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Men's and women's teams both move on to title games with convincing wins.

Early spring ahead

Don't forget to set clocks ahead one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday



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Jewish community aims to put Darfur on the national radar.

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BODY FOUND



Onlookers stand at the Twin Falls Visitors Center as the Jerome County Sheriff's Office investigates a crime scene where a body was found Friday afternoon on the north side of the Snake River Canyon near the Perrine Bridge.

Police await Monday's autopsy for cause of woman's death

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — An autopsy on Monday may reveal what killed a young woman whose naked body was found Friday afternoon on a grassy ledge 100 feet beneath the north side of the Perrine Bridge.

The autopsy also may help investigators learn her identity.

"The real work will begin in the autopsy," said Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver. "Once we get her cleaned up at the autopsy, they can better identify her."

Weaver said tourists taking photographs on the north side of the canyon saw the body and called dispatch at 1:10 p.m. But the body had been there since Thursday night or

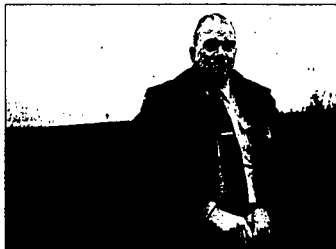
Watch videos of the breaking story and a summary of the police investigation by Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver.

See it online

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Body investigation

People with information about the body found Friday in the canyon should call Jerome County dispatch at 324-1911.



Sheriff Jim Weaver gives the media an update Friday afternoon on his department's investigation of a body found in the Snake River Canyon.

early Friday morning, Weaver said. Investigators photographing and videotaping the body and the potential crime scene blocked southbound traffic in the outer lane of U.S. 93 and cordoned off the pedestrian walkways onto the bridge. "I would ask anyone that saw anything unusual on the north side of the bridge last

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Justice Dept.: FBI improperly used Patriot Act

Agency obtained personal info on citizens, sometimes illegally

By Lara Jakes Jordan
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The FBI improperly and, in some cases, illegally used the USA Patriot Act to secretly obtain personal information about people in the United States, a Justice Department audit concluded Friday.

And for three years the FBI underreported to Congress how often it forced businesses to turn over their customer data, the audit found.

Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, who oversees the FBI, described the problems cited in the report as unacceptable and left open the possibility of criminal charges. He ordered further investigation.

"Once we get that information, we'll be in a better position to assess what kinds of steps should be taken," Gonzales told reporters following a speech to privacy officials.

"There is no excuse for the mistakes that have been made, and we are going to make things right as quickly as possible," the attorney general said.

FBI Director Robert Mueller said he was to blame for not putting more safeguards into place.

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States try to bring college textbook prices under control

By Brian Bakst
Associated Press writer

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Winona State University senior Rick Howden, a business administration major, figures he knows a bad deal when he sees it. A \$4,500 tab for his college textbooks by the time he graduates? Bad deal.

That includes a \$142 business text he had to buy that has barely opened.

"It ends up sitting on the floor next to my desk," Howden said. "It's hard for me to justify."

Lawmakers around the country share Howden's concern about the heavy expense of college textbooks.

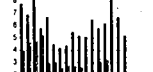
In Minnesota, legislators are considering more tightly regulating the textbook publishing industry and requiring professors to be more cost-conscious in choosing course materials. At least a dozen other states, from California to Connecticut, are taking up the issue.

"This is the hidden cost to higher education," said Democratic Rep. Frank Moe, the Minnesota's bill sponsor, who also teaches at

Text message

In every year of the past two decades, college textbook prices grew faster than inflation.

Annual percent change



NOTE: Each year refers to the September that the academic year began.

SOURCE: Governors' Accountability Office

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Potential Jerome prosecutor makes visit to Valley

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

JEROME — Mike Nelson answered a Jerome County job posting from his law firm in Spokane, Wash.

He briefly interviewed by phone March 3 with county commissioners. They promptly and unanimously appointed him county prosecutor.

"Yeah, I was surprised," said Nelson about



Mike Nelson

commissioners appointing him sight unseen.

Nelson, 56, and his wife, Lisa, visited Jerome County on Thursday to meet the community and check out the job. They left their four kids at home.

After having what he called "a great experience" in Jerome, Nelson said he will

make his decision next week.

Commissioners appointed Nelson to succeed Jon Nicholson III, who stepped down Jan. 29 midway through his four-year term.

Nelson's legal career started as a SWAT team member for the Salt Lake City Police Department. Then he joined the Spokane city prosecutor's office and eventually entered private practice.

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Vintage suffrage:

Women stake their claim to wine at national competition

By Michelle Locke
Associated Press writer

SANTA ROSA, Calif. — Women buy much of the wine purchased in the United States, and they make quite a bit of it, too. But it's mostly male critics who proclaim what's prime and what's plunk.

Enter the National Women's Wine Competition being held this month in Northern California. The event, judged entirely by women, boldly sports the slogan "Wine Women Want." There's even a separate category of entries from women winemakers to add an extra flip of vintage suffrage.

The competition runs March 13-15 in Santa Rosa, and interest in being a single-gender contender has

Snake River Valley designated a wine-growing region.

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been keen. Wineries from across the country responded and about 1,800 entries have come in, more than double expectations.

"We seem to have hit a nerve," said organizer Lea Pierce. Having an all-woman panel is a departure for the wine industry, where judging remains largely a man's world, something Pierce and others attribute more to slowly changing trends in the wine

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Leslie Shrocco attends a wine and food event Nov. 21 at Tuscan Gardens in Petaluma, Calif. Shrocco, author of 'Wine for Women,' doesn't think there's a male or female palate, but that doesn't mean there's no distinction.

TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS

Today Tonight Sunday



Starting off sunny today. Partly cloudy tonight. Mild and mostly sunny Sunday.

High 60 Low 37 65 / 43

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Partly cloudy with a very small chance of a shower clipping the region from the south. Highs 50s.
Tonight: Mostly dry and clearing. Lows 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly dry and mild with sunny periods. Highs low 60s.

Complete weather report: See page B12

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Nell Simon's play "Lost in Yonkers" presented by the College of Southern Idaho Theater Department, 8 p.m., CSI Fine Arts Center Theater, Twin Falls, \$8 for adults and \$6 for students/senior citizens, 732-6781 or 732-6788.
 Ernest Lohman's "Hello, Dolly!", presented by the Oakley Valley Arts Council, 2 p.m., Howells Opera House, Oakley, \$8, 677-ARTS.
 The musical "Les Misérables," a Magic Valley School of the Performing Arts presentation, 7 p.m., Roper Auditorium, Twin Falls, \$10, 733-6128.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

The Snake River Elks annual dinner and auction, roast beef buffet from 6 to 8 p.m. and auction to follow at the lodge, 2.5 miles north of the Hwy. 84/93 interchange, Jerome, 59 dinner, proceeds to go to the Idaho Rehabilitation Hospital, 324-0200.
 La Mascara-Moulin Rouge, Parisian style evening with dance orchestra, can-can dancing, Peggy Maad Book and others performing and entertaining, hosted by the Magic Valley Arts Council, 7 p.m., The Ballroom, Historic Downtown Twin Falls, \$40 at the door, (raffle tickets \$10 each or 12 for \$100), 734-ARTS.
 Crab feed fundraiser, 6 p.m., social hour and 7 p.m. dinner, National Guard Armory, sponsored by the Elks Club, Gooding, 934-4166.
 Rock Creek Rebels 4H Horse Club annual Stallion Service Auction, noon preview and 2 p.m. auction, Twin Falls County Fairgrounds, File, 423-6441, 734-5317 or 423-5952.
 Chili Feed, provided by Reformers Unanimous (a faith based addiction abstinence program), noon to 4 p.m., Cornerstone Baptist Church, 315 Shoup Ave. W., Twin Falls, donations, 733-5312 or 735-9017.
 A fundraising volleyball tournament, with proceeds donated to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, beginning at 8 a.m., Impact Athletic, Burley, no admission fee, \$120 per team (unlimited team members), 678-5011.
 Rock and Gem Show, with dealers, mineral table, displays, silent auction, door prizes and more, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Boys & Girls Club of the Magic Valley, 999 Frontier Road, just east of College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, \$2 for adults, no cost for children under age 12 accompanied by an adult, 410-2842.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Buttons 'n' Bows Square Dance Club St. Patrick's Dance, 7 p.m., Irish Potato Bar dinner and 8 p.m. dance, Twin Falls Moose Lodge, 835 Falls Ave., Twin Falls, \$2 for bring a potato topped, salad or dessert, 309-6828.
 The Daughters of the American Revolution meeting, noon, Blue Lakes Country Club, 1940 Blue Lakes Road, Twin Falls, prospective members with an ancestral tie to service in the American Revolution invited, 308-1810.

EXHIBITS

The collected works of multi-media artist, Debra Featherston, featuring sculpture, pottery, mixed media and alternative black-and-white photography processes, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Magic Valley Arts Center's Galería Persepolis, 132 Main Ave. S., Twin Falls, no cost, (208) 734-ARTS(2787).

FAMILY

Family Fun Walk, part of the Jerome Centennial celebration, 10 a.m., Jerome High School, Jerome, 324-5427 or jeromecentennial.org.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Let's Talk "Rag Time Quilting," cut, sew and quilt taught by Sonya Denton provided by L.I.F.E. Groups, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School cafeteria, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, no cost (bring sewing machine, quilting supplies and sack lunch), 734-6613 or sonyadenton@hotmail.com.

MUSEUMS

Monthly free star party, 7:30 p.m. to midnight, Faulkner Planetarium, Herrett Center for Arts and Science on the campus of the College of Southern Idaho, Twin Falls, no cost, 732-6655.
 Faulkner Planetarium, "How to Build a Plane" at 2 p.m., "Star Signs" at 4 p.m., "Far Out Space Places" at 7 p.m., and "Led Zeppelin Maximum Volume 1" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families (children under age 4 not admitted), 732-6655.

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

MINI EDITORIAL

Deposited a check lately?

Hope you don't need the money. That's because your bank will hold on to all or some of your deposit for several days before it actually puts the cash into your account. "Funds availability policy," it's called. That means funds will be available to pay the bank. Its overdraft fees when you bounce checks written on an account with more than enough money.

Have a nice day.

— Steve Crumey, columnist

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Body of woman found under Perrine Bridge

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New Murtaugh schools superintendent named

MURTAUGH — Michelle Capps, the Murtaugh Elementary School principal, will succeed Dennis Osman as the district superintendent in June. Osman, who was the superintendent for seven years, will retire at the end of the school year.

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Convicted murderer makes motion for retrial

TWIN FALLS — Convicted murderer Juan Carlos Fuentes Pina asked for a retrial Friday, saying he was not allowed to testify on the last day of his trial.

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Buhl teachers will have to mail their ballots

BUHL — During the Feb. 20 Buhl School Board meeting, trustees passed the proposed 2007-08 school year calendar after denying the Buhl Education Association's request to give them time on Nov. 6 to make it to the polls. Teachers will have to be at parent-teacher conferences instead.

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New charter school opens in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — Xavier Charter School opened the doors to its new building last week, and began accepting student applications for the coming school year.

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Legislation aims to attract quality teachers

BOISE — To attract and keep quality teachers, Republican lawmakers have introduced legislation that allows teachers to receive higher salaries if they give up tenure and some job security.

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CORRECTIONS

Graham to speak March 27
 A church news item printed Feb. 17 listed an incorrect speaker for one of the Lenten Lunches being held at the Rupert United Methodist Church. The speaker for March 27 is David Graham. The Times-News regrets the error.

Wrong name attached to Thursday letter

The author's name on the letter titled, "Charlotte Myers was a friend for a lifetime," on Thursday's Opinion page was incorrect. The writer was Frankie Hoover-Kreps of Jerome. The Times-News regrets the error.

IDAHO/WEST



Jewish community focuses on Darfur

KECHICUM — Seventy years ago, the government of a farmy nation began to exterminate an ethnic minority within its borders. Few on the outside noticed — not until 6 million people were dead.

"I think the Holocaust makes us pay attention when similar things happen in the world today," said Larry Helzel, co-president of the Wood River Jewish Community and one of the organizers of "Dartur: A Call for Compassion."

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Nuclear proposal gains Idaho traction

BOISE — In 1995, Idaho signed an agreement with the federal government to try to bar the Department of Energy from shipping any more nuclear waste to the state.

Twelve years later, Idaho lawmakers are throwing their support behind a Bush administration proposal touted as a means to safely expand nuclear energy in the United States, despite opposition from a watchdog group that contends it would break the 1995 settlement.

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We're a designated wine-growing region

BOISE — It may not be the Napa Valley yet, but Idaho's burgeoning wine-growing region is unique, according to the federal government.

The Department of the Treasury on Friday declared 8,263 square miles of southwest Idaho and southeast Oregon an American Viticultural Area — or AVA.

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Coldwater Creek tops \$1 billion in sales

SANDPOINT — Women's clothing Coldwater Creek for the first time topped the \$1 billion mark in sales in 2006, but the chairman said profits need to improve.

The company, founded in 1984 as a mail-order retailer, has grown into a national brand with 239 stores in addition to its catalogs.

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Idaho House passes business tax relief

The House voted 47-20 Friday to pass a tax relief plan for business that could be worth up to \$100 million by the time it's completely enacted. The bill now goes to the Senate.

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Would you pay \$50,000 for a bed?

CHICAGO — Can you put a price on a good night's rest?

Betting weary-but-wealthy baby boomers are willing to do just that, mattress companies are fluffing up their selections of ultra-lux beds that retail for more than the cost of cars, college tuition and parcels of land.

With a heart-stopping price tag approaching \$50,000, the Vividus bed launched last year by the Swedish manufacturer Hastens is among the most expensive sold in the U.S.

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Mugger beats 101-year-old woman

NEW YORK — A surveillance camera caught a mugger beating a 101-year-old woman, all for the mere \$33 she was carrying. A short time later, police say, the same man mugged an 85-year-old woman.

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FDA issues warnings about anemia drugs

WASHINGTON — Federal health officials issued stern new warnings Friday for doctors to more carefully prescribe widely used anemia drugs that can increase the risk of death and other serious problems in patients with cancer and kidney disease.

At issue are drugs sold under the brand names Procrit, Epreon and Aranesp.

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Insurgent leader captured, report says

BAHGDAD — The shadowy leader of the Islamic State of Iraq, an al-Qaida-inspired group that challenged the authority of Iraq's government, was captured Friday in a raid on the western outskirts of Baghdad, an Iraqi military spokesman said.

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Bush: U.S. cares about Latin America

SAO PAULO — Taunted by leftist President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, President Bush on Friday rejected accusations of U.S. neglect in Latin America. Bush celebrated a pact with Brazil as proof.

"I don't think America gets enough credit for trying to help improve people's lives," Bush said.

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SPORTS



CSI clobbers instate rivals in semifinals

EPHRAIM, Utah — North Idaho College waited 10 years to get the Region 10 Tournament victory it found in Thursday night's first round. The waiting game for their next on.

The No. 9 College of Southern Idaho men opened up their tournament schedule in dramatic fashion Friday afternoon, clobbering the Cardinals 91-54 to advance to Saturday's tournament championship game against Salt Lake Community College.

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CSI to play in championship game

EPHRAIM, Utah — The CSI Golden Eagles will stand North Idaho College's first-half 3-point barrage, put up a big second-period rally and fought their way into the Region 10 Tournament championship with a 70-60 win over the Cardinals Friday afternoon at Snow College.

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CSI softball sweeps North Idaho College

COEUR D'ALENE — College of Southern Idaho softball coach Nick Baumert summed up his team's sweep of Scenic West Athletic Conference leader North Idaho College like this: "It was a good day."

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Bobcat softball starts season with a loss

BURLEY — The start of the 2007 softball season got mixed reviews Friday as the Burley Bobcats fell 6-4 to Midlson in Game 1 of a doubleheader. Game 2 was a better showing by Burley as the Bobcats led 7-1 when the game was called due to nightfall in the bottom of the second.

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Plummer makes retirement official

DENVER — Jake Plummer officially announced his retirement Friday. He was 40-18 as the Broncos' starter, including a 1-3 mark in the playoffs, but lost his starting job to Jay Cutler.

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Patriot Act

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 "I am to be held accountable," Mueller said. He told reporters he would correct the problems and did not plan to resign.

The inspector general went and did the audit that I should have put in place many years ago," Mueller said.

The audit by Justice Department Inspector General Glenn A. Fine found that FBI agents sometimes demanded personal data on individuals without proper authorization. The 126-page audit also found the FBI improperly obtained telephone records in non-emergency circumstances.

The audit blames agent error and stodgy record-keeping for the bulk of the problems and did not find any indication of criminal misconduct.

Still, "we believe the improper or illegal uses we found involve serious misuses of national security letter authorities," the audit concludes.

At issue are the security letters, a power outlined in the Patriot Act that the Bush administration pushed through Congress after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks. The letters, or administrative subpoenas, are used in suspected terrorism and espionage cases. They allow the FBI to require telephone companies, Internet service providers, banks, credit bureaus and other businesses to produce highly personal records about their customers or subscribers — without a judge's approval.

About three-fourths of the national security letters were issued for counterterrorism cases, and the other fourth for spy investigations.

Fine's annual review is required by Congress, over the objections of the Bush administration.

The audit released Friday found that the number of national security letters issued by the FBI skyrocketed in the years after the Patriot Act became law.

In 2000, for example, the FBI issued an estimated 6,500 letters. By 2003, however, that number jumped to 39,000. It rose again the next year, to

about 56,000 letters in 2004, and dropped to approximately 47,000 in 2005.

Over the entire three-year period, the FBI reported issuing 143,074 national security letters requesting customer data from businesses, the audit found. But that did not include an additional 8,850 requests that were never recorded in the FBI's database, the audit found.

Also, Fine's audit noted, a 2006 report to Congress showing that the FBI delivered only 9,254 national security letters during the previous year — on 3,501 U.S. citizens and legal residents — was only required to report certain types of requests for information. That report did not outline the full scope of the national security letter requests in 2005, nor was it required to, Fine's office said.

Additionally, the audit found, the FBI identified 26 possible violations in its use of the national security letters, including failing to get proper authorization, making improper requests under the law and unauthorized collection of telephone or Internet e-mail records.

Of the violations, 22 were caused by FBI errors, while the other four were the result of mistakes made by the firms that received the letters.

The FBI also used so-called "exigent letters," signed by officials at FBI headquarters who were not authorized to sign national security letters, to obtain information. In at least 700 cases, these exigent letters were sent to three telephone companies to get toll billing records and subscriber information.

In many cases, there was no pending investigation associated with the request at the time the exigent letters were sent," the audit concluded.

In a letter to Fine, Gonzales asked the inspector general to issue a follow-up audit in July on whether the FBI had followed recommendations to fix the problems.

"To say that I am concerned about what has been revealed in this report would be an enormous understatement," Gonzales said.

Body

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 night or early this morning," Weaver said, "any vehicle or lone persons then that looked funny, please call dispatch. We'd appreciate any help we can get from the public."

Dozens of onlookers perched on the southern canyon rim watched investigators climb up and down the canyon wall around the body.

Deputies found no identifying marks or personal effects on the petite between 5 feet to 5 feet 5 inches tall and 100 to 125 pounds) white woman with dark, medium-length hair. The woman lay partially on

her stomach with serious injuries in the same place she landed, Weaver said. Two Idaho State Police investigators arrived about 5:30 p.m. on the scene to assist deputies in their investigation.

Weaver said law enforcement had not been called with any new information.

Although Weaver said it is being treated as a crime scene, the county prosecutor's office will not be contacted, unless foul play is suspected.

"There will be no new information until Monday afternoon when they do the autopsy," Weaver said.

Prosecutor

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 His legal experience encompasses numerous civil cases, some of which touched on planning and zoning issues, but no felonies.

"I would be a hands-on guy," Nelson said. "Especially in an office that size, we should all be more or less interchangeable and wear the different hats."

Rotating all four prosecutors (four, including himself) creates a collegial atmosphere akin to a think tank.

"The only downside," he said, "is you make these attorneys so competent they

find other jobs." That would constitute a change from the current arrangement of prosecutors.

Under Nicholson, Deputy Prosecutor Mike Selb advised the county.

A criminal prosecutor was assigned primarily to felonies. Another handled mostly misdemeanors.

Selb said meeting Nelson created a "very positive impression" and he hopes Nicholson takes the job.

And soon, he added.

"Even if it's a white horse he starts up, I really hope he decides soon," Selb said.

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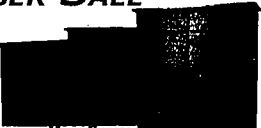
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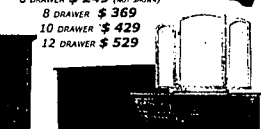
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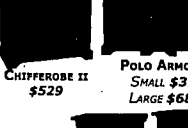
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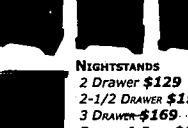
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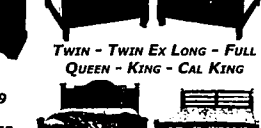
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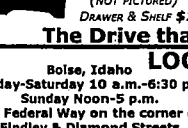
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Textbooks

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Bemidji State University. "Reasonable profit makes sense. But the margins they are making on these textbooks is just absurd."

Publishers have argued that such proposals interfere with their constitutional rights, threaten the academic freedom of faculty members, and ignore the economics of textbook publishing. Textbooks are costly, in part, because relatively few copies are sold, they say.

The textbook industry pulls in more than \$6.5 billion a year in college bookstores, and college books which have tripled in price since 1986. The industry estimates four-year college students spend \$641 annually on books; a 2005 government report put the figure at about \$800 per year, but that figure includes supplies, too.

At one legislative hearing in Minnesota, student leaders displayed a shrink-wrapped bundle of materials for a single Spanish course. The tab: \$143. The Minnesota bill would require that bundled material also be available as individual pieces, that publishers disclose planned revisions, and that schools give students limited cost information before they register for a class.

Around the country, some students have explored the idea of school-run book-rental services as a cheaper alternative. Lawmakers in Florida, Indiana and Nebraska are considering doing away with sales taxes on textbooks, something 18 states have done.

Frank Hildebrand, an official with the Association of



Scott Formo, president of the Minnesota State College Student Association, speaks March 7 at the State Capitol at an event to spotlight rising textbook costs in St. Paul, Minn. Formo displayed a 'bundled' set of introductory Spanish materials that he said cost \$193 new.

American Publishers, said the most successful textbooks are lucky to reach 10,000 copies in sales, while mass-market best-sellers can sell millions of copies before they even hit paperback.

Then, after a textbook's debut year, students can pick them up on the resale market. That makes it hard for publishers to recoup their investment.

The publishing industry estimates that the average textbook edition has a four-year lifespan and a price tag of \$52. Hildebrand said. "The issue is, are the decisions going to be made by the faculty about what is the best learning tool for that student in that classroom?"

Danny Katz, a campus organizer with the California Public Research Interest Group, said publishers are overdoing it.

"Certainly there are some cosmetic changes off as new editions or packaging books with extra materials for the sake of making money."

He said publishers have, in fact, responded to the outcry over cost.

"The industry has now dramatically increased the number of low-cost, black-and-white, no-fills editions — massively," Hildebrand said. "The issue is, are the decisions going to be made by the faculty about what is the best learning tool for that student in that classroom?"

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Wine

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industry that overt discrimination.

Organizers believe this is the first contest judged by an all-woman panel in the United States. An international competition to be judged by women is planned in April in Monaco.

"The competition began as a 'bolt from the blue,' during a conversation about wine contests in general a few years ago," said Pierce, co-ovner of an advertising agency and member of a networking group called Women For WineSense.

"At that point, I'd been in the wine industry for a couple of years. I was really aware of how many women are involved in wine and how it was growing. It was just sort of this insight that it would be a good thing to showcase women," she said.

Months of organizing followed.

"The phone calls have just been fabulous," said Pierce. "Big wineries, little wineries. One woman called, she said, 'I'm so psyched about this. My mom has been making wines for 30 years and it's about time she got some recognition.'"

Co-chairs of the competition are Margot Mondavi, a longtime force in wine country and wife of pioneering vintner Robert Mondavi, and Kathryn Hall, a former ambassador to Austria and a Napa Valley vintner.

Contestants include Marcia Montahan, winemaker at Pelton House, a new winery in the Knight's Valley region of Sonoma County; she's entering a 2004 cabernet sauvignon and 2004 merlot in three categories, including the women wine maker's challenge division. "It's fabulous that women are getting together to evaluate and judge wine," she said.

Is there a difference between male and female palates? Linda Blison, a professor in the wine department of the University of California, Davis, hasn't seen much of a gender gap in her years of teaching, although she likes the idea of bringing more women to the judging table.

Leslie Shrocco, author of "Wine for Women," doesn't think there's a "male" or "female" palate, but that doesn't mean there's no distinction. "It's not about the female palate being different. It's about the female perspective being different," said Shrocco.

Wildred Wong, cellar master for Beverages & More, a California retail liquor chain, remembers when wine contests were the province of "codgers and good old boys." That started to change in the '90s with the judging becoming much more competitive and

the emphasis shifting to using professionals, including some of the increasing numbers of women making and critiquing wine, he said.

Having an all-woman judging panel is intriguing, said Wong, although he's wary about drawing too many conclusions from the results.

Pierce agreed and said the point of the competition is to demonstrate "what these women think is good. It's really about a bunch of women with great palates recommending wine to other women."

Women want to be recognized, said Pierce. And, she added, "people want to know what wine women want. Especially men."

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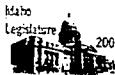
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Bill will allow teachers to trade security for more pay

By Arad S. Hopkins
Times-News writer

BOISE — When it comes to population growth, traffic congestion and number of subdivisions, Twin Falls clearly beats out its surrounding rural towns.

But the need for quality teachers in the Magic Valley — regardless of school size — is a shared concern.

To attract and keep quality teachers, Republican lawmakers have introduced legislation that allows teachers to receive higher salaries if they give up tenure and some job security.

They could choose two tracks: the current one that provides tenure and gives pay raises based on education and experience, or a different one that would make them at-will employees but promises a higher salary with incremental pay raises. The system would be voluntary, but teachers could not return to the original track if they made the switch.

"This is not meant to be mean spirited," said Assistant Majority Leader Scott Bedke, R-Oakley, who helped draft the bill. "As we pay teachers more, we are asking they accept more responsibility for their careers in their approach."

The legislation, scheduled for discussion Wednesday in the House Education Committee, is not expected to be voted on until next year.

Lawmakers said just 25 percent of a district's employees could join the new track because the state would have to pay \$70 million if every state teacher joined the program. In essence, it is similar to how principals and administrators are paid by school districts.

"We have a system that is blind to several realities," Bedke told a state House committee last week. "We have a system right now that will not serve us long or well into the future."

The proposal would increase starting salaries from \$31,000 to \$34,000. Benchmarks of \$3,000 increases would come after four years of teaching, 13 years of teaching, and after nine degrees or credit hours. Top salaries could be around \$60,000. The program would cost the public school budget \$19.5 million for four years beginning in 2009.

State Senate Pro Tem Bob Geddes, R-Soda Springs, the bill's co-author, said the idea stems from teachers being underpaid who are thinking of leaving education, as well as school administrators' difficulty in hiring teachers when there are no adequate replacements.

"In essence, we have a little bit of crisis developing in Idaho with respect to professional ranks who are providing education to our children," he said. "I still, Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding, a former teacher, said she wants to learn more about the program but wondered how it would affect recruiting younger teachers."

But that they're saying is they can't get rid of teachers," she said Friday. "We're not going to be drawing a lot of people in with this, mainly because of disparity of salaries."

Bedke said the program encourages flexibility — not restrictiveness — and is a "career ladder" approach, not merit-based. It is the result of work from lawmakers, officials, the offices of the governor and the lieutenant governor. Teacher input has been minimal. "They have not been involved in the nuts and bolts of this at this point but the invitation is there," he said. "We realize we're messing in their lives here."

Sherri Wood, president of the Idaho Education Association, said that represents 12,700 teachers, said she was skeptical of the proposal, according to The Associated Press.

Xavier Charter open for enrollment

School officials expect number of applicants to exceed limit

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

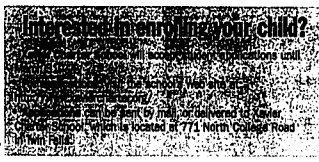
TWIN FALLS — The doors are open to the first independent charter school in Magic Valley — for enrollment, that is.

Xavier Charter School opened the doors to its new building last week, and began accepting student applications for the coming school year.

There is no fee for enrollment in the school. Charter schools receive funding from the state based on enrollment.

The school will be the first to operate independently of local school districts. Two other Magic Valley charter schools work with local schools to provide additional courses.

Xavier is located in the former Twin Falls Commerce and Labor office on North College Road.



Mer Twin Falls Commerce and Labor office on North College Road.

The school will operate based on the Core Knowledge — Sequence Curriculum, which means that every grade should build on the grade before it," said Becky Baird, co-founder of the school. "It eliminates gaps in education and it helps so you're not repeating information or repeating content."

She said the school will also provide a strong arts program that will include music, theater, dance and fine arts. Xavier will employ about 10 full-time teachers and two part-time teachers. Baird said Xavier will require the same teaching credentials as public schools.

The school's new building will have 10 classrooms, as well as several other rooms for staff offices and conference rooms.

Based on the number of applications the school has received during the last week, Baird said she believes the school will quickly outgrow the building.

"We have a cap that limits us to 270 students, but I fully expect that we will exceed that capacity," she said. "So we probably won't be in this building for very long because we will have to look for someplace bigger."

"The school will begin teaching kindergarten through the eighth grade, but it plans to add a grade each year until it can provide classes up to the 12th grade."

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Retrial considered for convicted murderer in Twin Falls

By Cassidy Friedman
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Convicted murderer Juan Carlos Fuentes Pina asked for a retrial Friday, saying he was not allowed to testify on the last day of his trial.

Twin Falls County Prosecuting Attorney Grant Loeb contended that Pina had been given the chance to testify but had declined.

The arguments were heard by 5th Judicial District Judge G. Richard Bevan.

He did not say when he would make a decision.

Pina was convicted June 29 of first-degree murder in the death of Jesse Manajuk.

According to court records, 1st Sgt. Doug Sigden told Bevan on June 29 in Bevan's chambers before the jury entered deliberation: "I says, 'Juan, are you going to court?' Pina answered, '...I'm not going to court...it's a mistrial. I want a new attorney,' and lots of other colorful expletives to follow and some garbled stuff that I didn't understand because he walked away, but he's refusing to come to court."

Pina told the Times-News within a month after the trial that he had later changed his mind and had been denied a chance to testify.

Andrew Barnes of Ketchum is representing Pina in his motion for a retrial.

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SPRING FISHING



Aramando Dominguez of Burley holds up his large catch Tuesday along the Snake River. Other fishermen on the docks said they've never seen a rainbow trout this large come out of that hole at Lex Komau Park in Burley.

Selling the idea of small

New superintendent of Murtaugh School District wants to promote 'small'

By Joshua Palmer
Times-News writer

MURTAUGH — Small school districts can be a little quirky.

So when the superintendent of the Murtaugh School District announced his retirement this year, the school board was looking for someone who understood how to manage one of the smallest school districts in Idaho.

But they were lucky because they didn't have to look very far. "Actually, they just walked over to the elementary school and asked Michele Capps if she would be the next superintendent."

Capps, the Murtaugh Elementary School principal, will succeed Dennis Osman as the district superintendent in June. Osman, who was the superintendent for seven years, will retire at the end of the school year.

Capps hopes to promote the school

"I would say that every student here has an (individual education plan) because we are small enough."

— Michele Capps, Murtaugh School District superintendent

limited English.

"The dynamics of the district have changed drastically," she said. "A very high percentage of our students are from migrant families, so it's difficult to be consistent because they are constantly moving in or out."

Capps said the district's preschool and kindergarten programs have helped the school improve student reading scores.

"These are things that we started doing years ago," she said. "We saw that they helped our reading scores, so we continued to fund the money to pay half of what it costs to offer the programs."

Capps will continue to be the elementary school principal while serving as superintendent.

Buhl teachers are told to mail in their ballots

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

BUHL — It looks like small mail may have won this race.

During the Feb. 20 Buhl School Board meeting, trustees passed the proposed 2007-2008 school year calendar after denying the Buhl Education Association's request to give them time on Nov. 6 to make it to the polls.

BEA President Susie Jones said she is disappointed that

the district decided not to reschedule parent-teacher conferences so that staff could head to the polls after school.

"A lot of my teachers were concerned because they were unable to get to the polls last year," Jones said. "Almost everyone in (the high school) complained about this."

However, Middle School Principal Byron Stutzman explained that in the past, Twin Falls teachers utilized

absentee voting to clear their schedules and said it worked well for the district.

"Teachers in Twin mailed in their ballots," said Stutzman. "There are ways around it."

Trying to reschedule the conferences tipped up other possible conflicts as well, such as Monday and Wednesday nights being reserved for family and church activities.

The board also didn't want

to risk disrupting the sports schedule.

Teachers sending in their ballots "is a simple solution," said Trustee Pam McClain.

Jones, however, said this serves as an example to the community and students about teachers' right to physically cast their ballots.

"I thought that it was a reasonable request, to be allowed to go vote," Jones said.

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| Watershed | % of Avg. | % Season Peak** |
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| Salmon | 81% | 68% |
| Big Wood | 72% | 63% |
| Little Wood | 65% | 57% |
| Big Lost | 67% | 55% |
| Little Lost | 76% | 61% |
| Henry's Fork/Tea | 80% | 69% |
| Upper Snake Basin | 75% | 64% |
| Oakley | 87% | 78% |
| Salmon Falls | 80% | 71% |

As of March 9

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

** An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.



OBITUARIES

Grace B. Lehrsch Carles

TWIN FALLS — Grace B. Lehrsch Carles, 83, of Twin Falls, peacefully went to be with her Savior and Lord Jesus Christ on Wednesday evening, March 7, 2007, succumbing to pulmonary fibrosis at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Grace was born on June 16, 1923, in Altoona, Pa., the daughter of Alen James and Bertha Ellen Duncan Rider. She was raised in Altoona, attending school there, where she graduated from Altoona Area High School in 1940. Following high school, Grace worked part time for 14 years as a beautician in Altoona at a beauty shop owned by her sister, Madelyn. In 1948, Grace married Clement George "Clem" Lehrsch in Altoona, where he worked as a machinist for the Pennsylvania Railroad. To this union, one son was born, Gary, in 1954. Clem and Grace began raising milk full time in the mid-1950s. Upon Clem's death in 1964, Grace assumed full responsibility for operating the milk ranch. She married her second husband, Merrill "Red" Carles, in 1970. Grace successfully operated the milk ranch until she retired in 1984. Red passed away in 1994. In April of 2005, Grace returned to Twin Falls to be near Gary and his family.

While in Twin Falls, Grace

was a member of Heritage Alliance Church and actively volunteered for the Emergency Crisis Center. Grace loved bird watching and gardening. She enjoyed reading the Bible and attended several Bible studies. She had a servant's heart and ministered to many in the community. Grace was hospitable to everyone she met. She loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them.

Grace is survived by her son, Gary (Cindy) Lehrsch of Twin Falls; and their three children, Ben, Zach and Will Lehrsch, all of Twin Falls; as well as her two stepdaughters, Patti (Raymond) Doolson and Donna (Zoh) Zierer, both of Pennsylvania; and Donna's two children, Tabitha and Martin. She was preceded in death by her parents; both husbands, Clem Lehrsch and Red Carles; one brother, William "Bud" Rider; and one sister, Madelyn Mace.

A celebration of Grace's life will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 12, at Heritage Alliance Church, 401 Sixth Ave. N., in Twin Falls, with Pastors Jim Evans and Cliff Palne officiating. Friends may call from 3 until 6 p.m. Sunday at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, R.O. Box 1142, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

R.C. 'Rube' Mayer

TWIN FALLS — R.C. "Rube" Mayer passed away March 9, 2007, at his home in Twin Falls, Idaho.

He was born March 10, 1928, in Aberdeen, Idaho. Shortly thereafter, his parents moved to American Falls, where he attended school and graduated from American Falls High School. He attended Idaho State University for two years and, while there, ran a very popular dance band. He started to work for Boise Payette at the age of 14. He worked his way up from yard boy to auditing and management. He was with Boise Payette for 21 years, working in American Falls, Pocatello, Twin Falls, Mountain Home, Greeley, Colo., and Sunnyside, Wash. He moved to Twin Falls to be closer to his family and managed Anderson Lumber for the next 15 years. He then went to work for Volvo in Jerome as estimator and contractor sales for 13 years. Rube retired from his other business at the age of 63. He then went to work for Mayer Appraisal, Home Inspection and Property

Management, where he worked until his death.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, of 58 years. He is also survived by his daughter, Maria Egbert of American Falls; grandson, Kevin; granddaughter, Karen; daughter, Marlene (Brad) Kelsch of Libby, Mont.; granddaughters, Kelli and Courtney; his son, Mac (Dianne) Mayer, and five step-children: brother, Ronald (Alice) Mayer of American Falls; two nephews, John and Ron Jr.; and nephew, Chris Hutchison of Boise. He was preceded in death by son, Steve Jim Egbert; and sister and brother-in-law, Henrietta and Don Hutchison.

A funeral service will be Friday, March 16, at 10 a.m. at Our Savior Lutheran Church, with Pastor Dan E. Hoffmann officiating. Interment will be held following the service at the Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Twin Falls, Idaho. Friends may call Thursday, March 15, from 5 to 7 p.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations be made to Rube's name to the Our Savior Lutheran Church in Twin Falls, Idaho. All services and arrangements are under the direction of the Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

'Angel of Bataan' Jean Kennedy Schmidt, 88, dies

By Valerie J. Nelson
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Jean Kennedy Schmidt, one of the last survivors of the "Angels of Bataan," the American military nurses who were Japanese prisoners of war for nearly three years during World War II, has died. She was 88.

Schmidt, a retired Army nurse, died March 3 at her long-time home in La Canada Flintridge of complications related to a fall, said Susan Johnson, her daughter.

The nurses stationed in the Philippines became the first large group of U.S. women sent into combat, according to Elizabeth M. Norman, who documented their story in the

1999 book "We Band of Angels." Within hours of the Dec. 7, 1941, attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese bombed American bases in the Philippines. Until then, few of the 99 Army and Navy nurses stationed there had served in war conditions, and they found themselves almost overwhelmed by slaughter, Norman wrote.

Trapped on the Bataan Peninsula, they established operational hospitals with open-air wards in the dense jungle to help care for the recovering American forces.

"Our nurses' training taught us to improvise and to be innovative, and that came in very handy on Bataan," Schmidt said in "No Time for Fear."

1996 book of remembrances by World War II nurses.

When Bataan fell to the Japanese in April 1942, the nurses "were ordered to leave our patients behind" and go to Corregidor, an island in the mouth of Manila Bay, Schmidt said in the book.

On the island, they set up a hospital in an underground maze of tunnels and cared for the wounded despite almost nonstop shelling.

Because some nurses were evacuated just before the fall of Corregidor in July 1942, "we always thought we'd be going also, until the Japanese came into the tunnel," Schmidt recounted in "No Time for Fear."

Before the Japanese took

events and the supportive fellowship.

She is survived by his wife, Rose Bradshaw of Milner; his two daughters, Linda (Mike) Schubert of Mill Creek, Wash., and Cheryl (Matthew) Stone of Boise; two sisters, Eleanor Hewlett of Burley and Alice Lind of Boise; three brothers, Bernard Bradshaw of Hansen, Richard Bradshaw of Phoenix and Harold Bradshaw of Parker, Colo.; a sister-in-law, Marge Bradshaw; and a brother-in-law, Larry Mahler. Also surviving are his three grandchildren, Ethan, Quinston and Noah; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Billy; and his sisters, Joyce Olson and Betty Mahler.

A celebration of Butch's life will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 12, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," 136 Fourth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, with Pastor Darcey Gritzmacher of the Burley Methodist Church officiating. A public viewing will be from 4 to 7 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at White Mortuary. The family suggests memorials be given in Butch's name to the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Hospital. Contributions may be given to the funeral chapel staff or mailed to White Mortuary, 136 Fourth Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Darlene Rae Platts Farmer

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore. — A celebration of life was held at the Eternal Hills Chapel for Darlene Rae Platts Farmer, who passed away on March 2, 2007, at Klamath Falls, Ore.



Darlene was born on May 25, 1936, in Paul, Idaho, to Sidney Dillon and Clara Viola (Conner) Platts. She was the youngest of five children. She graduated from Minidoka High School in 1956. She married Larry R. Farmer on Aug. 30, 1958, in Boise, Idaho. Darlene was employed by the law firm of Sharp, Anderson, Bowen & Nelson when she lived in Idaho Falls. She later worked as a human resource manager for Pacific in Red Bluff, Calif. Prior to Pacific, Darlene worked for Tennessee in Green River, Wyo. She retired from Tennessee in 2003.

Darlene's lifelong goal was to be a "granmy." Her grandchildren and her daughter, Tamara, were her life. Darlene moved to Klamath Falls, Ore., in 2005 to be closer to them. Darlene also loved gardening, flowers, fishing, playing the piano, dancing, collecting Amy Brown fairies and keeping up with her 6-year-old grandchildren. She attended Brigham Young University for a year and was an accom-

plished piano player. She attended the LDS church. She was a lady with class. Darlene enjoyed trips to Yellowstone National Park and going to Disneyland with her twin grandchildren, Aislinn and Bowen. Darlene had recently returned to college as a student and was enrolled in a local domestic violence group to mentor younger women in the Klamath County community.

She is survived by her estranged husband, Larry Farmer of Yakima, Wash.; daughter, Tamara Farmer Browder, and her husband, Phil of Klamath Falls, Ore.; son, Tregg Farmer, and his wife, Susan of Yakima, Wash.; grandchildren, Aaron and Katie Barner of Yakima, Wash.; sons, Aislinn Eatin and Bowen Sterling Browder of Klamath Falls, Ore.; special friends, whom Darlene called her adopted family, Tish Stephens of Green River, Wyo., Susan and Pete Blake of Klamath Falls, Ore.; and Tonya and Ron Schauer of Klamath Falls, Ore.; siblings, William S. Platts of Boise, Idaho, and Robert G. Platts of Henderson, Nev. She was preceded in death by her parents, Sidney Dillon Platts and Clara Viola Platts; and siblings, Wylsie R. Platts and Rhea Platts Barrett.

In memory of Darlene, she would ask that you hold your children and grandchildren just a little longer with extra kisses.

that prisoner, the nurses wanted to leave a record in case they were never heard from again. They flipped a square of cloth from a bedsheet and signed it the day of their surrender, May 6, 1942.

Taken by boat to the Santo Tomas internment camp in Manila, the nurses refused the tea offered because they thought they were trying to poison us," Schmidt recalled in the book.

Despite being racked with disease and injury, the remaining 77 nurses continued to practice, treating military and civilian prisoners in the camp.

By early 1945, many of the nurses suffered from malnutrition, losing an average of 32 pounds apiece.

DEATH NOTICES

Shirley D. Osterhout

DECEASED — Shirley Delores Osterhout, 58, of Declo, died Thursday, March 8, 2007, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital in Rupert after a courageous battle with cancer.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday, March 12, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Declo Center, 219 W. Main St., with Bishop Tim Darrington officiating. Burial will be in the Declo Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, March 11, at the Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Monday at the church.

Donrel C. Bell

BURLEY — Donrel Craig Bell, 47, of Burley, died Thursday, March 8, 2007.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 13, at the Burley LDS West Stake Center, 2420 Burke Ave., with bishop's counselor Kevin Hoggan officiating. Burial will be in the Rupert Cemetery. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday, March 12, at Russmussen

Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:40 a.m. Tuesday at the church.

Clara B. Ott

OAKLEY — Clara Belle Ott, 92, of Oakley and formerly of New Plymouth, died Thursday, March 8, 2007.

The funeral will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 13, at the Oakley LDS Stake Center, with bishop's counselor Mike Christie officiating. Family and friends may call one hour before the funeral Tuesday at the church. A graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 14, at the Parkview Cemetery in New Plymouth. Services are under the direction of Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

Carol M. Johnson

TWIN FALLS — Carol Mae Beck Johnson, 88, of Twin Falls and formerly of California, died Thursday, March 8, 2007, in Twin Falls. Arrangements are pending and will be announced by Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel.

SERVICES

Nicole Marie Turner of Rupert, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Truth Tabernacle, 2459 Highland Ave. in Burley (Russmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Keith Wickham of Twin Falls, informal memorial remembrance at 11 a.m. today at the Jerome Country Club; those wishing to pay respects may drop by for a luncheon beginning at approximately 11:30 a.m.

Paxton O'Neil Tamme, infant son of Kevin and Dazni Tamme of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Rd. in Twin Falls; graveside service will follow at Twin Falls Cemetery.

Marie Ate Bellevue, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in

Hailey (Wood River Chapel of Hailey).

Douglas "Doug" Rozsa Barabse of Logan, Utah, and formerly of Twin Falls, memorial service at noon today at the Allen-Hall Mortuary, 34 E. Center St. in Lortain, Utah.

Shirley J. Helms of St. Maries and formerly of Tuba City and Twin Falls, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Masonic Temple (Hodge Funeral Home in St. Maries).

Charlotte E. Evenson of Filer, celebration of life at noon Sunday at the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, 500 Fifth St. in Filer (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Bernice Irene Hagler of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday, March 23 at the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Twin Falls (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls).

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Jesse James descendant James Randal Ross, 80, dies

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Retired Orange County Superior Court Judge James Randal Ross, the great-grandson of Western outlaw Jesse James, has died. He was 80.

Ross died of a heart attack Monday at St. Jude Medical Center in Fullerton, said his

daughter, Lisa Ross-Sawczynski. Ross, who spent 29 years as an attorney in Los Angeles, served as a Superior Court judge from 1983 until his retirement in 1995. He was a Fullerton resident at the time of his death.

In 1984, Ross gained notoriety for his ruling that Disneyland had violated the civil rights of

two gay teenagers when security guards removed them from the Anaheim amusement park for dancing together. The next year, Disneyland ended its longtime policy prohibiting partners of the same sex from dancing together.

But in 1997, Ross, who continued to hear cases after his retirement, also made head-

lines for a series of misconduct charges. They included accusations that he dozed on the bench during two trials, told an off-color joke during a sexual-abuse case with the victim present, used the court to sell copies of a book he wrote about his notorious ancestor, and humiliated and intimidated attorneys.

AROUND THE WORLD

IRAQ

Major insurgent leader captured, report says

BAGHDAD — The shadowy leader of the Islamic State of Iraq, an al-Qaida-inspired group that challenged the authority of Iraq's government, was captured Friday in a raid on the western outskirts of Baghdad, an Iraqi military spokesman said.

Prime minister walks Baghdad to make point

BAGHDAD — Flanked by machine gun-toting guards, Iraq's prime minister ventured out of the Green Zone to tour parts of Baghdad on Friday, chatting on the streets with bystanders and police to demonstrate the U.S.-led crackdown is making progress in restoring order.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's foray came as international envoys arrived in the capital ahead of a conference Saturday on ways to encourage Iraq's neighbors, including Iran and Syria, to help end the crisis here.

The prime minister traveled in a U.S. and Iraqi convoy to an electric power station in southern Baghdad to watch renovation work. On the way back, he stopped at police checkpoints along Mohammed al-Qasim highway, shaking hands with police and soldiers.

At one point, his Iraqi bodyguards, armed with submachine guns, parted to allow al-Maliki to stoop down and kiss the foreheads of children huddled up against cement barriers.

The Thursday night vote came less than a month after a popular referendum failed due to low turnout, but nonetheless showed that most voters were in favor of legalizing abortion — in line with the trend across Europe.

LONDON

Winslet wins case against British magazine

Kate Winslet was awarded substantial libel damages Friday after a British magazine wrongly stated that she had visited a diet doctor.



Winslet

The 31-year-old actress, known for her criticism of excessive dieting, wasn't at London's High Court for the hearing on an article published last month by women's magazine Grazia.

Winslet's lawyer Rachel Atkins said the story wrongly stated that Winslet had sought the help of California-based Chinese herbalist Yi Pan for

her weight, despite vowing not to bow to Hollywood pressure on actresses to be skinny. Atkins said Winslet had visited Pan for a neck injury. Grazia printed an apology in its March 5 issue, saying it was "very happy to set the record straight." Winslet, a five-time Oscar nominee, said in a statement that she was delighted by the outcome, adding that the magazine had apologized to her in full.

— The Associated Press

JACKSON FAN APPRECIATION DAY



U.S. pop singer Michael Jackson greets his fans Friday during a 'Fan Appreciation Day' event in Tokyo. Thursday night gala. But the price tag for Friday's event was lower, only \$150 a head. More than 1,000 people, mostly in their 20s and 30s, crowded a popular nightclub for the evening with the reclusive Jackson.

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Advertisement for Century Cinema 5 & Burley Theatre, listing movies like Wild Hogs, Ghost Rider, and The Messengers.

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BRAZIL

President Bush: U.S. not ignoring Latin America

SAO PAULO — Thunted by leftist President Hugo Chavez of Venezuela, Bush on Friday rejected accusations of U.S. neglect in Latin America.



Bush

Bush celebrated an alternative fuels pact with Brazil as proof. "I don't think America gets enough credit for trying to help improve people's lives," Bush said at a joint news conference with Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva.



Chavez

"The future belongs to us," Chavez told reporters, adding "Oh, ho ho Gringo go home!"

Bush shrugged off fresh attacks from Chavez, his primary South American tormentor. The Venezuelan leader is stinging a tour of the region to rival Bush's weeklong, five-country visit.

On Friday, in Buenos Aires, Argentina — about 1,000 miles southwest of here — Chavez called Bush's travels an attempt to divide and confuse Latin American nations.

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Coldwater Creek tops \$1B in sales

Chairman says profits at Idaho firm still need to improve

The Associated Press

SANDPOINT — Women's clothier Coldwater Creek for the first time topped the \$1 billion mark in sales in 2006, but the chairman said profits need to improve.

The company, founded in 1984 as a mail-order retailer, has grown into a national brand with 239 stores in addition to its catalogs.

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Dennis Pence said the company failed to meet sales expectations during the fourth quarter, which included the Christmas shopping season. While the company outperformed many of its peers, more clothing sold at clearance prices, reducing profitability. Pence told analysts during a conference call this week.

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"One theory is that it was an electronic Christmas, that she (the customer) was more focused on the color of her iPod than the color of her apparel," Pence said.

Net income for the company's fourth quarter ended Feb. 3 was \$15.9 million, or 17 cents per share, down 3 percent from \$16.4 million, or 17 cents per share, for the same period in 2006. Fourth-quarter sales increased 29.1 percent to \$366.6 million, from \$283.9 million in the fiscal 2005 fourth quarter.

Net income for the fiscal year was \$55.4 million, or 59 cents per share, up 33.2 percent from \$41.6 million, or 43 cents per share, for the previous period. Net sales increased 35.3 percent to \$1.05 billion, from \$779.7 million a year earlier.

Pence said Coldwater Creek plans to open 65 new stores this year, but will hold off on hiring that was previously planned at the company's corporate offices in Sandpoint.

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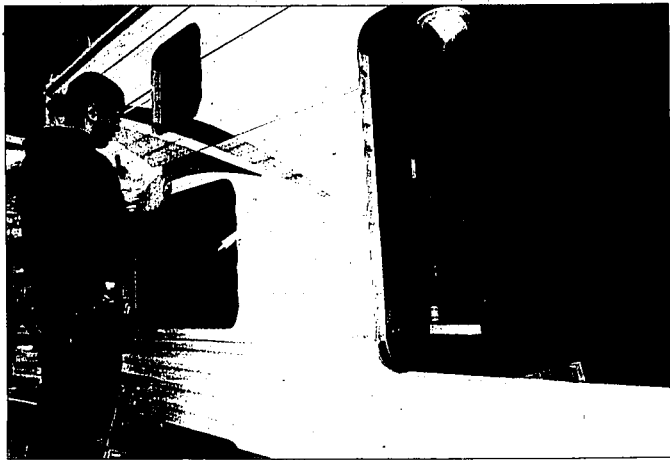
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Growth brings challenges



Lacy Dinan, left, puts tape decals on the side of a trailer as Lanny Feider installs appliances on the inside at the local Jayco factory. Jayco is just one of a dozen big-name businesses that have come to south-central Idaho in recent years.

Site selection becomes more difficult for area businesses

By Sandy Miller
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When local business and city leaders in the Magic Valley received the results of an economic development study seven years ago, they did something that some communities don't do.

"They put the study's recommendations into action."

The result? Southern Idaho recruited more than a dozen big name businesses to the region, including a Dell Inc. call center, WOV Logistics, Coast-to-Coast Carpets, Loomix, Hillex Poly, Jayco, Kiefer Bull, Gussner Foods, Mulholland Positioning Systems, Les Schwab, Buehler Manufacturing and Secular Company.

And with those companies came good-paying jobs, raising the region's average annual wage by nearly \$2 an hour, according to the Southern Idaho Economic Development Organization.

And things don't show any signs of slowing down soon.

"Put yourself on the back and get ready for the future because it appears you're on

the fast track," Jennifer Tanner, a senior project manager with CH2M Hill, told business and community leaders at a SEDDO business meeting Tuesday at the Herrett Center.

Stephen Hartgen, executive director of Business Plus, a private-sector economic development group that's helped attract more than 1,000 new jobs to southern Idaho, agreed.

"The Magic Valley economy is just on a tear," Hartgen said. "Every sector, with very few exceptions, is doing well."

But with growth comes challenges. For one thing, businesses looking to expand or relocate look for communities that have places to put them.

"If you have a product to sell, you have to have sites and buildings," Tanner said.

Tanner said when businesses shop for communities in which to relocate or expand, site selection becomes a matter of acclimation. It's highly competitive.

"You've got to be ready," Tanner said. "There are thousands of communities competing for hundreds of projects a year."

But the region does have

some attractive things to offer. One interesting fact recently uncovered by the U.S. Census Bureau was that Twin Falls County has the 10th shortest commute time in the country — 15.6 minutes.

The region does face some challenges. For one thing, its low unemployment rate — just 3.1 percent in the combined area of Twin Falls and Jerome counties — has businesses competing for skilled workers.

But businesses do have some good strategies. "We pay a competitive wage and we've hired people from other stores," said Ben Swensen, co-owner of the locally owned Swensens Markets which has four stores and 50 to 60 employees.

But Swensens' benefits draw workers as well. Swensens pays 100 percent of the health insurance premiums for employees, and 50 percent to 70 percent of the premiums of employees' dependents.

Swensen said. There are other perks as well. Since Swensens is closed on Sundays, its employees know that one of their days off will be the same

day every week. "They've really enjoyed getting that day off to go fishing or just spend time with their families," Swensen said.

And Swensens encourages their workers to contribute creatively to the business. "Big box stores don't give you a lot of freedom," Swensen said. "As an independent, we can offer a little more freedom."

It's even tougher for smaller businesses like Rudy's. A Cook's Paradise in downtown Twin Falls, So owner Tom Ashenbrenner tries to make Rudy's a place people want to work and want to stay.

"We have fair compensation and we work really hard to have a good work environment," Ashenbrenner said. "One big thing is flexibility as far as hours and scheduling."

Meanwhile, local business leaders and economic developers will continue to do what they can to make sure southern Idaho continues to prosper. Business Plus aims to raise \$5 million in five years to put toward grants to help businesses locate and expand in the region.

Too few accounting firms left to fail?

By Carrie Johnson
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The future of the accounting industry may depend on the answer to a single question: With only four major firms left in the business, are there too few to let any fail?

Five years after the indictment and collapse of accounting giant Arthur Andersen, the government remains skittish about how much to punish audit firms for misdeeds. The firms and their Washington allies warn that the companies are vulnerable to bad verdicts that could steer them out of business, leaving clients with few choices, driving up costs, and throwing investors and markets into disarray.

Even as the industry profits from a spike in accounting fees after the scandals at Enron and WorldCom, it is launching a bid to win relief

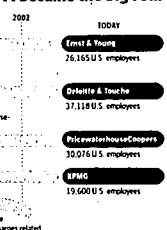
How the Big Eight ...



from high-stakes court judgments that insiders say could spiral one or all of the firms into bankruptcy. To spread the word, the top firms recently launched a public policy center and are turning to the Securities and Exchange Commission for help.

SEC officials are meeting

... Became the Big Four



with outside experts to consider ways to create safe harbors that would shield auditors from legal liability. Regulators also continue to assess whether to give their blessing to a strategy that would compel companies to bring disputes with auditors to an arbitration panel rather than a jury, according to

sources briefed on the issue. But the issue of how much leeway to grant auditors remains something of a hot potato just a few years after a series of corporate blowups devastated Investor confidence and tarnished the reputation of the accounting profession, which failed to detect widespread fraud.

Wall Street is mixed despite strong jobs report in jittery trading

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Wall Street closed out the week with a mixed performance Friday, showing more stability after its recent plunge but also revealing lingering signs of nervousness despite an upbeat report on employment.

The positive jobs data gave stocks a boost, but the gains were eroded by a jump in wholesale inventories and more evidence of subprime mortgage problems. Lending worries were a big factor in the market's drop.

The Labor Department said that in February, the unemployment rate fell

to 4.5 percent from 4.6 percent. U.S. employers added 97,000 nonfarm workers, and wages rose. But the Commerce Department's report of a 0.7 percent increase in wholesale inventories in January pointed to a jump in demand and possible economic weakness.

Investors were also uninspired by speeches by Federal Reserve officials in the afternoon. Susan Blies, an outgoing member of the Fed's rate-setting Open Market Committee, said the economy is strong and job creation is "incredible," but that the troubles with the subprime lending market could escalate.

Dollars for blogging

Paid testimonials create controversy

By Josh Friedman
Los Angeles Times

Blogger Colleen Caldwell rants and riffs about whatever strikes her fancy — a run-in with her child's school principal, the rising price of Girl Scout Thin Mints, an upcoming movie that caught her eye.

"Has anyone out there read a book called 'The Ultimate Gift'? I just heard that a movie is being made of the book (which sold 4 million copies)," she wrote in a recent post on her site, Simple Kind of Life.

The 30-year-old software analyst from Brooksville, Fla., went on to praise the inspirational message of the Fox Faith film, opening this weekend, about a trust-fund baby who discovers the joy of giving. Caldwell noted that the film's producers were letting opening-weekend ticket buyers direct a dollar from the admission to the charity of their choice.

One thing Caldwell didn't mention: She was paid \$12 to help fuel buzz around the film's opening and charitable campaign — bringing her blogging-for-dollars take to more than \$7,700.

Thousands of bloggers are writing sponsored posts about subjects as diverse as diamonds, digital cameras and drug clinics. The bloggers are spurred by new marketing

middlemen such as PayPerPost Inc. that connect advertisers with non-mainstream Web masters.

Their rate blogging counterparts say the cottage industry is polluting the blog world and misleading consumers who are in the line between advertising and unbiased opinion.

"The problem is the advertisers are trying to buy a blogger's voice, and once they've bought it, they're not," said Jeff Jarvis, a City University of New York journalism professor who writes about technology at BuzzMachine.com.

"PayPerPost versus authentic blogging is like comparing prostitution with making love to someone you care for deeply. No one with any level of ethics would get involved with these clowns," said Jason McCabe Calcutt, an entrepreneur who co-founded Weblogs Inc., a network of blogs that includes Engadget.

The bloggers who take assignments from the likes of PayPerPost, ReviewMe, SponsoredReviews.com and other agencies are making big money. Some are making so much they're overblown. They say the services provide a way to make a profit or keep their blogs going. Technorati, a search engine that tracks 71 million blogs, says 175,000 new ones are created daily.

Posties, as PayPerPost calls its crew of 15,500 bloggers, say their posts are sincere, sponsored or not, and that financial incentives are disclosed. "I would never make a lie," Caldwell said. "My sister reads my blog, and she would call me out." Caldwell has earned \$7,743.54 since signing up in July, shortly after the stando marketing firm launched, by promoting such things as wireless outdoor speakers and online coupon sites. The part-time job has helped her pay for a well-managed TV, dishes and a family-sid trip.

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Dim logic for daylight-saving time

MEMBERS to Congress for enacting a ridiculous change for daylight-saving time.

This weekend marks the early start of daylight savings, that semiannual rite of passage that upends your sleeping habits. Traditionally, the change of clocks occurs on the first Sunday of April, and the last Sunday of October.

But this year, it occurs on the second Sunday of March (Sunday at 2 a.m.), and the first Sunday of November (Nov. 4).

These changes come from the Energy Policy Act of 2005, passed by Congress as a way to save energy by adding more daylight. It's peculiar there, that those who testified two years ago in favor of this change included lobbyists for the golf industry, barbecue-grill producers, and even candy makers. Apparently, an additional hour of Halloween daylight can add to profits.

Unfortunately, you'll be the one

spooked waking up to darkness next week.

CHEERS to Burley High School basketball teams for double championships in 2007.

Burley's boys added their own hardware last weekend with a 63-49 state championship win over two-time defending titlist Skyview of Nampa. Two weeks earlier, the girls squad earned its own title by knocking off Hillcrest 48-44.

The tandem titles mark only the sixth time a school produced both the boys and girls champions in a season.

Led by coach Jack Bangley, Burley cruised to a 26-1 mark for its fifth crown, and first since 1992. Gordon Kerbs' girls team finished the year 24-2 and the schools' first title in girls was raised by Hurley's FFA auction sale, with additional contributions from Cody Hurley, Dutch Brothers Enterprises, Diamond E. Twin Falls

CHEERS go out also to the Richfield girls, who took the Class 1A title with a 53-44 overtime win over



Garden Valley. The Tigers finished the year 25-1 and their first title since 1979.

CHEERS to Jake Hurley of Filer and other community members for an inspiring donation to a former classmate.

Hurley presented a \$3,025 check to former Filer star athlete Lindsay Helmkes, who was left paralyzed in a car accident last summer. The money was raised by Hurley's FFA auction sale, with additional contributions from Cody Hurley, Dutch Brothers Enterprises, Diamond E. Twin Falls

Livestock Commission, Holzen Farms, Bedke Feedlot and Bott Livestock.

Helmkes is still enduring difficult physical therapy in Salt Lake City and local hospitals, but she is drawing inspiration from her neighbors and friends. Helmkes' family moved to Filer five years ago from Minnesota, and she eventually earned an athletic scholarship at Sheridan College of Wyoming.

JEERS to proliferation of unpopular specialty license plates.

An Idaho Statesman report this week detailed which Idaho specialty plates draw the most participation from drivers. Plates adorned with Idaho wildlife were some of the original specialties, and they remain popular with the public.

But historic Lewiston, Science and Technology, and bus transportation plates, are still wallflowers at the plate party — very few are being picked.

The Idaho Office of Science and Technology, for example, spent \$21,000 to promote its plate, but it has garnered only \$1,700. Lewiston residents aren't even buying its plate, created in 2005, which has been bought only 131 times.

CHEERS to Celia Gould, the state ag department director pushing for more open record access.

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture has presented a bill, numerous times, lacking clarity in how it shields the public from research data done through public funding.

But Gould, a former Buhl legislator who assumed the director's role in January, nudged department officials to rework the legislation with newspaper and media representatives. These efforts have earned praise from Idaho Press Club officers and have led to progress on fair and open rules.

Duty, honor and war with Iran

Ready for a war with Iran? Hollywood is, at least in the form of a new movie, "300." The film is a wildly inventive, comic-booky feast of ancient history, bloody swordplay and patriotic rhetoric, ringing with the qualities of today. Spurred by patriotic novelist Frank Miller — who penned "The Dark Knight Returns," reviving the "Batman" franchise in the '80s, and who also created "Sin City" — "300" shows the Spartans going gallant against the Persians led by Xerxes, the Persian king who attacked Thermopylae in 480 B.C.

Cops, actually, the Spartans lost — were wiped out, in fact. But the Spartans won a moral victory, and the various Greek city-states managed to unite long enough to defeat the Persians in the overall war. And we know all about it from Herodotus, the father of history. Who started a pro-Greek bias that lasts to this day. 2,487 years later.

Because of such books, and now movies, that we view these events as an epochal showdown between the mighty and freedom-loving Westerners and the servile hordes of Asian tyrants.

The Spartan leader, Leonidas, was indeed a cool guy. Vastly outnumbered by the Persians, Leonidas and his 300 soldiers set a jaunty masculine tone that still informs the military ethos of grace under pressure. When a Persian emissary told him and his men to throw down their weapons and surrender, Leonidas shot back, "Come and get them!" Stirling words to live by — and die by — and to be remembered.

In 1835, for example, when the Anglo Texans rose in



JAMES P. PINKERTON

rebellion against Mexico, the Mexican commander demanded the English-speakers give up their lone cannon, to which the Texans, channeling the Spartans, responded, "Come and take it!" Every young man who sees this movie — and movies are mostly targeted at the young — is going to get a triple dose of adrenaline, male bonding and macho pageantry. Waris such as "duty," "honor" and "glory" are heard constantly through the film. Indeed, if spears and shields were replaced by M16s and

Huacars, "300" could be a military recruitment film. A hawkish "These Colors Don't Run" caravan" left San Francisco on Thursday, and is scheduled to arrive in Washington, D.C., on March 17 — there to confront anti-war protesters, whom the pro-warriors consider to be "anti-American." Along the way, the caravan might pause to see "300," because it's a film for them; the message of "support our troops" has never gotten a better e-mail endorsement.

But wait a just second here. Isn't Hollywood liberal? Don't lefty studio executives love to tear down America? Well, maybe they love, even more, making money, selling lots of tickets to big-red state auditions. Or maybe they, too, adore a rollicking story put on screen.

Al Gore and his huge energy bill

To: Al Gore
Subject: Utility Bills
Dear Al:

First off, congrats on the Oscar for "An Inconvenient Truth." I haven't actually seen the movie, but I did come really close to watching it the other night.

The reason I am writing has to do with your utility bills, which recently were made public by one of those right wing global-warming crier groups.

JIM SHEA

Now, I understand their motivation for releasing your electric and natural gas bills right after the Academy Awards was to embarrass you. And in that regard, it was a cheap shot. But let's face it, Al, you set yourself up.

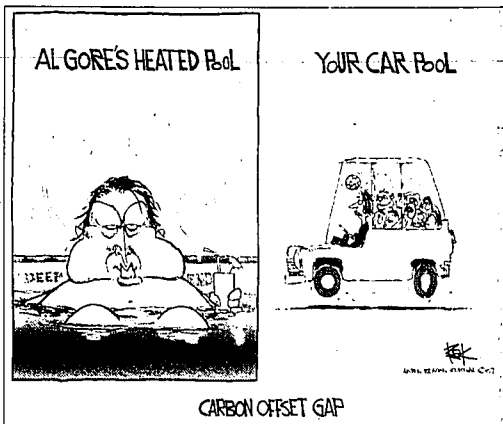
I mean, even if you are purchasing some "green power," \$1,200 a month for electricity and another \$1,000 a month for natural gas is ... well, let me put it this way: Al,

If I start talking about carbon footprints, you're like Bigfoot.

The major problem, of course, is that one of the three houses you own is a 20-room, 10,000-square-foot Nashville, Tenn., mansion that includes a pool house, a heated pool and gas lamps along the driveway.

It's all about perception, Al. Ten thousand square feet is a lot of space for just two people, no matter how long you have been married.

The other thing that sticks out about your electric bill is that half of it is for the pool house and heated pool. What you have to ask yourself about pool water temperature, Al, is this: Is your shrinkage more



Don't stand in front of the fridge with the door open for a half hour looking for the ketchup or something. If you don't see what you are searching for right off, ask Tipper to find it.

important than that of the polar icecaps?

Although your credibility has taken a hit here, Al, you can still salvage your reputation if you take some steps aimed at practicing what you preach. (Hey, here's a thought: You could even make a movie out of it. You could call it "A Heavily Inconvenient Truth.") Anyway, I thought I would pass along a few of the measures people here at Planet Birkenstock might take if we were in your situation:

Immediately close off a portion of your house — you know, like maybe 7,000 or 8,000 square feet.

Drain the pool for the winter.

Buy a chain saw and a woodstove. (We have a saying up here in New England that cutting your own firewood warms you twice.)

Turn down the thermostat and put on a sweater. No more walking around in your boxers like you are in a production of "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof."

Use those squiggly floors.

cent bulbs in all your lights. They take awhile to warm up, but that can be a good thing you are going to be looking in the mirror.

Don't fall asleep with the television on, so definitely no more Larry King after dinner.

Finally, given that you've put on a few, watch yourself in the kitchen. In particular, avoid using the microwave. Also, don't stand in front of the fridge with the door open for a half hour looking for the ketchup or something. If you don't see what you are searching for right off, ask Tipper to find it.

Oh, almost forgot: Get rid of the gas lamps along the driveway. Where do you think you are living, London?

Jim Shea is a columnist for The Hartford Courant.

Judging all standards on subsidies is weak

Max Hatfield's own tirade is prissy disingenuous.

Sure Mr. Kohza's acceptance of \$51,000 in farm subsidies sounds outrageous. Is Mr. Hatfield, you fail to acknowledge that it was paid over 11 years. A good-sized family will recoup that much over the years in child tax credits alone. Mr. Hatfield also fails to mention most of Mr. Kohza's neighbors took much more. And Mr. Hatfield doesn't disclose the (albeit much smaller) subsidies he has accepted: Apparently he isn't so principled that he can turn down a \$510 "welfare" check with his name on it (EWG Farm Subsidy Database).

Regardless, Mr. Kohza's point about the failure of socialism and central planning still stands. Mr. Hatfield prides it by bringing up the U.S. Department of Agriculture's bloated and inefficient system of farm subsidies one of the many dismal

examples of the federal government's meddling in markets it has no (constitutional) business.

Keep in mind the federal government we have today is nurtured by the same Democrats and Republicans who are so selective in picking Goldwater Conservatives and Reagan Republicans who are tired of big government conservatism should consider Rep. Ron Paul's (R-Texas) candidacy for president. He's probably the only candidate they would endorse.

And yes, as long as we have this wasteful and expensive bureaucracy, I will accept every farm subsidy to which I'm "entitled" and consider it an income tax rebate.

STEVEN HUETTIG
Hazelton

Supporting the war, but not the warriors

The conditions which the Washington Post uncovered at Walter Reed Hospital need to open our eyes to the adminis-

tration's agenda of supporting the war but not the warrior. The conditions at Walter Reed and the systemic failures of the Veterans Administration have been called to the attention of the administration before. Only now that these problems have brought to the attention of the public does the administration make a show of responding.

It is estimated that 80 percent of all soldiers meet the criteria for mental disorders related to deployment stress — yet the president is calling for second and third redeployments. Service members in Iraq and Afghanistan have experienced shortages of equipment. Many Guard units took equipment with them on their first deployment which was not returned. They will now be deployed without the same standard of equipment.

Service members in the National Guard have found their feet. Prior to 2001, the

general rule was that Guardsmen would be required to serve no more than one year cumulative active duty with no more than six months overseas for each five years of drill. This changed after 2001 to 18 months mobilization with no more than one year overseas. After the invasion of Iraq, policy changed to mobilization for 24 months. In August of 2007, the new policy is 24 months between deployments of no more than 24 months.

Meanwhile, to quit the Guard is to leave benefits behind.

You may have calculated the benefits worth one six-month deployment every five years of drill only to find the cost to have risen — 24 months on, 24 months off.

Meanwhile, the Guardsman has left behind the opportunities of the non-servicework. We need to stop the war and count the cost.
DEBORAH SILVER
Twin Falls

Davidson falling short on county commission

After attending several Jerome County commissioner meetings, I began to see a pattern of behavior among our "leaders."

Diana Obenauer is new and learning fast, researching each issue meticulously, asks pertinent questions and, when she makes a decision, she states her reasoning.

Charlie Howell likes to play "devil's advocate" but often compares apples to oranges and it is not a logical way to come to an understanding or an issue or a vote.

What really galls me (and others) is Joe Davidson. He doesn't use a computer and if you don't keep up, you get left behind. Too often, when asked by the chairman if he has some discussion on an issue, Joe mumbles on his hand "no," "I don't know" or "I have no opinion." He said these words on Feb. 20 after the commissioners spent an hour with Art Brown, zoning

administrator, and the deputy prosecuting attorney, examining whether there should be a moratorium on confined animal feeding operations. The vote was two against (Davidson and Howell, one for Obenauer).

So I did a "public records request" asking for "any papers, books, etc." that Davidson had studied in making his "no" decision on the moratorium.

The response I got from the deputy prosecutor states, "Mr. Davidson informs me that there were no public records, printed information and/or documents that pertained to your request."

When Sempra's appeal by Lee Halper, Davidson admitted to two people at a Citizens Protection Resources meeting that he hadn't even read the appeal!

He's not accepting his responsibilities to his constituents.
XENIA WILLIAMS
Jerome

LETTERS

Nuclear fuel proposal gains traction with lawmakers

By Shannon Maloney
Associated Press writer



Idaho Legislature
2007
Proponents say the program will allow countries to increasingly rely on nuclear energy while reducing the amount of waste generated by nuclear power plants. At the same time, nuclear waste and terrorists could be dealt easier to plutonium for nuclear weapons.
Critics have argued that

resuming fuel pre-processing, which was abandoned in the 1970s for proliferation reasons, could make it even easier for enemy states to build weapons.
The initiative hasn't garnered much attention outside of energy circles. Earlier this year, the Energy Department awarded more than \$10 million to 11 companies or economic development groups to examine the potential for fuel recycling facilities in their areas.
The include a proposal at Idaho National Laboratory and another by a Utah company seeking to do business in Atomic City, just outside the INL property.
The 1995 settlement agreement was born out of Idaho residents' concerns their state would become a national

nuclear-waste dump, and any proposal to bring spent fuel to Idaho violates that agreement, said Jeremy Maxand, executive director of the Snake River Alliance.
The Energy Department has challenged in court the validity of some parts of 1995 agreement.
"We have a legacy of contamination at Idaho National Laboratory that we still have to clean up," Maxand said.
Lou Riepl, INL's regional manager of communications and public affairs, said the measure does not suggest that the settlement agreement has to be set aside.
"This is a research initiative," he said, adding that to imply anything else is inappropriate. Idaho is competing with sites in seven other states seeking to get a piece of any busi-

ness the proposal could bring. So far, state lawmakers have overwhelmingly supported the idea.
The state Senate approved a nonbinding measure encouraging the federal government to pursue the initiative and pointing to Idaho as the most suitable site for advanced nuclear research. A House committee approved the measure Thursday, sending it to the full House for a vote.
Rep. Nicole Lefavour, D-Boise, urged members of the House Environment, Energy and Technology committee to proceed with caution and delay a vote until state officials overseeing cleanup at INL could voice comments.
"It would only be prudent to ask for more information," she said.
But the committee chair-

man, Rep. Dell Raybould, R-Rexburg, said more time wouldn't dissuade him that INL is the vehicle for the United States to develop safe nuclear energy.
"I haven't seen any of my potato plants glowing in the dark," Raybould said. "Idaho needs to be supportive of the efforts of our country and INL."
The measure doesn't require the governor's signature. Jon Hanian, press secretary for Gov. CL "Butch" Otter, said the governor and his staff will review the issue after the session and closely study the proposals.
"But we plan to be very vigilant in any proposal that would change the status quo policy as it relates to nuclear waste coming into the state," Hanian said.

Snake River Valley designated wine-growing region

BOISE — It may not be the Napa Valley yet, but Idaho's burgeoning wine-growing region is unique, according to the federal government.
The Department of the Treasury on Friday declared 8,263 square miles of southwest Idaho and southeast

Oregon an American Viticultural Area — or AVA. The designation is for grape growing regions that produce wines with a distinctive style and taste, stemming from factors ranging from climate to soil composition to geography.
It really is a good piece of technology, and there's no reason not to give it a try," said Sen. Jim Hammond, R-Post Falls.
Hammond was assigned to carry the bill by Senate Transportation Chairman John McGehee, R-Caldwell, but he's been enthusiastic about it. He displayed a model of a section of the tire to the full Senate last week, and senators passed the bill unanimously.
The House Transportation Committee approved the bill earlier this week. It now goes to the full House for consideration, and if approved, would go to the governor.
Studded tires are currently legal in Idaho from Oct. 15 to April 15.

The Snake River Valley is the first AVA for Idaho's growing wine industry, and will encompass 115 wineries, 46 vineyards and 1,107 acres, and will stretch from Twin Falls into Oregon.
The Idaho Grape Growers and Wine Producers Commission requested designation as an AVA in 2005.
So far, 172 acres have been designated in the United States, 93 of them in California. The largest is the 26,000 Ohio River Valley AVA.

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AROUND THE STATE

BOISE

Idaho House passes business tax relief

The House voted 47-20 Friday to pass a tax relief plan for business that could be worth up to \$100 million by the time it's completely enacted. The bill now goes to the Senate.
It would exempt business personal property worth up to \$50,000 from the tax starting this year, with the \$9.4 million cost shifted to other taxpayers.
Starting in '08, the remaining tax on equipment from office staplers to fork lifts would be phased out for all businesses, if future legislatures continue to support it. Up to \$32 million in lost revenue to counties and other taxing districts would be reimbursed annually from Idaho's sales and income tax, according to the plan.
Businesses like J.R. Simplot, the agriculture giant, and Tablerock Brewery & Grill in Boise called for the tax repeal, saying it's hard to calculate and stunts economic growth.

Mosque plastered with swastika stickers

Police are investigating after swastika-embellished stickers promoting a neo-Nazi group were plastered on the Islamic Center of Boise.
The stickers peeled off easily, leaving no physical damage to the mosque, police spokeswoman Lynn Hightower said. But they left behind an emotional residue, with local Muslims wondering why they were targeted.
"These things don't pop up in Boise very often, but they're a cause for concern, especially when they show up on a mosque," Hightower said.
The stickers were discovered last Saturday afternoon.

Bill eases rules if tires retract studs

Studded tires could be legal year-round if the studs retract, under a bill proposed in Idaho. Similar legislation is pending in Washington, Oregon and Montana this year. But there's a catch: No one is actually producing or selling tires that have retractable studs just yet.
A Greenville, S.C., company hopes to have them on the

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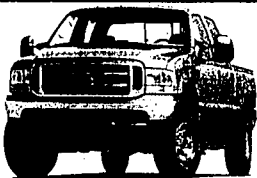
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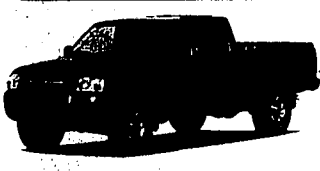
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REGION 18 TOURNAMENT

NIC: No Idaho Contest

CSI men clobber instate rivals 91-54 in semifinals

Wayne steers Eagle ship to tourney win

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — North Idaho College waited 10 years to get the Region 18 Tournament victory it found in Thursday night's first round. The waiting game for their next is on.

The No. 9 College of Southern Idaho men opened up their tournament schedule in dramatic fashion Friday afternoon, clobbering the Cardinals 91-54 to advance to Saturday's championship game against Salt Lake Community College, which upset host Snow College 70-68 in Friday's late game. The Golden Eagles extended a 48-34 halftime lead with an 18-0 rally to start the second half, putting the outcome of the game in Snow College's Activity Center well in hand well before the final buzzer.

"I thought our guard play was real good," sophomore-post-Brandon Stores said. "Shot the ball kind of bad in the first half, but came back and knocked down some shots."

Stores set the early tone, scoring all of his 14 points in the first half before getting the opportunity to rest in the second stanza. Freshman shooting guard Brad Garrett led CSI with 16 points, while Kelvin Davis scored 11 in just 13 minutes.

Every CSI player saw significant minutes in the win as CSI head coach Barret Peery was able to rest Stores, Juan Pattillo and some of his key starters through most of the second half.

"That's big for us, because with our guys not having to play as many minutes, they'll be fresh," Peery said. "It's going to be a dogfight between the other two teams tonight."

The Cardinals were held to 31.6 percent shooting as Shawn Henderson led the way with 19 points. Starting point guard Nick Livi scored 13 points on 5-of-19 shooting as the other four Cardinals starters combined for only 17 points.

Kevin Ford grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds and scored four points in nine minutes played, while starting point guard Paul Wayne finished with eight points and six assists. While Friday's effort was more than enough for CSI to improve to 25-5 on the season, everybody knows it will take more in tonight's 7:30 p.m. title game.

"I think we'll have to really, really play harder," Stores said. "... But I think if everybody plays together, it's going to be hard on us to lose." Peery was happy with CSI's style of play and inside-out mindset that has been a key for his team winning all year. However, he knows that one big Friday win will mean nothing without



College of Southern Idaho freshman guard Brad Garrett goes up for a fast-break layup during the first half of Friday's 91-54 win over North Idaho College in the Region 18 Tournament at Snow College in Ephraim, Utah.

another tonight. "We've put ourselves in a position to get where we want to be," Peery said. "It got us one game closer to Hinch, but our job is not complete by any means."

Salt Lake CC 70, No. 18 Snow College 68

Vassy Iannys' steal of a Jake Peterson inbound pass and ensuing fast-break

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2007 Region 18 Men's Basketball Tournament

At Snow College Ephraim, Utah
Wednesday, March 7
Quarterfinals
No. 5 North Idaho 80, No. 4 Eastern Utah 62
No. 3 Salt Lake CC 104, No. 6 Colorado Northwestern 50

Friday, March 9
Semifinals
No. 1 CSI 91, No. 5 North Idaho 54
No. 3 Salt Lake CC 70, No. 2 Snow College 68

Saturday, March 10
Championship game
No. 1 CSI vs. No. 3 Salt Lake CC, 7:30 p.m.

Golden Eagles women surge past Cardinals

CSI to play for championship

By Eric Larsen
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — The storm weathered, the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team got down to the business of winning.

The Golden Eagles withstood North Idaho College's first-half 3-point barrage, put up a big second-period rally and fought their way into the Region 18 Tournament championship with a 70-60 win over the Cardinals Friday afternoon at Snow College.

After watching NIC hit eight of its 12 first-half 3-point attempts, the Golden Eagles extended the defense, limiting NIC to 8-of-33 second-half shooting, including a 1-for-13 mark from beyond the arc. The energized defense fed No. 24 CSI's offense as the Golden Eagles ran off a 23-4 spurt in the first 12 minutes of the second half to pull ahead, and eventually away, of the Cardinals.

"(NIC) came out looking like it was a clinic," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said of the Cardinals' hot 3-point shooting. "But I didn't think they'd

2007 Region 18 Women's Basketball Tournament

Thursday, March 8
Quarterfinals
No. 3 North Idaho 78 vs. No. 6 Colorado Northwestern 47
No. 4 Eastern Utah 76 vs. No. 5 Snow College 74

Friday, March 9
No. 2 CSI 70, North Idaho 60
No. 1 Salt Lake CC 84 vs. College of Eastern Utah 49

Saturday, March 10
Championship game
No. 1 CSI vs. Salt Lake CC, 5 p.m.

stay hot like that. At halftime, I told the kids, 'I'm fine with the score.'"

Rogers was also fine with the play of his core group of sophomores, as Alexis Tucker, Ashley Thompson, Maria Moore, Amy Bratvold and Britany Moore combined for 54 of his team's points. Maria Moore led the way with 16 points and six assists, as the

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College of Southern Idaho sophomore Amy Bratvold drives past North Idaho College's Jessica Thibodeau during the Golden Eagles' 70-60 win over the Cardinals during Friday's Region 18 Tournament game in Ephraim, Utah.

CSI defense shuts down NIC shooters after half

By Bradley Gair
Times-News writer

EPHRAIM, Utah — The outer limits were a dangerous place for the Golden Eagles on Friday. During the first half of the College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team's 70-60 win over the North Idaho College Cardinals, 3-point field goals gave the Cardinals a six-point advantage at the half as one after another found the bottom of the net.

"We were concerned about post help, but we got down too much," CSI sophomore forward Alexis Tucker said. With the Golden Eagles' defense packed in the paint, NIC shooters Marney Lee and Chelsea Mykines were left open for multiple shots from beyond the arc as the Cardinals hit 8-of-12 3-pointers, which accounted for 24 of their 40 first-half points.

After the break, the long bombs came to an abrupt halt as CSI moved out to put pressure on NIC's perimeter players.

"It wasn't a drastic change," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said. "We just had more awareness. We needed to push those 3-point shooters further out."

The Eagles executed that adjustment well as the Cardinals only hit 1-of-13 second-half midranges. Many of those shots were made on desperation launches from three or four feet behind the line. The result wasn't hard to raise: NIC's offensive output was sliced in half while CSI rallied for the win.

"We knew what we had to do," Tucker said. "If we want to win this championship, we have to play defense. It's how we get our energy and get going."

SPORTS

MWC TOURNAMENT

BYU jumps out, hangs on to advance



Brigham Young guard Lee Cummond and Wyoming guard James Spencer go for a loose ball during their Mountain West Conference men's basketball tournament game at the Thomas & Mack Center in Las Vegas Friday.

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Trent Plasted took one more shot — at himself — after mistaking from the stripe so many times.

Plasted tied his career-high with 27 points in the 23rd-ranked Cougars' 96-84 win over Wyoming in the Mountain West semifinals Friday night that sent BYU to the conference championship for the first time since 2001.

Plasted and the Cougars can only imagine how good the sophomore center would be if he could just knock down more free throws.

He didn't offer up any excuses, such as tired legs from back-to-back big games or tournament jitters.

"You know, there's not really much you can attribute it to. I didn't step up and knock 'em down when I needed to," Plasted said after hitting just 7-of-16 free throws. "I'll do better tomorrow."

He'll get that chance because he hit 10-of-13 shots from the floor and helped the Cougars build a cushion too large for the Cowboys to overcome. BYU advanced to the final Saturday against the winner of

the other semifinal between UNLV and Colorado State.

The Cougars (25-7) missed 16 foul shots overall, making for a tense final few minutes after building a 25-point first-half lead. The Cowboys kept chipping away at their 19-point halftime deficit until Eric Platt's 3-pointer off the glass pulled Wyoming to 87-80 with 1:05 left.

Suddenly, the Cougars were sweating out all those errant foul shots, the only flaw in an otherwise well-oiled team that is primed for success in the NCAA tourney.

Lee Cummond, a defensive specialist who scored 21 points, more than double his average, sank two free throws, and Mike Rose sank one of two for a 90-80 lead.

Wyoming (17-15) got 23 points each from Jones and Brandon Ewing.

Cummond surpassed his scoring average, nine points, in the first five minutes, hitting 3-pointers from both sides, stealing the ball at midcourt for a slam dunk and racing down for another fastbreak basket that gave the Cougars a lightning-quick 17-5 lead.

Philly stays hot with win against Lakers

PHILADELPHIA — Andre Iguodala scored 31 points and the Philadelphia 76ers spoiled the return of Kobe Bryant with their sixth straight victory, 108-92 over the Los Angeles Lakers on Friday night.

Andre Miller scored 23 points, Kyle Korver had 18 and the Sixers scored 16 straight points in a 20-3 run to cap a perfect homestand (6-0).

Miller's seventh straight at home in front of their first sell-out crowd of the season. The Sixers are making a late playoff push, one reason team president Billy King said before the game that coach Maurice Cheeks would return next season.

Bryant cooled in the second half after scoring 21 points in the first. He finished with 30 points after serving a one-game suspension for striking a player in the face, his second penalty for that action in a little more than a month.

go-ahead three-point play with 115 seconds left, and Atlanta handed lowly Memphis its sixth straight loss.

It was Atlanta's second consecutive win after losing six in a row.

Mike Miller led the Grizzlies with 29 points, 22 in the second half.

Rockets 112, Nets 91

HOUSTON — Tracy McCreedy scored 34 points and Yao Ming had 24 points and 13 rebounds in his first home game since returning from a leg injury, leading Houston, over New Jersey.

McCreedy topped 30 points for the 18th time this season and also had five assists and four rebounds. He led the Rockets to a 20-12 record during Yao's absence and carried them again on Friday, even with Yao resembling his old self.

Bostjan Nachbar went 4-for-7 from 3-point range and scored a career-high 29 points for the Nets.

Heat 105, Twolves 91

MIAMI — Shaquille O'Neal made his first seven shots and scored a season-high 32 points, Jason Williams added 20 points and a surging Miami beat Minnesota.

O'Neal finished 13-of-16 from the field and added nine rebounds. Williams shot 9-for-13 and Eddie Jones had 15 points and 11 rebounds for the Heat, who shot 58 percent to win their fifth straight overall, 11th in a row at home and move within 2½ games of Washington for the Southeast Division lead.

Karl Garnett had 23 points and 11 rebounds and Ricky Davis added 21 points for Minnesota, which lost for the seventh time in nine games.

Celtics 118, SuperSonics 103

BOSTON — Al Jefferson had 31 points and 16 rebounds, Paul Pierce added 21 points, and Boston rallied to beat Seattle.

Rajon Rondo, starting in place of the injured Delonte West, scored 20 points and Gerald Green had 19 for the Celtics. West sat out with a mild concussion. Rondo added 16 points and received a rousing ovation when introduced and throughout the game. Richard Hamilton had 14 points and former Nuggets forward Antonio McDyess grabbed 10 rebounds.

Ray Allen led Seattle with 22 points, but scored just four in the second half.

Earl Watson and Nick Collison each added 7 points for the SuperSonics, who lost their second straight.

Hawks 106, Grizzlies 105

ATLANTA — Josh Smith scored 20 points, including the

Suns 104, Hornets 103

PHOENIX — Amare Stoudemire had 18 points and 11 rebounds, and Phoenix withstood a last-minute surge by New Orleans to hand the Hornets their fourth loss in a row.

The Suns improved to 9-1 since the All-Star break, but as has been the case lately it was a struggle.

Beno Udrih had 14 points and nine rebounds in his second game back for the Suns after missing nine with back spasms. Leandro Barbosa scored 14 but was just 3-of-11 from 3-pointers. Raja Bell scored 17, going 5-of-7 from 3-point range. Steve Nash had 10 points and 10 assists.

David West and Devin Brown scored 19 points apiece. Leandro Barbosa added 15 points and Chris Paul 14 for the Hornets.

Pistons 95, Nuggets 82

DENVER — Chris Webber scored 20 points. Rasheed Wallace had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Detroit snapped a two-game losing streak.

Denver native Chauncey Billups added 16 points and received a rousing ovation when introduced and throughout the game. Richard Hamilton had 14 points and former Nuggets forward Antonio McDyess grabbed 10 rebounds.

Allen Iverson led Denver with 19 points. Carmelo Anthony had 17 points and seven rebounds for the Nuggets, who have lost seven of their last 11 games.

WAC TOURNAMENT

Utah State upsets No. 10 Nevada

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Chaz Spicer is making a habit of hitting game-winning shots.

Spicer hit two free throws with 2.5 seconds left and Utah State took advantage of an intentional foul to beat No. 10 Nevada 79-77 in the semifinals of the Western Athletic Conference tournament Friday night.

Spicer and Utah State (23-10) beat Nevada for the second time in a week to move into Saturday's championship game against the winner of the New Mexico State-Boise State semifinal late Friday.

Nevada (28-4) is assured of its fourth straight NCAA tournament bid, but the loss could hurt the Wolf Pack's seeding.

Spicer, whose two free throws with 3 seconds left in overtime beat Nevada, 79-77 last week in Logan, Utah, did it again. He was fouled by Nevada's Matt Lattin on a drive to the basket. With the Nevada crowd yelling for a travel call, Spicer calmly hit both free throws.

"I make them, make them, make them," Spicer said when asked what he was thinking while at the foul line.

"Nothing new for Spicer, who went 6-for-6 on free throws in the game, has hit 30 of his last 32 and has won four games for the Aggies this season.

Utah State coach Steve Morrill thought Spicer was fouled after he got his shot off, which went in, but was disallowed. But with Spicer at the line, he knew the Aggies were in good hands.

"You never feel good until the final buzzer, but with him at the line, it's been a pretty good option for us all year," Morrill said. "Either free



Utah State's Durrall Peterson, middle, yells to the Utah State band as he and teammates leave the court after upsetting Nevada 79-77 in the Western Athletic Conference men's basketball tournament in Las Cruces, N.M., Friday.

throws or last shots, he's had four game-winners."

Asked about the foul that sent Spicer to the line, Nevada coach Mark Fox replied, "I thought Spicer had traveled before the call."

"Do you want the truth or do you want the company line?" he said. "I asked for the truth. Fox replied, 'Can't give you that. We got outplayed.'"

Nevada center Nick Fazakas got the inbounds pass to guard Ramon Sessions, but Sessions' desperation 30-foot shot didn't come close.

Utah State led 77-72 with 32.2 seconds left after Aggie Chris Session hit two free throws.

But Nevada's Marcus Kemp hit a 3-pointer with 24.2 seconds left and after Utah State turned it over, Kemp picked up the loose ball and tied it at 77 with a short shot in the lane.

The call that turned the game around came in the

middle of a 10-0 Utah State run that erased a 57-50 Nevada lead.

Utah State guard Jaycee Carroll, who led the Aggies with 24 points, scored eight of the 10 points, including the free throw after the intentional foul call on Sessions with 42.5 left.

Sessions was whistled for the foul after Carroll stole the ball and appeared headed for a layup.

Morrill said the call was "a no-brainer."

"Great call," he said. "We got to get an uncommitted layup and he gets grabbed."

Fox again was coy in his assessment of the call.

"Company line," he said shaking his head. "It's just part of the game."

The run started with Carroll hitting three free throws after being fouled on a 3-pointer by Nevada's Lyndale Burleson. Burleson started in place of Kyle Shioh, who injured a

hamstring in the Wolf Pack's win over Idaho on Thursday.

New Mexico State 88, Boise State 69

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Elijah Ingram scored 11 of his season-high 25 points in the last 92 seconds of the first half and New Mexico State advanced to the championship game of the Mountain West Conference tournament with an 88-69 win over Boise State on Friday night.

New Mexico State (24-8) will play Utah State (23-10) Saturday with the winner getting the automatic NCAA tournament bid. Utah State upset No. 10 Nevada, 79-77, Nevada (28-4), the regular season league champion, is expected to get an at-large bid.

Former CSI star Reggie Larry and Eric Lane each scored 17 points and Coby Karl had 14 for Boise State (17-14).

Ingram, a streak shooter who missed 13-of-17 shots last week in a loss at Nevada, took over the Aggies' offense just as it faltered. He stole, and Karl and Lane hit back-to-back 3-pointers to get the Broncos within 32-30 with 2:15 left in the first half.

It was all Ingram the rest of the half.

He sank a 3-pointer from the top of the key and blew a kiss to the crowd as he headed back up the court. He followed with a three-point play, then hit another high-floating 3-pointer. Reggie Larry momentarily slowed down Ingram's run with a basket, but Ingram finished his streak with a 5-footer in the lane that just beat the buzzer for a 43-32 NMSU lead.

— The Associated Press

Oden, Ohio State top Michigan for 15th straight victory

CHICAGO — Greg Oden scored 22 points — 15 in the second half — and No. 1 Ohio State won its 15th straight game, beating Michigan 72-62 Friday in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

Oden scored 11 of his points in the final 8:27 after Michigan had pulled to within four.

Ohio State (28-3) hasn't lost in two months — a defeat Jan. 9 at Wisconsin. The Buckeyes advance to a semifinal Saturday against Purdue, which beat Iowa 74-65.

The 7-foot Oden was 8-for-12 from the field and 6-for-10 from the free throw line to go with eight rebounds and four blocks.

It was Ohio State's third win in as many tries this season against Michigan (21-12), which is hoping to make the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1998.

Ron Lewis added 16 points and Mike Conley Jr. had 13 for the Buckeyes.

Lester Abram scored 13 and Jerret Smith 12 for the Wolverines. Leading scorer Dion Harris had nine points on 1-for-13 shooting.

No. 3 Wisconsin 70, Michigan State 57

CHICAGO — Alando Tucker, held to three free throws in the opening half, made four 3-pointers in the second half to lift Wisconsin to the second round of the Big Ten quarterfinals.

Tucker, the league's player of the year, finished with 21 points — his

39th straight game in double figures — and the Badgers (28-4) advanced to a semifinal Saturday against Indiana or Illinois. Kamron Taylor had 11 for Wisconsin.

Goran Suton led the Spartans (22-11) with 14 points and Raymar Morgan added 11.

Big 12 Tournament

No. 2 Kansas 64, Oklahoma 47

OKLAHOMA CITY — Brandon Rush scored 16 points and ignited Kansas after an uninspired first half, lifting the Jayhawks past Oklahoma in the Big 12 quarterfinals.

Rush started Kansas' 16-2 second-half run with a reverse layup, then added a 3-pointer and a pair of free throws before the top-seeded Jayhawks (28-4) took it to another level, eventually leading by as many as 24 while Oklahoma struggled to make a shot.

Coach Bill Self picked up his 100th win in four seasons at Kansas. The Jayhawks advance to a semifinal Saturday against Kansas State, which beat Texas Tech 66-45.

Oklahoma State 57, No. 7 Texas A&M 56

OKLAHOMA CITY — Mario Boggan scored from the right block with 11.5 seconds left to give Oklahoma State a victory over Texas A&M in the Big 12 quarterfinals.

Boggan and David Mondt scored 11

points apiece to lead the Cowboys (21-11), who rallied from nine points down in the second half and won after trailing at halftime for only the second time in 11 chances this season. They advance to a semifinal Saturday against Texas.

No. 15 Texas 74, Baylor 69

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant rebounded from a dismal first half to score 29 points and grab 13 rebounds, and Texas rallied from a 20-point deficit to beat Baylor in the Big 12 quarterfinals.

Seldom-used Craig Winder scored eight points, including a basket with 1:56 left that put the third-seeded Longhorns (23-8) ahead for the first time since the opening minutes, and D.J. Augustin hit a basket and two free throws in the final 18.5 seconds.

Big East Tournament

No. 9 Georgetown 84, No. 20 Notre Dame 82

NEW YORK — Jeff Green had a career-high 30 points, including the winning basket with 13 seconds left, and 12 rebounds to lead Georgetown over Notre Dame in the Big East semifinals.

Dajuan Summers added 18 points and Patrick Ewing Jr. tied his career high of 19 to help the top-seeded Hoyas (25-9) advance to the final for the first time since 1996 with their

14th win in 15 games. They will face Pittsburgh in the championship game Saturday.

No. 13 Pittsburgh 65, No. 12 Louisville 59

NEW YORK — Antonio Graves scored 10 of his 23 points during Pittsburgh's 20-2 run to start the second half, and the Panthers advanced to the Big East tournament championship game.

Pittsburgh (27-6) will play in the title game for the sixth time in seven years, and second in Jamie Dixon's second seasons as coach. Mike Cook added 13 points and eight rebounds for Pittsburgh, which has won the Big East tournament in 2003.

SEC Tournament

No. 6 Florida 74, Georgia 57

ATLANTA — Florida scored the first 17 points of the game, built a 25-point lead before halftime and romped past Georgia in the Southeastern Conference quarterfinals.

Taurean Green scored 19 points to lead the Gators (27-5), who looked vulnerable when they closed February, by losing three of four.

Conference USA Tournament

No. 5 Memphis 71, Tulane 49

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Chris Douglas-Roberts scored 17 points, and Memphis extended the nation's

longest winning streak to 21 straight by beating Tulane in the Conference USA semifinals.

The top-seeded Tigers (29-3) will play Rice or Houston for the title.

ACC Tournament

No. 8 North Carolina 73, Florida State 58

TAMPA, Fla. — Wayne Ellington scored 20 points and Jay Lawson had 14 to lead North Carolina over Florida State in the Atlantic Coast Conference quarterfinals.

The Tar Heels' balanced attack was simply too much for the Seminoles' one-man show. Al Thornton, FSU (20-12) center, and Thornton the ACC's leading scorer and runner-up for conference player of the year — scored 12 points before fouling out with more than 6 minutes to go.

Pac-10 Tournament

No. 16 Oregon 81, Cal 63

LOS ANGELES — Taj Porter led a balanced offensive attack with 24 points and Oregon built a 21-point halftime lead in beating California in the Pac-10 tournament semifinals.

The fourth-seeded Ducks (25-7) advanced to Saturday's championship game for the first time since winning the 2003 title. They will play either No. 11 Washington State or Southern California.

— The Associated Press

What a bracket! Lunardi cashes in on tourney craze

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The coaches lobby Joe Lunardi like politicians out stumping for votes. Players and athletic directors always pop by to schmooze and boast about big wins and bigger RPI.

All that fuss, and Lunardi's mock NCAA tournament bracket doesn't even count.

Such is life when you're "The Bracketologist."

But for all those fanatical fans, and those mid-major and bubble teams wondering and worrying if they're in or out of the NCAA tournament, Lunardi's bracket is the basketball gospel. It's a sneak peek into what the real selection committee might be thinking as they seed the 65 teams for March Madness.

"I've always said if they were serious about cost containment in the NCAA, they'd give me a couple of pizzas, a couple of pizzas and a six pack and I'd throw in the NIT for no extra charge," Lunardi said.

Lunardi guesses the field in advance of the tournament, and his picks are updated daily — and scrutinized much longer — on ESPN.com. He says it takes about four hours each day during conference tournament time to fill the field, studying the upsets, the RPI, key wins and costly losses.

All of the numbers play a role, though Lunardi said he's ultimately biased toward a team's ability to win good games on the road.

"To me, fundamentally, that is what the tournament is all about," he said. "The numbers are great and extremely helpful, but the difference between a team that is 39 and 49 in RPI is insignificant."

Lunardi's fascination started back in 1981 when he was a senior at Saint Joseph's and the sports editor of the school paper. His first mock brackets appeared in the Blue Ribbon Basketball Yearbook, which he edited, and Lunardi eventually gave the projections to ESPN.com in exchange for the Web site plugging the 1-800 number to buy the book.

Lunardi says the bracket was an instant smash, with the link getting 250,000 hits in the first 90 minutes.

"That's when we realized we may be on to something," Lunardi said.

Now, Lunardi says his Bracketology site does over a million hits a week, even more around this hoops-crazed time of the year. And how wild is this? Lunardi even posts a mock bracket for the next season's tournament the day after the national championship game.

"It's almost complete guesswork except that in '05 and '06 I got three of the four No. 1 seeds and this year I have a chance for all four No. 1 seeds," he said.

Lunardi said last April he picked North Carolina, Kansas, Florida and UCLA. On Friday afternoon, Lunardi had North Carolina, Kansas, Florida and Ohio State as his No. 1 seeds.

Lunardi is on target as Greg Oden layup; He's missed a combined eight at-large teams over the last seven years.

Lunardi does have a real job, a couple in fact. He's the chief marketing officer for Saint Joseph's and the Hawks' radio announcer. He also plays the role of Ed McMahon to Hawks coach Phil Marrelli on the amusing "Hawk Talk" TV show.

But the zesty letters need "what are you thinking?" critiques don't come because of his pithy one-liners. It's when he leaves their favorite team out of the bracket, or seeds them 10th when then they should be a 6th that leaves them steamed.

Some even make passionate pleas, quick to point out that the first-place team only lost to the underdog because their best player was hurt or another was suspended.

"I do learn things from some of those fans," he said. "As much as I study to know 336 teams intimately is a bit of a challenge."

Not every coach think the daily distractions are good for their team.

"In terms of what other people say that has no bearing on what's going to take place," said Missouri coach Mike Anderson, who took UAB to the NCAA's the past three seasons. "In terms of what the naysayers say and this and that, that's what the selections in terms of who's going to be in the tournament."

Of course not. But Anderson missed the point. Part of the fun of sports is the constant debate. Not only does Lunardi fill the bracket, he lists the last four teams in and the last four out, making it a must-read for everyone who participates in an office pool.

"I think one of the great sports this time of year is the conjecture about who will be in the tournament and who's not," Indiana coach Kelvin Sampson said. "I think that's true in the media and among fans."

Lunardi is quick to point out that he's not on the selection committee. While he's picked the brain of members to find out how they seed teams, he's never been asked to participate.

"Oh, I would like to chair the selection committee," he said. "Why stop at being a member? People say this is a fantasy. No, the fantasy is to have a vote."

Lunardi was wrapping up his radio gig last week when Massachusetts coach Travis Ford came by to push his team.

"You've got to give us some love, man, you've got put us in the field," he said.

Ford ran down a list of UMass credentials and why they deserved at least an at-large bid in the tournament.

Finally, Lunardi had to interrupt: "You know Travis, I don't have a vote."

Ford told him he knew and it didn't matter.

Lunardi's bracket, real or imagined, has influence. After all, he is "The Bracketologist."



Joe Lunardi, known as 'The Bracketologist,' sits courtside during the men's basketball game between Saint Joseph's University and Duquesne in Philadelphia, Jan. 3. Coaches lobby Lunardi, players stop by to schmooze and fans write nasty letters when their team doesn't get the seed they feel it deserves in the NCAA tournament bracket.

GOLF Late birdie gives Leaney lead

PALM HARBOR, Fla. — On a golf course where Stephen Leaney said there were no easy holes, he had a simple explanation for how he would atop the leaderboard Friday at the PODS Championship.

"I've probably holed more putts than anyone," Leaney said.

Staring into a bright sun that toyed with his depth perception, Leaney watched a 40-foot birdie putt on the last hole tumble in for birdie and a 4-under 67, giving him a one-shot lead over Heath Slocum on an Innisbrook course that won't let anyone get on top for long.

Defending champion K.J. Choi and Chris DiMarco were among those another shot behind, but the true measure of this tournament was found further down the leaderboard. Only 37 players remained under par and 27 of them were within four shots of the lead.

Brad Eason was only four shots behind until he struggled down the stretch and made the cut on the number. Even so, he and the others in last place were only eight shots behind.

"When you shoot under par on this golf course, you've got to feel pretty good," said Slocum, who fell just after a 69.

Fading as impressive as any tournament, but it has been key for Leaney. He can't remember the last time he made more than a few putts longer than 10 feet, he shouldn't have a problem now. The shortest of his six birdie putts was 12 feet, the 40-footer on the 18th hole gave him the lead and he even picked up what he called a miracle birdie along the way.

Leaney had 250 yards for his third shot on the par-5 fifth, hit it into the rough, then chipped in.

"This golf course just wears you out," said the 37-year-old Australian, who was a 6-under 136. Even course officials were concerned when the tournament moved from late October to early March, causing a drastic change in the grass. Instead of the dry, crispy conditions in the fairway and prevalent Bermuda rough, the rye grass used in Florida over the winter to keep a green look to the course has made it play longer and at times softer.

Some thought it might be a little easier.

"Just look at the board," DiMarco said after his second straight 69.

Vaughn Taylor (68), rookie Doug LaBelle (71), Pat Perez (70), Daniel Chopra (71) and Jonathan Byrd (69) were in the group at 136. Another shot behind was a group that included Billy Andrade, Aaron Oberholser and first-round Cliff Kresge, who was nine shots worse with a 74.

Vijay Singh, a past champion at the Copperhead course, was poised to join the leaders until dropping two shots down the stretch, winding up at 2-under 140 and very much in the picture.

It's the second straight week on the PGA Tour that players have had to work hard for their scores. The winning score at the Honda Classic was 5-under 275 and led to a four-man playoff.

Next week is Bay Hill, which will play as a par 70. Innisbrook has always been a par 71, and it has always been tough.

This week is no exception.

Leaney said he felt like he was back at Olympia Fields, where he was runner-up to Jim Furyk in the 2003 U.S. Open.

"I play my best golf where you really think



Chris DiMarco keeps an eye his chip shot on the 18th hole during the second round of the PODS Championship golf tournament Friday in Palm Harbor, Fla.

yourself around a golf course properly, and I think that's why I've played well here the last couple of years," he said. "A lot of weeks, it's not like that. It's just bombs away."

Sorenstam two back at MasterCard

HUIXQUILUCAN, Mexico — Stacy Prammanasudh shot a 5-under 67 to take a one-stroke lead during the suspended first round of the MasterCard Classic, while two-time defending champion Annika Sorenstam had a 69 in her season debut.

Prammanasudh, coming off a victory two weeks ago in the Fields Open in Hawaii, had six birdies and a bogey on the Bosque Real Country Club course — the longest on the tour at 6,932 yards and also the highest at about 8,000 feet above sea level.

Play was suspended because of rain at about 3 p.m., then called for day because of darkness at about 6 p.m. Sixth-seven players were unable to complete the round.

Laura Davies and Macey Hart opened with 68s and Jee-Won Han and Christina Kim also were 4 under when play was stopped.

Six tied atop Toshiba Classic

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. — Jay Haas, Fuzzy Zoeller, Ben Cresshaw, Tom Purtzer, Eduardo Romero and R.W. Eels shot 6-under 65 to share the first-round lead in the Champions Tour's Toshiba Classic.

Peter Jacobsen, Allen Doyle and Morris Roberts, Bobby Wadkins and Bruce Lietzke topped an 11-member group at 67 on the Newport Beach Country Club. The scoring average of the 78 players in the event was 69.76, nearly two strokes lower than the Champions Tour average.

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SPORTS

NASCAR

Mark Martin: 'I don't want to run for the championship.'

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Mark Martin used a rare Sunday off to throw a party. He cooked out, caught up with friends and family and watched the Busch Series race from Mexico City.

"In all, he had a really good time. Now he wants to do it again. And soon."

Martin is confident he'll stick to his original plan to skip the race at Bristol Motor Speedway later this month, a move that would cripple any shot he has at winning the Nextel Cup title this season.

"I don't want to run for the championship. I don't want to race for points," Martin said Friday. "In 2007, I am taking a break. I've been chasing that Cup for 20 years, and at this point in time, I've put that behind me."

"Just because we did well in the first two races, why change it?"

Well, one reason to change the plan is because Martin is the Nextel Cup points leader.

Martin came to Las Vegas Motor Speedway this weekend on top of the standings for the first time since 2002 — increasing the pressure on him to run the full Cup schedule. He's only slated to run 23 races this year, and while he hasn't ruled out adding a few to that number, Martin said he's positive he won't do all 36.

He reached the decision last Sunday when the top series had the weekend off, giving Martin a full weekend to do anything he wanted. As he gathered with those closest to him to watch the Busch race, Martin realized he was happy not being part of the NASCAR action that day.

"We had a great time and watched the Busch race and it was a lot of fun," he said. "But do I wish I had been racing? Not at all. I was pretty happy with not being there at all."

And that's what Martin expects to happen on March 25 when the Nextel Cup circuit whizzes around the bullring at Bristol. He'll invite some people over, fire up the grill and

watch his rivals race on with him.

When the cars cross the finish line, Martin believes he'll know once and for all what he wants to do with future.

"I'll know more about what I want to do after Bristol," he said. "Because if after Bristol I feel like I did after Mexico last week, I'd be. But if I feel sick that I missed that race, or I feel sick during the race watching it was there — which I doubt seriously — then my life might change."

There's always that chance, though, that Martin won't skip Bristol at all.

Everyone knows Martin can be swayed, as he was in 2005 when Jack Roush convinced him not to retire. And he waffled most of last summer before settling on the partial schedule with Ginn Racing. So even as he claims he absolutely will not be in the car at Bristol on March 25, there's still time to change his mind.

Martin seemed confident that it won't happen.

"I was asked earlier this week 'Is there anything that anyone can do to get you to run the full schedule?'" he said. "And it's like 'I don't want to.' I don't expect that to change."

But it could with a win at Las Vegas on Sunday, right?

Martin doesn't think so.

"If you can win this race and we just week, I think it would be the coolest thing to continue on with my plan," he said. "I certainly don't expect to win them both, but I would like to win one of them."

Martin won the inaugural race in Las Vegas in 1998, and has finished in the top 10 in six of his nine visits to the desert. So it's reasonable to predict another strong run on Sunday.

That would almost certainly strengthen his hold on the standings, but that doesn't interest Martin at all.

After 25 years of agonizing over points, Martin is done with it.

"It's become more important for me to do a few extra

Kahne takes Vegas pole

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Kasey Kahne won the pole Friday at Las Vegas Motor Speedway, leading a parade of Dodge as Chargers took five of the top seven spots in qualifying.

Kahne posted a lap of 184.85 mph around the revamped track, enough to nudge David Stremme off the pole. Stremme ran a lap at 184.193. Elliott Sadler, Kahne's teammate at Evernham Motorsports, qualified third with a lap at 183.874.

"Definitely in qualifying today Dodge was the car to beat," Kahne said. "There's a lot of them up there. Evernham Motorsports figured it out early in the year how to make the Charger work last year and we had some poles — and ran up front, so I think all the Dodge teams will be tough to beat."

Juan Pablo Montoya, Stremme's teammate at Chip Ganassi Racing, was fourth at 183.187. Montoya is coming off his win in the Busch Series last weekend in Mexico City.

Jeff Burton was the best non-Dodge driver, qualifying fifth in a Chevrolet.

things ... and maybe take my focus off the scoring each and every point that I possibly can get, and agonizing over if this part breaks or if this guy wrecks in front of me or I can't miss him," Martin said.

"I'm not chasing for the points and that happens, you can make that off and go home."

"For me, when I had those kinds of things happen for the last 19 years, I went home and laid in bed all night awake going over it in my head."

Rangers right-hander Brandon McCarthy and Cubs left-hander Neil Cotts, both traded by the White Sox during the off-season, struggled in their starts.

McCarthy allowed five runs and seven hits, including two homers, and was pulled after one batter in the third inning. All four runs against Cotts were unearned because of an error, but he gave up seven hits in two innings.

Sosa beat out a slow roller up the middle in his first at-bat. He grounded back to the pitcher, walked and then singled sharply to right on the first pitch leading off the seventh before being lifted for a pinch-runner.

"He's doing everything that we're asking him to do," Texas manager Ron Washington said. "I never once doubted him. He's doing everything I knew he could do. This man has potential."

Sosa gets a day off Saturday, along with most of the Texas regulars who won't make the trip to Scotsdale for a game against San Francisco.

McIlhenny was among only a handful of Chicago regulars who made the two-hour bus ride to Surprise, a trip he wanted to make. DeLoza hit a career-best .296 with 13 home runs and 74 RBIs while playing six different positions for Texas last season. Then he got a \$13 million, three-year contract from the Cubs to be their second baseman.

"Texas' Michael Young, who last week got an \$80 million, five-year contract extension through 2013, went 4-for-4. Ian Kinsler and Marlon Byrd each won 3-for-4. Byrd had three-run homer and Kinsler a three-run double."

Matt Murton, Kyle Hill and Tyler Colvin each hit a home

NFL

Rhodes traded to Raiders

Plummer makes retirement official

The Associated Press

Two running backs found new homes Friday. Dominic Rhodes, who ran for 113 yards in Indianapolis' Super Bowl victory, signed with the Oakland Raiders, and Reuben Droughns, who had back-to-back 1,200-yard seasons with Denver and Cleveland, was traded by Cleveland to the New York Giants.

Meanwhile, Tennessee coach Jeff Fisher said he doesn't expect troubled cornerback Adam "Pacman" Jones to report with the rest of the Titans players on March 19.

The NFL is examining 10 separate incidents in which Jones has been questioned by police since being drafted, including a Feb. 19 triple shooting at a Las Vegas strip club. Two other arrests that Jones had led the Titans about are among them.

"As an organization it's always been our policy to gather facts and to make sure we have all the information, and that's what we're doing," he said. "At this point, I don't see him coming back on the 19th."

Fisher was clearly upset that Jones failed to inform team officials about the two arrests in Fayette County, Ga., last year, including one related to a search for drugs at the home Jones bought for his mother.

"Typically speaking, if there's a situation like this, it's the player's responsibility to inform the club and that did not take place," Fisher said.

In Denver, Jake Plummer officially announced his retirement. He was 40-18 as the Broncos' starter, including a 1-3 mark in the playoffs, but lost his starting job to Jay Cutler last season.

The Broncos traded Plummer to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on March 3 for a conditional pick in the 2008 draft. The Bucs made the deal despite being aware of Plummer's retirement plans. He said on the Web site of the Jake Plummer Foundation last Saturday that he was retiring.

"I poured my heart and soul into this game, not just in the NFL, but in college and in high school," Plummer said. "I'm ready to move on with my life and try some new challenges."

One of those challenges is handball. He and his brother, Eric, were scheduled to play in the Colorado state handball doubles tournament this weekend.

"Life is grand, life is exciting," Plummer said. "I'm excited to move on, and encounter and take on new challenges with my life. ... I'm



Quarterback Jake Plummer announces his retirement from the Denver Broncos, during a brief news conference in the Denver Athletic Club in downtown Denver on Friday. The 32-year-old player was heading off to play in a handball tournament at the club with his brother.

excited to see my family more, to spending time with my friends. You guys can probably know that I'll be at a mountain, either at the bottom or the top of a mountain somewhere. Don't worry about Jake, he'll be fine."

As for Rhodes and Droughns, neither may play full-time with his new team. But both are expected to be major factors for them.

Rhodes split time in Indianapolis last year with rookie Joseph Addai and will likely do the same with LaMont Jordan in Oakland.

"Dominic will be a dynamic presence that can diversify our offense both as a runner and pass catcher," coach Lane Kiffin said of his new running back, who signed a deal worth more than \$7.5 million over two years. "He is focused and determined to come here and compete immediately with our other running backs."

Droughns, who was obtained for wide receiver Tim Carter, slipped to 75th yards with a 3.4 average for the Browns last year and became expendable when Cleveland signed Jamal Lewis earlier this week. He is likely to be a backup to third-year man Brandon Jacobs, who is the front-runner to succeed the retired Tim Barber in the Meadowlands.

"We think he gives us a nice veteran presence and complements Brandon Jacobs and the rest of our running back group nicely," general manager Jerry Reese said.

Another running back who changed teams, Willis McGahee, was introduced Friday at the Ravens' camp in Owings Mills, Md.

MLB: SPRING TRAINING

Sosa, Rangers edge past Cubs

SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP) — Sammy Sosa was too focused on his comeback to get nostalgic about facing the Chicago Cubs.

Plus, the way he's hitting, the former slugger figures to see his old team again in June, when the Cubs meet the Texas Rangers for the first time.

The 38-year-old Sosa, in camp with the Rangers on a minor league contract after a year out of baseball, went 2-for-3 with a walk as Texas beat a Chicago split squad 11-9 Friday.

Sosa is hitting .500 (9-for-18) with two home runs and four RBIs through six games.

"I know I was playing against them, but I was thinking about a normal game," insisted Sosa, a seven-time All-Star with the Cubs from 1992-2004 and the 1998 NL MVP. "I'm just happy to have an opportunity to have another good game. ... So far, so good."

Sosa had his second infield single in two days and a sharp hit to right field. While he's expected to be primarily a designated hitter, he played seven innings in right field and caught three fly balls, including a running grab near the wall to end the third.

The Cubs traded Sosa to Baltimore before spring training in 2005. He was then among several players who testified before a congressional committee looking into steroid use in baseball, and hit .221 with 14 homers and 45 RBIs in 102 games for the Orioles.

After sitting out last season, Sosa persuaded the Rangers — the team he originally signed with as a 16-year-old kid from the Dominican Republic in 1985 — to give him another chance. Sosa said the Cubs weren't interested — and now everyone in the Texas front office looks like a "genius."



Texas Rangers right fielder Sammy Sosa waits for a pitch in the second inning of a spring training baseball game in Surprise, Ariz., Friday.

"I had an opportunity with Texas," Sosa said. "When you were out for a year like I was, sometimes they think you are finished — and I'm not."

Sosa is fifth on the career list with 588 home runs, including 545 with the Cubs. He had three 60-homer seasons, bating .308 with a career-high 66 homers and 158 RBIs in 1998 — when he had that memorable home run chase with Mark McGwire, the first major league to hit 70 homers.

After he made his major league debut with Texas in 1989, Sosa played in only 25 games before being traded to the White Sox and then to the Cubs.

"Texas' Michael Young, who last week got an \$80 million, five-year contract extension through 2013, went 4-for-4. Ian Kinsler and Marlon Byrd each won 3-for-4. Byrd had three-run homer and Kinsler a three-run double."

Matt Murton, Kyle Hill and Tyler Colvin each hit a home

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Faith of the Irish? Tell us your story

Next Saturday is St. Patrick's Day, and the Times-News will publish an article about what faith means to the Irish and to folks of Irish extraction. If you're Irish and would like to share your spiritual experience, we'd love to hear from you. And we'd like to hear from both Protestants and Catholics of Irish descent. Call Steve Crump at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@mag-leveley.com. The deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday.

End-time talk is frightening

Without question, Islamic terrorism is a genuine and violent threat to all of us. Some radical Christian evangelists promoting end-time schemes may, however, be among the most dangerous zealots on earth. Worse, they may have the president's ear.

End-time enthusiasts, once easily dismissed, have grown enormously in number and influence. They are emboldened by heightened violence since Sept. 11, 2001, and nourished by the seriously flawed theology of the popular "Left Behind" series.



STEVE GUSHEE

They want to trigger catastrophic events that bring about the end of the world so that they are saved, unbelievers are slaughtered and (their) God can reign. They sound like Islamic terrorists, but they are Christian with an even more ambitious vision of disaster. They cut and paste Bible verses to demonstrate that God plans a violent end for the earth that involves a cataclysmic war in the Middle East.

The extraordinary military power of the United States led by a political party in thrall to Christian conservatives informed by evangelical end-time theology that seeks to trigger Armageddon is a frightening doomsday scenario.

President Bush may not ascribe to such end-time theories, but his ear is cocked to that cock-eyed formula. He acknowledged that God told him to attack both Al-Qaeda and Saddam Hussein and transform the Middle East. At best, he has become a tool of those, like the Rev. John Hager, who would gladly sound the trumpet for the last battle.

Hager is arguably the most prominent televangelist rooting for a violent end. He is pastor of the 15,000-member Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, Texas. He believes that an angry Jesus will soon return to wage a final battle between good and evil on the plains of Israel/Palestine.

Such bizarre theology "boils down to this perverse parody of John 3:16: 'God so loved the world that he sent World War III,'" according to Rabbi Yehoshua Landau. He was quoted in an important book, "The Rapture Exposed," by Lutheran theologian Barbara Rossing. (Perseus Books Group, 2004, \$15).

The "Left Behind" series of bestsellers by Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins has swelled the ranks of Hager's fellow travelers. Evangelical Christians bought more than 40 million copies of the end-time fantasy filled with wild biblical speculation, extreme right-wing politics and United Nations is the home of the Antichrist) and incredible violence.

Islamic extremists are a legitimate concern to us, but few seem to notice the growing Christian extremism in our midst. United Nations is the home of the Antichrist) and incredible violence.

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The Darfur village of Ischana burns on Dec. 10, 2004. It was sacked by the Sudanese army and the janjaweed militia.

An echo of the Holocaust

Blaine County Jewish community aims to put Darfur on America's radar

"And thou shalt not oppress the stranger, for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt."

— Exodus, 23:9

By Steve Crump, Times-News Staff Writer

KETCHUM — Seventy years ago, the government of a faraway nation began to exterminate a minority group within its borders.

Few on the outside noticed — until 6 million people were dead.

"I think the Holocaust makes us pay attention with similar things happen in the world today," said Larry Helzel, co-president of the Wood River Jewish Community and one of the organizers of "Darfur: A Call for Compassion." It's a six-day event designed to raise consciousness of the one-sided conflict in the African nation of Sudan that has so

far killed 400,000 people and left 2.5 million homeless.

It's also intended to raise money for Global Grassroots, a three-year-old, New Hampshire-based non-profit organization that offers training and seed money to help poor and disadvantaged women improve their lives.

"These genocides keep happening — Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur," Helzel said. "It's our obligation as human beings to try to do something about it."

Co-sponsored by the Sun Valley Center for the Arts, "Darfur" consists of a series of programs — a photography exhibition, a lecture by former U.S. Marine Capt. Brian Steidle, a documentary movie screening, a reading and a reception. It starts Wednesday.

"We were contacted by Alan Pesky and Larry Helzel, who wanted to know if we would be interested in



A girl and her younger brother are photographed in a Darfur village in 2005. Photo by Mike STEELE, courtesy of the Sun Valley Center for the Arts.

doing something with the Wood River Jewish Community about the ongoing genocide in Darfur," said Kristin Proke, artistic director of the Sun Valley Center. "At first the conversation was about bringing in a speaker, but then it expanded to include an exhibition and all the other components. Typically we organize our own exhibitions and they are up for several months. But we also have a history of collaborating with community partners and responding to current events with programming that we think will be of

Interest to our community." Highlights will include a benefit screening of the film "The Devil Came on Horsesback" — scheduled for March 17 in the next Stage Theater — and an exhibition of photos of the Darfur conflict at the Sun Valley Center, which will be open to the public from Wednesday through March 19.

"Darfur is the almost total opposite of the Wood River Valley," Helzel said. "They're impoverished, malnourished, caught in the middle of a terrible tragedy. We're safe, comfortable and well-fed."

"The Torah (the Bible's books of Genesis, Exodus,

Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy) tells us no fewer than 36 times that we must console the stranger in our midst," said Rabbi Sheila Goloboff of the Wood River Jewish Community.

But while Jews have historical reasons for wanting to aid the victims of genocide, there's also the human obligation to fight for justice, she added. It's a spiritual mandate that crosses denominational lines.

"Darfur has been a priority of the Union for Reform Judaism (in recent years)," she said.

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About Darfur

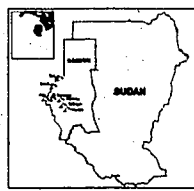
Darfur is a France-sized region of 8 million people on the western edge of the African nation of Sudan.

It consists of an immense rolling plain and the volcanic highlands of the Marrah Mountains. The sparsely populated plain is featureless and arid, particularly in the north where it merges into the Libyan Desert. Soils, which are thin or sandy, support grass and low, thorny shrubs. The highlands receive heavier rainfall than other parts of Darfur, and several large seasonal watercourses rise in the mountains and flow southward across the plain.

Arabs have long dominated the north-ern part of Darfur, while the south is divided between Arabs and the Fur people. Heavy rainfall in the Marrah highlands allows the cultivation of grain, rice and fruit. Crops grown in the south include sorghum, millet, sesame, peanuts and vegetables. In the arid

north, camels, sheep, and goats are raised. In prehistoric times the northern inhabitants of Darfur were related to the proto-nastic peoples of the Nile River valley. From about 2500 B.C., Darfur was probably within the sphere of the Egyptian caravans. Its first traditional rulers, the Daru, may have been connected with ancient Egypt.

The Christian period, which lasted from 900 to 1200, ended with the advance of Islam. By 1240, the Muslim king of Karam-Bornu in what is now Chad was claiming control of the trade route with Egypt.



This illustration shows Darfur, and its relationship to Sudan and the African continent.

The Keira, a clan affiliated with the Fur, ruled Darfur from 1540 to 1914. They used the term "Fur" to describe the region's dark-skinned inhabitants who accepted both the Islamic religion and their rule.

As the Keira dynasty itself intermarried, its members also became known as Fur. In the 1870s, Darfur came under Egyptian rule. Various revolts were suppressed by the Egyptians, but the region was overrun by forces loyal to al-Mahdi, the messianic Sudanese religious leader, in 1883.

Following the overthrow of al-Mahdi's

successor in 1898, the new Anglo-Egyptian government of Sudan recognized Ali Dinar as sultan of Darfur. But a rebellion led by Ali Dinar in 1915 provoked the British to launch a punitive expedition, in which the sultan was killed. Thereafter Darfur became a province of Sudan.

Ethnic tensions, long simmering between nomadic Arab herders and Fur farmers and other agriculturalists, erupted into armed conflict in the late 1980s. The violence, although bloody, was sporadic until 2003, when rebels from among the farmers attacked Sudanese government installations. Khartoum responded by creating an Arab militia called the janjaweed that began attacking the farmers. At least 400,000 people have been killed in the conflict, and 2.5 million have fled the country.

— Source: Encyclopedia Britannica

Biggest Mormon offshoot denomination poised to break gender barrier

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — For the first time in its 147-year history, the head of the Community of Christ has called a woman to serve in the First Presidency — the highest level of leadership in the largest Mormon offshoot denomination.

The recommendation of Becky L. Savage is one of several to be voted on by delegates to the Community of Christ World Conference, scheduled for March 24-31 at the church's international headquarters in the Kansas City suburb of Independence.

In his letter of counsel, released last week, President Stephen M.

Veazey also called two new members to the church's Council of Twelve Apostles and recommended a new presiding evangelist and presiding bishop.

As a member of the First Presidency, Savage would serve with the other member, David D. Schall, as counselors to Veazey. Savage is currently the church's director for leadership development.

"That is not something I expected, that's for sure, but I'm excited to be working with the First Presidency," she said Friday.

Veazey, who as the church's president is also considered its prophet, said Savage's background in leader-

ship training and her work to integrate women into leadership roles made her the right choice to succeed the retiring Kenneth N. Robinson.

"As I began to think about what the needs are in the presidency of the church," Veazey said, "I began to understand: No. 1, how important leadership development is for the church; and No. 2, she has a background in leadership development, both in the corporate world and in the church."

With its fastest growth in developing countries, Savage said, the church must balance needs of leaders in those areas with those in its North America base.

Also, she said, "It will be my responsibility to help bring a voice to some

gender and cultural biases we have: one, to recognize them; and two, how can we help people to love others in a better way, following the model of Jesus Christ?"

The church must also find ways to give its younger members opportunities to serve, Veazey and Savage said, because a generation wired for interactivity often finds worship more meaningful outside a traditional setting.

The Community of Christ, headquartered in Independence since 1920, split from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in 1860 and was known as the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints until 2001.

It has about 250,000 members worldwide.

RELIGION

T.F. church recognizes Girl Scouts

TWIN FALLS — Girl Scout Sunday will be recognized Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N.

Girl Scouts will participate in and help lead worship at 10 a.m. The Hallelujah Handbells will perform "Shall We Gather at the River" and the Rev. Phil Price will speak on "Never Give Up."

Price will hold a Sunday Morning Lenten Study class at 8:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall on "Fasting on the Road to Jerusalem." The series is six sessions exploring the scriptural themes of Lent.

The scriptures will be read by Delaney Bergen, Camille Brown will present a Minute for Mission, and Sydney Bergen and Bailey Nielsen will give the children's sermon. Mandi Dunstan, Kara Tarter and Hannah Brown will lead the responsive reading with the congregation about the Girl Scout Law and how it relates to Bible scriptures. Ushers will be Catina Crum, Kim Dolbechek, Nicole Narcho and Lindsay Mancari.

A nursery attendant will be available from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. Sundays so adults can attend church practice and Sunday school.

Girl Scouts from Troops 261 and 202 will be serve Girl Scout cookies in the fellowship hall after worship.

Several Lenten studies are available. For more information, call Linda Howard at 733-3191.

A book club gathering will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday at Kathy Price's house.

For more information call the church office at 733-7023.

Reverend will preach on the Beatitudes

Jerome — The Rev. Ronald Mahoney will preach a series of sermons on the Beatitudes during Lent at the First Presbyterian Church in Jerome.

This week's sermon is "Blinded are the Meek," and "Blessed are Those Who Hunger and Thirst For Righteousness" will be given March 18.

The Sunday morning schedule starts with church school for adults and children and chanted choir rehearsal at 9 a.m. Worship begins at 10:30 a.m.

The Jerome Interfaith Association is serving Lenten dinners on Wednesdays during Lent. A light luncheon will be served before and after each service beginning at 11:30 a.m. The devotion will be at noon. The Rev. Rudy Bauder will present the devotion Wednesday at the Presbyterian Church. On March 21, the event will be at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, with Father Ron Weckert; and the Rev. Bryan Slusher will present the final devotion March 28 at the Presbyterian Church.

ALPHA, a 10-week introduction to Christianity, will be held at 6 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning March 14, in the fellowship hall of the Presbyterian Church. Each weekly session features an informal dinner, a video presentation and small-group discussion and interaction.

Church news

Adults of all ages, unchurched or members of other churches are welcome. If interested, call Linda Gray at 324-7762.

Walsh speaks on 'One More Chance'

BUIHL — The Third Sunday of Lent will be recognized during worship at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Buhl First Presbyterian Church.

Blake Walsh will speak on "One More Chance," and the scriptures will be Isaiah 55:1-9, 1 Corinthians 10:1-3 and Luke 13:1-9.

Sunday school for all ages starts at 10 a.m. Nursery is provided.

Women of the church will serve soup lunches at noon Wednesdays, March 14, 21 and 28. A short program will be presented each week. Everyone is invited.

Reverend will speak on correct way to live

HOLLISTER — The Rev. Kendrick Gould of Twin Falls will speak on "Be Careful How You Live" for worship at 11 a.m. Sunday at the Hollister Community Presbyterian Church. Scripture reading will be Ephesians 5:15-20.

Refreshments will be served after worship.

Visitors are welcome.

Special service will feature evangelist

WENDELL — The Berean Baptist Church, 175 Second Ave. W., will hold special services this week featuring evangelist Steve Kim from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday. The Sunday afternoon and Monday evening sessions will be conducted in Spanish, and the others will be in English. The few and the faithful from the Northridge Fellowship in Jerome will present the music Tuesday evening. A fellowship meal will be served after worship Sunday morning.

Kim is a doctoral candidate at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and will graduate this year. He plans to train leaders and counselors to bridge different cultures and nations. Kim was born in Korea but now calls Argentina his home. He speaks Korean, Spanish, Portuguese and English.

The seminary is one of six graduate-level schools affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Each year, it sponsors students to travel and speak at many churches, including Berean Baptist, which has participated four times in previous years.

Everyone is invited. For more information, call Pastor Paul Krueger at 539-5769 or Paul Rodriguez, director of missions for the Magic Valley Baptist Association, at 490-0925.

Foursquare Church hosts composer Williams

TWIN FALLS — Agape Foursquare Church will host Dick Williams at 6 p.m. Sunday.

Williams is a composer, recording artist and Bible teacher.

He has served in public ministry for many years and taken his ministry of music and teaching to seven countries.

Missionary league holds Spring Salad Luncheon

BURLEY — The Lutheran Women's Missionary League of Zion Lutheran Church will hold its annual Spring Salad Luncheon from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the church, 2410 Miller Ave.

Freewill offerings will be accepted. Proceeds will benefit Concordia University in Portland and Good Shepherd Homes.

The community is invited.

Women's fellowship hosts Wednesday luncheon

HEYBURN — The Ladies Lifeline Fellowship will hold a non-denominational luncheon from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday at Connor's Cafe in Heyburn.

The theme is "Keeping in Touch." Joan Falkner will present the program, the music will be by John Primmer, and the speaker will be Jana Parks.

Prayer Circle will be March 21, with Doris Senecal as hostess. Call 436-0195 for directions.

Methodist bell choir gets new life under director

TWIN FALLS — The bell choir at the Twin Falls First United Methodist Church is being reactivated by choir director Matt Eilers. The first practice will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday. Anyone interested is welcome. For more information, call 734-2392 or send e-mail to maa042@students.csu.edu.

A Lenten study, "Sacred Stories," will be held on the next four Sundays, with the Rev. Greg Lindsay at 9:45 a.m. and Ron Jones at 6 p.m. in the Fireside Room.

Sunday worship will be at 8:30 a.m. in the Wesley Chapel and 11 a.m. in the sanctuary. The choir will sing "Potter's Hand."

Sunday school for all ages starts at 9:45 a.m. Nursery care is provided.

Refreshments will be served in the Friendship Room after each service.

The yearly Mission Auction is set for April 1. Proceeds will go to the Crisis Center of Magic Valley. Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers, the church bus repair fund and a Church World Service Kenya Water Project.

The United Methodist Women will hold a rummage sale April 21 and 22 in the fellowship hall. Donated items are welcome.

Licciardello performs concert on Wednesday

TWIN FALLS — Carran Licciardello will perform in concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Amazing Grace Fellowship, 108 Eastlawn Drive N.

Licciardello is said to be influential in Christian music. He is known for such classic songs as "Radically Saved," "The Champion," "The Standard" and "Mission 3:16." He has won various musical awards, including being a seven-time winner of the GMA Dove Award, sold many albums and found success with many videos. He also has two self-established ministries.

The public is invited. Admission is free, but freewill offerings will be accepted.

Roast beef on menu at Bliss fundraiser

BLISS — The Bliss Community Church will serve its annual fundraising dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday.

The evening features a roast beef dinner, followed by a picnic buffet at 7:30 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. Cost is by donation. Proceeds will be used for the building fund for new windows, carpet and a church addition.

John Nilsen performs in concert at Buhl church

BUIHL — John Nilsen will perform in concert at 7 p.m. Friday at the Buhl United Methodist Church, 908 Maple St.

Nilsen is a recording artist. His Magic Wires label he founded in 1987. The label has 13 successful titles with international distribution. He began studying classical piano at age 6 and guitar at age 14. He graduated in 1979 from Southern Oregon University with a bachelor's degree in English and received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from the university in 1995.

The public is invited. Freewill offerings will be taken. For more information, call 543-6117 or 543-5430.

Church of the Brethren marks 100th anniversary

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Community Church of the Brethren will be celebrating its 100th anniversary May 5-6.

Several events are planned. Organizers are seeking pictures, memorabilia, stories and other items for the celebration.

If anyone has an item they would be willing to loan to the church for display, such as pictures, furniture, etc., that may have been from the original church location, it would be appreciated.

Anyone with questions or items they can contribute is asked to call the church at 733-3789 or Loren or Joan Holloway at 326-5637.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events

Send information to Ellen Thomason, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Tena Tegan, South Idaho Press office, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

MISSIONARIES

Several Magic Valley-area residents have been called to serve or returned from serving missions for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Avenue Branch, he will leave for the Burley 5th Ward.

Called to serve



Elder Spencer Mendenhall will serve in the Paragay Asuncion Mission.

Mendenhall is the son of Bill and Trish Mendenhall of Albion and is in the Albion Ward.



Sister Jessica Marie Pickens will serve in the California San Diego Spanish speaking Mission.

Pickens is the daughter of Will and Heidi Pickens of Gooding. She graduated from Gooding High School in 2004 and attended Idaho State University for two years, studying speech-language pathology. She is employed at Wendell Elementary and Gooding Elementary schools and Just My Style in the Magic Valley area.



Elder Jaysan Stoker Anderson will serve in the Ohio Columbus Mission.

Anderson is the son of Jay and Susan Anderson of Burley, an Eagle Scout and 2006 graduate of Declo High School. He is in the View 1st Ward.



Elder Neil Anderson and Sister Donna Anderson served for 18 months in the Australia Perth Mission.

The Andersons live in Burley and are in the Star 1st Ward.



Elder Joseph Scott "Mooch" Ringle will serve in the Michigan Detroit Mission.

Ringle is the son of David and Diane Ringle of Burley, a Burley High School and seminary graduate and an Eagle Scout. Though currently serving as the branch mission leader in the Park

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Complaints about religious discrimination in workplace rise

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — The number of Minnesota Muslims who filed federal complaints alleging religious discrimination at work climbed four per year a decade ago to 66 last year.

The increase is partly explained by the growing Muslim population and a backlash after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"The legal standard is a little bit loose," said University of Minnesota law professor Steve Bilefsky.

"Employers are not to discriminate on the basis of religion. There is a duty to accommodate, but the undue hardship regulation is hot very high."

Federal law clearly outlaws religious discrimination, and requires a "reasonable accommodation" of a worker's faith. But that can get murky, as courts try to decide when such accommodations put an undue burden on businesses' bottom line.

Among the complaints from Minnesota Muslims have been employers who bar workers from fulfilling their Islamic obligation to pray five times a day; one worker claimed her boss confiscated her prayer mats and complained that her ritual hand and feet washing, left a mess in an office bathroom.

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Beating Witness to the Genocide in Darfur: Global Grassroots is a non-profit organization that offers social entrepreneurship training and seed money to help women launch sustainable projects to improve their lives.

The event is free and open to the public. The Community Library is located at 415 Spruce Ave.

- **Film screening:** "The Devil Came on Horseback," 5 p.m., March 17, NeStage Theater, Ketchum.

This will be the first private screening of "Horseback" since the documentary's debut at the 2007 Sundance Film Festival in January. It will be screened in Ketchum before being released nationwide. The movie shows the violence and tragedy of the war in Darfur. The directors of the film, Annie Sundberg and Ricki Stern, will be in attendance, as will Brian Steidle and Global Grassroots founder Gretchen Steidle Wallace. Global Grassroots is a non-profit organization that offers social entrepreneurship training and seed funding to help women launch sustainable projects to improve their lives.

Admission is by \$100 donation to Global Grassroots. For tickets, call 726-1183.

- **Q&A reception to benefit for Global Grassroots,** 7 p.m., March 17, Gall Seven Gallery, Ketchum.

This reception will be a fundraiser for Global Grassroots, a non-profit organization that offers social entrepreneurship training and seed funding to help women launch sustainable projects to improve their lives.

RSVP to the Wood River Jewish Community at 726-1183. The Gall Seven Gallery is located at 400 N. First St.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The bodies at this Saturday night gathering are stacked, the locks of hair full and wavy, the faces made for the covers of magazines.

Such physical perfection is a South Beach staple, on its sun-kissed shoreline and in its velvet-rope dance clubs. But these young men and women are not here to find a weekend hookup or to imbibe a \$15 drink. They're here for God.

Since its 1984 founding in New York, Models for Christ has sought to bring faith to fashion — spiritually to an industry that puts a premium on sex appeal.

The non-denominational organization has since expanded to 19 other major fashion centers, including Los Angeles, London, Paris, Milan and Tokyo — and hundreds participate.

"This work can lead anyone away from the Lord," said Jeremiah Johnson, a former model who heads the group's Miami Beach chapter. "But it doesn't have to."

Not a dozen people — but just models but also photographers and agents and others in the industry — gather in a circle of maroon chairs in the simple worship space of Calvary Chapel Miami Beach.

They sing hymns, read from bright blue paperback Bibles and share their struggles of remaining Christian in the fashion business.

Most come dressed casually in jeans and T-shirts. They are as young as 17, and hail from all parts of the country during the peak season for modeling work. They bow their heads in prayer.

Many talk about their boundaries — refusing to do overly sexual advertisements, or those for alcohol and cigarettes. They also talk about resisting a profession-

al culture they feel often encourages rampant partying and sex.

"There's a lot of pressure to do the alcohol ad or get in your underwear or do whatever publication you don't want to do. But we don't need to bow down in order to be blessed in what we do," said Roman Watson, a 29-year-old model who has done work for Ralph Lauren, Nike and Macy's.

"I want to encourage everyone to be a Christian first and a model second."

Watson said models are often afraid to reveal their moral boundaries on shoots, for fear that it could end their careers. But he urged those gathered at Models for Christ to follow their hearts and they would ultimately be rewarded with work.

"We can be fearful of a client... but we should be fearful of the King of Kings," he said. "God is able to bless

you. He's got more connections than the entire world."

Jeff and Laura Calenberg were both models when they founded Models for Christ with a small group of participants. Jeff Calenberg said he wanted to not only provide a place for Christians in the industry to gather, but also provide an example for those not living a necessarily spiritual life.

"The business has a lot of darkness in it," said Calenberg, now a fashion photographer. "And as a believer in Christ, we are seeking to maintain the light within us as well as shine toward others."

Calenberg said there are countless stories of people who have been transformed by the group and led away from lives of substance abuse and promiscuity.

"We've seen some people's lives changed totally," he said.

YOUNG WOMANHOOD RECOGNITION AWARD

TWIN FALLS — Sarah Bevan has earned a Young Womanhood Recognition Award through the Young Women's program of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The award will be presented to Sarah during sacrament meeting Sunday at the Twin Falls 15th Ward.



Bevan activities. Bevan's projects included making a quilt, gardening, participating in various musical theater productions, a missionary service scrapbook,

Chamber Singers and live and in student council as the Student Body Activity director. Sarah says she loves the arts and spends a great deal of time participating in community theater. Her hobbies include singing and acting, playing the piano and spending time with family and friends.

news of Young Womanhood Recognition awards. Send information to Ellen Thomason, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or Trena Tegen, South Idaho Press office, 230 E. Main St., Burley, ID 83318. Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

tutoring, planning and organizing a Napoleon Dynamite-themed stake dance, and a service project for a new mother.

Bevan is the 17-year-old daughter of Rich and Pam Bevan of Twin Falls and a senior at Twin Falls High School, where she is involved

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Darfur

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Pesky, a Ketchum resident, is chairman of the board of directors of the non-profit Leo Pesky Learning Center, which provides literacy training and resources with emphasis on people with learning disabilities. He also sits on the board of Global Grassroots, and encouraged its founder, Gretchen Steidle Wallace, to enlist her brother, Brian, to help bring the Darfur story to Ketchum. Brian Steidle was one of three

observers sent by the African Union to Darfur, and chronicled heartbreaking scenes with his camera.

"I told Gretchen that (the Wood River Valley) was a place where people have an interest in making (the world) better," Pesky said.

"I think this will open some eyes."

Times-News writer Steve Crump can be reached at 735-3223, or write to him at scrump@magicalvalley.com

Too many people live in their own little world

Jesus spoke a lot about truth and false prophets.

In Luke 24:25, he said, "O fools and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken."

In John 16:13, he said, "Howbeit when he, the spirit of truth is come, he will guide you into all truth."

It was the religious people that wanted Jesus crucified, for they were clinging to everything the prophets had said, and they said Jesus was misleading the people.

Jesus tried to tell the people how to make a peaceful world, but then, like now, too many people lived in their own little world, believing stories.

WILLIAM HAFNER
Twin Falls

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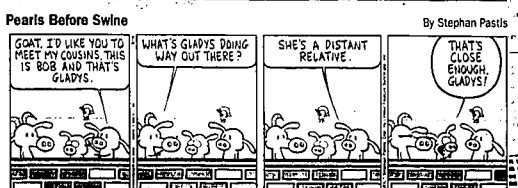
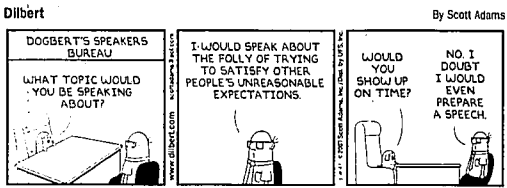
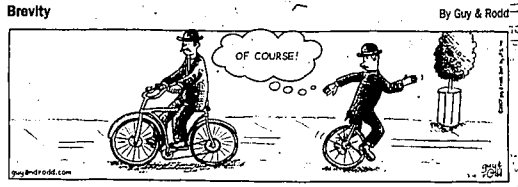
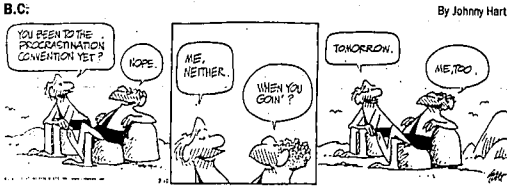
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COMICS



Strange Brew By John Deering

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Identifying Characteristics:
 AT FIRST APPEARING FLACID AND HARMLESS, THIS TOAD WILL SUDDENLY BEAT WITH RAGE OVER THE SLIGHTEST HINT OF ANY MANAGEMENT WITH ITS PERSONNEL'S NOTIONS TRYING TO BE RATIONAL WITH THE SLEAZEBAG WILL ONLY BRING IT MORE, CAUSING IT TO EXPLODE IN AN UNPREDICTABLE MANNER. THIS CREATURE METAMORPHOSIS INTO A SERPENT-LIKE BEAST OF ENRAGE, ALLOWING THE TOAD TO ESCAPE REALITY.

Habitat:
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Natural Enemy:
 PEETTY MACH-ANKING WITH A BRAIN.

Aries should keep both feet on the ground

HOROSCOPE
 Jeraldine Saunders

CANCER (May 21-July 22): Today is much better than the past few days have been for starting something new. Make plans to be enjoy time with friends this evening and let your hair down after this demanding week.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Use today to unwind and shake off the blues of the past few days. You'll find that smile creeping back onto your face and a more positive outlook replacing your negative attitude.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Take the attention focused on you with good grace - you deserve it. You have the charm and savoir-faire to handle almost anything, and can turn most situations to your advantage now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Romance could definitely be in the stars for you today. Generally speaking, almost everyone is feeling lighter, brighter and happier today so some kind of celebration could be in order.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): There is always more than one way to skin a cat and this is a time when creative problem-solving is welcome. If you need to pause and rethink, go ahead and do so - your way will become clear soon.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): The stars have shifted a bit and today you are less able to achieve "buy-in" than you have been lately. A lower profile and a dose of patience are all that you need to carry you through one-day cycle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): The limitations you may have been experiencing are melting away and you should finally be able to see some forward motion. Still, a careful advance is better than a reckless dash forward.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Financial matters are favored now and you may be able to consolidate important gains. Make sure to get plenty of exercise to burn off raw nerve energy and you'll feel much calmer, inside.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): If you've been considering donating your time or resources to a worthy cause, now could be a great time to begin. Your need for affiliation is strong and people view you, as a true friend.

Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



The Born Loser

By Art Sansom & Chip



Garfield

By Jim Davis



Hagar the Horrible

By Chris Browne



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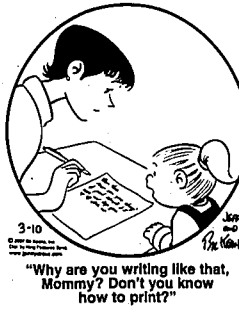
Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchum



THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane



Woman's head and heart are at war over cheating husband



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my husband, "Rolly," for nine and a half years. I have just confirmed that he has been cheating on me — again! I had my suspicions and began checking his phone records. I love Rolly unconditionally.

We had a huge fight about it, and the girl and her friends were calling my home saying they were going to slit my throat. Then the phone calls stopped — until yesterday. The girl was trying to reach Rolly, and when I answered there was only silence on the other end of the line. I know he called her friend the night before, the one who said she would cut my throat. It's hard to believe he would call someone who would say to me, but he did. He tried to lie about it, but I have the phone records.

Please tell me what to do. My heart tells me one thing and my head tells me another.

— BROKENHEARTED IN COLUMBUS, MISS.

DEAR BROKENHEARTED: You have my sympathy. I'm sure it hasn't been easy being married to a womanizer, and from your description of your husband's behavior, Rolly definitely qualifies. I hope you will contact your doctor so you can be checked for STDs, because the quality of the women his chasing could not be lower.

The time has come to ask yourself "the" question: Are you better off with him or without him? And when you answer it, please use your head this time, because listening to your heart has given you nothing but grief.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have two children, ages 6 and 4. A couple of months after our 4-year-old was born, my husband's brother and sister-in-law were killed in a car wreck. My husband and I took it very hard, and both of us went into deep depression.

We are currently on medication and doing much better, but the damage has already been done. Because we both suffered from depression, our kids were often spoiled and not disciplined consistently.

I am now at my wife's end about how to get them back under control. I love my children very much and regret not doing the right thing from the start.

— WITS' END, BEVER, MO.

DEAR WITS' END: It's not too late to sit your youngsters down, individually and together, and explain exactly what you expect of them and what the consequences will be if they

misbehave. It should be done in a loving, but firm manner with unbroken eye contact. Then if they break the rules once, but you must state the consequences consistently, and not allow them to make you lose your cool. And when they do things right, they should be praised and rewarded for it — but not "bribed."

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I feel terrible. Our dog just killed the next-door farmer's young turkey. We saw "Tuffy" flapping away, dragging the bird in his mouth. Needless to say, Tuffy will never be allowed off his leash outside anymore.

What is the proper way to make this up to the farmer?

— EMBARRASSED IN LIB.

DEAR EMBARRASSED: Pick up the phone and call the farmer next door, or go over there in person to apologize and explain what happened. Then offer to either buy them another turkey to replace their feathered friend who died so tragically, or take them out for a turkey dinner with all the tramping.

— TIMELY REMINDER TO MY READERS: Daylight-saving time starts early this year, at 2 a.m. tomorrow morning. So don't forget to turn your clocks ahead one hour tonight at bedtime. Remember the old saying: "Spring forward, fall back."

Jefferson named minister to France

By The Associated Press

Today is Saturday, March 10, the 69th day of 2007. There are 296 days left in the year. A reminder: Daylight-saving time begins Sunday at 2 a.m. locally. Clocks go forward one hour.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 10, 1876, the first successful voice transmission over Alexander Graham Bell's telephone took place in Boston as his assistant heard Bell say, "Mr. Watson — come here — I want to see you." (The words were recorded by Bell in his lab notebook.)

On this date:

In 1629, England's King Charles I dissolved Parliament; he did not call it back for 11 years.

In 1785, Thomas Jefferson was appointed minister to France, succeeding Benjamin Franklin.

In 1848, the Senate ratified the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo, ending the war with Mexico.

In 1880, the Salvation Army arrived in the United States from England.

In 1948, the body of the anti-Communist foreign minister of Czechoslovakia, Jan Masaryk, was found in the garden of Czerin Palace in Prague.

In 1949, Nazi wartime broadcaster Mildred E. Gillars, also known as "Axis Sally," was convicted in Washington of treason. (She served 12 years in prison.)

In 1965, Neil Simon's play "The Odd Couple," starring Walter Matthau and Art Carney, opened on Broadway.

In 1969, James Earl Ray pleaded guilty in Memphis, Tenn., to the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. (Ray later repudiated that plea, maintaining his innocence until his death.)

In 1985, Konstantin U. Chernenko, Soviet leader for just 13 months, died at age 73.

Ten years ago: The White House and the FBI clashed in a rare public quarrel after President Clinton said he should have been alerted when the bureau told national security officials that the Chinese government might be trying to influence U.S. elections.

Five years ago: Israeli helicopters destroyed Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's office in Gaza City, hours after 11 Israelis were killed in a suicide bombing in a café across the street from Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's residence in Jerusalem. Russell Crowe won best actor honors at the Screen Actors Guild awards for "A

TODAY IN HISTORY

Actor Chuck Norris is 67. Playwright David Rabe is 67. Singer Dean Torrence (Jan and Dean) is 67. Actress Katharine Houghton is 62. Rock musician Tom Scholz (Boston) is 58. Producer-director-writer Paul Haggis is 54. Actress Shannon Tweed is 50. Actress Sharon Stone is 49. Rock musician Gal Greenwood is 47. Magician Lance Burton is 47. Actress Jasmine Guy is 45. Rock musician Jeff Ament (Pearl Jam) is 44. Music producer Rick Rubin is 44. Britain's Prince Edward is 43. Singer Eddie Brickell is 41. Actor Stephen Moller is 41. Actress Faye Duvall is 38. Country singer Daryle Singletary is 36. Rapper-producer Timbaland is 35. Actor Cristian de la Fuente is 33. Singer Robin Thicke is 30. Actress Bess Turner is 30. Olympic gold-medal gymnast Shannon Miller is 30. Country singer Carrie Underwood is 24. Actress Emily Osment is 15.

Thought for Today: "If the Phone Doesn't Ring, It's Me." —Henry Buffett, American singer-songwriter.

THE ACES ON BRIDGE

"If one loses an unwanted baby who lives my talk twice a toaster and a radio." —Joan Rivers

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Deal: West

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| 4♥ | Pass | 4♠ | Pass |
| 5♥ | Pass | 5♠ | Pass |
| 6♥ | All pass | | |

Opening lead: Spade king

BID WITH THE ACES

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| ♦ | A R 8 4 |
| ♣ | J 2 |

North:

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| 2NT | Pass | 3♠ | Pass | Pass |
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ANSWER: The simple call here would be to raise to four spades. But if partner is on the same wavelength as you, a better bid would be four diamonds, which MUST be a cue-bid agreeing spades. If you had a one-trump diamond, you would have bid three diamonds at your second turn, or have bid three no-trump over three spades.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

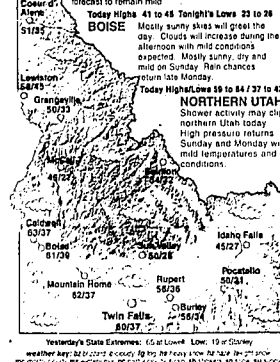
Today: Starting off sunny today, then becoming partly cloudy. High 60.
Tonight: Partly cloudy and comfortable. Lows upper 30s.
Tomorrow: Mild and mostly sunny. Highs mid 60s.

BURLEIGH/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Partly cloudy with a very small chance of a shower capping the region from the south. High 50s.
Tonight: Mostly dry and clearing. Lows 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly dry and mild with sunny periods. Highs low 60s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Most mountain precipitation will be west north of the area this weekend, but a light rain shower may slip south.
BOISE Mostly sunny skies will greet the day. Clouds will increase during the afternoon with mid-clouds expected.
TWIN FALLS Mostly sunny, dry and mild on Sunday. Then chances of rain on Monday.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 7 columns: Today, Tonight, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Yesterday's Weather. Includes icons for sun, clouds, and rain, and temperature ranges.

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Table with 4 columns: Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure. Includes sunrise and sunset times.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: Mar 12, Mar 13, Mar 15, Mar 17. Shows weather trends for the region.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists major cities and their weather.

WORLD FORECAST

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MOON PHASES

Table showing moon phases for Mar 12, Mar 13, Mar 15, Mar 17.

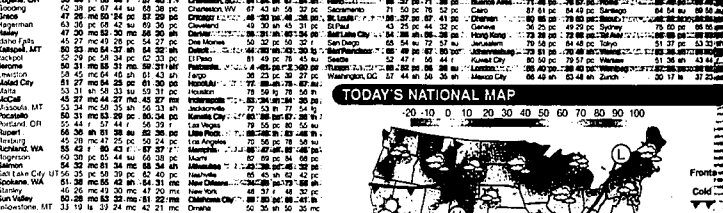
MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Table showing moonrise and moonset times for Twin Falls.

U.V. INDEX

Table showing U.V. index levels: Low, Moderate, High.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



GREGG MIDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

'Keeping score of old scores and scars, gaffing even and one-upping, always make you less than you are.'

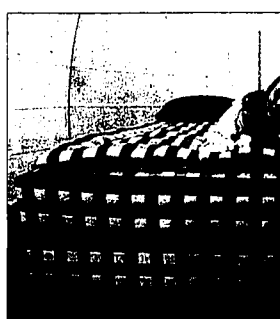
CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, City, Today, Tomorrow. Lists Canadian cities and their weather.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



\$50,000 MATTRESS



Mary Pat Wallace, owner of Hastens' Chicago, poses Thursday on the Vividus ultra-lux bed that retails for \$49,500.

Sleep-weary baby boomers wake up pricey mattress sales

CHICAGO — Can you put a price on a good night's rest? Betting weary-but-wealthy baby boomers are willing to do just that, mattress companies are stuffing up their selections of ultra-lux beds that retail for more than the cost of cars, college tuition and parcels of land.
With a heart-stopping price tag approaching \$50,000 — \$49,500 to be exact, although the price will climb to \$59,750 in April — the Vividus bed launched last year by the Swedish manufacturer Hastens is among the most expensive sold in the U.S.
But the Vividus, which means 'full of life' in Latin, is just the latest bed to target a growing consumer appetite for high-end beds made from materials such as latex, flux, memory foam, silk, cashmere, lambswool and hand-tufted down hair.
'If you could have beautiful, incredible sleep, what's that worth?' said David Perry, bedding editor of the trade publication Furniture/Today. 'The whole idea is pamper yourself, you're worth it, go for it, live the dream, sleep on a cloud. That has some appeal.'
Since 2000, the market value of the wholesale mattress industry has increased nearly 40 percent, climbing to \$6.4 billion in 2005, according to the trade group International Sleep Products Association.
'But it's the luxury market that's behind much of the wind. Premium-priced mattresses — those costing more than \$1,000 — were 21 percent

pany that trots its lineage as the official bed supplier to the royal family, sells beds for between \$8,000 and \$20,000. It expects U.S. sales to continue growing at a rate of about 20 percent a year.
'I've been looking for an opportunity to get into this market, but up until five years ago, we didn't see there was a desire or a need for the upper-end product,' said Adrian Jones, director of sales for Hypnos USA, which has its U.S. factory in Gallatin, Tenn.
'But doing a small forture for a bed ensure the perfect snooze? It depends who you ask.
Chicago attorney Charlotte Wager, 42, has spent more than \$13,000 in the past three years to buy Hastens mattresses for herself and two of her children. Wager said she likes the beds and their 25-year warranty so much that she's considering buying two more for her older children.
'You want to be able to go to bed at night and rejuvenate and rest and recuperate,' Wager said. 'And to me, the mattress is an investment in that.'
Michael King, a mattress buyer for the Macy's department store chain, attributes the fivefold increase in the price of top-end beds sold by his company to consumers' heightened awareness of the importance of rest.
'They're investing more in their home in general and they're thinking about sleep in a different way,' King said. 'It's connecting health and sleep in one, instead of just looking at sleep as something they do every night.'

AROUND THE NATION

NEW YORK

Camera spies mugging of 101-year-old woman
A surveillance camera caught a mugger beating a 101-year-old woman, all for the mere \$13 she was carrying shortly later, police say, the same man mugged an 85-year-old woman.
He beat her, too, stealing \$32, and though that attack wasn't caught on video, police say it is the same man.
'There has to be a special rung of hell for him,' said a police official familiar with the incidents, which occurred Sunday.
The older woman suffered a fractured cheekbone that doctors at New York Hospital Medical Center of Queens could not repair because of her age. The 85-year-old suffered facial cuts and bruises.
Police said the older woman displayed quite a bit of moxie when interviewed by detectives. She gets around with a walker — both her hips have been replaced — and suggested her attacker hadn't seen the best of her.
'If I had better legs, I would have chased him,' the official quoted her saying.

WASHINGTON

FDA issues warnings about anemia drugs
Federal health officials issued stern new warnings Friday for doctors to more carefully prescribe the widely used anemia drugs that can increase the risk of death and other serious problems in patients with cancer and kidney disease.
At issue are drugs sold under the brand names Procrit, Epreon and Aranesp. These drugs are genetically engineered versions of a natural protein, erythropoietin, that increases the number of red blood cells.
Anemia is common with certain forms of kidney disease, especially once a patient is on dialysis, and when cancer patients take chemotherapy.
But the Food and Drug Administration pointed to recent studies that found using too much of the drugs increased the risk of death, blood clots, strokes and heart attacks in patients with chronic kidney failure. In other studies, patients with head and neck

FIREFIGHTERS UNION

assails Giuliani
One of the nation's largest firefighters' unions has accused Republican presidential contender Rudy Giuliani, the former New York City mayor, of committing 'egregious acts' against firefighters who died in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.
In a letter to its members Friday, the International Association of Fire Fighters, excoriated Giuliani for his November 2001 decision to cut back the number of firefighters searching the rubble of Ground Zero for the remains of some 300 fallen comrades.
Giuliani's campaign insisted that he respects and supports first responders.

FLORIDA

Tape of Padilla interrogation missing
MIAMI — A videotape showing Pentagon officials' final interrogation of al-Qaida suspect Jose Padilla is missing, raising questions about whether federal prosecutors have lost other recordings and evidence in the case.
The tape is classified, but Padilla's attorneys said they believe something happened during that interrogation that could explain why Padilla does not trust them and suspects they are government spies.
Padilla attorney Anthony Natale said in court papers that the March 2, 2004, interrogation at the Navy brig in Charleston, S.C., could contain information the government conveyed to Padilla that 'directly impacts upon his relationship with his attorneys.'
Prosecutors — and the Pentagon — have said they cannot find the tape despite an intensive search.
Authorities made 88 video recordings of Padilla being interrogated during the 3 1/2 years he was held at the brig as an 'enemy combatant,' officials said. Eighty-seven tapes have been given to the defense, leaving only the last session unaccounted for.

Advertisement for 'The Snow Code' magazine, featuring a photo of a snowy scene and the text 'Updated Daily at magicvalley.com'. Includes the logo for 'Tires LES SCHWAB'.

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Noon-3pm

1925 Canyon Trail Way
Twin Falls

Outstanding workmanship
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Granite & tile throughout.
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Today FROM 1-5 PM

3140 North 3524 East • Kimberly
Ranch Gale sub. south of the Rock creek canyon
enjoy golfing, 3bd 2bath, office, 1.8 acres, great
upgrades private vinyl fence, room for horses, RV's,
a/s. lease option available.

\$249,000

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Today
Sat. - 1:00 - 3:00 pm

2 Great Vintage Homes!!!

239 Taylor West
2 bedroom, 1 bath,
plus bonus room,
all new paint, car
pet and flooring
Ready to move-in.
MLS#98289200
\$92,000

233 Madison East
2 bedroom, 2 bath,
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Real charmer, large
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Hardwood floors,
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OPEN HOUSE
Sat. 11am - 2pm

1138 Cortes Loop
(Directions: Harrison
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to Cortes Loop
watch for signs!)

Almost new 4 bdrm.
2 bath plus bonus
room, built in 2006,
1925 sq. ft., Quality
Remold Construction,
Over-sized 2
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817 Broadway Ave N., Buhl
Great 1 1/2 bath, 2000 sq. ft. home, carpeted
bedrooms and living areas. Hardwood floors,
updated kitchen and bathroom, new kitchen,
fresh paint. Home shows so well, a must see!
Price: \$78,900 MLS# 98281156
12:00 - 1:00 pm

117 Summit Circle, Buhl
Great starter home! 1 1/2 bedroom, finished
basement and outdoor deck. Home is in great
condition. Call today!
Price: \$84,900 MLS# 98281140
1:00 - 2:00 pm

458 Bluebell Ave., Twin Falls
This is a wonderful home with a beautiful
view. Home has 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car
garage. Home is in great condition. Home
shows so well, a must see!
Price: \$143,900 MLS# 98289957
1:00 - 2:00 pm

2174 Oakwood Ct., Twin Falls
This is a wonderful home with a beautiful
view. Home has 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car
garage. Home is in great condition. Home
shows so well, a must see!
Price: \$129,900 MLS# 98282705
12:00 - 1:00 pm

3126 E 3300 N., Twin Falls
A beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home with
hardwood floors, granite counter tops, stainless
steel appliances, and a large deck. Home is in
great condition. Home shows so well, a must
see!
Price: \$265,000 MLS# 98283122
1:00 - 2:00 pm

946 Green Tree Way, Twin Falls
This is a wonderful home with a beautiful
view. Home has 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, 2 car
garage. Home is in great condition. Home
shows so well, a must see!
Price: \$139,900 MLS# 98284227
12:00 - 1:00 pm

4024 N 2260 E, Filer
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Price: \$199,900 MLS# 98286599
1:00 - 2:00 pm

404 Adams Street, Twin Falls
This is a wonderful home with a beautiful
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garage. Home is in great condition. Home
shows so well, a must see!
Price: \$139,900 MLS# 98289970
12:00 - 1:00 pm

OPEN HOUSE
Today FROM 1-4 PM

2183 Tendoy Street • Twin Falls
Beautiful custom built home, 2,495 sq. ft. all on one
level. 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths. Formal dining, 3-sided
fireplace, security system, wired for surround sound.
Too many upgrades to list! MLS #98252791

\$364,900

For directions please call
Beth Brierley • 320-0919
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OPEN HOUSE
SATURDAY FROM 1-3 PM

2719 Longbow Drive • Twin Falls
Newer panel heavy Alder cabinets, hardwood flooring,
quartz counter tops, luxury sink in entry, 3 car garage,
complete vinyl fence & landscaping included in this price!
Priced at \$269,900

2741 Longbow Drive • Twin Falls
4 bedrooms (possible 5th), 3 baths, bonus room with full
bath & closet, hardwood floors, beautiful quartz counter
tops in kitchen. Complete vinyl fence & landscaping.
Priced at \$299,900

2741 Longbow Drive • Twin Falls
4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, great room, den,
room in fully finished basement. Quartz counter & hard-
wood in kitchen. All tile, down & out sprinklers.
Priced at \$334,900

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Sat. 11am - 2pm

964 DalMar
(Directions: Eastbound
south to Sherry,
Lane, turn right &
continue around top
circle to DalMar,
turn right watch for
signs.)

Great starter home or
investment property,
3 bedrooms, 2
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home is spotless.
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BUHL/FILER Buhl-Crozier, 1977
5 1/2 sq. ft., 3 bdrm., 2 bath,
part brick home on 2
acres w/wooded back
yard. Large kitchen
w/wood cabinets & new
cappat. tile & hardwood
flooring throughout.
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carpet, recent gas furn-
ace & AC. Great
view. 500 to approxi-
mately \$225,000.
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of Curry Crossing.
3.35 acres. NEW
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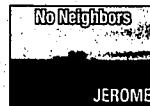
Corner Lot
HANSEN

MLS# 98291398 \$30,000
Nice corner lot located by school. Manufactured homes OK.
Call Jason: 969-0703



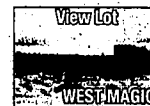
Great Opportunity!
HANSEN

MLS# 98284792 \$32,000
Attn: Investors & First time buyers. Great potential here!
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No Neighbors
JEROME

MLS# 98289161 \$49,900
Quiet Country Living! Build your house here! 2.38 AC.
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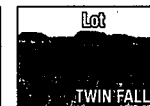
View Lot
WESTMAGIC

MLS# 98289414 \$55,000
Lot overlooking Magic Reservoir with view of Sawtooths!
Call Brian: 404-3892



Price Reduced
WENDELL

MLS# 98282615 \$77,900
2 BR 1 BA. Large fenced yard. Great first time fixer upper.
Call Dave: 320-0926



Lot
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MLS# 98287601 \$79,900
.90 AC just minutes from Twin Falls. Bring your own builder.
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Waterfront View
WESTMAGIC

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Build a home and a dock on Magic Reservoir! 2 Lots!
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Extra Large Yard!
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98291741 \$127,500
Quiet location, 3BR, 1 BA, family room, RV Parking
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To Be Built
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98266207 \$129,500
Daisy II by TKO. 3 Beds, 2 Baths, 1,200 Sq. Ft.
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Under Construction
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98283210 \$136,500
3BR 2BA w/1300SF. Includes landscaping
Call Lynn: 410-2807



To Be Built
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MLS# 98280768 \$139,000
The "Willow" by TKO. 3 beds, 2 baths, 1,345 square feet.
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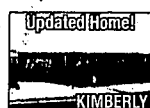
Brand New
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98266263 \$139,500
Spacious 4BR home. Incl. some appliances & landscaping.
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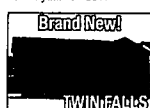
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98288982 \$139,900
Immaculate 3 bed 2 bath home w/hig back yard & dock
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Updated Home!
KIMBERLY

MLS# 98288028 \$139,900
New appliances, flooring, paint, cupboards & lighting.
Call Diana: 731-3588



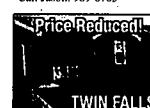
Brand New!
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98283303 \$139,999
Move in ready! This home has many upgrades. A must see!
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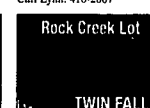
Remodeled!
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98288066 \$143,000
4BR 1.5BA w/1660SF. New paint & carpet. Detached garage.
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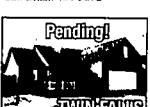
Price Reduced!
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98276451 \$145,000
Nice 4 bed 2 bath. Covered porch and walking trail.
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Rock Creek Lot
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98273152 \$149,900
Great 5.5 Acre lot with incredible views & privacy.
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Pending!
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98280291 \$152,900
4BR 2BA home w/1664 SF. living/family room + bonus room
Call Lynn: 410-2807



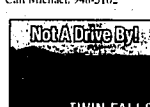
Bonus Room!
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MLS# 98284037 \$153,500
Lovely 4 BR 2 Bath. - Almost New!!
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Extra Large Yard
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MLS# 98285276 \$155,000
3 BR 2 BA home. Lots of extras, deck, RV Parking.
Could be 4 rentals on 2 lots.
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MLS# 98276270 \$155,900
Built in 2003. Tons of extras!
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MLS# 98290167 \$157,900
Beautiful 2 Story, 3 BR home. Large lot. Partially fenced.
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Price Reduced!
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MLS# 98271951 \$164,794
If you need to move quickly you can move in today!
Call Richard: 731-2474



Newly Renovated!
BUHL

MLS# 98287732 \$164,900
This updated home is a must see to believe! Great value!
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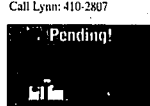
Under Construction
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MLS# 98282292 \$169,900
Syringa II by TKO. 4BR 2BA. 1700SF. Includes landscaping.
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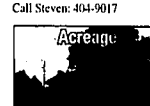
3 Rentals
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MLS# 98287912 \$184,900
Great Investment Property! Could be 4 rentals on 2 lots.
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Pending!
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MLS# 98290282 \$190,000
Large 5BR 1.75 Bath home. Lots of updates, great yard.
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Acreage
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98268309 \$199,000
Country acreage 2.50 AC. Home & out buildings.
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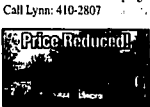
Turn-Key Operation
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98273226 \$199,000
Restaurant now, endless possibilities, great traffic flow.
Call Richard: 731-2474



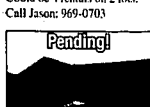
Build Your Dream
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98284380 \$225,000
Goud Investment. Two homes w/leases, water shares. 4.5 AC
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MLS# 98278283 \$225,000
Remodeled home. Great location. Close to parks & schools.
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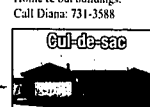
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MLS# 98282930 \$235,000
Beautiful Home. Park like setting in Stoneybrook Subd
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New Listing!
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MLS# 98292310 \$249,500
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Cul-de-sac
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98288810 \$258,000
5BR 2.5BA w/4186SF. 2 Family Rooms. 1Yr. Home warranty.
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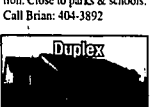
Small Farm
BUHL

MLS# 98289730 \$279,900
17 AC w/21 w/4 BR 1.5BA home and trailer house.
Call Michael: 948-5102



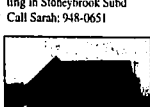
Price Reduced!
JEROME

MLS# 98278546 \$279,900
4BR 2BA LAC. Beautiful inside & out. Horses Welcome!
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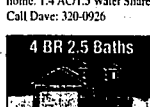
Duplex
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98267455 \$282,900
NEW duplex (2003). Great location! 3 Bed/2 Bath per unit
Call Chris: 539-1246



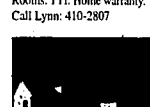
Brand New!
FILER

MLS# 98267637 \$283,000
Brand New! Lots of unique features. 5BR, 3 Baths
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4 BR 2.5 Baths
TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98282224 \$295,000
Great home with hardwood floors, hickory cabinets & more!
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TWIN FALLS

MLS# 98274369 \$415,000
Beautiful home on Morning Sun Dr. 6BR, 3 Baths
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Price Reduced!
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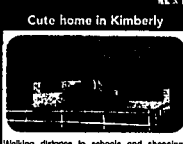
Great location & neighborhood.
This beautiful home features 3,728 sq. ft., 4
bedrooms, 1.5 bath, family room, living room,
kitchen with breakfast bar, New carpet & paint.
\$148,900 MLS#98286507



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786 COLLEGE DRIVE
TWIN FALLS

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4 bed, 2 bath. Family home with
basement, 2 fireplaces, jetted
tub, great backyard, R.V. parking.
\$196,900 MLS#98290780



Cute home in Kimberly

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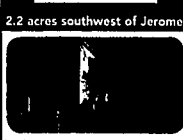
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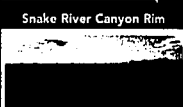
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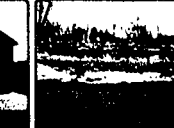


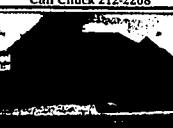
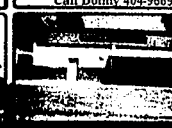


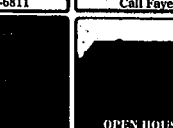


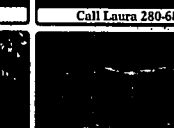
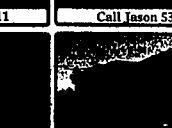
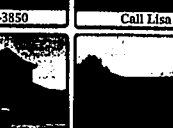









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 Both Properties brought to you by: Tami Shirley 539-9368

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The Times-News
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Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548
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GENERAL
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SECRETARY
Secretary needed for home builder. 40 hrs/wk. Must have computer skills, strong excel knowledge, communication skills & be organized. Salary DOE. Email resumes to donna@hidesurveydevelopment.com or fax to 360-906-7187

206 Drivers
DRIVER
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Glimmer Milk Transportation is looking for OTR Drivers for our van and trailers. Starting pay is 35c a mile with full benefits and 401k after 90 days. Please call 877-324-3515 between 9am-3pm ask for Tom or Dave

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DRIVERS
"TOP GUN" Those driving Accidents! Trade of making just enough money to live? Our graduates earn up to \$60,000 a year! Start your new career now! 735-6656

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Unscramble three Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

PAUNC
LABNK
DOAJIN
KLINTE

Answer: " " " " (Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumble: THINK GUEST MINGLE - CAUGHT
Answer: Enjoyed by the couple when the power failed - "LIGHT MUSIC"

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FOUND black Lab adult brown, no collar, Huskman area, the Nature Conservancy. Call 208-420-6774

FOUND dog, small brown, white & black with white top on tail at 100 N. by hospital in front. Wearing red and gray collar. Call 208-435-3767.

FOUND Lab cross, female, 6 months old, white and pink collar. West of the Airport. Call 208-735-3983

FOUND Pit Bull, puppy found in the Target parking lot. Call to identify 734-3886.

204 Customer Service
CUSTOMER SERVICE
If you are looking for an interesting professional, full-time position that utilizes your excellent computer skills and provides opportunity for advancement, this may be the position for you. Duties include data entry, telephone, insurance processing. High school diploma, computer and office experience are req. Advanced education or insurance exp would be a plus. Mail or email resume to: Stanley Leavitt Insurance PO Box 1947 Twin Falls, ID 83303 rita-smack@stx.com

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CHILD CARE Infant to 5 years, meals provided, excellent local references. Immediate openings. Call 208-948-5609

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104 Personals
ANYBODY that saw a car hit the train at Curry Crossing, Wed. Feb. 28, 2007 at 7:15 at night when it was snowing. Please call 208-732-6521

LABORERS
Laborers needed. Wolper Enterprises, Inc., DBA Professional Roofing is hiring laborers to assist in the following duties: entry level labor associated with assisting roofers such as clearing roof debris; positioning materials for roofers; laying off roof materials and debris; and loading and unloading materials and trash. 40 hrs a week. \$9.16/hr. \$13.74 OT. No overtime expected. Job located in Blaine County area job sites. No experience required. 5 positions available for temporary seasonal work 2/15/07-12/15/07. Apply at the nearest Idaho Commerce and Labor Office, or send resume to Idaho Commerce and Labor 3rd Floor, 317 W Main St Boise, ID 83735-0810. Job listing #1258360. Ad paid by an Equal Opportunity Employer

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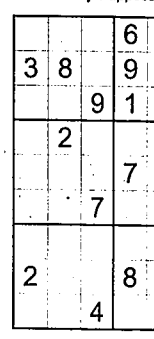
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