It will be efficient, hygienic, safer, and diverse, than the trashy, the dangerous, and the limited event it is now.

"The waves will be the same. We hope folks use the river," Wardle said. "The Idaho Power is doing all of this for them."

The Magic Valley can boast of the most modern and unique float-boat launching ramp in the state and great public access. Boaters, ready, get set... go!



This is the new launch site at the end of Black Canyon, approximately 5.5 miles from Lower Salmon Falls Dam.



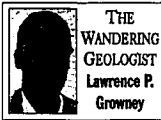
The takeout and launch pad at Shoe String Bridge has been completed. It's suitable for float boats and jet boats. Other improvements are also coming.

Bonneville Flood evident in the West King Hill Landslide

If you turn off Highway 30 at the small community of King Hill and follow the road west to a point just over one mile past the bridge over King Hill Creek, you will find yourself sitting on top of the eroded toe of the West King Hill Landslide.

A smaller slide is just behind you around the nose of the hillside and a very large slide covers most of your view across the stream below the basalt-covered plateau.

In all likelihood, the cause of the West King Hill Landslide was saturation of the hillside provided by waters of the massive Bonneville Flood thousands of years ago. To imagine how the slide could



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have occurred, consider what happens along the banks of a reservoir as it fills and empties.

During the spring, the water rises, saturating sediment that was once dry and light, increasing the weight of the bank material. As long as the water level remains high, the pressure of the water against the bank holds it in place. But

when the water level drops, numerous small chunks of the bank collapse into the reservoir due to the lack of support.

In a similar fashion, I suspect that the lower portion of the originally V-shaped stream channel was saturated as the flood waters rose. Once the water level dropped, the heavier and somewhat soupy, but unsupported base of the hillside began to flow outward toward the center of the channel.

As this movement progressed, cliffside segments of the basalt flow capping the sediments began to separate



Sediment heaved up behind the landslide and formed the small valley. Erosion removed the slide but left some of the basalt boulders.

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Discover Quigley Nordic area for free

Times-News

LIABLEY—Due to low snow conditions on the southern end of the Wood River Trail the Blaine County Recreation District has plowed the multi-purpose trail from East Fork south to Bellevue.

For the rest of the winter the RCRD would like to invite winter users of the Wood River Trail to ski free at Quigley Nordic for the rest of the 2007 season.

For information call Eric Rector at 720-6719.

Dive in to Twin Falls scuba class

TWIN FALLS—Twin Falls Parks and Recreation is offering a one-day scuba diving workshop from 9 to 11:30 a.m. March 17 at the Twin Falls City Pool.

Participants must be at least 8 years old. They will wear standard basics through professional instruction and have an opportunity to try scuba diving. Cost is \$20.

To register or for more information, call 735-2265 or stop by the parks and recreation office at 136 Maxwell Ave.

Wild Turkey Federation banquet set for March 3

The South Hills Strutter Chapter of Twin Falls will be holding its 3rd annual National Wild Turkey Federation Couples Banquet, at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at Radio Rondeau, 241 Main Ave. West in Twin Falls.

No-host cocktails will be at 5 p.m., and dinner will follow at 6:30 p.m., with chef Kirt Martin

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of the Snake River Grill overseeing the dinner.

A live and silent auction, raffles and games will take place during the evening. Prizes include guns, a gun safe, prints and much more. There will also be a sponsor table with a one-in-eight chance of winning a gun.

Seating is limited. For tickets call John Howard 734-9116 or Kirby Butler at 420-4081. You can also e-mail jhoward@sportsmanwarehouse.com.

Soldier Mountain to sell spring season passes

FAIRFIELD—Soldier Mountain announces its spring season pass sale, starting Thursday, March 1 to Sunday, March 11.

Soldier Mountain will be offering 2007/2008 unlimited season passes at the discount rate of \$199 for adults, 16 and over and just \$139 for youth age 7-17.

These passes will be valid for the remainder of the 2006/2007 season and for all of the 2007/2008 season. Soldier Mountain will remain open through March 31, conditions permitting.

Visit www.soldiermountain.com or call (208) 764-2526 for conditions and updates. Soldier Snowcats will remain in operation as long as conditions permit. Email soldiersnowcats@soldiermountain.com or call Gary Ashurst at (208) 726-4005 to book your cat ski tour.

LEWISTON (AP)—The Idaho Fish and Game Commission may revisit its decision to ban the use of in-line muzzleloader rifles in some hunting seasons, after commissioners have been deluged with letters and phone calls from angry hunters about the new policy.

Commissioner Alex Irbay of Orofino said he will ask other commissioners if they wish to revisit their position at the commissioner's next meeting in March.

Last month, the commission approved regulations that effectively ban the use of almost all in-line muzzleloaders rifles, modern versions of the traditional guns. The intent was to make sure the weapons are short range and subject to weather-related failure.

Muzzleloader users have vigorously protested the regulation, enacting a letter-writing campaign targeting commissioners, the department, legislators and the gov-

ernor. They also are circulating a petition protesting the change.

Ed Rankin of Boise bought an in-line muzzleloader last fall. Now he says the gun is useless.

"I'll have myself a boat anchor," he said of the weapon.

He, like many others, argue in-line weapons shoot no farther and are no more accurate than traditional muzzleloaders that are still allowed. But the commission and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game feel otherwise.

The rule change was proposed and adopted because technological advances of the in-line guns improved performance so much that commissioners felt they could no longer justify use of in-lines during muzzleloader-only seasons. Those seasons take place late in the fall when most deer and elk are on winter ranges and slowed by deep snow.

In-line supporters also point

to definitions used by the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms that call any weapon that is loaded through the barrel a muzzleloader. They think the department and commission should do the same. Those protesting the move say they could live with restrictions to bullets, gas and powder that would limit the range of muzzleloaders.

Commissioner Tony McDermot of Sagle said he has received more than 200 letters and 75 phone calls from owners of in-line guns. But he said he is not swayed by their arguments and will resist any movements to alter the new regulations.

"If we thought we made a bad decision there is enough courage on our commission to turn that around," he said. "But I don't think it was a bad decision."

Participation in muzzle-

loader hunts has been on the decline in the 1970s to more than 25,000 hunters today.

McDermot said because of the inflated numbers, the commission was faced with either reducing muzzleloader-only hunts or taking the actions they did.

Irbay isn't so sure. He said he might be open to altering the rules to allow in-lines, while adopting strict powder and bullet regulations to ensure the weapons can't shoot long range.

One supporter of the new regulations, Gordon Hubbard of Lewiston, is a fan of traditional muzzleloaders such as those used by the frontiersmen.

"When you look at a muzzle-loader I see it as a primitive weapon and every time you take a step toward modernizing them, they are just taking a step away from the primitive idea of muzzleloader hunting," Hubbard said.

The commission's next meeting is March 7-9 in Boise.

Volunteers sought for sage grouse working group

For the Times-News

JEROME—The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is seeking partners to participate in the North Magic Valley Sage-grouse Local Working Group. The goal of the group will be to develop a locally appropriate conservation plan for sage-grouse populations and their habitats in the North Magic Valley area.

The proposed geographic focus of the group will include portions of Camas, Elmore, Lincoln, Blaine, Minidoka, Goding, Power, Butte, Jerome, and Cassia counties.

All are invited to attend the first meeting that will be held March 8, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game's Magic Valley

Regional Office, at 319 South 417 East, about 2.5 mile north of the Flying J on Highway 93.

Representatives from a variety of state and federal agencies will introduce the role and specific tasks of a sage-grouse Local Working Group.

"Local Working Groups are the heart of Idaho's conservation efforts," said Mark Fleming, Idaho Fish and Game Regional Habitat Manager. "Local Working Groups are comprised of a diverse group of local interests including sportsmen, conservationists, recreational users, ranchers, farmers, representatives of industry, and interested citizens."

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game developed the first statewide sage-grouse conservation plan in 1997. This

plan called for the development of sage-grouse Local Working Groups in 13 distinct geographic sage-grouse planning areas. In July 2006, through a collaborative process, Idaho completed a major revision of the statewide conservation plan. The resulting Conservation Plan for the Greater Sage-grouse in Idaho reaffirms Idaho's overarching commitment to a locally-driven, collaborative approach to sage-grouse conservation.

Local Working Groups in seven of Idaho's sage-grouse planning areas have been meeting for some time and have completed, or are in various stages of completing, their local conservation plans. The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is currently developing

new Local Working Groups in the remaining sage-grouse planning areas.

If you'd like more information about this public meeting or Idaho's Local Working Groups, please contact: Mark Fleming, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, Magic Valley Region Offices at (208) 324-4359, or Alison Soifer, North Magic Valley Local Working Group facilitator at (208) 367-9366 or email at alison@soft-ridge.net

Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations by contacting the Director's office at the Idaho Department of Fish and Game directly at (208) 324-4359 or through the Idaho Relay Service at (800) 377-2529 (TDD).

Commission to set big game seasons

Times-News

BOISE—The Idaho Fish and Game Commission is scheduled to set big game seasons during its Boise meeting, March 7 to March 9, at Fish and Game headquarters, 600 S. Walnut.

Commissioners are expected to set seasons for deer, elk, antelope, black bear and mountain lion. They will also set a legislative update and provide budget direction for the 2009 fiscal year.

The three-day meeting kicks off with a public comment period at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 7, in the Trophy Room at Fish and Game headquarters.

Commissioners get down to work at 8 a.m. Thursday morning, March 8, with a number of housekeeping items. Later that morning they'll tackle the out-fitter controlled tag allocation issue to accommodate legislative rejection of the previous rule.

Next they will consider proposed changes to big game seasons and rules. Staff recommendations include additional muzzleloader hunting opportunities for mule deer, white-tailed deer, elk and pronghorn antelope; increase antlerless white-tailed deer hunts to reduce depredations, vehicle collision and urban deer problems; and establish a quality whitetail hunting area in eastern Idaho.

Recommendations also include adjusting elk permit numbers in response to population changes and adjusting antlerless elk hunts to reduce depredation concerns; increase antelope in blaine, black bear and mountain lion hunts in response to population changes; and applying the motorized vehicle rule in units 54, 55 and 57 to reduce high motorized travel route densities and hunter conflicts.

In the afternoon on Thursday, commissioners will cover budget issues and hear an update on the new license system.

They will take up again at 8 a.m. Friday, March 9. The first item on the agenda is the pro-

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posed Yellowstone cutthroat trout management plan, followed by action on the proposed 2007-2012 Fish Management Plan.

They also will consider four land acquisitions in northern Idaho that will provide potential habitat mitigation for construction and operation of Albion Falls Dam and meets the department's goals for that project's mitigation program.

They will wind up the meeting with an update on wolf management.

Times on the agenda are approximate and subject to change.

New trophy rules now available

The new trophy species rule books are here. The new rule books for moose, bighorn sheep and mountain goat for the 2007 and 2008 seasons are now available at Idaho Department of Fish and Game offices as well as license vendors around the state.

New this year is a format that features maps with clear boundaries for each controlled hunt for each species. And significant rule changes are outlined in yellow.

A series of two-week moose hunts in units 1 and 2 and a two-week hunt in units 3, 4, 6, 7 and 9 have replaced experimental one-week moose hunts in the Panhandle region.

The any-ram bighorn sheep rule has replaced the three-quarter cur rule and mandatory sheep hunter training has been dropped.

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along pre-existing fractures and joints and rode downhill on the slowly moving blocks of the hillside.

At some point, a small portion of the basalt-covered hillside appears to have failed rapidly, actually moving all the way across the valley, damming King-Hill Creek—As King Hill Creek reestablished its flow, it carried this pile of material. It removed a majority of the soft sediments leaving a scattered deposit of basalt boulders strewn across the streambed and maybe 15 or 20 feet up the east side of the channel.

Sediment accumulated behind the dam created by the landslide, resulting in the flat, open farmland along the present stream. In mobility, without the landslide blockage, this portion of the stream channel would have retained a topography more similar to that seen above the farmed field.

One can attain a bird's-eye view of the landslide and see how the discrete blocks of sediment transported the basalt cover away from the cliff by taking Sugar and Bow up to the first flat ridge-top, then following the transmission lines to the edge of the cliff and continuing on to the left until you reach a point directly above the cliff.

If you are sitting on the road below the slide, Sugar Bowl Road can be accessed by going back the way you came, taking the first right off your road and following this road until you see a street sign, probably only a few tenths of a mile, then turn right and go up the hill.

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Hells Canyon offers great wildlife viewing in winter

HELLS CANYON NATIONAL RECREATION AREA (APA) — It's a patch of snow. No, wait. It moved! Wow. It's a mountain goat. It's just lying down on the edge of a cliff, sunning itself. There aren't many places where you can drive, park your vehicle and look up on a ridge, and see a mountain goat.

The Hells Canyon Visitors Center, below Hells Canyon Dam, is a great place to see these mysterious white critters among the black cliffs of the 8,000-foot canyon on the Idaho side of the Snake River.

Up one of the nearby canyons on the Oregon side, a lot lower in elevation, are four bighorn sheep grazing on lush canyon grasses. Flying over the dam is a bald eagle.

"The drive from Cambridge to Hells Canyon Dam in winter is a great chance to see a lot of wildlife. Take your camera, binoculars and spotting scope."

"You need to have patience," said Crystal Strobl, who tracks bighorn sheep for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. She's based in Enterprise, Ore.

"I would pull off along the road and use binoculars," said Strobl, a wildlife technician. "Do a little scanning and gassing the hillside."

Spotting bighorns and other wildlife takes a little time. You can drive right by them and not see them. The relief of the landscape is so extreme, sometimes you think you're only looking at the face of a cliff. Then, when you look closer, you spot a bighorn sheep or a mule deer.

Wildlife is definitely in the canyon this time of the year, but a lot of motorists drive too fast through the canyon and miss the wildlife.

"It takes a trained eye. If you have a day, it's worth taking time and gassing the mountains," she said. "They are usually there."

There's good news and bad news to Lake Pend Oreille fish population

By Mike Satren
Coeur d'Alene Press

SANDPOINT (AP) — There's good news and bad news about fish populations in Lake Pend Oreille.

The bad news is that predation on kokanee salmon is still way more than is sustainable, says Chip Corsi, Region One supervisor for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Lake trout and rainbow trout — with a few bull trout and pike minnows in the mix — are devouring 80 percent of the juvenile kokanee that are 1 to 2 years old.

The good news is that efforts to reduce the numbers of lake and rainbow trout through angling incentives and trap or gill netting is beginning to show real promise.

Dr. Mike Hansen, an expert in lake trout population modeling who is on sabbatical from the University of Wisconsin, said that the lake trout was his favorite fish, but it's misbehaving in the West. The highly diverse and adaptable fish can live over 50 years and learn to survive in many types of cold water lakes and on many food sources.

Lakes such as Idaho's Priest Lake and Montana's Flathead Lake have maintained lake trout populations now — and collapsed kokanee fisheries.

"One thing that lake trout can survive and grow slowly on mysis shrimp, white rainbow and bull trout cannot."

The lake trout tends to dominate in many lakes where it is introduced and where the more dominant, trophy fishing declines, said fisheries chief Steve Yundt.

In 1956 with a robust kokanee-cutthroat fishery and a low-level lake trout population in Priest Lake and before the introduction of mysis shrimp, a creel survey by IDFG estimated about 100,000 fishing hours, Corsi said, and people were driving there on gravel roads.

Now driving on paved roads to a basically 15- to 20-inch lake trout-driven fishery, the creel survey estimated only 60,000 fishing hours on Priest Lake.

"It's a high-tech fishery, the reason the effort is down by about half is because, for kokanee, anybody and their brother can go out in a 14-foot boat and a putt-motor and some pretty simple fishing gear and catch kokanee and have a good time doing it," Corsi said.

"For lake trout most folks require fish finders, down-riggers and big expensive gear, so they don't go fishing."

A dissenting opinion came from fisherman Harry Len of Post Falls who thinks that it is "exterminating a trout species."

Len blames the introduction of the mysis shrimp on the kokanee's demise, because the mysis feeds on the same plankton the kokanee eats.

What is desired, however, are the trophy rainbows that made Pend Oreille a "wonder-

class fishery not that long ago and not unlike Kootenay Lake in British Columbia.

In Kootenay, rainbows feed on a healthy kokanee base and grow to enormous size. Even so, Pend Oreille in its heyday still holds two world records, Corsi said, "one for rainbow trout (37 pounds) and one for bull trout (32 pounds)."

The bull trout is another desirable fish that is in danger, but it could turn around with the kokanee, Corsi said. The bull trout fishery was closed in 1996, but Corsi has hopes to bring it fishery back, too.

The bull trout is a picky spawner, however, so there are other concerns about its restoration like tributary habitat, said IDFG fish biologist Greg Schooby.

The fall sharply since the lake trout were introduced.

Retired University of Idaho professor David Bengtson commented that no prey fish can survive with more than a 40 percent mortality.

Bennett told Idaho Fish and Game officials, during the "State of the Lake" meeting on Feb. 10, that a 90 reduction in the numbers of lake trout and a 50 percent reduction in rainbow trout numbers would be necessary for the kokanee to survive and thrive in Lake Pend Oreille.

"That would leave an estimated 4,000 lake trout in Pend Oreille, which most of the experts believe can be controlled and still have a thriving kokanee fishery."

"The bottom line is that lake trout are doing well with these other species that we're trying to manage for, kokanee, rainbow and native bull trout and cutthroat," Corsi said.

"That's been played out all across the northern Rockies." If I were to go back and look for a few tower climbs, I would float down the Green (River in Utah) with a few days' provisions. If I need more adventure some coming fall season, I might just do that.

Determining who made a first ascent is often open to speculation. The West has been inhabited for thousands of years, and then waves of

However, Corsi can see a sharp comeback for the fast-growing rainbow that can grow to over 20 pounds in 7 to 8 years if the kokanee fishery is saved in the interim.

"Pend Oreille was historically the most heavily fished body of water in the state, which is important from a strictly recreational standpoint," Corsi said. "But also from an economic standpoint."

Now even in its depressed state, with no kokanee fishery, a recent economic survey said it's worth about \$17 million a year to local economy.

Using data from Hansen's studies and modeling based on the lake trout collapse in the Great Lakes, Corsi believes that the lake trout in Pend Oreille can be controlled, too, and within a reasonable timeframe, if the pressure is kept up on all fronts.

"I definitely think that in the Idaho style of mountaineering, a lot of stuff goes unsaid and unreported. It kind of leaves that impression to the next person that it has never been climbed."

— Kirk Bachman, Idaho climbing guide

Western-peak baggers aim for few remaining unclimbed summits

By Keith Rüdler
Associated Press writer

BOISE — They're out there still in West — never-been-climbed summits where a human has yet to set foot.

But not many remain in the Lower 48 — say some of the country's most prolific peak baggers, who have left a trail of pitons, rock cairns and summit registers in their wakes.

"Most anything that has a nontechnical way up, most of these mountain tops have been accessed at this point in the game," said Kirk Bachman, a climbing guide in Idaho's rugged interior with Sawtooth Mountain Guides. "But as you get into more of the remote backcountry, there is probably still some opportunity there."

"They just may be lesser-known peaks."

"I doubt there are any major summits left," said Eric Simonson of International Mountain Guides, based in Ashford, Wash. "But there are probably some subsidiary summits, and there are probably some spires on ridges."

No one group is cataloging what's been climbed and what remains.

"We don't keep a list of what's left, and nobody knows," said Gary Landeck, library director at the American Alpine Club in Golden, Colo. "Everybody relies on self-reporting, so nobody knows for sure whether certain peaks have been climbed before."

"I would think that there has to be some," said Tom Lopez, who has written a climbing guide to Idaho. "But if people know about them they're less likely to talk about them."

Opportunities to be the first atop a peak in the Lower 48 have mostly disappeared thanks to early adventurers such as Fred Beckey, a legendary figure in the mountain-climbing community who has been assaulting peaks and spires with remarkable dedication for most of his 60-plus years, bushwhacking into the base of climbs before roads or trails existed.

Beckey, who said his exact age is a secret, estimates he has some 400 to 500 first ascents.

"I'm not one of those record keepers," said Beckey by phone after a day of ice climbing in Canada. "But there are people who have done more."

"Of unclimbed peaks in the Lower 48, he said, "I can't think of anything worth talking about."

Still, even he said some remote climbs remain on isolated towers.

"If I were to go back and look for a few tower climbs, I would float down the Green (River in Utah) with a few days' provisions. If I need more adventure some coming fall season, I might just do that."

Determining who made a first ascent is often open to speculation. The West has been inhabited for thousands of years, and then waves of



Brian Wright climbs the north ridge of Packrat Peak in the Sawtooth mountains.

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backcountry explorers came through in the 1800s.

"As you go back in Idaho history, you're amazed at how many people have been wandering around in the Idaho backcountry," said Bachman, who has done quite a bit of that himself to stand atop isolated summits. "These loners and individualists, and you never know quite what they were up to."

Other states had them as well, one of the most famous being naturalist John Muir. He is credited with the first ascent of California's 13,143-foot Mount Ritter in 1872.

Even peaks that require special gear and skills could have been climbed at some early point.

"Sometimes you'll see a rap-rap-sling that indicates someone has been there," said Glenn Kessler, lead climbing ranger at Mount Rainier National Park in Washington state. "I'm guessing there are a few peaks. But you would never know if you're the first one there."

Bachman has left peaks without a trace of his visits.

"I definitely think that in the Idaho style of mountaineering, a lot of stuff goes unsaid and unreported," he said. "It kind of leaves that impression to the next person that it has never been climbed."

But peak-baggers interested in notoriety often leave evidence in the form of rock piles with a summit register (anything from a Band-Aid can do plastic tubing to an ammunition box) with a note inside containing information on the date of the ascent and the climbers who took part.

Publicizing first ascents by describing the climb in periodicals or books is also a favored method.

"You're not going to get famous doing a first ascent unless other people can find the route," said Beckey, who has written comprehensive climbing guides.

While the Lower 48 might be

already climbed out, there remain plenty of unclimbed peaks in Alaska.

"Thousands, literally," said Colby Coombs, owner of Alaska Mountaineering School in Talkeetna, Alaska, who has written a guide to that state's mountain ranges.

"I've had the logistics of getting to many mountains in Alaska deter most climbers, especially if a ski-equipped plane is unable to land on a nearby glacier."

"You have to be pioneering from the get-go," he said. "The bushwhacking is very difficult, and we also have these big rivers that you need to get across. And bears — you're not the top of the food chain."

Still, climbers with Beckey's youthful determination for first ascents will probably seek them out someday, driven by whatever motivates them to be the first atop a summit.

"I can't even begin to tell you the truth, why I climb," said Beckey. "They probably think I'm a nut case."

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2007 TOYOTA YARIS SEDAN

Sophisticatedly basic

By Ken Chester, Jr.
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Boasting fuel economy of nearly 40 mpg on the highway while delivering a high level of sophistication for a vehicle with an MSRP of less than \$13,000, Toyota introduces the Yaris sedan into its United States product line-up. Designed to replace the quirky-looking Echo subcompact sedan, the all-new Yaris bears a strong family resemblance to the redesigned 2007 Toyota Camry sedan.

First launched in Europe in 1999, US-bound versions of the front-drive Yaris ride on an all-new platform that is longer and wider than its European predecessor. The new Toyota combines modern exterior styling with an impressively appointed upscale interior.

Available in base and S trim lines, power for the new subcompact is provided by a 1.5L, four-cylinder engine with variable valve timing with intelligence (VVT-i), with torque communicated to the street through the standard five-speed manual gearbox. A four-speed automatic transmission is an available option.

The Yaris has a long stretched cabin with an arched beltline and its tires pushed outward at each corner. Combined with the use of high-tensile steel for a lightweight yet rigid body, the Toyota subcompact features a low center of gravity that reduces body roll to almost zero during aggressive driving maneuvers.

On the road, the Yaris sedan



Photo: Steve Delaney/Toyota

is quiet, smooth and responsive — impressively solid body integrity for the money. Suspension hardware includes tried-and-true Independent L-arm MacPherson struts in front and a Torsion Beam configuration at the rear. The new hydroformed torsion beam rear suspension was engineered to provide the necessary anti-roll stabilization, so a separate anti-roll bar is unnecessary.

Inside the cabin, the Yaris is

a study in simple elegance. Displays, controls and switchgear are convenient to use and easy to operate. The driver enjoys a manual seat height adjustment, tilt wheel and floor mounted releases for the trunk lid and fuel filler door. Novel touches include two dashboard mounted cupholders at each end for driver and passenger and a center armrest with a storage bin. Rear seat passengers are treated to a flat, comfortable

and a flip-out cupholder from the back of the center console. The center console also features a powerpoint. The cargo area is impressively large and well shaped for maximum benefit. The Yaris may be inexpensive, but it is not cheap.

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ENGINE:
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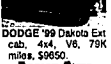
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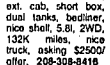
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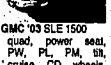
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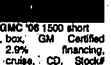
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NOTICE OF HEARING ON NAME CHANGE
Case No. CV 07-622

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Date: February 7, 2007
By: Deputy Clerk

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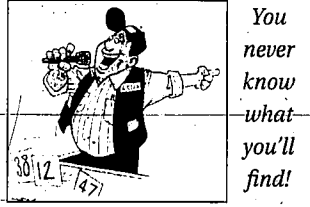
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Solved crossword puzzle grid with words filled in.

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