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TUESDAY

December 18, 2007

CSI unveils new health building



Health sciences faculty give mixed reaction to plans

By Andrea Cates
Times-News writer

Plans for the construction
of a \$22-million health sciences building set to begin
this spring at the College of
this spring at the College of
Southern Idaho are on track,
representatives of Starr Corp.
and CTA architects told the
college's board of trustees and
faculty Monday.

This project will come in
within the budget. Glenn
Arrington, of Starr Corp., told
The multiding is designed
with about 18 large classrooms, including two computer labs, three lecture halfs,
a large balcony and dressing
rooms, according to plans
displayed Monday.

The two-story building off
North College Rand is to open
in 2009. It is designed in earth
ones, such as wood, bamboo
and off-white shades. The
building two conputer facilities on the campus
through its color concept,
architects and
off-white shades. The
building for expansion of
existing programs and to
house new ones. The college
recently doubled its registered nursing program by
admitting two classes per
year.

It currendy has about 240

year.
It currently has about 240 registered nursing students and about 60 in the licensed

This architect's rendering of the new College of Southern Idaho Health Sciences and Human Services Building

practical nursing program, according to the colleges 2008 legislative agenda. College assessments show a need for more dential hygiene, pharmacy technology and medical lab technology and medical lab technology programs, CSI says. The new complex should bring three new health care programs, including one in health information technology for training medical records clerks.

Architects are designing the building with enemy efficient

cy in mind, they said.
Faculty members were
both critical and supportive
of the plans.
Some faculty from the dental department, for example,
said a sterilizing room needed
to be bigger, and they said the
dark room was perhaps too
large.

Other faculty members applauded the earth tone color scheme and large lec-ture halls.

re nails. The process is still open for

ulty is needed. Arrington said.
The building should have
at least 31 faculty offices, CTA
representatives told faculty
members, and large lecture
rooms for 70 to 90 students.
Practical teaching spaces are
abundant, with more than 20
simulation rooms — flagged
for exams, vitals, walting,
operating, video review,
X-rays and dental assisting.

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Patients' families allege misconduct at nursing home

State launches investigation of loss of hot water

By Matt Christensen Times-News writer

Ilmes-Nova wither

Relatives of patients at a
Twin Falls nursing home are
alleging the facility is mistreating its residents and has
falled to provide hot water to
days.

Twin Falls Care Genter says
residents were without how
water only over the weekend,
but declined comment on
other accusations.

"I think everybody has a
different perception of whats
been going on," sald Kelly
Spiers, administrator of the
116-bed skilled nursing facility at 674 Fasdand Drive.
A new water pump was

A new water pump was ordered Thursday when hot water went out at the home, Spiers said, Hot water was still available in the home's

kitchen and laundry room. The hot water was temporar-thy restored Thursday, failed again Friday and was not repaired until Sunday because the replacement pump was damaged in transit.

Relatives of some patients aren't sure thark rue, even

sit.
Relatives of some patients aren't sure that's true, even after meeting with staff Sunday afternoon.
"My mom hasn't had a bath since she's been here," and Butch Malone, whose mother arrived at the care center Dec. 10.
Other patients have been bathed with alcohol wipes, relatives said.
The families also say the center's staff is unresponsive when patients call for help.
Randy Speaks' 40-year-old daughter is dying from liver and kidney failure. He said if has taken staff as iong as an hour to respond when his taken staff as iong as an hour to respond when his daughter is in need.

"Wat happens when it is a "fe-or-death" situation? Speaks wondered.

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Twin Falls County, city approve liquor sales at head shop

Beer and wine will go on sale today at the Smoke-N-Head Shop, thanks to a rever-sal by the Twin Falls County commissioners. Commissioners last month rejected an alcohol license for the shop, but Monday said all legal requirements had been met. The Twin Falls City Council later ratified the license in a senarate meeting.

met. The Twin Falls City Council later ratified the Ilcense in a separate meeting. The country's decision came ofter Allen Nagel, who owns the store at 347 Washington St. N., submitted building documents the commissioners said were not in the original application and therefore led to a rejection based on a lack of information in November. But when the commissioners rejected the application, hey said they disapproved of the items sold — Bavored tobacco, various herbs and plants, and glassware to smoke them — and said they didn' 'fit well with the community.'

Nagel said he expects to begin selling beer and wine today.
Nagel's attorney, Pat Brown eventually submitted the documents, despute his motors.

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eventually submitted the doc-uments, despite his protest that they were needed only for

approval by the state, which had already come.

"I think they knew they were absolutely wrong," said Brown. They're trying to cover their tracks."

The commissioners said a legal analysis led to the neversal, but that they still disapprove of his business.
"I didn't fall off the turnip prove of his business."
I didn't fall off the turnip truck today, said Commissioner Tom Mikesell. "I don't believe the products are catering to legal tobacco smokers."
The issue, however, is far foreget to the still the said state of the still the said state of the

month. In Twin Falls County, a 1940 In Twin Falls County, a 1940 resolution dictates how alcohol licenses are granted. In the resolution, the two provisions for receiving a license are strict observance of state laws and paying a fee. Commissioners have said they will revise the county's application process.

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Border Patrol fires tear gas into Mexico in response to attacks



SAN DIEGO — Border Patrol agents are firing tear gas and powerful pepper-spray weapons across the border into Mexico to repel what the agency says are an increasing number of attacks by assallants hurling rocks, bottles and bricks.

by assailants hurling rocks, bottles and bricks.
The counteroffensive has drawn complaints that innocent families are being caught in the crossfre.
"A neighbor shouted, 'Stop lit There are children living here," said Esther Arias Medina, 41, who on Wednesday fied her Tijuana, Mexico, shanny with her 3-week-old grandson after the

Border attacks up Assaults on border patrol age along the Mexican border res by 31 percent over last year.

assault — Moi 6.5% Vehicle assault 6.6% Other

6 15.7% 3.9% Physical Shooting assault weep

throwing assault weapons woopons 5.7% Vehicle assault 9,2% Other

infant began coughing from smoke that seeped through the walls.

A helmeted agent on the U.S. side said nothing as he stood with a rifle on top of a

10-foot border fence next to the three-room home that

Midwest corn boom threatens to expand 'dead zone' in Gulf of Mexico

By Henry C. Jackson Associated Press write

IEFFERSON, Iowa — Because of Figling demand for ethanol, American farmers are growing more born than at any time since World War II. And sea life in the Gulf of Mexico is paying the price.

The nations corn crop is fertilized with millions of pounds of nitrogen-based fertilizer. And when that nitrogen runs of fields in Corn Belt states, it makes its way to the Missistopi River and eventually pour into the Gulf, where it contibutes to a growing 'dead zone' — a 7,900-square-mile patch so

depleted of oxygen that fish, crabs, and shrimp suffocate.
The dead zone was discovered in 1985 and has grown fairly steadily since then, forcing fishermen to venture farther and farther out to sea to find their catch. For decades, fertilizer has been considered the prime cause of the lifeless spot.

With demand for corn booming, some researchers fear the dead zone will expand rapidly, with dewastating consequences.

"We might be coming close to a tipping point," said Matt Rota, director of the water resources program for the New Orleans-based Gulf Restoration Network, an envi-

might change or collapse as opposed to being just impacted."

Environmentalists had hoped to cut nitrogen runoff by encouraging farmers to apply less fertilizer and establish buffers along waterways.

TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS Today

Tonight

Wednesday



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Cloudy and breezy with snow showers High 39

Low 30

38 / 33

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Light, snow with cloudy and brenzy conditions. Small new accumulations likely. Highs upper 30s. Tonight: Linguing snow showers and cloudy skies. Lows.

Tomorrow: Mosily cloudy skips and scattered snow showers Maytre a little rain/snow mix. Highs upper 30s.

Complete weather report: See page B8

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

The Magic Philharmonic Orchestra Christmas Concert, with guest conductors Jacque Lee and Helen Bowcut and special appearance by Santa Claus, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Parke Ave. Burley, \$3 for adults, \$1 for students and \$7 for families, 678-9534.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068. Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Hailey, 788-5500. Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincoin, 644-2700. Buhl School Board, 6:30 p.m., district office, 920 Main, 6:33 p.m., district office, 920

543-6436.

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Alblon Planning and Zoning Commission, 7 p.m., Albion Civic Center, 673-6213.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1401 Overland Ave., 878-224.
Castleford School Board, 7 p.m., school library, 500 W. Main, 537-6511.

Jerome City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.

Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St., 436-

Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Rail St. W., 886-2030. W. 886-2030.
Wendell School Board, 7 p.m., high school library, 750 E. Main, 536-6318.

Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m. council chambers, 300 Main, 326-5000.

HEALTH AND RECOVERY

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9 to 10 a.m. at Filer Elementary and Hagerman High School Gym; and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at Buhl High School (temporary location: LDS church on Maln), no cost, 732-6475.

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Church, 821 E. Main St., Wendell,

7.37-598.
If than fall Proof Exercise Class, 10:30 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988, Ongoing exercise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, the Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive N., Twin Falls, no cost, 7.37-2917.
SilverSneakers Fitness Program, 11:15 a.m. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751 Elizabeth Blvd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 7.33-4384.

Arthrits Walking Class, 5:15 to 6:15 nm. Eirst Christian

non-insured, 733-4384. Arthritis Walking Class, 5:15 to 6:15 p.m., First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, no cost, 737-

5988. Mini-Cassla Shelter for Women & Children women's support group, 6 p.m., 123 S. C St., Rupert, 436-0987. Road 2 Recovery, a 12-step program, 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Building of New Beginnings, 1044 E. Main St., Burley 670-2578.

Celebrate Recovery, a place to learn life-affirming, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 734-0557or 324-7237.

MUSEUMS

Faulkner Planetarium "Season of Light," 7 p.m. and "Steamrolling," 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center, CSI campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and Conference of the Conference of t dents and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

To have an event (including on-going events) listed in the To have an event (Including on-going events) listed in the January monthly calendar, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number by noon Dec. 21 to Suzanne Browne by e-mail to strowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-6538; or by mall, Times-News, FO.Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548.

Morning Briefing

AROUND THE WORLD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Candidate, actor make a tough-guy act to follow

a Tougar-guy act to tonion
TILTON — Mike Intekabee is looking pretty tough these days in the race to the Republican nomination, which is why Chuck Norris looks so right by list side on this campaign trip last weekend.
Team Chuckabee, the preacher and the black belts gearing up for three full days of Gratted, butt-kicking, campaign-ridin action.

G-rated, but-kleking, cam-paign-idin' action.
At one stop in a veterans home. Norris hands an auto-graphed card of himself to a 17-year-old kid named Tyler Ayers.
No way. So cool! the kid reise out, clutching his thy pic-ture of Chuck.

To veryone says the semi-

cure of Church.

"Sveryone says the young people don't vote, and I say, well, they're poing to vote this time!" Norris says, gripping another kids shoulder in a way that's probably meant to be non-threatening, except he's Church Norris, so it's hard to tell. "That's an order!" a grinning Huckabee says from behind Norris' shoulder. Team Chuckabee is all mlight and testosterone. If this were and testosterone. If this were and testosterone.

Norris shoulder.
Team Chuckabee is all might and testosterone. If this were an action movie, theyd wear leather jackets and carry rifles.
Iluckabee, 52, is a former Arkansas governor and onetlme lapitist pracaber who wears alligator cowboy boots and whose dramatic rise in the polls has confounded many political types. Norris is known primarily for roundhouse-kicking bad guys on IV and in the movies.
Team Chuckabee is tough year of the complete of the complet

ILLINOIS

Ex-Sun-Times publisher gets 29 months in prison

CHICAGO — Former Chicago Sun-Times publisher E David Radler was given 29 months in prison and a \$250,000 fine Monday for his role in stealing millions of dollars from Hollinger International share-holders.

The No. 2 man in the once-powerful Hollinger newspaper empire also received a sense of

empire also received a sense or reilef.

"This is the first day of the rest of his life." Redler's attorney, Anton Valukas, said after the sentencing hearing.

Rudler, 85, pleaded guilty to fraud in September 2005 and testified camiler this year against his longtime business partner and head of Hollinger, Conrad Black, in return for a lenient sentence.
"I'm sorry for what I've done," Radler said in court. He applogized for the suffering he caused his family and said he had 'fried to lead a life that was honorable' but had made 'mistakes."

I'wesn stark contrast to Black.

It was a stark contrast to Black. It was a stark contrast to Black, who remained defiant when sentenced last week to 6-1/2 years in prison, telling the same court that Hollinger's stock was doing well when he was removed as chairman and suggested "the evaporation of \$1.8



Chuck Norris, left, signs Eamon Kelly's shirt Saturday, after a campaign event for Republican presidential hopeful, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee, at the New Hampshire Community Teck N.H. The shirt was one of a series that spelled out 'Huck' and 'Chuck.' (Story at left.) hnical College in Berlin.

M.H. The shirt was one of a series to billion in shareholder value" was the fault of his successors.

*U.S. District Judge Amy J. St. Eve told Radler on Monday that he had breached his duty, noting he, "took a lot of money from Itollinger International at great expense to the company and the shareholders." But the Judge also acknowledged his cooperation with prosecutors and the millions he has paid in restitution.

About \$61 million has been paid by Badler or companies he has been associated with. Including \$53 million Radler has paid personally. Valukas stid.

"You certainly have tried to fight your wrongs," St. Eve told Radler, who must begin serving his sentence Feb. 25.

SRI LANKA

On 90th birthday, writer Arthur C. Clarke lists three wishes

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COLOMBO — Science fiction writer Arthur C. Clarke listed three wishes on his 90th birthday for the world to embrace cleaner energy resources, for a lasting peace in his adopted home of Sri Lanka, and for evidence of extraterrestrial beings.

"I have always believed that we are not alone in this universe," he said in a speech to a small gathering of scientists, astronauts and government officials Sunday in Colombo where he lives.

Humans are walting until us or give us a sign," he said, was the sunday of guessing when this might happen. I hope sooner rather than

when this might happen. I hope sooner rather than later."

Clarke has written more than 100 sci-li books, including '2001; A Space Odyssey. 'His fiction predicted space travel before rockets were even test fired and envisioned computers dominating ordinary lives. The British-born writer, who was knighted in 1998,

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moved to Sri Lanka in 1954 manning he can stay permanently without a resident guest
 meaning he can stay permanently without a resident visa — in 1975.

PENNSYLVANIA Widow takes husband's

ashes to NFL game

PITTSBURGH — Richard Desroslers never made it to Heinz Field to watch his beloved Steelers play football, but his widow helped him fulfill his dream in

Denoved accessed to the period blank but his widow helped him fulfill his dream in death.

Thanks to some help from sympathetic donors. Kathleen Desrosiers attendation of the period by Steelers hat.

She called it "an over-whelming experience."

OHIO

Homeowner, contractor clash over money found hidden in walls

CLEVELAND - A con-ractor who helped discover oundles of cash totaling bundles of cash totaling \$182,000 hidden behind

bathroom walls says the homeowner should turn the money over to him — or at least share it.

Bob Kitts said his feurd with the owner of the house, a former high school classmate, has deteriornated to the point where they speak to each other only through lawyers.

Kitts said his lawyer has drafted a lawsuit that he hopes will force Amanda Reece to turn over the money she has kept, Meanwhille, Reece accuses Kitts of shaking her down.

Most of the currency, sseud in 1927 and 1929, Is in good condition, and some of

issued in 1927 and 1929, Is in good condition, and some of the bills are so rure that one currency appraiser valued the treasure at as much as 500,000. Kitus said. The fight began in May 2000 when Kitts was gutting Recess bathroom and found a box below the medicine cabinet that contained \$25,200.

CALIFORNIA

Santa cops pull over good motorists for a little holiday treat

A INTUE HORIDAY LIFET.

RANCHO CORDOVA —
Happy holidays. Now pull over to the side of the road.

Motorists may be in for a surprise if they spot flashing red lights in their nearview mirrors in this Sacramento suburb during the holiday season. season.
Police are stopping law-

season.

Police are stopping lawabiding motorists and rewarding their good driving with 55 Starbucks gift cards. A traffic officer came up with the idea to "promote the holiday spirit and enhance goodwill between the traffic unit and the motoring public," police Sgt. Tim Curran said.

Local businesses donated money to buy the gift cards. They raised a substantial and the public of the public police of the public policy and the public policy curran said. They the publing over a lot of people.

— complete from wire reports

CORRECTIONS Wrong spelling

The names of Tom Ashenbrener and Carmela Vineyards were misspelled in a Money story published Dec. 16.

Incorrect title

Danny Auth is co-owner of the Pita Pit. His title was incorrect in a photo caption pro-

vided to the Times-News

Incorrect figures

An article in Monday's edition incorrectly stated recycing figures for the City of Twin Falls. The amount of waste recycled in 2007 was 3.73 tons less than in 2006. The correct amount is about 3.73 tons. The Times-News regrets the errors.

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COMING TOMORROW

'Eat Cheap' returns



starts a second season.

WEDNESDAY IN FOOD & HOME

Border

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Arias shares with six others.
"We don't deserve this,"
Arias said, 'The people who
the here don't throw rocks.
Those are people who come
from the outside, but we're
paying the price;
'Witnesses in Arias' bardscraibble neighborhood
described eight attacks since
August that involved tear gas
or pepper spray, some that
forced residents to evacuate.
The Border Pattrol says its
agents have been attacked
nearly 1,000 times during a
one-year period.

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one-year period.

The agency's top official in
San Dlego, Mike Fisher, said
agents are taking action
because Mesican authorities
have been slow to respond.
When an attack happens, he
said. American authorities
often wait hours for them to
come, and help usually never
arrives.

come, and help usually never arrives.

"We have been taking steps to ensure that our agents me safe." Fisher said.

Mexico's acting consul general in San Diego, Ricardo Pineda, has arinskeet that U.S. authorities stop firing onto Mexican soil. He met with Border Patrol officials lust month after the agency fired tear gas into Mexico. The agency defended that counteraturies, saying agents were being hit with a haif of ball bearings from sthingshots in U.S. officials say the violence indicates that smuggers are growing more desperate as stepped-in-security makes it harder to sneak across the border. The assailants try to distract

Dead zone

"He said: 'I'm the policeman of the world and I can do what I want."

—Robis Guadalupe Argumedo of Tijuana, who shouted in protest at a Border Patrol agent after opening her front door to a cloud of tear gas

agents long enough to let people dash in the United States.

people usin in the States.

The head of a union representing Border Patrol employees said the violence also results from the decision to put agents right up against the border, a departure from the early 1995 when they waited farther hack to make armets.

wanted fatther flack to make a rrests. "When you get that close to the fence, your agents are sitting ducks," said T.I. Bonner, president of the National Border Patrol Council.

Border Patrol Council.

Border Patrol agents were attacked 987 times along the Council of the National Border Patrol Gunting the 12-month period that Council of the Patrol Patrol Patrol 1920 and 183 the highest number from 752 attacks a year earlier, and 183 the highest number since the agency began recording attacks in the late 1990s.

About two-thirds of the attacks were with rocks. Many of the rest involved physical assaults, such as illegal immigrants getting into list fights with guards.

with quarts.

About, one of every four attacks occurred in San Diego, and most of those happened along a heavily fortified, 10-mile stretch of the border starting at the Pacific Ocean.

Agent Joseph Ralph estimates he has been struck by rocks 20 times since joining

the Border Patrol in 1987. once fracturing a shoulder blade. "You find yourself try-ing to take cover," he said. About four months ago, a

ing to take cover." he said.
About four mouths ago, a
large rock struck the hond of
agont Ellery Taylor's vehicle.
The only thing you can think
the said that that wasn't
my head. There's no way to
see it coming." Taylor said.
In October, agents in
October, agents in
California and Arizona
received compressed-air guns
that shoot pepper-spray canisters more than 200 feet,
Agents already had less poworful pepper-launchers that
lose their punch after about
30 feet — even less if 30 feet — even less if absorbed by thick clothing or

cardboard.
The Border Patrol says the

pennant vin.
Border Patrol SWAT teams
along the 1,952-mile 11.8.x
decire border are also
equipped with tear gas, "flash
oomths" that emit blinding
light and "sting ball" grenades
that disperse hundreds of tiny
rubber pelles.
U.S. Officials say the new
tactics may spare lives. An

agent shot and killed a 20year-old Mexican man whose
arm was cocked back in
March in Calexien, Calif,
where rock attacks have
soared in the last year, they
years ago, an agent farally
shot a rock thrower at the San
Diego-Tijnana border.
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Argumedo, a scamstress in
Tipiana, said she has heen
startled by tear gas on four
nights since Aug. 7, when her
12-year-old son suffered a
nose bleed. That attack also
shattered a window of her
neighbor's cast.

Argumedo, 31, said she
shoulted in protest across the
border at a helmeted agent on
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Benito Arias said his 19-sar-old sister-in-law fainted year-old sister-in-law famical during an apparent tear gas attack about two weeks ago. The woman, five months pregnant, was given oxygen at the hospital,

pregnant, was given oxygen at the hospital.

Ills father, Jose Arias, fled with his wife a few block away, where paramedics checked their blood pressure. He said he sympathizes with the Border Patrol because Mexican authorities do nothing to prevent people from burling rocks over the fence at agents.

hurling rocks over the teater to agents.

"This is a matter between government, and govern-ment," said Arias, 75, "They have to work out an agree-ment. We are innocent. What can we do about it?"

Bottom-dwelling species such as crabs and oysters are most at risk, said Michelle Perez, an analyst with the Wa s h in g to n - b a sed Environmental Working Group. They struggle io survive." Perez said, "They can't swim away."
Crabbers complained at a meetine in Louislana earlier meeting in Louislana earlier

meeting in Loui this year that they pulled up bucket upon bucket of dead

Democratic lawmakers decide to back Obama

BOISE (AP) — Campaign officials for Democratic presidential connender Branch Chain are toning a Branch Chain are toning a Branch Chain are toning a Kernel Market of the Conference of the Confe

lerry Brady, the Democratic nominee in Idaho's guber-natorial race last year. They are the latest batch of Idaho Democrats to

of Idaho Democrats, to swing their facto for Obama, a first-term filmois Senator who has closed the gap in the polls on Iron-trumner Hillary Chatton in Jova and other early primary states. Last mouth, Obama opened a campago office in Boise and he is the top fundatiser among Idaho Democrats.

Health and Welfare's region-al director.

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During the facility's last inspection in September, state inspectors said the home was failing to properly treat or prevent bed sores, according to reports posted on the national Medicare Web site.

The inspection also found the home "failed to prepare food that is nutritional, appetizing, tasty, attractive, well-cooked and at the right tempera-

attractive, went-cooked and at the right temperature." Patients are served cold food, sometimes more than an hour after it is prepared, both Speaks and Malone said.

The facility declined to respond to allegations beyond the water problem, "The lot water doesn't reolly do anything for us fivere using microbial soaps," Spiers said, "But yeah, wed all like to take hot showers." The Idaho I water them. The like of the problem of the allegations, said John Lathaway, Department of

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Corn crop a threat to Gulf 'dead zone'

Fertilizer for corn runs off fields into the Mississippi River and tually into the Gulf of Mexico, where it contributes to an exagen-depleted area.

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Dead zone

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But the demand for the corn-based fuel additive ethanol has driven up the price for the crop, which is selling for about \$4 per busslet, up from a little more than \$2 ln 2002.

That entified American farmers — mostly in lowa, Illinois, Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota to plant more than \$3 million acres of corn in 2007, the most since 1944. They substituted corn for other crops, or made use of land not previously in cultivation. Corn is more "leaky" than crops such as soybean and alfalfa — that is, it absorbs less nitrogen per acre. The prime reasons are the drainage systems used in corn fields and the timing of when the fertilizer is applied. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that up to 210 million pounds of nitrogen fertilizer inter the Guilf of Mexico

protection agency commence that up to 210 million pounds of nitrogen fertilizer enter the Gulf of Mexico each year. Scientists bad no immediate estimate for 2007, but said they expect the amount of fertilizer going into streams to increase with more acres of

increase with more acres of corn planted.

"Corn agriculture prac-tices release a lot of nitro-gen," said Donald Scavia, a University of Michigan pro-fessor who has studied corn fertilizer's effect on the dead zone. "More corn equals more nitrogen pollution,"

Farmers realize the connection between their crop and problems downstream, but with the price of corn soaring, it doesn't make sense to grow anything else. And growing corn insit profitable without nitrogen-based fertilizer. "I think you have to try to be a good steward of the land," said lerry Peckunn, who farms corn and soybeans on about 2,000 acres he owns or leases near the lowa community of

lowa community of Jefferson. "But on the other hand, you can't ignore the price of corn."

Peckumn grows alfalfa and natural grass on the 220 or so acres he owns, but said he cannot afford to experiment on the land he reces

on the land he rents.

The dead zone typically begins in the spring and persists into the summer. Its

where it sucks up oxygen as it decays. This creates a deep layer of oxygen-depleted ocean where creatures either escape or die.

size and location vary each year because of currents, weather and other factors, but it is generally near the mouth of the Mississippi.
This year, it is the third-biggest on record, it was larger in 2002 and 2001, when it covered 8,500 and 8,006 square miles respectively.
Soil erosion, sewage and industrial pollution also contribute to the dead zone, but fertilizer is believed to be the chief factor.
Fertilizer causes explosive growth of algae, which then

growth of algae, which then dies and sinks to the bottom,

this year that they pulled up bucket upon bucket of dead crails.

Rota warned that if the corn boom continues, the Calf of Mexico could see an "ecological regime change." The fear is that the zone will grow so big that most sea life won't be able to escape it, leading to an even bigger won't be able to escape it, leading to an even bigger "Pouple's livelihood depends on the shrimp, flah and crabs in these waters," he said, "Already, some of these shrimpners are traveling longer and longer distances to catch anything."

Given the market pressure or grow corn, the Natural Resources Defense Council and others argue that the nation needs a compreliense, federal approach to the problem.

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'Death Star Galaxy' blasts neighboring star cluster with radiation jet, NASA finds

By Seth Borenstein Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The lat-est act of senseless violence caught on tape is cosmic in scope: A black hole in a "death star galaxy" blasting a neighboring galaxy with a deadly jet of radiation and

energy.

A fleet of space and ground telescopes have captured images of this cosmic violence, which people have

never witnessed before, according to a new study released Monday by NASA. "It's like a bully, a black-hole bully punching the nose of a passing galaxy," said astrophysicist Nell detrasser Tyson, director of the Hayden Planetarium in New York, who wasn't involved in the research. But ultimately, this could be a deadly punch. The telescope images show the bully galaxy shooting a

stream of deadly radiation particles into the lower sec-tion of the other galaxy, which is about one-tenth its size. Both are about 6.2 billion tril-ion miles from here, orbiting around each other.

around each other.

The larger galaxy has a multi-digit name but is called the "death star galaxy" by one of the researchers who discovered the galactic bullying, Daniel Evans of the Harvard-Smitheauth Courte for Smithsonian Astrophysics. Center

Tens of millions of stars, including those with orbiting planets, are likely in the path of the deadly jet, said study co-author Martin Hardeastle of the University of Hertfordshire in the United Flancher

Herfordshire In the United Kingdom. If Earth were in the way — and it's not — the high-ener-gy particles and radiation of the jet would in a matter of months strip away the plan-et's pratective ozone layer and compress the protective

magnetosphere, said Evans. That would then allow the sun and the jet itself to bom-bard the planet with high-energy particles. And what would that do life

on the planet?
"Decompose it," Tyson

said u. 'Sterilize lt," Evans piped

"Sterilize It," Evans piped in.
The jet attack is relatively new, in deep space time. Hardeastle estimates it's no more than 1 million years old

and can stretch on for another 10 to 100 million years.
"A truly extraordinary act of violence," Evans said. "The jet violence." Evans said. "The fet violently slams into that lower half of the neighboring galaxy after which the jet dra-matically twists and bends."



Thousands in Oklahoma. Kansas still in the dark

By Sean Murphy Associated Press writer

OKIAHOMA CITY — More than 100,000 homes and businesses remained without power Moday, mer than a certal Oklahoma, and the emergency has outlasted the ability of many residents to pay for it.

Some depleted their funds stocking up on food before the storm that went bad after the power went out, while others used money to stay in a hotel, thinking power would be restored within a day or two.

"We've had people using generators who ran out of money for fuel to operate the generators," said Vince Hernandez, chairman of the American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.

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American Red Cross of Central Oklahoma.
Hundreds of people found a place to sleep and hot meals over the weekend at a temporary shelter established at the Cax Convention Center in downtown Oklahoma City. Officials reported 349 people stayed at the shelter Sunday night. Oklahoma Gas & Electric, the state's largest electric utility set up temporary walk-up stations in nine central Oklahoma cities for customers to report power failures.

tomers to report power natures.

"We've got eight days without lights," said 7-year-old Josue Velasquez, who came to one station with his mother, Rebeca Rascon, who speaks little English, lost peaks little English, lost to the couch and wait for the lights to come on' in their "very cold" south Oklahoma City home.

cold" south Oklahoma Cliy home.
OG&E: reported nearly in the Oklahoma City area, while Tulsa-based Public Service Company of Oklahoma reported 32,000. The Oklahoma Association of Rural Cooperatives reported 5,712 Customers without power Monday.
Overnight temperatures in the state in the past week have dipped into the teens. The state medical examiner's office said the ice storm contributed to at least 27 deaths: cight in fires, two from carbon monoxide furnes and one from hypothermia.

carbon monoxide fumes and one from hypothermia. In Kansas, where six deaths were blamed on last weeks storm, about 24,000 cuss-tomers remained without power, and some of those in rural areas might not see electricity restored for a week or more. The reason is another winter storm expected later this week, said Larry Detwiller of the Kansas Electric Cooperatives. Electric Cooperatives



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Jon S. Corzine replaces the state's death state's death penalty with life in prison with-out any possi-bility of parole, Monday at the State House in Trenton, N.J.



New Jersey becomes first state in 42 years to ban death penalty

By Tom Hester Jr. Associated Press writer

TRENTON, N.J. — Gov. Jon S. Corzine signed into law Monday a measure that ahol-ishes the death penalty, mak-ing New Jersey the first state in more than four decades to reject capital punishment. The bill, approved last

week by the state's Assembly and 'Senate, replaces the death sentence with life in prison without parole.

"This is a day of progress for us and for the millions of prouge across our nation and around the globe who reject the death penalty as a moral or practical response to they or practical response to they grievous, even helmous,

crime of murraer. Conspansald.

The measure spares eight men on the state's death row. On Sunday, Corzhe signed orders commuting the sentences of those eight to life in prison without parole. Among the eight spared is Jesse Timmendequas, a sex offender who murdered 7. 1994. The Megan Kanka 1994 and 1994 and

of the fight against the ocau-penalty.

The rest of America, and for that matter the entire world, is watching what we are doing here today, said Assemblyman Wilfredo Caraballo, a Democrat. New Iersey is setting a precedent that I'm confident other states will follow."

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The bill passed the Legislature largely along party lines, with controlling party lines, with controlling abolition and minority abolition and minority Republicans opposed. Republicans opposed. Republicans opposed. Republicans opposed. Republicans appropriate of the conforcement officials, rape and murder children, and terroitsts, but Democrats rejected that.

"It's simply a specious argument to say that, some-how, after six millennia of recorded history, the punishment no longer fits the criminal and Assemblyman ment no longer fits the criminal and Assemblyman Members of victims families fought against the law."
I will never forget how I've been abused by a state and a governor that was supposed to protect the innocent and enforce the laws, said Marilyn Flax, whose husbandlering was abducted and murdered in 1989 by death row Inmale John Martini Sr.

Calif. school district bans controversial sweatshirts

By My-Thuan Tran Los Angeles Times

The sweatshirts zip up through the hood to completely cover the face, transforming it into a mask mand making it virtually impossible to tell who is underneath. They look more like Hallowene costumes that casual clothing. Some have prints resembling Mexican wrestling masks or a member of the band Kiss, others look like gas masks, alien heads or skulls.

They're fashion statements to some, but to administrators in Orange County, Callifa Capistrano Unified School District, there's danger lurking under the hood. All styligh schools last week banned the hoodles from campus.

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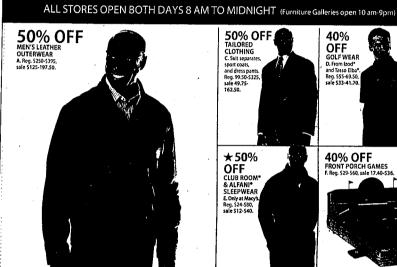
School officials sent e-mails to parents reliing them to shop for Christmas presents accordingly. "Before you complete your gift buying for the holiday season, we want to let you know that any sweatshirt that zips up all the way through the hood (mask or not) will not be allowed at school," the e-mail said.

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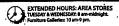
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Big dreams, bigger challenges: **Ambitious Minidoka** plan makes sense

daho Department of Water Resources official Hal Anderson put it most succincity: "This is a fairly significant reality check."
A committee formed to manage the Eastern Snake River Plain Aquifer is considering the most dramatic changes to the Magic Valley's water picture — and its economy — since I.B. Perrine laid out his the first canal.

The ideas include enlarging Minitoka Dam. converting all groundwater pumpers in the sprawl.

no reason not to think big about

mounting water crisis. What do you

think? We wel-

come viewpoints

from our readers

solutions to defuse the Magic Valley's

converting all groundwa-ter pumpers in the sprawl-ing A&B Irrigation District to surface water, expand-ing efforts-to recharge the aquifer by tenfold, devel-oping a system of water-rights buyouts and dry-land leasing programs, and increasing the water-budget by 10 percent. Price: \$100 million, to start.

The plan — if it happens as envisioned — is designed to solve southern

designed to solve southern Idato's increasingly urgent water crisis and avoid forced idling of hundreds of thousands of acres of farmland.

The logistics, land deals, environmental impact statements, technological challenges and negotiating hurdles to come are damning.

But if nothing else, the proposal shows how critical water is in our economy.

These ideas will get everyone's attention. Question is, where will all the investment come from? Water users will pay in the long run, but who is in a position to front that kind of money? The federal Bureau of Reclamation? The state?

tion to front that kind of money? The federal Bureau of Beclamation? The state:

Maybe it's time for an unconventional approach. Since everyone who makes a living in south-central Idaho depends on water, perhaps everybody — farmers, ranchers, city-diwellers, retailers, manufacturers, darymen, cities, counties and utilities — should contribute something.

But whatever the financing, the pieces of this grand vision make sense.

But whatever the financing the pieces of this grand vision make sense.

A bigger Lake Walcott — the plan is to raise the dam by five feet — could provide as many as 50,000 acre-feet of additional water, while covering 65,000 of A&B s 81,000 acres to surface irrigation could make a substantial dent in aquifer depletion.

Quite frankly, all of the modest solutions have been tried, and they have produced what southern Idaho is now has — a standoff, neverending legal challenges and economic uncertainty. Agricultural lenders don't invest in a vacuum, and every wateruser's future— from sugar beet growers of Minidoka County to fish-farmers of Twin Falls and Gooding counties — is uncertain.

That kind of uncertainly just isn't good enough

counties — is uncertain.

That kind of uncertainly just isn't good enough anymore. Our livelihood is at stake.

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Dealing with who did what back in freshman year

There are loss of different ways for a presideal with the question of drug use. You can admit it, deny it or say you didn't inhale. That last one, I think we can agree, is a choice we won't be seeing again any time real soon.
George W. Bush always declined to answer. "If I were you, I wouldn't tell your kids that you smoked pot unless you want them to smoke pot." he said during the 2000 campaign in the system of the many, many questions about his own history. The plarsing was vintage George W. but factically, the answer was a thing of genits. In one simple sentence, Bush had; a) elimental of the control of the plant you have been dealy the answer was a thing of genits. In one simple sentence, Bush had; a) elimentally the answer was a thing of genits. In one simple sentence, Bush had; a) elimentally the plant your your conversation, b) made 'you' the guilty party and e) explained that whatever happened, he was clamming up for the sake of the chill-dren.

If the Bush Department of Defense had done as much

dren.

If the Bush Department of Defense had done as much strategic thinking as the Bush campaigns drug-question detail did, we would be living in a much happier world today.

Burack Obama is the first sorious presidential candi-

Barack Obama is the first serious presidential candi-date ever to acknowledge using cocaine. "Pot had helped, and booze," he said of his days as an allenated adolescent. "Maybe a little blow when you could afford it."

blow when you cout a more tri.

This has not exactly been it.

This has not exactly been a secret — that quote appeared in his 2005 autobiography. Theams From My Father. But it hasn't come up much during the campaign. Even though he has held approximately 10 trillon town hall question-and-answer sessions in Iowa and New Hampshire. Obama has never been challenged in the incessant, sometimes outrageous way a presidential nominee



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gets challenged,
"I'll be: When was the last
time? Did you ever give
drugs to anyone? Did you
ever-sell them?" Billy
Shaheen, the co-chalrman
of the New Hampshire
Clinton campaign predicted
to a reporter from 'The
Washington Post. By the
next day. Shaheen was gone,
Hillary had apologized to
Barack and the controversy
had eclipsed even Mike
Huckabee's apology to Mitt
Mormory for suggesting that
Mormons believe lesus and
the devil are brothers. (The
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into the colocial disputes

Mormons believe Jesus and the devil are brothers. (The Republicans are so deep into theological disputes that their lowa race is beginning to sound like the Council of Trent.)

The outraged Obama people suspected that the whole thing had been a well-orchestrated plot to call attention to the "blow" quote. They were grossly underestimating the hordinate talent of political operatives for screwing things up on their own. "The most frequently spoken wards in a campaign are." Oh, my Godl he did whal?" said till Curry, a political columnist.

Representatives of all

Representatives of all three leading campaigns went on MSNBC in the wake of the Shaheen debacle and proved the point.
"Well, I think we have
made clear that the issue

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has worked out a way to explain all

this to the more conservative voters

he'd be wooing next fall.

lowans to sign up to support him as he campaigns Monday in Spencer, Iowa. Despite acknowledg-ing drug use when he was younger, Obama hasn't yet been questioned at length about it.

related to cocaine use is not related to cocalne use is not something that the cam-paign was in any way rais-ing, "said the Clinton strate-gist Mark Penn, with a weird kind of smugness. "This guy's been filibus-tering on this. He just said cocalne again!" cried the John fidwards adviser Joe Trippi.

Cocaine again.
John Edwards adviser foe Trippi.
"I think you're saying cocaine," retorted Penn.
Campaigns behave well only when they're far ahead or far belind. When they're all bunched together, teeter-ing between victory and disaster, they get sweuty and asset, they get sweuty and insame. (Hilbert's in mably regretting the day she called this the "fun part." [Still, unless you're a candidate, this is not a bad thing. The whole point of the lowa caucuses—if there is any point whether Ohama

to the lowa cancuses — is to see how everyhody functions under stress.

Two been tested. I've been tested. I've been tested. I've been tested. I've been vetted. There are no surprises," Clinton assured lowans on Friday, Nohody in their right minds would presume that anything involving the Clintons will be surprise-free, but I fillary's big selling point has indeed always been her ability to forge ahead through unimaginable political disasters. Now, voters are getting in see how her presidential candidacy holds up when she's losing her lead in the polis.

For Obama, the real question is not about what he ingested in his freshman fine production of college. If middlinger of college, if middlinger of colleges have disquality of colleges and the college of the colle

nohody left to run the stock exchange.

The question is whether Obama has worked out a way to explain all this to the more conservative voters he'd be wooing next fall. (Particularly if the Republican nominee is Mit Romey, who has never tried coffee.) That doesn't rank up there with health care programs when it comes to serious issues, but

cans up mere with heam care programs when it comes to serious issues, but if you want the candidate if you want the candidate if you want the candidate in the candidate in the candidate in the case is the candidate in the can

Gail Collins is a columnist for the New York Times,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

City could make profit on golf course

If the city wants to stop losing mortey on the golf course, it should ask for bids on operating the club house and concessions; also get better return from the driving range and, above all, do not issue multi-year con-

not issue multi-year con-tracts.
Each year should be eval-uated and adjustments made if necessary. This is city property, and the tax-payers shouldn't have to support it. Other cities make a profit on their courses and use the money to support other activities.
The course should make a profit, and it is up to the city

council to see that it is done. J. WAYNE KING Twin Falls

Injured trooper's parents thankful for help

In this season of love and caring, we, the parents of Idaho State Police trooper Chris Glenn, would like to thank the people of the Magic Valley for taking such good care of Chris; Alisha and Daldan.

and Daldan.
Your prayers were especially appreciated. We are convinced that is what helped all of us get through those first days. We could all feel the love and support.
Thanks to the efforts of

many people from the Idaho State Police to the many gen-erous people who have never met Chris, they now have a beautiful house that Chris can get around in, and we don't have to worry every day about him. Thank you is not enough, but it is all that we have. CAROLYN GLENN WADE GLENN Twin Falls

Agency didn't help woman in need

I was appalled with cer-tain individuals' attitudes who are in charge with helping people during Christmas in their time of My recent experience has made me wonder if people really de cane. It's said how people are treated as the work of the cane in the cane in

Christmas,
Rudeness is what I
received when I called a
local business and asked
what I needed to do so my
children would have somewhat of a nice Christmas.
First thing he said to me

was, "Have you applied to any agency?" I said yes. He said, "Well, you have it cov-ered."

said, "Well, you have it covered."

Well, first of all, I was only able to use one child out of three at that agency, and it doesn't help with Christmas trees or decorations. I wonder, is that what he tells his kids—you have gifts from one parent, so you have it covered? How do tell that to my kids who have done very well in school and are great kids—that's all moments of the constant sarrifices because moin, who is a single parent, works full time to make sure the bills are paid and goes to school full time to make sure the bills are paid and goes to school full time to make sure the bills are paid and goes to school full time to make

improve the quality of life for them one day and set a great example.

This is my first experience trying to find help with Christmas, and it should not matter if I get a turkey from one agency or not.

BRENDA EDEL Jerome

Bush has created

un-Christian environment

With George W. Bush in office, a seemingly nevy-erending war in Iraq and Guantanamo ongoing, how can any Christian celebrate Christmas with a clear con-

ience? JOHN WALSH Burley

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CIA torture videotapes? What torture videotapes?

ho done It?
Sometime late in 2005, the CIA destroyed videotapes showing hundreds of hours of ing numereds of hours of interrogations of two top al-Qalda suspects — while con-tinuing to imply to the 9/11 commission and the courts that no such interrogation tapes ever existed.



Rosa BROOKS

What was on those tapes that made.CIA officials so eager to destroy them, instead of just selling them to the producers of "24" and retiring in comfort? And who authorized (or knew of) their destruction?

authorized (or knew orl) their destruction?
Not our national Decider, who histists, via White House spokeswoman Dana Perino, that he didn't decide anything whatsower, because he has "no recollection of being made aware of the tapes or their destruction." That's in contrast to former White contrast to former White contrast to former White these Counsel Harriet E. Miers, who apparently knew all about the tapes but didn't bother to share the news with her boss. Unidentified administration sources assure us,

Unidentified administra-tion sources assure us, though, that Miers recom-needed that the CIA pre-serve the tapes, fit's not hard to imagine her words: 'Gee, if these interrogation tapes just happened to be lost or destroyed, it would sure make it tough for anyone to bring future war crimes or torture prosecutions against anyone in this administra-tion, so I hope the CIA will take really good care



of those tapes,")
Over at the CIA, another unidentified 'former official' sald no one at the White House ever ordered the CIA not to destroy the tapes — at least not in so many words: "They never told us, "Hell, no," that official told The New York Times, And current and former officials said that the CIA's arching general counsel, John Rizzo, was in on the whole discussion about the tapes, Sull another anonymous "official" asserted that Rizzo was cut of the loop and 'angry' at the tapes' destruction.
When it was his turn to

tapes' destruction.
When it was his turn to
pass the buck, current CIA

Director Michael V. Hayden helpfully reminded Congress that he wasn't even at the CIA in 2005 and therefore had no idea who ordered that the tapes be destroyed, although he naturally intends to look

he naturally intends to look into it.

As the president told ABC, News; It will be interesting to know what the true facts are. Ub-hub, But in many ways, the question of who ordered that the tapes be destroyed completely misses the point. It probably won't be all that difficult to answer that question — congressional inquiries are fairly good at that sort of thing, We may even see some prosecu-

tions come out of this, because the tapes were, arguably, crucial evidence in criminal prosecutions and other legal proceedings. Those who want heads to roll for this probably will get

their way. But so what? In this case But so what? In this case, as blogger and Georgetown professor Marry Lederman reminds us: "The cover-up is not worse than the crime, and they knew it. Those tapes must have depicted pretty grussome evidence of serious criminal conduct." Waterboarding For sure, according both to news accounts and to former CIA operative John Kiriakou.

tion methods of a hundred tin-pot dictators?
Answering that one will be lar nume unconductable. It would be nice to find a scapegoat Ahalf It was Dick Cheneyb, but the unpleasant tuth is that the blame is pretty wide-spread.

So ... who really done it? Cheney, presumably, and the shister little guomes on his stall, and the checkedout Decider, who either knew and diahri cane, or didn't care to know, and the CAA cader-ship and a whole cadre of geperative, why were willing operatives. operatives, who were willing to try a long list of discredit-ed sbortcuts they could bor-

operatives, some very composition of the long list of discredition of shortcuts, they could horrow long our enemies. And blame the conservative particle and of the long of th

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With global warming, there won't be another chance

BALI, Indonesia — The negotiators at the U.N. climate conference here in Bali came from almost 200 countries and

here in Ball came from almost 200 countries and spoke almost as many languages, but driving them all to find a better way to address climate change was one widely shared, if unspoken, sentiment that "later" is over for our generation. "Later" was a luxury for previous generations and civilizations. It meant that you could paint the same animals, eat the same fruit, climb the same trees, fish the same rivers, enjoy the same endangered species that same endangered species the same endangered species that will will be used to the same under the same of the same of the same of the same under the same trees, fish the same rivers, enjoy the same under the same fruits, the same trees is the same endangered species that will be used to the same under the same of the same of the same trees, when the same fruits do it later, whenever you got around to it.

you got around to it.

If there is one change in global consciousness that seems to have settled in over just the past couple of years, it is the notion that later is it is the notion that later is over. Later is no longer when you get to do all those same things — just on your time schedule. Later is now when they're gone — when you won't get to do any of them ever again, unless there is some radical collective action to mitigate climate change, and maybe even if there is.

There are many reasons that later is over. The fact that global warming is now having such an observable effect on pillars of our ecosystem — like the frozen sea ice within the Arctic

effect on pillers of our consystem—Illice the frozen sea ice within the Arctic Circle, which a new study says could disappear entirely during summers by 200 — is certainly one big factor. But the other is the voncious power of today's global economy, which has created a situation in which the world is not just getting hot, it is getting raped.

not just getting not, in a getting raped.
Throughout human history there was always some new part of the ocean to plunder, some new forest to devour, some new formalman sexual observe the Ball conference But "now that economic development has become the prerogative of every country." He said, we've run out of virgin oceans and



nds "for new rising eco-

nomic powers to exploit."
So, too many countries are now chasing too few fish, trees and water resources, and are either devouring their own or plundering those of neighbors at alarm-ing rates.

these of neighbors at alarm-ing rates.
Indeed, today's global
economy has become like a
monster truck with the gas
pedal stuck, so no one can
stop it from wiping out more
and more of the natural rld, no matter what the

global plan.
There was a chilling essay
in The Jakarta Post last week
by Andrio Adiwibowo, a lecby Andrio Adivibowo, a lec-turer in environmental man-agement at the University of Indonesia, about how a smart plan to protect the mangrove forests around coastal Jakarta was never carried out, leading to wide-

spread tidal flooding last month.

This line jumped out at me: "The plan was not implemented. Instead of providing a buffer zone, development encroached into the core zone, which was covered over by con-crete."

You could read that story in a hundred different developing countries today. But the fact that you read it here is one of the most important ine act that you read it here is one of the most important reasons that later has become extinct. Indonesia is second only to Brazil in terstrail biodiversity and is No.1 in the world in marine biodiversity, lust one and a half acres in Borneo contains more different tree species than all of North America—not to mention animals that don't exist anywhere else on earth. If we lose them, there will be no later for some of the trarest plants and unimals on the planet.

And we are lossing them. Market-driven forces emanating primarily from China. Burope and America have become so powerful that the

come so powerful that Indonesia recently made th Guinness World Records for

having the fastest rate of deforestation in the world. Indonesia is losing tropical forests the size of Maryland every year, and the carbon released by the cutting and clearing — much of it from llegal logging — has made the properties of the cutting and clearing — much of it from llegal logging — has made the properties of the cutting and emissions in the world, after the United States and China. Deforestation actually accounts for more greenaccounts for more green-house gas emissions than all the cars and trucks in the

the cars and trucks in the world, an issue the Ball con-ference finally addressed.

Interviewed Barnabas Suehu, the governor of the Indonesian province of Papua, home to some of its richest forests. He waxed elquent about thow difficult it is to create Jobs that will give his villagers anything close to the income they can get from chopping down a tree and selling it to smugglers, who will ship it to Malaysia or China to be made into furniture for Americans or Europeaus. He said his mottowas, Think big, start small, Europeans. He said his mone was, "Think big, start small, act now — before everything

ecomes too late."

Ditto for all of us. If you

harges. After we find out who authorized the destruction of the tapes, the true who-done-it will remain; Who gave the CIA the green light

to use interrogation methods that the agency surely sus-pected were criminal? Who decided to let the United States adopt the interroga-





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NFL playoffs taking shape, but spots still up for grabs

By Dave Goldberg Associated Press

Associated Press writer

The Pittsburgh Steelers lost at home for the first time this senson, leaving their hope's for an AFC North title still handing. The New York Giants, who have six consecutive road wins, lost for the third straight time at home, squandering a chance to clinch a playoff spot.

And Dallas, a prohibitive front-numer for home-field advantage in the NFC, put that status in jeopardy lessing to Pithadelphia in a game in which Tony Romo injured the thumb on his throwing hand. So maybe Cleveland, the longest of long shorts to start the scaon, will of long shorts to start the scaon, will of long shorts to start the scaon, will of long the source of long shorts of the clinic start the scaon, will of long the source of long shorts of the long to the long the source of long shorts of long the long to start the scaon, will off long the long that the longest of long the long that the longest longer than the longest longer longer than the longest longer longer longer longer longer longe

during their 22-10 loss to left, allowing his team to run out the Washington on Sunday night, And clock and keep the ball away from maybe the NFC, road to the Super bals. It was brilliant, Staffurther than Texas Philladelphila coach Andy Staffurther than Texas

Bay rather than Texas Stadium.
Unlikely, but possible. "If we go on and win the Super Bowl, the loss is an good thing. If we lose in the first round of the playoffs, the loss is not a good thing." Romo sald after the Cowboys were beaten 10-6 at home by the Eagles and fell into a tie with Green Bay at 12-2, although they still hold the tichreaker because they beat the Packers.

tiebreaker because they heat the Packers.

The lagles-Cowboys game fea-tured a heady but highly unusual play by Philadelphia Brian Westbrook, who eschewed a sure touchdown and stopped at the 1-yard line with just over two minutes

to go down with that injury this s

son.
Jacksonville and Cleveland,
meanwhile, are coming on, the
laguars playing more like the
Steelers than the Steelers in their 2922 win in wintry conditions.

"The Jaguars are the Pittsburgh of the South," said the Steelers' Willie

for 224 yards, which is what the Jags must do in northern elitnes to win. "The weather was kind of land, and they came in like they've been play-ing in it for a while. We've got to use our weather to our advantage." Afters's a look at the playoff picture with two weeks to go.

AFC

The Patriots (14-0) and Colts (12-2) have elinched first-round byes and San Digo; (10-5) has elinched the West. That leaves the North and two wild card whe West. That leaves the North and two wild card "the next game is the only one" routine when asked about an ambeaten season for the umpteenth time after Sunday's win over the Jets in rath and wind, a good rehearsal for playoff weather. But they weren't taking about not going unbeaten elther, which means that

statters are likely to play in the final two games, at home against finally victorious Miami, then at the Gamts. "It's good to like good to have that, but right now that's not really amything we're going to devel on," Belichiek said in his characteristic Monday cichetest. Whe just going to get ready for Miami and get ready to play the Dolphius. That's what we're going to do this week." Indy does it differently. The Colts are locked into the second seed, which means there are likely to be Jim Sorgi sightings in home games against Houston and Tennyssee. That's been Tony Dungy's late season M.O. the last few years, and there's no reason it won't happen again, although Peyton Manning will certainly start to keep intact his streek of 150 straight from

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Better late than never

Peterson's fourth-quarter effort lifts Vikings past Bears

By Dave Campbell Associated Press writer

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Associated Press writer

MINNEAPOLIS — Brian Urlacher
and the Chicago Bears had Adrian
Peterson all bottled up, at least until it
really counted.

Peterson's dyard touchdown run,
started by a shoulder-shake to fake
Urlacher at the line of scrimmage, sent
the Minnesota Vikings to their fifth
straight victory, 20-13 over the Bears on
the Vikings (8-6) stayed in control of
the NFC's last wild-card spot, despite
four turnovers and a missed extra point.
Tarvaris Jackson threw three intercep-tions, itis first bad game in more than
one month.
Peterson fluished with two touchdowns and 78 yards on 20 carries, just
enough to keep Minnesota in front of
New Orleans (7-7) and Washington (7-7) in the conference pace.
Coming off the self-declared worst
game of his career, just 3 yards on 14
carries against the San Francisco 49crs,
Peterson had more trouble finding
room to run for the better part of three
quarters.

But he came through when it-count-

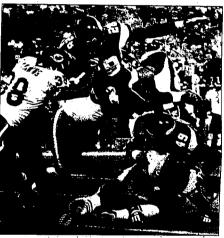
room to run for the order part of superparters.

But he came through when it-counted, plunging through the line for a yard out to pull Minnesota within 13-12 before a low snap by Cullen Loeffler preceded a missed extra point by Ryan

before a low snap by clumer becompriseded a missed extra point by Ryan Longwell.

Then in the fourth quarter, with quarterback Tarvaris lackson sidelined temporarily by a cramp in his culf musele, Peterson added another clip to his rookle highlight video.

On third-and-goal, after brushing backup Brooks Boillinger during a bad handoff, Peterson stutter-stepped to freeze Urlacher before during left and scurrying over the goal line. Urlacher just shook his head, while Peterson harmed it up with teammates in the end zone.



Chicago Bears safety Denieal Manning [38] attempts to stop Minnesota Vikings running back Adrian Peterson from scoring a touchdown during the third quarter Monday in Minneapolis.

play gave the Vikings the 2-point con-version and a 20-13 lead with 10:56 left, plenty of time for Chicago to come

back.

Kyle Orton, though, dldn't have it in him. In his first start in two years, the Bears quarterback stayed away from the costly turnovers that Jackson was gully of, but way too many of his throws were off target. Orton completed 22 of 36 passes for 184 yards, and his long pass to the end zone to Bernard Berrian just affer the 2-milute warning was intercepted by Darren Sharper to seal it.

The throw that hurt Orton the most came near the end of the third quarter. on fourth-and-1 at the Minnesona 35. On a curious call. Orton lofted a swing pass to fullback Jason McKie that sailed over his head. After the exchange, Peterson got going and led the drive for he winning score.

The Viklags wore purple from head to foot after pulling their dark pants from the back of the closet. Urlacher played like the sks-time Pro-Bowl plek that he is, harassing lackson often, recording two sacks, and twice taking the ball from Minnesota.

More struggles for slumping Utah Jazz

Team falls to Hawks for first time in five years

The Associated Press

ATLANTA - Al Horford was incredulous when told the Atlanta Hawks hadn't beaten the Utah Jazz in five

irs. 'Really? I didn't know that." said the rookie before paus-ing and adding "We're 1-0 against them now. I feel pret-

sing and adding "We're 1-0 against them now. I feel prety spoot."

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happened."
The Hawks built a fourth-quarter lead and didn't falter when Utah staged its lnevitable challenge.



Utah Jazz head coach Jerry Sloan watches his team in the final moments of their game against the Atlanta Hawks Monday in Atlanta. Atlanta won 116-111.

A jam by Horford gave the Hawks a 110-100 lead with 2:09 left.

209 left. Derron Williams, who had 14 points and 10 assists, made two of three free throws with 17 seconds left to cut the lead to 113-108. C.J. Miles bit a 3-pointer with 14.4 seconds left, cutting fee lead to 114-111. Ronnie Brewerawho had 19 points, stole Atlanta's inbounds pass, but Miles missed a 26-foot jumper.

but Miles masseu a consequence of the consequence o

"He was our engine, our motor," Smith said. "We needed to find offense somewhere, and A.J. gave it to us."

Michigan football gets its man, and he's not even from Michigan

By Larry Lage Associated Press writer

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Rich Rodriguez walked through a flash-light-lit locker room, down a dark-ened tunnel and stepped onto the Michigan Stadium field for the first

ened tunnes aus severy.
Michigan Stadium field for the first time.

"It's beautiful," he said with snow covering his dress shoes.
A new era began at Michigan on Monday. The winningest program in college football ended its first coaching search since hiring Bo Schembechler noarly four decades ago by luring Rofriguez and his spread offense from West Virginia.

The process probably lasted longer than the school wanted and it might not have landed its first choice. Yet, Rodriguez didn't have a problem with getting the job after the colors. Yet, Bodriguez didn't have a problem with getting the job after the process probably lasted thought the search of the process probably lasted tonger than the school wanted and it might not have landed its first choice. Yet Rodriguez for grant probable to the retiring Lloyd Carr.

"I) might have been my wifes third choice, too." Rodriguez Joked.
He is ending a seven-section un at West Viginia, s your after untilling down and gifer. To be Alabamas coach.



otiring Michigas head coach Lloyd Carr, left, skakes hands with Rich Rodriguez, from and football coach at West Virgiala, as the Rodriguez family arrives at the University o Uchigan for a news conference to announce Rodriguez as the incoming football coach,

Rodriguez said it took an oppor-turity of Michigan's caliber for him to leave his home state and alma

Rodriguez said it took an oppor-turity of Michigan's caliber for him to leave his home state and airma mater.

"It was a very difficult decision to leave a place where I grew up," said Rodriguez, who was born in Grant

Bowden interested in West Virginia job

CHARLESTON, W.W. (AP) —
West Virginia needs a condnew Virginia needs a condneed virginia needs a condneed virginia needs a condneed virginia needs a condneed virginia needs a condvirginia need a condvirginia needs a condvirginia need a condvi

Rodriguez doesn't expect to coach West Virginia when it plays . Oklahoma in the Flesta Bowl. My focus is going to be on the University of Michigan," he said. "I don't think it, best serves West Virginia if I'm thinking about the

Rodriguez, who was to fly back to West Virginia on Monday, hopes school officials agree that letting him leave right away to assemble

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Former BYU coach Reid returning to Marriott Center

PROVO, Hah (AP) — One of the most successful baskethall coaches in Brigham Young Bistory is returning to the Marriori Center.

* Roper Reid, who wan 152 games with the Coapas and is the last BW with the Coapas and is the last BW appears with the Coapas who when Southern Hah visits Friday. It's been 11 years since Reid coached the Coapas, who are ranked No. 21 this week. He was little dearly in his eighth season after BVU got off to a 1-6 start and attendance dividided at home games.

The never mentioned it one the out team and I work. A lot of them were quite young and didn't realize were quite young and didn't realize.

of Southern Utah, "A lot of them were quite young and didn't realize the magnitude of it." Reid coached BYU from 1989-

Reid coached BVI from 1989-1996, finishing with six 20-win sea-sons, BVI was 2-5 in NCAA tourna-ment games under Reid and is 0-4 since he was fired.

"I have great feelings about the young men I had a chance to coach and feel proud of the accomplish-ments we had with the young men

and the championships and games we won there." Reld said. "We feel like we'fild a great job." Reld, who also was an assistant for 11 seasons, went 152-77 at BVU with three Western Athletic Conference titles and two league tournament championships. Reld returned to the Martlott Center in 2013 for the rethement of Danny Ainge's number. He was an assistant coach when Ainge was a BVU player and the said at the said at WU and graduated last Beld said the isin bilter 11 years after he was fired, although he did.

Reid said he isn't bitter 11 years after he was fred, although he did-n't have much to work with that season. With eight players serving church missions, Reid started four freshmen. The Cougars didn't win another game in 1996-97 after his dismissal.

sar. - moved on," Reid said, "To me, I have a basketball team and we're trying to rebuild a program

No. 6 Duke stays unbeaten, shreds Albany

DURHAM, N.C. — DeMarcus Nelson scored 23 points and No. 6 Duke returned from a nine-day break for final exams with a 111-70 victory over Albany on Monday

victory over Albany on Monsuay night.
Reserve Ion Scheyer added 18 points for the Blue Devils (10-0), who shot 60 percent and had five players score in double figures. They hit 15 of 26 3-pointers. Duke Improved to 10-0 for the sixth time in eight seasons, while Island of Fame coach Mike Krzyzawski earned his 705th cureer victory to move within a game of tying Lefty Driesell for sixth on the

down here (in Cedar City) so all my energy and thoughts have been on this basketball team. Walking in there will be a great honor because of the time I spent there."

all-time list.
Tim Ambrose scored a career-best 24 points for the Great Danes (5-5).

NO. 10 MARQUETTE 80, IPFW 56

MHWAUKEE — Dominic James had 17 points and six assists and Wesley Matthews added 15 points

westey Matthews added 15 points for Marquette.

The Golden Eagles (8-1) were playing their second game in three nights after playing just two games the previous two weeks due to final

exams. Jaraun Burrows had 13 points for IPFW (4-6), which trailed by 11

Southern Utah is 0-10 against BYU, which has the nation's longest home winning streak at 37 games. Reid knows how loud it can get in the Marriott Center: The Cougars

NO. 18 GONZAGA 77, N. COLORADO 57 SPOKANE, Wash. — Freshmar

NO. 18 COMZAGA 77, N. COLORADO - SPOCANNI: Weash. — Freelman Austin Daye scored 18 points and Micah Downs added 17 for Gonzaga. Downs hit a career-high five 3-pointers in 10 attempts as the fulldogs 91-20 overcame a slow start to coast to an easy win. Steven Gray playing for the first time this season after fracturing his wrist in an exhibition game, added 12 points and Jeremy Pargo had 10 points and eight assists for the Zags. — The Associated Press

had two unbeaten seasons at home

when he was coach.
"We're not playing the Marriott
Center," Reid said, "It's not the
building."

Hill, Suns take down Spurs

SAN ANTONIO — Grant Hill had 22 points and the Phoenix Suns handed the San Antonio Spurs their first home loss of the season on Monday with 100-95 win. Learnfor Barboas added 18 points for the Suns, whose wir might have helped them get the bad taste out of their mouth they brought with them after losing a controversial and testy Western Conference semifinals

sid and testy Western Conference semifinals series last season.

Tim Duncan led the Spurs with a season-high 36 points and 17 rebounds in his sec-ond game back since sitting out for four with a sprainted ankle, and Manu Ghobili added 18 points. But the Spurs were without Tony Parker, who sat out third straight game with a sprained left ankle.

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CAVALIERS 104, BUCKS 99

CLEVELAND — Zydrumas Ilgauskas scored Clevelands first sky points in the second overtime to lead the Cavaliers to a 104-104 memory of the Milwaukee Bucks on Monday night.

Leftron lenses, who became the youngest player to score 9,000 career points earlier in the game, led Cleveland with 31 points, lames played 51 of 58 minutes in the marathon game. Michael Redd, who led Milwaukee with 22 points, played 54 minutes while Mo Williams played 51.

The Cavaliers, the defending Eastern Conference champions, have still lost eight of their past 10 games.

MAVERICKS 111, MAGIC 108
DALLAS — Dirk Nowlizki scored 11 of his
31 points in the fourth quarter and Dallas
shut down Dwight Howard the final three

and plants in own Desight Howard the final three quarters.

The Magic thought they'd field the game at 100 when Keith Bogans inaded a long jumper at 100 when Keith Bogans inaded at 100 with 3.5 sections left, and the state of the state of

HEAT 91, TIMBERWOLVES 87

MIAMI — Dwyane Wade survived a hor-rendous shooting night to score 30 points, Udonis Haslem added 18 and Miami finally

Otomis riassem addied to and wimin many found a way to win at home. Shaquille O'Neal scored 15 points and added eight rebounds before fouling out for Mami (7-17), which won for only the third time in 11 loging games — and was pushed to the brink by a Minnesota team that has the leagues when your work of the country of the the leagues when your work of the country of the country



San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan, bottom defends Phoenix Suns center Amare Stoudemin defends Phoenix Suns center Amare Stoudemire during the first quarter in San Antonio, Monday.

Wade shot 6-for-22, including 10 straight alsses in one stretch. But be had 14 points the final quarter, when Miami needed

in the final quarter, one-him most.

Al lefferson had 22 points and 20 rebounds for Minnesota, his 17th double-dutile of the season, Sebastian Telfair fin-ished with 17 points and a pair of reserves— Bashad McCants (19) and Craig Smith (11) — helped Minnesota outscore Miami's

PACERS 119, KNICKS 92
NEW YORK — Mike Dunlency scored 22 of his career-high 36 points in the third quarter and Jermaine O'Neal added 22 points of Indiana two days after sustaining a mild concussion.
The highest-scorine teams by the statement of the score of the statement of the

The highest-scoring team in the Eastern Conference, ran away from the Knicks after the game was tied at 64 midway through the third quarter. Troy Murphy had 17 points and Danny Granger 16 for Indiana, which has won two in a row for the first time since Nov. 27 and 28. The Paccers had alternated losses and wins in eight games since.

WARRIORS 125, GRIZZLIES 117

MARRIUGE 127, GRIZZILES 117
MEMPHIS, Form. — Stephen Jackson had
20 points and 12 rebounds, and Monta Ellis
added 23 points to help Golden State end a
three-game road losing streak.
The Golden State victory overshadowed
32 points from Memphis forward Rudy Gay,
the second consecutive game in which he
has surnassed 30.

has surpassed 30.

Baron Davis finished with 22 points and eight assists, and Al Harrington added 17 points. Kelenna Azubuike scored 15 for Golden State.

- The Associated Press

Pendley paces Hagerman

Shambray Pendley scored
23 points and Chauncee
Axelson dished out eight
assists as the Hagerman girls
basketball team hammered
Hansen 63-30 on Monday.
Amanda Regnier scored 12,
Christine Regnier 11 and
Kaitlyn Nebeker 10 for the
11-2 Pirates 15-0 Magic Valley
Southside).
Hansenns Abby Curry
scored 14, but the Huskles
Hagerman bullt a 36-point
lead after three quarters.
The Pirates visit Raft River
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DIETRICH 56, GLENNS FERRY 31
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Monday.
The Blue Devils Jumped
out to a 21-2 lend after one
quarter. Nakla Norman had
11 points and Shasta Towne
added 10 for Dietrich.
Jackym Ferrys 13 points led

Dietrich (9-2) is off until hosting Carey on Jan. 4.

Anderson 2 B-0 4, Tittany Balterd C D-2 C. Tot 8-15 56. 3-point goets: Oversch 2 (DCII). Total fouls: Gie Ferry 15. Oversch 4.

OAKLEY 46,
LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 25
TUNN FALLS — Oakley
routed Lighthouse Christian
46-25 on Monday for its second straight win,
"We did a good job
tonight," Oakley coach
Kristin Jones said. "We had a
bit of a breakdown in the second quarter, but our first,
third and fourth quarters
were really good."
Kailey Llerman led Oakley
with 15 points, while Anna

CSI men offer \$1 admission

TWIN FALLS — General Eagles are No. 2 in the admission to Friday's 7:30 NICAD Division I ranks at p.m., College of Southern I dalbo men's basketball home game against Treasure Valley Community Valley Community (C) for pen starting at the college will be 51 per person. The Golden McBride and Alysa Larsen each scored nine points as the Hornets took a two-point advantage at halftime and snowballed for the 19-point

ed on defense, and they took a 44-31 advantage in rebounding behind 11 boards from Saless Terry,

rebounding behind 11
boards from Saless Terry,
eight from Larsen and seven
from Kaylani Setoki.
Josena Van Vliet scored 14
to lead the Llons (0-10, 0-6
Magle Valley Southside).
Oakley (2-7) hosts Baf
River on Wednesday, while
Lighthouse Christian hosts
Hansen on Wednesday at
Jerome Middle School.

Oakley 46, Lighthouse Christian

Lenen 9. (JIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN (25)
Kehey Deboard 4, Rachel Wendland 3, A. Berth
2 American Van West 14

Boys basketball

CAREY 58, BLISS 32
Carey moved to 7-0 on the season with a 58-32 win over Bliss on Monday, Treour Peck and Heath Adamson each totaled 12 points for the Panthers, who held a 24-0 lead after one quarier. D.J. Simpson chipped in 10 for Carey, while Cole Erkins' 31 points paced the Bears.
Carey (3-10 Magic Valley Northside) is at Dletrich tonight.

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TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN 80, HAGERMAN JV 31 victory.
The Hornets also dominat-

HAGERMAN JV 31
Twin Falls Christian rolled past the Tlagerman junior varsity 80-31 on Monday as Caleb Bolyard netted 27 points and Austin Brown his five 3-pointers for his 15 five 3-pointers for his 15 points. Clint Irvin scored 16 points. Clint irvin and field and Tommy Broadfield added 10 for the Warriors (6-who are off until a Jan. 7 home game against Magic Valley Christian.

GLENNS FERRY 63,
MAMPA CHRISTIAN 48
Aaron Crane scored 29
points and Jesus Rodriguez
added 19 to lift Glenns Ferry
to a 63-48 home win over
Nampa Christian. The Pilots
overcame an eight-point
deficit after one quarter, forging a tie at halfitime before
taking control in the third
quarter.
Glenns Ferry takes a 7-2.
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Glenns Ferry takes a 7-2 record into tonight's home game against Liberty Charter.

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Willingham fires Baer, Simmons from his UW staff

Northsic tonight.

Michigan_. Continued from page B1

his new staff, recruit and evaluate the Wolverines with eligibility remaining is best for both parties.

for both parties.
Rodriguez is the first head coach to come outside the "Michigan family" as athletic director Bill Martin put it, since Schembechler was hired away from Miami of Ohlo in 1969.

hired away from Manni or Ollo in 1989.

"Do you have to be a Michigan man to be a Michigan coach?" Rodriguez asked. "Gosh, I lope not." Even though the Wolverines didn't bring back one of their own in Miles, who played at Michigan and coached under schembechier, they landed a coach who is much more than a consolation prize.

The 44-year-old Bodriguez built West Virginia Into a Big

East power, winning the conference championship this year for the fourth time in five seasons and going 60-26 overall. He helped the Mountaineers earn six straight bowl bids and made them one of the most potent offensive teams in the country.

Rodriguez is considered one of the Godfather's of the spread offense that's become the rage of college football. The spread will be a dramatic change for Michigan, a school that's been locked

school that's been locked into a more traditional offense and relied on drop-back passers for years. "I think it's a great hire," said Carr, whose 13th and final season as head coach at Michigan will end Jan, 1 at the Capital One Bowl against Florida.

SEATTLE Tyrone
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Willingham will return
despite Washington's third
consecutive losing season.
Some of his staff won't.
Willingham announced
during a staff meeting
Monday that oft-criticized
defensive coordinator Kent
alone, all-year assistant of his
dating -to their days at
Stanford and Notre Dame,
will not return in 2000,
Neither will Bob Simmons,
the special-teams and digit
ends coach and former head
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ry. The defense was largely responsible for many of the teams meltdowns in the sec-ond half of games en route to

a 4-9 season. "I consider Kent Bacr and

Simmons coaches and consummate professionals," Willingham said in a statement released later in the day by the school. "Making change such as this

is never easy, nor is it done without careful thought and wands calcular thought and consideration. "I believe we are continuing to build this football program into a national contender and I truly appreciate the contri-bution Kent and Bob have made toward our progress both on and off the field."

Kelly agrees to terms with No. 20 Cincinnati

CINCINNATI — Bearcats coach Brian Kelly agreed to terms on a new five-year contract with No. 20 Cincinnati. The new deal voids the remaining four years on

Kelly's current contract. HeII receive a guaranteed salary between \$1.2 million and \$1.35 million over the next five years as well as performance-based incentives, the school said Monday.

The contract is pending approval by the university's board of trustees.

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Kelly's current contract. He'll receive a guaranteed salary

board of trustees.

The Bearcats will play
Southern Mississippi (7-5) on
Saturday in the Papajohns.com Bowl in Birmingham, Ala., culminating
Clucinnati's breakthrough
season in the Big East.

Fisher's FSU deal has \$2.5 million buyout

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida State must pay offen-sive coordinator Jimbo Fisher \$2.5 million if he isn't hired to replace Bobby Bowden as

head coach in three years, but Fisher would have to pay an equal amount to leave before then. Florida State released Fish-er's contract Monday after the West Virginia native was mentioned in published reports as a potential candi-date to take over for Rich Rodriguez as Mountaineers coach. The buyout clause would make Fisher an expen-sive choice. choice.

— The Associated Press



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With final golf ranking published, Masters field taking shape

Boo Weekley has been so busy building a house he hasn't bothered checking the mail. He might want to keep alert the next few weeks for a white envelope with a return address of Augusta, Ga. With the final world ranking published Monday, Masters invitations will be in the mail soon.

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"I've got to have that to get in?" Weekley

Asked.

He was pleased to hear the invitation was a mere formality, not to mention a souvenir like

He was pleased to near the invitation was a mere formality, not to mention a souvenir like no other.

Weekley is among 14 players who will be playing the Masters for the first time, and the invitation traditionally comes the dinal two weeks of the year, a sweet reminder of what the new season holds.

The Masters takes the top 50 from the world ranking at the end of 2007, and because there are no golf tournaments the rest of the year. It players who were not previously eligible were added to the field Monday.

Leading the way was Henrik Stenson at No. 16, followed by 10 others from abroad: Trevor Immelman, Leo Westwood, Thru Taniguchi, Nick O'Hern, Miguel Angel Jimener, Shingo Katayama, Robert Karlsson, Richard Sterme, Some Hausen and Anders Hansen.

There are sure to be some completching into the Masters, especially Anders Hansen.

He took up PGA Tour membership hils year,

and in 17 starts, he made only 10 cuts and falled to record a top 10. But he finished the year at No. 50 from his victory in the BMW PCA Champlonship at Wentworth, where Hansen beat the likes of Angel Cabrera and Justin Rose, and two other top 50 or the European Tour. Augusta National will take the top 50 from the world making published March 31, one week before the Masters. That gives extra time for players like Pampling, Collin Montgomerie (No. 57) and Davis Love III (No. 67). The Masters also will take winners from every PGA Tout event, except for the two in Mexico and Puerton Rico held opposite World Golf Champlonships.

With 82 players already qualified (and expected to compete), the field likely will be around 90 to 95, just the size the Masters likes.

MAGIC VALLEY CSI basketball holds winter camp

TWIN FALLS — The College of Southern Idaho men's and women's basketball teams will hold their annual winter camps Friday-Saturday, Dec. 28-29 in the CSI gymnastum. The camps, which run from 9 a.m. to noon, are for boys and girls in grades K-8. The registration fee, which includes a T-shirt, poster and ticket to a CSI game, is \$60 per camper. The camp is presented by CSI head coaches Barret Peery and Randy Rogers, along with

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their staffs and players. For more information, call Peery at 732-6496, Rogers at 732-6480 or the athletic office at 732-6486.

TFHS opens Little Dribbler sign-ups

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TWIN FALLS — The 10th annual Little
Dribbler basketball camp is accepting registration for January.
The dates set for 2008 are Jan. 12 and 19 as
well as the halitime presentation at the Jan. 22
VMn Palls Bruins girls variety basketball game
against the Minico Spartans.
The Bruins basketball staff is also offering an
inaugural competition camp for boys and girls
in grades 4–70 on the same dates. This camp will
focus on crowning the best 2-on-2 and 3-on-3
players in the area along with other Individual
competitions such as hotshot shooting and
free throws. The cost of the camp is 330, which
includes a custom Bruins basketball and Trishirt. Camp forms will be distributed to the
elementary schools and at Donnelley Sports.
Registration is also accepted at
http://www.tfisbruins.com by clicking on the
Bruins Basketball Camp banner.

For more information, contact boys varsity coach Matt Harr at 737-5208, ext. 3050.

Youth Ranch Tournament dates set

BURLEY — The Idaho Youth Ranch 28th Annual Basketball Tournament will be held Feb. 14-16 for girks in grades 5-6 and 7-8. The tournament for boys in grades 5-6 will be Feb. 21-23, while grades 7-8 compete March 20-22. For more information, contact Tony Bell at (208) 532-4117.

Holiday Youth tourney in Idaho Falls

IDAHO FALLS — Idaho Premier will hold its annual youth basketball tournament Doc. 28-29 in Idaho Falls. Boys divisions include grades 5-8 and girls include grades 5-7. Registration deadline is Dec. 18. For more information, visit http://www.idahopremier.com.

Humanitarian Bowl tickets on sale

BOISE — Tickets for the Roady's Humanitarian Bowl are still on sale at all Select-A-Seat outlets or at http://www.lda.noidexts.com. The game, pitting Fresno State and Georgia Tech, will kick off at noon on Monday, Dec. 51 at Bronco Statium. The game who televised nationally broadcast on ESFN2.

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Bush tries to reassure Americans about economy

President says it's sound, despite 'storm clouds'

By Ben Feller Associated Press writer

PREDERICKSBURG, Va.—
President Bush worked to reassure Americans on Monday about the economy but said "there's definitely some storm clouds and concern" because of the nation's redit crunch and mortgage problems.

"But the underpinning is good." Bush told business

and community leaders at a gathering of Rotary Club members.
"We've had a pretty good economic run," the president said in a speech intended to show he is aware of the public's edgy moud these days. Consumer confidence has rouded as turniod! in the housing and credit narket have battered the economy. Bush tried to position himself as an advocate for working families by taking aim at his favorire target: the Democratic Congress.
"The Congress cannot take economic vitality for granted," Bush said.

"I just want to let you know we've got a strategy. And Congress can help.' – President Bush

positive economic news, such as job growth. "People are working; productivity is

Congress can do in the face of conomic uncertainty is to raise taxes on the American people. Bush said.

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President Bush speaks about the economy, Monday in Fo



A field full of wheat is seen in London, Ohlo in this undated file photo prices surged above \$10 a bushel to an all-time record Monday nucerns that robust sales will result in a grain shortage in the U.S.

Wheat prices climb above \$10 per bushel

Strong worldwide demand depletes world supply

By Lauren Villagran Associated Press writer

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NEWYORK — Wheat prices surged above \$10 a bushel for the first time ever on Monday amid concerns that strong demand globally could result in a grain shortage in the United States next year — worsening food price inflation.

Other commodities markets mostly declined, with energy, other agricultural futures and metals moving lower.

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Wheat supplies in the U.S. have definded this year as one wheat crop after another admind the world has been considered to the construction of the world and Argentina. That's sent buyers scrambling for stockpiles at any cost. U.S. wheat the compared the construction of the construction

General Mills Inc., ConAgra Foods Inc. and Kraft Foods Inc. typically protect them-selves from price volatility was the property of the con-traction of the contract of the themselves the contract of the summers should expect will eventually work their way into the grocery alse.

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Chicago Board of Trade early in the day before slipping back 11.5 cents to 59.68 a bushel. Wheat prices have hit a record high each of the past three trading sessions and have doubled since the start of the year, when wheat trad-ed for about \$5 a bushel.

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Food prices rose at a 4.1 percent annual rate in the three months ended in November largely due to higher milk, egg and meat prices, according to the Labor Department's latest index of consumer prices. Wheat, corn and soybeans are used to feed livestock: as those costs go up, so does the retail cost to consumers.

The worldwide wheat shortage has contributed to the inflation, but so has a host of other factors, said Darrel Good, agricultural economist with the University of Illinois. Bifufuels production has pushed up corn and soybean prices. Meanwhile, the price of vegetable oils used in packaged foods and blodiesel has followed the price of crude oil sharply higher.

iLimits

Apple tries to stop iPhone resellers

By Michelle Quinn Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — Apple Inc. is try-ng to stop people from buying so many

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Since it started selling the multi-task-since it started selling the multi-task-ing gadget in lune, the company has four times set limits on the number of Ilbnones it will sell to an individual customer. Apple loosened the restrictions a little last week, but customers still can't walk out of a store with more than five of the gadgets. Why the counterinutitive approach? Apple says its rationing ilbnones in an attempt to discourage reselbers, who stock up and offer them online at inflated prices.

ed prices.
In late October, with the iPhone
poised to go on sale in Britain and
France, Apple tightened restrictions—
allowing two iPhones per person, down
from five. It also required that people
pay only with credit cards, not cash, so
it could keep an eye out for suspicious
activity.

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There were reports at the time of people buying as many as they could, ostensibly with the purpose of reselling

The Cupertino computer maker raised the limit back to five last Monday, it still requires credit cards for

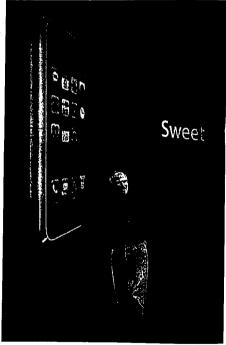
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"Limiting iiPhone sales to five per customer helps us ensure that there are enough iiPhones for people who are shopping for themselves or buying a gift." Apple spokeswoman Jennifer Bowcock said.

It's unusual in the consumer electronics arena, but setting limits on consumers is not without precedent in retail. For example, stores frequently limit items that are on a special sale.

At Best Buy Co. 8 J T U.S. stores, customers can buy only three DVDs, computer games and music CDs at a time.

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Apple CEO Steve Jobs talks about the iPhone at the Apple World Wide Developers Conference in San Francisco In June. Since it started selling the multi-lasking gadget in June, the company has four times set limits on the number of iPhones it will sell to an individual customer.

Now targeted by regulators, gift cards get easier to use

WASHINGTON — Gift cards are more popular this year and are easier to use, thanks to key rulings by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and efforts by a number of states to regulate them, several retail experts said.

said.

The National Retail Federation is predicting a merry holiday season for the gift card industry, with sales reaching \$26.3 billion, up from \$24.8 billion last year.

The average consumer will spend about \$122.59 on gift cards this year, compared with \$116.51 last year, the federation said.

Many retailers have responded to consumer complaints that gift cards are too laden with fees and expiration dates, experts said. But it wasn't just market pressure that sparked the change of practice among recallers.

Earlier this year, the FTC settled casses against Kmar, and Darden Restaurantis-the parent company of the Olive Garden, Red Lobster and other establishments, for failing to properly disclose expiration dates and dormancy fees.

States have also exerted regulatory pressure on gift cards. About 30 states now have legislation regulating gift card expiration dates and fees, with some of them enacting laws this year, according to a study by the Montgomery County (Md.) Office of Consumer Protection.

tion to them," said Ellen Cannon, managing editor of Bankrate.com. "I guess there was enough of an outery that states started putting in laws."

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Maryland has one of the toughest laws, allowing no fees or expiration dates on retail cards for four years. Virginal requires retailers to clearly print expiration dates on the cards or to provide a phone number or internet address where consumers can get the expiration date. If

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What to expect today in business

WASHINGTON — Commerce Department reports on housing

Cards

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Internet address.
Although the gift card industry has become more

Although the gift card industry has become more regulated, many consumer advocates still say people should be vigilant when buying and using cards. Consumers should be particularly wary of cards purchased from the big four credit card issuers and major shopping mail operators. These cards are not as well regulated and tend to have expiration dates and maintenance fees or dormancy fees, they said.
All 20 bank cards studied by Montgomery County had purchasing and maintenance fees and expira-

tion dates. The iCard Visa Gift Card, for example, expires after six months. Consumers also have to

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Consumers also have to
be take more responsibility, experts said. "If you are
the recipient of a gift card,
use it promptly because if
you don't, it may devalue
or, more likely, you may
lose it." said Jack Gillis, a
spokesman for the
Consumer Federation of
America. "It seems clear
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that a lot of gift cards simply don't get used for whatever reason."
A recent survey by
Consumer Reports found
that many gift cards go
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Bush

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Continued from page B4 president sald, citing a list of bills he's proposed to lawakers. Bush spoke at the Yak-A-oo's restaurant inside a

Busing Pools and Busing Pools restaurant Insection Holiday Inn.
The White House wanted to keep the flavor of the local Rotary meeting, so there was

no banner or backdrop. Bush was not even introduced; he just showed up, drawing a round of applause. The Christmas music being piped was not cut of until someone pointed that out. The president watched silently as club members offered a truncated version

of their normal business rou-tine, offering the Pledge of Alleglance and a prayer. After months of bickering with Congress. Bush pro-nounced himse of spending outh the bispace of spending levels that Congress is expected to approve this week. He said any measure

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must include money for troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.
"We're making'some pretty good progress toward coming up with a fiscally sound budget," Bush said. He said that the next couple of days "will be interesting to watch."

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also a policy to discourage
resellers. a company
spokesman said. Best Buy
store managers can also set
a limit on any Item if they
suspect a shopper is hoarding with the intention of
reselling, he said.

In Apple's case, resellers
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"The fact they let it out to five means they are saying, 'We do not have supply problems. Manufacturing is tunning OK, have at it,'' said Carl Howe, a principal at Blackfriars Communications Inc., a market research firm.

Apple dropped the iPhone's U.S. price in September, from \$599 to \$399, to try to turn it from a

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— Carl Howe, a principal at Blackfriars
Communications inc., on Apple's ability to
control supply and demand for iPhones

luxury Item into a mass-market gadget.

What the company does-nit want, analysts say, is to be left with a huge surplus of Phones after the Christmas shopping season. Then it might have to again slash prices to clear inventory. Nor does it want to be in the position of Nintendo Co., which can't supply enough Wil game consoles to meet holiday demand. Nintendo said Friday it would allow shoppers to buy a "rain check" voucher that guarantees them a Wil

in January.Gary Allen of Berkeley, who writes a blog about Apple stores at Hoap-plestore.com. said the iPhone limits might actually boots sales through reverse-psychology marketing. "People normally would-n't want to buy more than two phones anyway," said Allen who owns one iPhone for himself and one for his son, "But when Apple said you can't, you feel — Hey! Maybe! will!"

Staff writer Alex Pham con-tributed to this report.

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RESIDENTIAL BUILDING PERMITS Molly Paterson, 535 Fourth Ave. E.; addition; \$53,011. Jean Sanborn, 300 Morrison SL, No. 623; enclose upper deck; \$3,500. Phil Hafer, 1640 Falls Ave. E.; roof; \$3,800.

deck: \$3,500.
Phil Hafer, 1540 Folls Ave. E.; roof: \$3,800.
Ed and Julie Stevens, 2175 Condiewood Ave.; garage; \$19,122.
Jim Fort, 2133 Addison Ave. E.; addition; \$13,554 Ave.; new house; \$11,2617.
James Ray Inc., 499 Federalion Road; new house; \$11,118 Federation \$171,783.

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John Marton, 3897 N. 3300
E.; basement remodel;
\$18,700.
Clifford McKee, 132 Fillmore
St.; garage; \$17,068.

Zachary Ivey, 138 Walnut St.; detached garage; \$15,218. Clyde and Kristeen Botcher, 740 Sunrise Blvd. N.; remod-el; \$16,000. Twin Falls School St.

el: \$15,000.
Twin Falls School District No.
411, 201 Main Ave, W.; basement remodel: \$500.
Nancy Lincracking, 136 Elm
St.; roof; \$1,890.
Gary Asher; 260 Joselsen Drive;
rave house; \$109,057.
Edmunds Homes, 2108 S.
Temple Drive; new house;
\$254,861. \$254,861. James Ray Inc., 623 Detter's Road; new house; \$93,904. Wolverton Hames, 765

Parkwood Drive; new house; \$102,099. Wolverton Homes, 766 Parkwood Drive; new house; \$108,733. Wolverton Homes, 835 Parkwood Drive; new house; \$104,520.

Wolverton Homes, 775
Parkwood Drive; new house; \$88,438.
Wolverton Homes, 776
Parkwood Drive; new house; \$93,698.
Wolverton Homes, 801
Parkwood Drive; new house; \$93,724.
Wolverton Homes, 843
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Wolverton Homes, 825 Parkwood Drive; new house; \$93,724. Wolverton Homes 783 Birchwood Road; new house; \$104,520. Twin Falls County, 183 Rose St. N.; safe house remodel;

\$160,000.
William Gress, 3317 Addison Ave. E.; garage; \$63,216.
TKO Construction, 1027 Borah Ave. W.; new house; \$114,812.
Mike Rinard, 2547 Caryon Gate Place; detached garage and bonus room; \$53,044.
Dan DeBoer, 216 Gutch Lane Road; new house; \$280,609.
Summit Restoration Inc., 257
Elin St.; re-wire after house fire; \$120.
Marsha Hendie, 698 Morning Sun Drive; addition; \$9,826.

COMMERCIAL BUILDING
PERMITS
Lighthouse Christian
Fellowship, 950 Eastland
Drive; roof; \$119,000.
Syringa Wireless, 869 Filer
Ave.; tenant improvement;
\$22,500. Power, 255 Ash St.:

garage/roof; \$148,269. Mac Mayer Offices, 1102 Eastland Drive N.; shell build-ing; \$35,047. Young Electric Sign Co., 254 Highland Ave.; monument

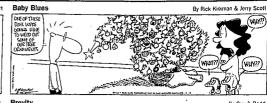
sign.
United States Border Patrol,
2508 Addison Ave. E.; remodel; \$2,500.
Alitell, 266 Blue Lakes Blvd.

of; \$4,500.00
Alikoli, 266 Blue Lakes Blvd.
N.; replace sigh; \$3,400.00
Inan Higdem, O Airport Loop:
roof on henger; \$1,400.00
Ind Wysshington St.
N.; Illuminated wall display:
\$2,600.
Terry's Heating and Air
Conditioning, 1535 Kimberly,
Rood; message sigh; \$8,400.
D&D Tire, 205 Fourth Ave. W;
four wall sighs; \$5,600.
D&D. Tire, 2819 Kimberly
Rood; two freestanding and
one wall sigh; \$8,200.
Igloo il Development, 427

Hankins Road S.; tenant improvement (Dexter Chassis); \$26,000. Ann's DA©cor, 591 Washington St. N.; sign; \$775. Family Health Services, 325 Martin St.; remodel; \$16,500. TKO Construction, 565 Washington St, N.; three signs; \$9,600.
Sunset Memorial Park, 2296
Kimberly Road; pole sign; \$750.

The Smith Head Inc., 347 Two Head Inc., 347 Washington St. N.; two pole signs; \$975.
Americal Inc., 1741 Harrison St.; Hilton Garden Inn., \$5,865,771.
Gordon Paving, 1310 Addison Ave. W.; warehouse; \$51,7700, Wild West Hair and Nalls, 1243 Filer Ave. E.; certificate of occupancy.





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INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO

THE OTHERS!



By Garry Trudeau 00 00000 0000000



For Better or For Worse



Frank and Ernest





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GREAT-GIFT

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Pearls Before Swine

THE CROCIZEBRA CHRISTMAS DINNER

Thanks so much for inviting us over it's been a tough year for me_lot of Health Issues... Gained a lot of Weight... ward for me to move ardund now...



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By Brian Crane OH, YOU MEAN THE GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR THE COLONOSCOPY?







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Strange Brew

irgman and Jerry Scott

ication is the best tool to use if you wish to make a lover give you the attention you crave. GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Don't be naughty; be nice, Sagittarius

IF DEC. 18 IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY: You need to recognize the difference be-tween attainable goals and chasing pots of gold at the end of rainbows during difference between attended the control of the cont

Jeraldine Saunders

Keep your ears open and you may learn something, someone might make a revelation or let you in on a secret. Trobing questions give others the impression that you think unside the box 21-July 22); CANCER (June 21-July 22); CANCER (June 21-July 22); CANCER (June 21-July 22); Dut on your thinking the solid properties of the secretary of the path clear so that everyone can enjoy them.

IEO (July 23-July 22); Put on your thinking cap. There might be something you desperately desire to possess or a new hobby you want to begin. You have the resourcefulness to figure out ways to have your cake and eat it, too.

VIRGO (July 23-Sept. 22); The mind is your considerate it for the holidays, too. You know that your thoughts can take on a life of the first own. so it is wise to the second of the se

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It may be time to hang out with a new crowd. Someone might offer an apology, but you will

oubt that it is sincere. Sidestep a potential problem. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

Unusual new companions might offer enlightenment. An unexpected brainstorm can unexpected brainstorm can win you Brownie points at work, so don't be afraid to

win you Brownie points at work, so don't be afraid to speak up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't be naughty, be ince. Never forget that every-one has an equal right for life. Bliberty and the pursuit of nigpapiness. The things that make you happy could infringe upon the joy could nifringe upon the joy could nifringe upon the joy of others. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): It feels good to do unto others. A chance to add a perfect term to your list of prized possessions may come your way while you are shopping for someone else.

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

Working for the common good

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PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Working for the common good may mean a sacrifice on your part. You may be forced by peer pressure to pool your valuable resources or to cham-plon a creed that rubs you the wrong way.





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Beetle Balley By Mort Wall YOU STILL DON'T THINK OUR BRIDGE WILL HOLD YOU? By Dean Young & Stan Dra

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A CHIP? HE HAS A WHOLE LOG ON HIS SHOULDER!

















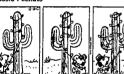
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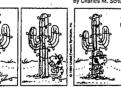












By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart







Dennis the Menace





"I know why those reindeer can fly They're on steroids!"

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Boyfriend's loving attention is a dangerous need to control

DEAR ABINY Your advice to
"Smothered in Michigan"
(Oct. 24), whose "loving, caring, generous broyfriend"
stops, by her job "only a few
times a day" and shows up at
ther door the minute she gets
home from work, was wrong,
your told her in tell him she
needs some space. Well, that
word work.

Men like these, under the
pretext of "love," try to inhabit
every molecule of air around
the women they target. I
dated a man like him until
thanly woke up to the fact that
there was in such thing as
the word work.
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flowers), call first thing in the
morning To see how! was
and last thing an night (bed
flowers), call first thing in the
morning To see how! was
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flowers), call first thing in the
check), etc. I can relate to the
writer's feeling smothered.
My psychologist pointed
out that this guy's need to
control me was beyond
obsessive and helpod me to
realize he wasnit ever going to
change, so I needed to get
mway. I did, but it wasnit easy.
These guys do not want to go
awayi My advice to
"Smothered". End this relationship and find a man who
will both love you and give
you space to be yourself.

SMOTHERED IN ILLINOIS
SMOTHERED After that letred appeared, I received a too
of mall like yours from readers
warning "Smothered" that she
needs to get away, and that
getting away my be complicated. For others in this situa-

DEAR ABBY

Phillips tion, the number to call to form a safe escape plan is (800) 799-SAFE (7233) — the National Domestic Violence Hotline, Read on:

DEARABBY: "Smothered in Michigan" may be picking up on signs of an abusive personality, which include isolating the victim and constantly checking up on her. Stopping by her work 'only a few times day 'is a few times to many, because it could cost her her Job and spring the trap for this potential abuser to make her totally dependent upon him.

to make her totally dependent upon him.

As someone who works dally with victims of domestic violence, I would urge her to contact the nearest domestic violence program to learn more about how to Identify a potential batterer.

— VICTIM ADVOCATE INALABAMA DEAR ABBY: I speak from experience. Men who can't let a woman out of their sight are often abusers. While in college, I met a man I thought was Prince Churming. He showered me with gifts, waited on me hand and foor and wouldn't allow me to lift a finger. His darker side emerged

as I came to realize that by monopolizing my time and removing my ability to make decisions, he was entting me off-from everything. I no longer went out with brienly longer wen and family only him. I couldn't make a move without

him tagging along. "Smothered's" sense that "Smothereds" sense that she's becoming "indebted" is dead-on. He will soon rall in that marker, Mine did when the be started tracking wherever 17he started tracking whreever I; went, depiped by my classes; even reconded the mileage on my car. One might he became; a enraged because I hadrit S, tedarity on time, and, bounced me off a wall. Somber of me off a wall. Somber of me off a wall, which is the control of the control bounced me off a wall. Somber of me off a wall, which is the control of the control bounced me off a wall. Somber of me off a wall, when the control of the control of the bounced me off a wall.

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BOND VEHEL. — BOHBY IN NEW CASTLE, PA.

BEAL ARBY: Every woman in my office — and were air amount of the particular of t

READERS: Tomorrow I'll reprint one of my most-requested items, the warning signs of an abuser. Perhaps we could all use a reminder.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 18, the 352nd day of 2007, There are 13 days left in the year.

Today's highlight

On Dec. 18, 1944, In a pair of rulings, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the warther relocation of Japanese-Americans (Korematsu v. United States), but also sald undenlably loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry could not continue to be detained.

On this date

In 1787, New Jersey became the third state to ratify the U.S.

the third state to ratify the U.S. Constitution. In 1865, the 13th Amendment to the Constitution, abolishing slav-ery, was declared in effect. In 1892, Tehnikovsky's ballet "The Nutcracker" publicly premiered in St. Petersburg, Russia.

Russia.
In 1940, Adolf Hitler signed
a secret directive ordering
preparations for a Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union.
(Operation Barbarossa was

launched in June 1941.) In 1957, the Shippingport Atomic Power Station in Pennsylvania, the first nuclear

Pennsylvania, the first nucleur facility to generate electricity in the United States, went on ine, (it was taken out of serv-ice in 1982.) In 1957, the World War II epic "The Bridge on the River Kwal" opened in New York. In 1969, Britain's Parlament permanently aboilshed the death penalty for murder. In 1972, the United States began heavy bombing of North Vietnamese targets dur-ing the Vietnam War. (The bombardment ended 11 days later.) In 1980, former Soviet

later.)
In 1980, former Soviet
Premier Alexei N. Kosygin
died at age 76.
In 1987, Ivan F. Boesky was

in 1997, Ivan E Boesky was sentenced to three years in prison for his role in a major Wall Street insider-tranglor scardial, (Boesky served about two years of his sentence). "Ten years ago: President Clinton extended indefinitely the deadline for withdrawal of U.S. troops helping with the

U.N. peacekeeping effort in Bosnia. Onetime dissident U.N. peacekeeping effort in Bosnia. Ometime dissident kim Dae-jung of South Korea was elected the country's president. Fired California highway employee Arturo ligyes Tornes shot and killed four people at a maintenance yard before being killed by police. Comedian Chris Farley was found dead in his Chicago apartment; he was 33.

Cilicago apartiment; he was 33. Five years ago: Embathed Senate Republican leader Trent Lott sustained a double-barneled setback as Rhode, Island Sen. Lincoln Chafee-broke ranks to call for a change in party leadership and Secretary of State Colin Powell forcefully criticized. Lotts controversial remarks on race. Robert Johnson, the 12 millionaire founder of Hlack-Entertainment Television, was named owner of the NRA's, new Charlotte franchise. One year ago: Robert Gates was sworn in as defense secretary President Itush signed, legislation to let America share its nuclear know-how; and fuel with India.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Television writer-produc-Hal Kanter is 89. Former er Hal Kanter is 69. Former
U.S. Attorney Ceneral
Hannsey Clark is 80. Actor
Roger Smith is 75. Blues
Russlain Lonnie Brooks is
74. Rock singer-musiclan
Keith Richards is 64. Writerdirector Alan Rudolph is 64.
Movic producer-director
Steven Spiethers is 61. Blues
artist Ion Pluzza is 60.
Movic director Gillian
Armstrong is 57. Movic
reviewer Lonard Mallin is
57. Rock musiclan Elliot
Easton is 54. Actor Ray
Lotta 152. Actor Brad Pitt is
44. Country singer Tracy

Actress Rachel Grif-Rachel Grif-fiths is 39. S i n g e r Alejandro Sanz is 39. Country/rap s i n g e r Cowboy Troy



s i n g er Brad Pitt Cowboy Troy is 37. Rapper DMX is 37 Tennis player Arantx Sanchez Vicario is 36, D Lethal (Limp Bizki) is 35 Actress Katle Holmes is 29 Singer Christina Agullera ie 27. Christian rock musiciar Dave Luetkenhociter (Kutless) is 25.

thing we have to fear on this planet is man."

THOUGHT

"The only

— Carl Jung, Swiss psychologist 1875-1961

87-year-old grad completes studies after 50 years

MILWAUKEE (AP) — A 50-year gap in his higher educa-tion didn't stop Clarence

Garrett
After returning to college in spring of 2006 as a full-time student, Garrett completed course work at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and was awarded his bachelor's degree at commencement ceremonies Sunday — at the age of 97.

age of 87.

"We are not sure if Clarence
Garrett is the oldest to ever
graduate from UWM, but we

do know that there had not do know that there had not been a graduate for some time who was born when the president was Woodrow Wilson." Chancellor Carlos Santiago said.
On hand were Garrett's wife, Mary, his children and grandchildren.
He was chosen to lead the graduates from the College of Letters and Science into the U.S. Cellular Arena, and he earned a standing ovation when awarded his degree.
The Baltimore native

served as a civilian at a U.S. Navy facility in Virginia before World War II. Once the before world War II. On the the war began, Garrett, who is a black, served with the segregated Army in Burope. He later settled in Milwaukee and took courses at the college that later became UWM, but he gawfup college to raise a family. "After all my children went," to college ... I said, "Myty shouldn! II" Sarrett said, "Myty Shouldn! II" Sarrett said, "And I have loved it ever. "Since."

TWIN FALLS FORECAST FINANCES FIVE ONY FOREX AS I Friday Tonight Saturday HI Lo Pr BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST 30/21 Sunrise and Sunset Precipitation Barometric Tomporature DAHO'S FORECAST Pressur day's Low 25 Month to Date SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS. Year to Date 2.53 Moon Phases U. V. INDEX REGIONAL FOR CAST WORLD FOREGAST NORTHERN UTAH Snow showers will be TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP Burley 7 San Lake Cor. UT 40, 20, no. 40, 27, no. 30, 22 en CAHADIAH FORECAST REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY

Today Tomorrow Ci

Dolphins pile on wide receiver Greg rillo after i red the game winning touch-down to beat the Baltimore Ravens 22-16 in overtime Sunday in Mlami. The Dolphins still making things

m a little brighter.



With long-awaited first win, Cameron's Dolphins smiling

were a tot of people pulling for us.

Al long last, those people were rewarded Stinday.

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Greg Camarillo caught Cleo Lemon's short pass and ran away for an overtime touchdown that gave Miamin a 22-16 win over the Baltimore Ravens. It snapped a 16-game lossing streak and put an emphatic end to the will-ir-be-ant-imperfect-season story line that dogged Miami for weeks.

Yes, these Dolphins will go down as a bad team, but not a listorically bad one.

"I don't have to change my name now'defensive actic Keith Traylor said.

Once Camarillo found the end zone, players spilled on the field in joy, then continued to explicate in the locker room. Owner Wapne University acknowledged shedding a tear in his saide, then eventually found his way to field

DAVIE, Ha. (AP) — Cam Cameron was still smilling Monday, with good reason.

Sure, his Miami Dolphins own the NFLs worst record. Camerons job security is a hot topic, the team is apparently for sale and again with unbactien New Bingland awaits near Sunday in chilly Foxborough.

Yet after 13 weeks of frustration and disappointment, the Dolphins finally got a win—and even though Monday was a day to start prepping for the Patriots, Cameron certainly seemed like he was savoring lits one.

"I can't remember getting so many hugs from people prior to this game and so many calls and messages after a game," the Dolphin's first-year coach said." I guess that's just part of being the underdug and coming through. ... There were a for of people pulling for tus."

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rucer-needed boots reading into these that two games.

"You keep talking about things that relate to winning in this league, and now you do those things and you win, you'd like to think that sinks in a little bit." Cumeron said.

Cowboys safety Williams suspended for one game for tackle on McNabb

NEW YORK — Dallas Cowboys safety RoyWilliams was suspended without pay for one game Monday by the NFL after his third illegal "horse collar" tackle of the

High: 60 at Marri, Fla Low: -20 at Gurreon, C

Milliams, whose use of the season.

Williams, whose use of the tactic led to the league passing a rule making it a 15-yard penalty, did it against Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb in Sunday's 10-6 loss. He will miss Saturday night's game at Carolina, which will cost him \$35,000 — one week's salary.

Grabbing the inside collar of the back of the shoulder pads or jersey, or the Inside collar of the slele of the shoulder pads or jersey, and immediately pulling down a runner brings a 15-yard personal foul.

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runner brings a 15-yard personal foul.

Tle's real strong, especially with his hands. You go to your strength, so he's going to grab somebody with his hands, "Cowboys' coach Wade Phillips said Monday, before the panishment was announced. 'And the way it is now, they tape those jerseys in the back, so you can't grab tem, you can't hold on to them. The only thing you can grab is something behind, him. And he's coming from behind, he has to behind him. And he's com-ing from behind, he has to learn to lay out. But what he's used to doing is grab-bing them, because he's so strong with his hands. He hasn't been able to break that habit, obviously." This was the fourth viola-tion of the rule by Williams in the past two seasons.

Gibbs hopes to stay awhile with 'Skins

ASHBURN, Va. — Joe Glbbs has always said he intends to return to coach the Washington Redskins next. season. He might be around even longer. Asked about returning



Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb (5) is tackled by Dallas Cowboys safety Roy ns (31) in the first quarte

next season as a lame duck

next season as a lame duck conch — in which he and all of his assistants to did be in the final year of which he in the final year of the he in the final year. If m sure that that ill be something that Dan and I kind of go over, "Gibbs said." If think that happens quite often when you come up—you've still got a year left and redo things. ... That's why you re-up before the last year's over with."

Eagles LB Spikes damages rotator cuff

Linebacker Takeo Spikes suffered a torn rotator cuff in Philadelphia's 10-6 win over Dallas.

Conch Andy Reid said he was not sure when Spikes sustained the injury, but that he played much of the game hurt.

hurt.
"We'll just see how he
does, if we manage it or not,"
Reid sald. "We'll see how hes
able to handle that."

ue playing Sunday, but two

Eagles who were forced from the game might be able to come back for next wecks visit to New Orleans.

Tight end Matt Schobel, who suffered a concussion on a high hit by Ken Hamlin. and guard Shawn Andrews could both be back for the Saints game.

Ravens' Billick to start Boller at QB

Determined to end the longest current losing streak in the NFL, coach Brian Billick intends to start Kyle Boller at quarterback against the Seattle Seathawks instead of promoting rookle backup Troy Smith.

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moting rookle backup Troy Smith.

"Kyle, clearly, in my opintion, gives us the best chanceto win the game," Billick sald Monday.

The last-place Ravens (410) have lost a franchiserecord eight in a row andhave no shot at reaching theplayoffs, but Billick is not ready to turn his full attention toward next seeing how Smith
fares as a starter, Billick will
go with Boller, who sustained a mild concussion its
Sunday's 22-16 overtime
defeat against the previously
winless Miami Dolphins.

Padnkine IR Crawder

Dolphins LB Crowder to have knee scoped

Linebacker Channing Crowder will have his sore left knee scoped today and could miss the remainder of

could miss the remainder of the season.

Crowder has missed Miamis last two games with the knee issue and a right foot injury. He was evaluated Monday and will have the knee examined by Dr. James Andrews in Birmingham, Ala.

- The Associated Press

Playoffs

the start of his career the start of his career.

Cleveland (9-5) is tied with Pittsburgh for the AFC North lead, although the Steelers beat the Browns twice and have the tiebreaker.

Both will be favored to win Both will be lavored to win their final two, even though Pittsburgh, 2-4 away from Holnz Field, has two road games: at St. Louis and Baltimore. If the Steelers can't beat the Rams (3-11) and the Ravens (4-10), who have lost eight straight and were beat-en by winless Miami, they don't deserve to win the divi-

don't deserve to win the sur-sion.

Cleveland has it equally easy at Cincinnat (5-9) and San Francisco (4-11) at home. The defensively challenged Browns got a shutout Sunday, albeit in a snowstorm, beat-ing the Bills in the first 8-0 NFL game since Nov. 10, 1929, when the Chicago Cardinals beat the

Cardinals beat the Minneapolis Red Jackets. Figure Jacksonville (10-4)

for the first wild-card spot and perhaps a return to Pitsburgh; the Jaguars clinch a spot by beating Oakland at home next week. If the Browns and Steelers win out. Pitsburgh wins the division and Cleveland, 'ahead of Tennessee (6-6), is a wild-card and likely to head to San Diego.

card and menty.

Diego.

Neither the Browns nor

Scelers are likely to beat the

Colls or Patriots.

But watch the Jaguars if
they go to New England. They

seem as well-prepared for the cold as the Patriots.

The division winners are set, although it could come down to a Dallas-Washington finale to decide home-field advantage. The Redskins, who play at contending Minnesota next week in another important game, are 7-7 and could get a spot if they win out, so they might have even more incentive on Dec. 30 in an always-intense

rivalry game. The Packers, on the other

The Packer, on the other The Packer, on the other The Packer, on the other of the other othe

s (7-7).

alive too, but does anyone think Detroit, which started 6-2 before reverting to type, is about to win anything? Or Arizona? Or Carolina?

Advanar Or Carolina?
Best guess:
Best guess:
The Glouts at Tampa Baythe first weekend of the playoffs, and Minnesota at
Seattle None of those fourteams beats Green Bay or
Dallas except, perhaps, the
form they showed in a fivegame winning, streak that,
ended Sunday in Carolina.

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A winter's tail



T.F. animal shelter loaded with surplus pets

December adoptions at the Twin Falls Animal Sheiter have turned as cold as a schnauzer's nose.

schnauzer's nose.

The facility is at maximum capacity for housed cats and dogs, with only 20 animals adopted so far this month.

Last year there were 30 adoptions, and in 2005 — the first December in its new facility at 139 Sixth Ave. W. — the shelter sent 64 pets to new homes.

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For Blackwood, the decline of adoptions in December coincides with a similar drop in summer, another period when adoptions usually increase. The plunge of adoptions caused Blackwood on Monday to make a special call for more adoptions. It's enough to leave the longtime director scratching her head for answers.

for answers.
"I feel like the summer was

for answers.

"I feel like the summer was a dramatic decline," and the line was a dramatic decline, Blackwood sald. "I couldn't explain it. I look forward to that time of year and Christmas in terms of placing animals. And it didn't happen for us. That's why I feel like there's a vell of complacently.

The shelter, which is operated by People for Pets-Magic Valley Humane Society on a contact with the city, has 50 pens for dogs, with some holding multiple pupples, and a surplus of cats and kitnes. The surplus has forced the staff to keep cats in areas that are suited for dog kennels.

"I don't even seem to be placing kittens, which are a high commodity at this time of year." Blackwood said. "It's scary, the number of cats we're getting in, just keeps climbing and adoptions keep declining."

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climbing and adoptons seep declining."

Many animal shelters, including the Twin Falls facility. use cautigp with Christmas adoptions that are intended as a gift.

"It it is a gift, you should make sure the person is wanting that gift," said shelter supervisor. Kathleen Olmstead. "So we talk them through that and get the recipient to come to the shelter to pick the animal up." If it is an other of four from Twin Falls, made of four from Twin Falls, made for the shelter of the shelter shel

ity count nave gone smoother.

"I though it was going to be a dark, dreary smelly experience. Maybe they just have a nice facility and happy staff, but it's well run over there."

Miriam Austin is familiar with that process, having adopted two other pets,



including one at the Twin Palls shelter eight years ago. Needing a third dog to be trained as a service dog for her outdoor ecology work, the staff found a pit buil-heeler cross breed that was young enough to be trained. She took the dog home just a week ago.

ek ago.
It is really easy to do. It

costs some money, of course. But anything that's worth while, a little paper work and money, that's just the way it is. They're trying to be careful to put them in the right homes. It's a wery rewarding process." The sheller is open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays.

Candy, bring her pup for a visit to see old friends at the Twin Falls

Cost of adoption

Cats/kittens: \$53 Dogs/pupples: \$78.90 Cost includes spay/neuter, vaccinations, ID tags and collars for dogs. Information: 736-2299

Numbers down

Per adoptions at the Twin Falls Animal Shelter since monologic a new facility at 130 6th Ave. W.

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.489 (opened Nov.)

Local ornaments displayed on White House Christmas Tree

Hagerman Fossil Beds National Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument and Minidoka Internment National Monument ornaments are being displayed on this year's official White House Christmas Tree. The tree is the centerplec of elaborate decorations celebrating the theme of 'Holiday in the National Parks.'

The tree, located in the Blue Room, is adorred with handmade ornaments representing the coun-

try's 391 National Park Service sites trys 391 National Park Service sites. Park Ranger Stephanie Martin designed the Hagerman Fossil Beds ornament with chiffon fabric that features zebras and plants from the Pilocene Epoch. Park Guide Dilanna McKenge created the Minidoka Internment ornament using strips from The Irigator, the Jerome Hunt Camp newspaper published during WWII.

The Internment symbol on the

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A little less green

T.F. City Council expresses concern about falloff in 2007 recycling totals

By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News writer

Twin Falls residents now recycle less than they did when the city began its program more than two years ago, despite an increase in advertising by the company that the city hired to oversee it,

All six City Council mem-bers at Monday's meeting expressed concern about the falloff in recycling of the falloff in recycling of about 7,000 fewer pounds of

cans, card-board and "We've been newspapers in 2007 than disappointed not in the previonly in our

in the previous year.
The city diverted 761,536 pounds of recyclable trash from the landfill in the last fiscal year, which was about 3.73 tons less than in 2006, when 768,996 pounds were diverted. ourselves and what we're doing." Les Reitz, a sales manager for PSI Environmental Systems

employees but

Council members listed several complains they said people brought to their attention: recyclables and heing picked up by PSI Environmental Systems, the city's contractor a desire by residents to recycle more materials, such as plastic frustration in moving the trash pails because they're heavy; and residents' com-plaints in dealing with PSI, such as requesting pails and being told there are none. Councilwoman Glenda council members listed

Dwight gave several first-hand accounts, including one of a woman who said her cardboard stood by the cuth for two weeks. Les Reitz, a sales manager for PSI, said the company has in the past year endured staffing problems, cus-tomers not breaking card-board down correctly and has in the past year endured staffling problems, customers not breaking card-hoard down correctly, and the tones going unused. He said he traveled on the company's truck for six weeks, while the recycling programs shuffled through four employees. He said he's confident in the current driver.

"We've been disappointed not only in our employees but ourselves and withat week to been the principally those in the control of the Cay of of the C

recycle are downtown

ees but es and e doing."
et down town residents with alleys and those in the president streets.
In October 2005, the elysigned a five year contract with PSI for nearly \$7.000 a month. Residents subsequently received a 90-gallon pail for household waster. The recycling goods are picked up the same day as customers' trash.
The decline in recycling comes nearly a year after promes nearly a year after comes nearly a year after gromes nearly a year after leading and television. PSI receitly began distributing lifers, and public service announcements might increase awareness, Reltz sald.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

Judge delays Duran's sentencing for accessory to murder

A man who said he was guilty of an accessory to murder charge went back to jail Monday without being sentenced as sched-

being sentenced as sched-uled.

Ben Duran was supposed to hear his fair Monday in View Talls County Court for an alleged part in the May shooting death of Vince Gonzalez. He pleaded guilty to, the accessory change in October.

But Judge Rantly Stoker sent Duran back to Jail Monday, after attorneys on both sides of the case requested the judge review a grand Jury transcript and a DVD interview in the case. That review would take more time than what was allotted for Monday's hear-ling, Stoker said.

ing, Stoker said.

Duran's sentencing will
be rescheduled and could ensue early next year, Stoker told the court.

Stoker told the court.

Duran, along with two
other men were charged
with the accessory crime—
and a fourth man was
charged with first degree
murder.

The May shooting
allegedly grew out of a dispute at the Klover Klub bar,
and occurred at the victims
home at 434 Fourth Ave. W.

Salvation Army arson ends in court

A homeless man who was charged with arson in connection to an August fire at the Salvation Army in Twin Falls was fined and sentenced Monday to fall.
Raynard Admildin was sentenced to 180 days in the Retained Jurisdiction Program, which is an alternative sentence targeting

offenders who may ulti-mately do well on proba-tion. He was also fined \$2,000.

>2,000, No one from the Salvation Army testified Monday in court.

Prosecutors had asked Stoker to impose a more intense sentence of eight years with two years fixed. They said Admidin has a disregard for law enforce-

distigation in any element.

In his own defense, the states proposed the states of the state

the blaze.

Admidin also said he has anger issues and needs help with alcohol problems.

Stoker told the court he didn't think Admidin

didn't think Admidin intended to burn down the Salvation Army and he said the act may have been connected to "survival." "You need to come back with a plan," Stoker told Admidln before sending him back into custody. "Good luck."

Sun Valley to open more lifts

Seattle Ridge Chair and Day Lodge to open today Seattle Ridge Chair and Seattle Ridge Chair and Seattle Ridge Day Lodge will open for business today. The Mayday Chair will also

open.

For more information about Bald and Dollar Mountain lift and terrain openings please check the mountain and weather report pages on our Web site: www.sunvalley.com.

— from staff reports

count driving without privileges

Donna Jean Crist

Donna Jean Črist passed away peacefully at her home Friday evening, Dec. 14, 2007, in the loving arms of her husband of 51 years and her sons, daughters and loved ones.

Donna was born Jan. 30. 1938, in Filer, to Pat and Nellie Schenkel, She Ilved and attended school in Twin

Falls, gradu-ating from from Falls High School. High School Donna met Dale Crist at an early age, and they later married



Donna was a beloved daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, as well as a teacher and friend to count-less many. Donna lived her life with passion and a love less many, Donna nived her life with passion and a love for all. She gave of herself as a dedicated loster parent who loved and cared for more lot all. Site gave or accepted to dedicated loster parent who loved and cared for more than 30 faster children, along with her own family of four children. Doman was happily involved in many aspects of life, She was always a key component in the family dental lab business and actively involved in her church and the animal shelter. Doman raised animals for church and the animal shelter. Doman raised animals for did by the shell of the shell of

tains with Dale on hunting or fishing trips. She rarely missed any sporting event that involved Dale, her chil-dren of grandchildren. Everyone always knew that Dale and Donna would be there, from tee-ball to college games, from rodeos to dance

and plano recitals. Somehow she was everywhere at once with a perpetual smile and word of encouragement. In addition to her parents, Donna was preceded in death by her brother, Bob Schenkel, Donna's love will be carried on by her sur-vivors, Dale, her loving and carring husband: son. Tim be carried on by her survivors, Dale, her loving and caring husband: son. Tim (Joy) Crist and their children. Drew, Carn, Amanda and Caidlin daughter, Cindy (Gary) Braun and their children. Mathew, Lamy, Herner and Archiller and Archiller and Archiller and Archiller and Archiller children. Jayas (Richard) Fillmore, Megan and Jacob; daughter, Susan (Craig) Stringer and their children, Geffary (Brittany and their son, Byton), Cody (Shawna and their son, Ilmter), Brandon (Mindy and their daughter, Jenna) and Tiffany (Scot) Fowler, Jenna) and Tiffany (Scot) Fowler, Jana of Twin Falls.

of Twin Falls.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at the Rock Creek 20, at the Rock Creek Community Church, 262 Fifth Ave. E. in Twin Falls, A dinner will follow to cele-brate Donna's life and mem-

brate Donna's life and memory. Arrangements are under the direction of White Mortusary. "Chapel by the Park."

The family would like to thank JoAnn. Mindy. Stoney, the caring staff of Idaho Home Health and Hospice, her doctors and especially Maria who brought extraor-disary comfort and care to Donna near the end of the struggle.

Donna near the end of the struggle.

Donna Crist was truly someone who made a difference in this world. She will be loved and remembered for-

The family asks that in lieu of flowers, remembrance donations be made in Donna's name to Rock Creek Community Church, 262 Fifth Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301; or to People for Pets MVHS, Box 1163, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls city

MISDEMEANOR
SENTENCINGS
Fred De La Cruz, 25, Twin Falis;
possession of a controlled
substance; \$500 fine with
\$300 suspended; \$85.50
costs: 10 days in jail with 10
suspended; 100 hours community service; six months
probation; no alcohol. producin; no alcohol.
Joshua J. Vaughan, 19, Filer;
petit theft; \$500 fine with
\$300 suspended; \$75,50
costs; \$155 restitution; five solve asperators, assignment of the days in joil with five suspended; six months probation. Jeanno J. Stumpl, 42, five fills, one count failure to purchaso, fimalia disver's license; 500 film with \$500 suspended; 572.50 cossts; 10 days in joil with 10 suspended; six no count failure to appear; \$100 fire; line days in jail with fills suspended; six nor count failure to appear; \$100 fire; line days in jail with fills; solvential probation on count failure to appear; \$100 fire; line days in jail with fills; solvential probation. Falls; petit theft; \$200 fire with \$100 suspended; Six months probations costs; 30 days in jail with 500 suspended; six months probational fills; solvential fills; petit theft; \$200 fire with \$100 suspended; six months probational fills; solvential fills

imberly J. Littleton, 37, Twin Falls; driving without privi-leges; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$87.50 costs; 90 days in fail with 88 suspend ed, credit for one day served, one day work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; six months probation. Jake A. Starr, 20, Twin Falls; driving without privileges, sec-ond offense; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended; 12 months

probation.
Seth W. McNutt, 19, Twin Falls;
petit theft; \$500 fine with
\$300 suspended; \$75.50
costs; 10 days in jail with 10
suspended; two days community service; three months probation; concurrent with other

Theresa M. Fairbanks, 49, Twin Falls; no insurance, second offense; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended: two days community service: 12 months probation.
John E. Reanick, 29, Wendell;
Frequent a place where a con-trolled substance is used:
\$200 fine with \$100 suspended;
\$95.50 costs; \$75 nublic defender fee; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; no alco-hol; six months probation.
Rosa M. Silva, 23, Burley; one count resisting/obstructing an officer; amended to provide false information to an officer; false information to an officer; \$500 fine with \$300 suspend-ed; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days in jail edender foe: 30 days in jail with nier suspended, crodit for time served; six mbnths probation; one count petit theft; amended to wiful conceatment: 300 fine with \$200 suspended; fixe days in jail with five suspended; six months probation. Ted M. Samson III, 32, Twin Falls; frequent a place where a controlled substance is used: \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$85.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; days in jail with 10 suspended; and such periodicin on alcohol; six months probation.

probation.
Anthony D. Jennings, 39, Twin
Falls; provide false in ormatio
to an officer; \$500 fine with \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 10 days in jail with nine suspended, credit for time served; two days community service; six months probation Alberto Balles, 50, Twin Falls;

Alberto Balles, 50, Twin Falls, frequent a place where o con-trolled substance is used: \$200 fine with \$1.00 suspend-ed: \$85.50 costs: \$75 public defender fee; tive days in jail with five suspended: 40 hours community service; six months probation. Gay I. Stender, 51, Deer Park, Wasth; one count domestic battery: \$700 fine with \$200 suspended: \$75.50 costs: 30 days in jail with 26 suspend-ed, credit for time served: 12 months probation; one count possession of a controlled substance dismissed. substance dismissed Paul R. Donat Sr., 47, Hansen:

Inattentive/careless driving; \$500 fine with \$400 suspend

ed; \$75.50 costs; 12 months

probation.
Timothy K, Fox, 20, Twin Falls;
petit theft; amended to wilful
concealment; \$500 fine with
\$400 suspended; \$75.50
costs; 10 days in jail with 10
suspended; 12 months proba
tion; pay civil penally to
Winco.

Winco. Harry D. Beem II, 33, Twin Falls; no insurance; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months proba-

Connie L. Baum, 45, Filer; do at large; \$100 fine; \$75.50

Brenda V. Bushnell, 45, Twin Brenda V. Bushneri, 45, fwin Falls; failure to purchase ven-dors license; \$500 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75,50 costs; 10 days in jail with 10 suspended; 12 months proba-tion; shall not have any garage sales without proper permits.

MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS Nisbemeanur Dismissats Nataliya Lowe Kovalcuk, 29, Twin Falls; failure to appear-trespass; dismissed by prose-cutor; in the interest of jus-

Twin Falls County

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE SENTENCINGS Michael McLure, 39, Twin Fall; driving under the influence, excessive; \$1,500 fine with arving under the influence, excessive; \$1,500 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 365 days in Jall with 355 suspended, credit for one day served, five days work detail; driving privileges sus-pended for 365 days; 12

defender fee; 365 days in jail with 355 suspended, credit for tone day served; driving privi-leges suspended for365 days; 12 months probation; one

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1301 E. 16th Street - Burley

count driving without privileges dismissed.
Kissin R. Weber, 25, Twin Falls; driving under the influence;
\$800 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90,50 costs; \$77 public delender fee; 90 days in jain wan 88 suspended, credit for one days served, one day work defail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.
Toan M. Guillen, 20, Nampa; driving under the influence, eccessive; \$1,000 fine with \$1,000 suspended; \$90,50 costs; \$80 days in jail with 34 suspended, credit for the served; diriving privileges suspended for 360 days; 24 months probation. suspended for 360 days; 24 months probation. Octavio Felipe-Glivera; 28. hollister; one count driving under the influence; \$500 fine with \$500 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in joil with 159 suspended, credit for time served; thirting privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count elating a police officer dismissers, and the suspended for the first probation; one count elating a police officer dismissers, and the suspended of the suspended of the suspended of the days of the suspended; \$1,000 fine with \$800 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public deferment; \$1,000 fine with \$800 suspended; credit for time \$1,100 days; and with \$139 suspended, credit for time \$1,100 days; and with \$139 suspended, credit for time \$1,100 days; and with \$130 suspended, credit for time \$1,100 days; and \$1,100 days;

driving under the influence; \$700 fine with \$400 suspend ed; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for time served; driving privi-leges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation. Anita L. Peterson, 38, Twin Allid L. Peterson, 35, Win Falls; driving under the influ-ence: \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspend-ed, credit for one day served, nine days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

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MISDEMEANOR
SENTENCINGS
Justin I. Holley, 19, Twin Falls;
driving under the influence;
amended to inattentive/caremended to Inattentive/ca ess driving: \$500 fine wit 500 suspended: \$75.50 \$500 s costs: 10 days In jail with 10 ded: six months proba suspended; six i tion; no alcohol.

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DEATH NOTICES

Rosa M. Schaeffer

Rosa Maria Schaeffer, 84, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 16, 2007, at Bridgeview

will Arrangements announced by Mortuary in Twin Falls. White

Gary R. Child

Gary Ray Child, 63, of Burley, died Saturday, Dec. 15, 2007, at Intermountain Medical Center in Murray, Utah. The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 21, at the Unity LIS Chapel, 275 S. 250 E. in Burley; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16dt St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Friday

at the church

Edith L. Stacev

Edith Louise Woodall Stacey, 91, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, Dec. 16, 2007, at her

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

James N. Flake

James N. Flake, 89, of Twin Falls, died Friday, Dec. 14, 2007, at his home. A celebration of life will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 20, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; visitation from 5 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19, at the mortuary.

MEALS ON WHEELS DONATION



The Burley Lions Club and the Burley United Methodist Church each donated \$2,500 to the Meals on Wheels program at Golden Heritage donated 34,500 to the mean on there program at unions member Scholo Center in Burlery. Meals on Wheels is a program that delivers meals to elderly and homebound individuals in the area. From left are Gordon Blair of the Burley Lions, Sharon Hardy-Mills of the senior cen-ter and Leon Street of the Methodist Church Foundation.

SERVICES

Clinton Ross Foster of ctinton Ross Foster of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; visitation one hour before the service at the chapel,

Jethro Frederick Heiken, Infant son of Richard and Infant State Infant State Infant State Infant State Infant Infant State Infant I

Ruth Caroline Anderson of Buhl, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Clover Trinity Lutheran Church (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Agnes Spackman of West

Sacramento, Calif., and for-merly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Millie B. Mitchell of lerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Wednesday at Amazing Grace Fellowship, 1061 Eastland Drive N. in Twin Falls; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in lerome.

Essic Thompson Wageman of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, vis-itation from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday and one hour before the service Thursday at the funeral home.

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday.
Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication.

The e-mail address for obituaries is obits@magicvalley.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message in an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvailey.com and click on "Obituaries."

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Recycling in Twin Falls is voluntary, and City Sanitation Director Sherry [leff described such a policy as having mixed results. She said she's received no negative phone calls and that despite the low figures newer residents are more likely to recycle. likely to recycle. Council members offered

council members offered other recycling concerns, including allowing residents in apartments to recycle. Under the current contract, apartments are classified as commercial and its up to

hardlords to decide whether te participate. It is also unlikely for plastic to a substantial to the city's options anythme door. Recycloble materials are dictated by narket demand, and the city's low figures indicate Awin Talls does not qualify. The cost of shipping is also high and the PSI does not have a machine to shred plastic, which would lower the cost, Reitz said.

Jared S Hopkins may be reached at jhopkins@magic-valley.com or 735-3204.

Ornaments

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ornament was designed by
Mr. Frank Fujii of Mercer
Island, Washington. The
Minidoka ornament is featured on the White House
website. Visit the White
House home page at
www.whitehouse.gov and
click on Holidays to view
ornaments from each of the
50 states. 50 states.

"National Parks com-memorate the people, places, and events that define the American experi-

ence," said Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne.
"I am so appreciative of President Busils efforts to recognize the important role of national parks in American society. Our country will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service in 2016 and the President has been instrumental in estable. been instrumental in estab-lishing the National Park Centennial initiative to pre-pare the parks for the next century."

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South Dakota to protect sacred American Indian mountain from the roar of motorcycles

PIERRE, S.D. — For centuries, members of the Lakota, Cheyenne and other American Indian tribes have been climbing Bear Butte to fast and hold religious ceremonies.

fast and hold religious cere-monies.

Colorful prayer cloths hanging from trees line the path to the top of the moun-tain, which rises about 1,300 feet above the surrounding

feet above the surrounding plain.

But often, and especially in August, the serenity of the site is disturbed by a deafening roar, caused by thousands of motorcycles.

Indians have sought for years to block development of famd around the butte into campgrounds, bars and other sites that could Interfere with their religious use of the mountain. Now they have an ally in the governor. Gow Mike Rounds wants to spend more than \$1 million to prevent developers from putting biker bars and other noisy businesses on ranch land near the mountain on the northern edge of the Illack Illis.

Saying he wants to protect

Black Hills.
Saying he wants to protect the beauty and peace of the religious site. Bounds has proposed using state, federal and private money to buy a perpetual casement that would prevent commercial and residential development of some land on the western of some land on the western. of some land on the western side of Bear Butte.

Indians working to protect

Indians working to protect Bear Butte praise the Republican governor's plan. "Any kind of assistance from anybody in preserving the butte is welcome," said Gene Blue Arm. a Cheyenne River Sloux (ribal member who has sought to limit development near the reli-gious site.



In August, a man rides his Harley Davidson past a biker bar during the Sturgis Motorcycle Raily in Sturgis, S.D. Goy, Mike Rounds wants to once than SI million to prevent developers from putting biker bars and other noisy businesses on ranch land near Bear Butte, a mountain on the northern edge of the Black Hills held sacred by many American Indian

"It's good of him," Blue Arm said. "I think it's a good deal."

Dean Wink, a member of ne Meade County the Meade County Commission, said he oppos-es a perpetual easement that would block all future owners from considering other uses for the land. But he said he could support an ease-ment that prohibits develop-ment for a decade or two. "Forever is a long time,"

Wink said.
The governor made only a

brief mention of the plan in his budget speech to the South Dakota Legislature, which is being asked to approve an emergency spe-cial spending measure for Bear Butte. The easement could help calm some wor-ries about the mountain, Roands said.

Rounds said. Details will not be available until the legislative session opens in January, but it might cost up to \$1 million to get the easement, State Parks Director Doug Hofer said.

Rounds' plan would use \$250,000 in state money, to be matched with \$334,000 in private donations and a \$594,000 ignat from a federal program that protects agricultural land, to buy a perpetual conservation easement on some ranch land on Bear Brutts' west side.

Named Mato Paha, or Bear Mountain, because it resem-

Mountain, because it resen

Named Mato Paha, or Beer Mountain, because it resembles a sleeping bear lying on bis side, it was formed by volcanie rock that never empires and was then exposed when surrounding land croded.

The butte and the land immediately around it are in a state park that was sold to the state of South Dakota in 1962 for \$50,000. Because of the growth of the annual Sturgis Motoryche Raily in August, land values in the area have specified and walnes in the area have specified at Bear Botte and the protest motorcycle noise, loud concerts and actobic consumption near the mountain.

The 2007 Leelstature.

cle noise, loud concerts and alcoholic consumption near the mountain.

The 2007 LegIslature rejected a measure seeking to ban the issuance of liquor or beer ficenses within lour miles of the state park after lawmak-res said they fid not want to interfere with private property rights.

Wink said he expects the LegIslature will have a good discussion on the governor's essential plan, but local residents believe the Issue should be handled locally.

They just think the private property rights and local remains the county commission can be compared to the county commission can be county commission can be county commission can be compared to the county commission can be compared to the county can be compared to the county can be compared to the county can be considered to the county can be compared to the county can be considered to the can be considered to the county can be considered to the county can be considered to the county can be considered to the can be considered to the can be considered to the can be considered to t

Kempthorne revises Interior ethics policy

WASHINGTON Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne has quietly revised the department's ethics policy so a review panel can only consider matters referred to it by two of the department's top officials.

A Kempthorne spokes-man said the change clari-fied how the ethics panel would receive complaints, but an environmental group said Kempthorne was weakening his own ethics policy before it could

even take effect. "Dirk Kempthorne pro-claimed ethical fidelity like a lion but has pursued it

like a lamb," said Jeff Ruch, executive director of Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility, Ruch's group revealed the ethics change after receiving documents released under the Freedom of Information Act.

Ruch said Kempthorne secretly sealed back an ethics plan has amounted last summer with great fandare. The plan was videly seen is a response to a series of ethics violations at the department, melading Deputy Secretary I. Steven Girles, who was sentenced to 10 months in prison for lying to senators in the lack Abramoff Jobbying scandal.

Ada County might train deputies in immigration law

agal hamigranis who comsheriff cary laney saidhex looking at a federal
program that trains local
law enforcement officers.
"Inmigration may be a
national issue, but it's a
local issue when it comes to
the impact on our communities." Raney told the
ladian statestion.
Immigration and
Customs Enforcement
would train the local officers in Immigration law,
procedures, cultural sensi-

BOISE (AP) — Deputies at the Ada County fall in southwestern Idaho might be trained and authorized to enforce federal immigration lawto help deport illegal immigration lawto help deport illegal immigrations who commit crimes. Sheriff Gary Itaney said he's looking at a federal program that trains local law enforcement officers. "Immigration may be a national Issue, but it's a local Issue when it comes to the state of t

5TH-DISTRICT COURT NEWS

Twin Falls County

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCINGS SENTENCINGS
Kendra C. McCollum, 17,
Kimberly failure to
purchase/invalid driver's
ilcense; \$100 fine; \$75.50
costs; \$75 public defender
fee; 10 days in jail with 10
suspended; six months proba-

fee; 10 days ... fee; 1

Tanner L. Bramon, 21, Twin Tanner L. Bramon, 21, Twin Falls: fallure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$100 fine; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee: 10 days in jall with 10 suspended; 12 months probe-

Lond. Allshouse. 39.
Jerome: one count driving
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probation. Roger N. Evans, 39, Twin Falls; Roger N. Evans, 39, Iwin Fells; one count driving without privileges, second offense; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$90,50 costs; 365 days in Joli with 321 suspended; driving brivileges suspended; driving brivileges suspended; about the supplementation; one count driving without privileges, second offense; \$1,000 fine with \$500 suspended; \$90,50 costs; 365 days in Joli with \$21 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation. 321 suspended for soudays; 12 months probation.
Marlo Cardenas-Villa, 22, Twin
Falis; reckless driving; \$500
fine with \$200 suspended;

\$75.50 costs; 60 days in jail with 17 suspended; credit for time served; 24 months pro-

time served; 24 months published.
Justin L. Colpitts, 25, Buhl;
Inlight to a child; \$500 fine
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costs; \$75 public defender
fee: 180 days in jail with 170
suspended, credit for two days
served, four days work detail;
12 months probation.
Seth W. McNutt, 19, Twin Falls;
petit theft: \$100 fine; \$75.50
costs; five days in jail with five
suspended; three months probation.

Cory S. Webb, 22, Declo; open container; \$100 fine; \$75.50

costs; Ryan L. Graham, 19, Kimberly; petit theft; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jall with 88 suspended, credit for two days served; 40 hours community service; 12 months probation; no alcohol. Russell S. Andrews, 19, Mt.

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time served; 12 months probation; one count possession
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190 days in Jain with 178 suspended, credit for time
served; 12 months probation.
Gregory T. Anderson, 45, Filer; trespass; \$300 fine with
\$150 suspended; \$75.50
costs; 12 months probation.
Harold-L. Brown, 55, Filer; trespass; \$300 fine with
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MISDEMEANOR DISMISSALS Michael L. Starr Jr., 22, Twin Falls; fish without Ilcense; dis-missed by prosecutor. Joanle Hanson, 22, Jerome; possession of drug paraphor-nalla; dismissed by prosecu-

FELONY SENTENCINGS

Dustin J. Owings, 26, Twin
Falls: two counts rape: ten
years pententiary, per count;
four years determinate; six
years indeterminate; judge
granted retained jurisdiction;
sentenced to 186 days to be
served at the laba State
Board of Corrections; 597-50
costs; nine counts rape and
two counts sexual battery of a
minor dismissed.
Jason A. Landry, 30, Burley;
aggravated battery; 18 years
pententalry; six and one half
years determinate; 11 and
one half years indeterminate; years determinate; 11 and one half years indeterminate. Brian D. Cavanaugh, 21, Twin Folls; aggravated battery on a sheilf's deputy or jailer; 11 years penitentiary; four years determinate; seven years indeterminate; \$100.50 costs.

FELONY DISMISSALS
Greggory E: Hollon, 19, Twin
Falls: mallclous injury to properry: dismissed by prosecutor.
Civil filings
Dustin M. Johnston vs. the
State of Idaho. Seeking post
conviction relief of a 2005 robbery conviction. Plaintiff
allegs ineffective assistance
of coursel, lack of jurisdiction
of generating rout and fooding

alleges ineffective assistance of counsel, lack of Jurisdiction of sentencing court and denial of due process.
Larae O. Deen vs. Kmart.
Sacking Judgment against the-defendant for general and special demages; amount to be proven at trial; attornay's fees and costs. Plaintiff allegas that while shopping at defendant's store, she slipped on some water that was on the floor causing her to suffer a serious debilitating injury.
Phill and Stephanie L. Labat vs. David A. Roetilisberger and David Rolinek. Seeking judgment against the defendants for special and general demages in an amount to be provided to the serious serio

CHILD SUPPORT CASES

The State of Idaho, Department of Health and Welfare, Child Support Services have filed claims against the following: Charley C. Cutler Jr. Seeking establishment of paternity; \$1,303.62 for foster care and subtless the service of the services of the serv child support costs; \$29,856.33 for uncovered

\$29,856.33 for uncovered medical costs.
Charley C. Cutter Jr. Seeking establishment of paternilty:
\$153 monthly support plus 49 percent of medical expenses not covered by Insurance; provide medical insurance:
\$2,353.05 for uncovered medical costs.
John F. Adams. Seeking establishment of paternilty; \$177 monthly support plus 61 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; \$1,462.89 for uncovered medical costs.
Nickolas R. Spencer. Seeking Nickolas R. Spencer, Seeking establishment of paternity; \$243 monthly support plus 62 not covered by Insurance; provide medical insurance; \$3,634.70 for uncovered med

33,534,70 bit interests the ical costs.
Mario C. Barajas. Seeking establishment of paternity; 50 percent of medical expenses not covered by insurance; provide medical insurance; \$467.66 for uncovered medical costs.

DIVORCES FILED April L. Schlund vs. Jason T.



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Jessica M. Hammons vs.
James L. Hammons.
Charles P. Powell vs. Geneva L.

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G. Huizar. Angela G. Haase vs. Virgil L. Haase. Julie Van Sickle vs. Rocky Van Susan U. Gallon vs. Walter E. Cassandra R. Shoup vs. Ryan

M. Shoup. Tyson D. McAlindin vs. Julie A. McAlindin. McAlindin.
Kathryn Page S. Geske vs.
Matthew D. Geske.
Petition for annulment
Julie A. Bonney vs. Roger
Bonney.

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Writer-hosts Leno and O'Brien to return Jan. 2

By Mateo Gold
Los Angelos Times

NEW YORK — Late-night
hosts lay Leno and Coman
O'Bien will tearn to the air
lan, 2 with new episodes
cen of the writer's strike Is
not resolved, NBC
amounced Monday, citing a
similar move by Johnny
Carson two decrades cardier.

During the 1988 writers
strike, Johnny Carson refuetantly returned to The
tronight Show' without bis
verives after two months.
Tick Ludwin, NBC's executive vice president for late
night and prime-time series,
said in a statement released
by the network, Bloth lay and
Coman have supported their
writers during the first two
months of this WGA strike
and will continue to support
them. However, there are
lumdreds of people who will
be able to return to work as a
result of Jay's and Conan's
decision."

But unlike Carson, Leno
and O'Brien are members of
the Writers Guild of America.

That means they will, be
crossing their own union's
picket line when they go back
on the air, andess the walkour
is setfled in the next two

on the air, unless the walkout is settled in the next two weeks.

In a statement, O'Brien called himself an "ardent

supporter" of the writers quite but said he was "left with a difficult decision: either go back to work and keep my staff employed or stay dark and allow #0 people, many of whom have worked for me for 14 years, to tose their jobs."

Leno said he had hoped for a quick resolution to the strike.

"Now that the talks have

a quick resolution to the strike. "Now that the talks have broken down and there are no further negotiations scheduled. I feel it's my responsibility to get my 100 non-writing staff, which were laid off, back to work." he said in a statement. "We fully support our writers, and I think they understand my decision." Their writer-less programs will have to rely on quite a bit.

Their writer-less programs will have to rely on quite a blind will have to rely on quite a blind will be a blind on the blind of their blinds will not be able to write material for their shows that otherwise would have been enumed by their writing staff.

Until now, the only latering their will be a blind of the began Now 5 is NBCS Carson Daily, who is not a WGA member. The rest of the lateringht comedy shows have been in returns for the past six weeks, and most have suffered steep ratings declines as a result.

Jury finds N.Y. millionaires guilty in 'modern day slavery' case; couple could get 40 years

CENTRAL ISLIP, N.Y. — A jury on Monday convicted a millionaire couple of enslaving two Indonesian women they brought to their mansion to work as housekeep-

sion to work as housekeepers.

Mathender Murlidhar Sabhnani, 51, and his wife Varsha Mathender Sabhniani, 45, were each convicted of all thages in a 12-count federal indictment that included forced labor, conspiracy, involuntary servinde, and harboring aliens.

Prosecutors said the women were subjected to repeated psychological and physical abuse and were forced to work it hours or more a day.

physical anose and series of forced to work 18 hours or more a day.

The Sahhmanis, who have four children and operate a worldwide perfume husiness out of their Muttontown home on Long Island's Gold Coast, could face up to 40 years in prison, although attorneys predicted the punishment would be considerably less. It is from India, and she is from India, and she is from Indonesia, but both are naturalized U.S. citizens.

As the verdict was read, one of the couple's daughters, Dakshina, collapsed in

Defense attorney Jeffrey Hoffman said he would

Mahender Muriidhar Sabhnani of Muttontown, N.Y., is led out of Nassau County police headquarters in Mineola, N.Y., in May after his arrest on es of enslaving two Indonesian w mansion to work as housekeeper

the front row, prompting the judge to clear the courtroom while medical personnel attended to her. Soon after,

attended to her. Soon after, her mother went to comfort her, and she also fainted. Both women were taken to a hospital, leading the judge to postpone the remaining court proceedings until Thresday, including the scheduling of a semencing date. The mother and daughter were released from the emergency room later Monday.

Defense attorney leffrey

appeal. "Apparently, the jury was taken by the histrionics" of the Indonesian women, he said.

or the municisian women, lessaid, Fellow defense lawyer Stephen Scaring said another of the Sabhanais' children, daughter Tina, told him the never defeat any fig. the same that the same to us in American's hospen to us in American's Prosecutors refused to comment until court proceedings were completed. A representative of the Indonesian consulate in New York declined to comment.

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Over six weeks of testimony, prasecutors called it a case of "modern-day slavery." Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Lesko sadi in closing arguments the poorly educated women worked ashousekeepers for \$100 or \$150 a month — all of which was sent to their relatives back home.

Lesko said the women, known only as Samirah and Enung, were subjected to "punishment that escalated into a cruel form of torture" that ended when one of the women fled on Mother's Day. Allegations of abuse included beatings with Jorooms and umbrellas, slashings with knives, being made to repeatedly climb stairs and take freezing cold, showers as punishment for misdeeds that included sceping line or stealing food from trash bline because they was the stair of the stair o

Detroit girl is shot and wounded after throwing her body over her mother

By Corey Williams Associated Press writer

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DETROIT — As the guman was about to open fire, 7year-old Alexis Goggins imaged from the back seat of the SUV and threw herself across her mom, crying, "Dood that my mother!"

Six bullets from the 9 mm bandgan slammed into hacks, ome pieceing her right eye. Two slugs hit her mother, Alexis "mother pulled through, But two weeks later, Alexis lies in critical condition, blind in one eye, And to her classmates and many copple in this city so depressingly familiar with violence, the little grid is a hero. ingly familiar with v the little girl is a hero.

the little girl is a hero.

"She was rying to save me," her mother, Seliethia Parker, 30, told The Associated Press on Monday, "My haby is just an angel to her mother. It hought as the mother, I'd be saving my child. I never thought my daughter would be saving me."

Alexis has undergone three operations since the shooting, and her mother sits by her bedside at Children's Hospital of Michigan.

bedside at Childrens Lospian of Michigan. As for the mother, she was seriously wounded, with one slug grazing her head and the other entering her chest and stopping Just short of an artery. But she was released from the hospital Just a few days later. Parker's former boyfriend, Calvin Tillie, a 29-year-old exconvict on parole, was arrested in the shooting and charged with two counts of assault with intent to commit murder, along with other offenses. He could get Ilfe in prison.

offenses. He could get life in prison.
Alexis is learning-disabled and lags behind other young-sters her age. As a result, police say it may never be known whether Alexis meant to shield her mother from the bullets with her body. But Parker said that if her daughter 'hadn't 'put' herself' in between. T really don't know. We might have been dead."
Parker said she met Tillle earlier this year and called off the relationship after three months, but he had other ideas. Tile was harassing me, 'she said. 'He would constantifieds. Tile would constantifieds. Tile would constantified.

ly call my house, popping up in the middle of the night."

in the middle of the night."
Shority after midnight on
Dec. 2, police say, Alexis and
her mother climbed into their
friend Aisha Fords vehicle for
a late night birthday gettogether for Ford's mother.
The girl got into the back seat,
and her mother took the front
passenger seat.
Tillie, who had, been standing outside the house in the
shadows despite the cold,



mal is seen in the Campbell Elementary School room in Detroit, Dec. 7 for Alexis Goggins, as the 7 from six gunshots to her face from to her face from her mother's jilted ex-boyfriend. "We didn't want Alexis' spot to be vacant, so she's got a swee bear to sit in her cher Angela Lang.

jumped into the back of the SUV next to Alexis, and forced Ford to drive at gunpoint for several harrowing minutes until the woman convinced him she needed to stop for gas, according to an account the women gave police. Ford told police she tried to stall for time while pumping gas. As she and the station

attendant called 911, several shots erupted from Inside the vehicle, Police say the gid had jumped toward her mother in the front seat. Parker bolted from the SUV, screaming. Officers found Alexis curled beneath the steering wheel in a pool of blood. Tillie was arrested at the scene.

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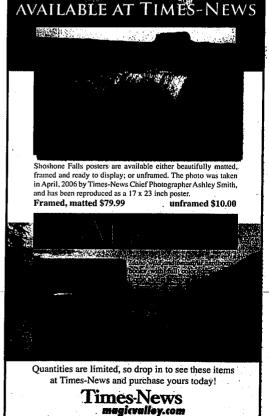
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Study hints timing of blood pressure pills might help high-risk patients

WASHINGTON - Taking a WASHINGTON — Taking a blood pressure pill at bedtime instead of in the morning might be healthier for some high-risk people. New research suggests that

New research suggests that simple switch may normalize structure and blood pressure in patients of blood pressure in patients at extra cisk from the twin epidemics of heart and kidney disease. Why? When it comes to blood pressure, you want to blood pressure, you want to blood pressure, you want to blood pressure dips at night, by to 0.20 percent. Scientists don't know why, but suspect the drop gives atteries a little rest.

People with high blood

out suspect the drop gives arteries a lite test.
People with high blood pressure that doesn't dip at night — the non-dippers — fare worse than other hyperension sufferers, developing and the period of the period

ening to the point of dialysis.
Most 'blood pressure
patients need two or three
medications. So Italian
researchers performed an
easy test: They told 32 nondippers with kidney disease
to switch one of those drugs
from a morning to a bedtime
does in two months nearly from a morning to a beddine dose, in two months, nearly 50 percent of these high-risk patients had turned into dippers. Their nighttime blood pressure dropped an average of 7 points, without side effects or increase in daytime blood pressure.

Better, a key sign of kidney function improved significantly, too, Dr. Roberto Minutolo of the Second University of Nagles reports this month in the American fournal of Kidney Diseases.

It's the latest research in the field of chronotherapy: How our bodies' internal rhythms

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make certain diseases worse at certain times of the day, and in turn affect how to time

and in turn attect now to time treatments.

While the Italian study is too small for proof, similar studies from Europe also back a bedtine switch for non-dippers. The work is catching the attention of U.S. hypertension specialists, and now dectors at Ballimore's Johns Hopkins University are planning a larger study to if a bedtime switch re

could give certain people healthier hearts and kldneys. How big a problem is non-

How big a problem is non-dipping?
"I think it's huge," says Hopkins' Dr. Lawrence Appel.
"This is our best lead" into My black Americans with kidney disease, in particular, tend to worsen despite treat-

ment.

Appel found 80 percent of black kidney patients in a recent study were non-dippers. Most startling, 40 per-

cent had nighttime blood pressure that was even higher than daytime levels.

Two-thirds of chronic kid-ney disease patients, and at least 10 percent of the general population, are estimated to be non-dippers, says Dr. Joseph Vassalotti of the National Kidney Foundation. One theory is that their bod-lors have trouble excreting saft.

few doctors know who is affected. Most people get their blood pressure checked

their blood pressure checked only during the day. A 24-bour blood pressure monitor can tell but is rarely used, partly because insurance sel-dom pays for the extra visit to download and diagnose the readings.

And most patients who download and diagnose the readings.

And most patients who take several once-a-day pills swallow them all in the morn-ing, meaning they all start wearing off around the same

time, says Dr. Gina Lundberg of St. Joseph's Hospital in anta. "It does make good sense to

"It does make good sense to take some in the morning and some in the evening," says Lundberg, a spokes-woman for the American Heart Association. Everyone has an internal clock, determined by genes, that affects health, Many of these biological rhythms are circadian, meaning they fluc-tuate on a 24-hour cycle.



N.J. inmates used photos to hide escape holes

Jeffery Gold secciated Press write

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Associated Pross writer

IELIZABETH, N.J. — Two jail
inmates used photos of bikin-clad women to hide holes
they used to escape and left
behind a thank-you note,
signed with a smiley face, for a
guard they claimed helped
them, officials said Monday.

I lose Espinosa, 20, and Otis
Blunt, 32, squiezzed through
the openings sometime
before dawn Saturday in a
figh-security unit of the
Union County jail, jumped
onto a rooftop below, and
made it over a 25-foot-high
ence topped with razor, wire,
authorities said.

Authorities withheld the
name of the officer the
inmates said was involved.
The note, found in Espinosas
cell, read, Thank you Goec
en and pal, Halppy holidays.

Authorities are investigatlamed in the note ins not yet
turned in a report, and disciplinary action has not been
taken against any guard, said
county, prosecutor Theodore

J, Romankow said, whose
office is overseeing the escape
investigation.

Police were still searching
Monday for the two men.

investigation.
Police were still searching Monday for the two men. Espinosa was awalting seniencing for manslaughter in a drive-by sirooting, and Blum & facing subbery and other charges in the shooting of convenience store manager.
Meanwhile, authorities are retretewing security measures.

Meanwhile, authorities are teviewing security measures. They barred inmates from pinning up pictures from magazines on their cell walls. The jailbreak is reminiser of one in the movie "The Shawshank Redemption" in which the main character, an immate, uses posters of women, including of a bikinical Raquel Welch, to concell an escape tunnel he had been diesdrag.

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Putin will seek premiership after leaving presidency

Associated Press writer

MOSCOW — Vladimir Putin sasured his political party Monday that Russia's age of Putin is far from over, pledging to accept an ofter of the prime minister's post when he leaves the presidency next year.

Putin, whose power still scens, ascendant, finally settled on one of his many post-presidential political options, which had ranged from altering the Russian constitution so he could run again to outright retirement.

The Russiam president has pledged to accept a job that is, at least on paper, a demotion — perhaps confident of the power conferred by his enormous popularity and by the logalty of the fellow KGB veterans he placed in many of the Krentlin's most important jobs.

Putin, 55, presented his decision in a speech to leaders of the United Russia party, shortly before they voted to nominate the president's longtime protege. First Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Merkedev, as their candidate in the March 2 presidential contest. With the support of Putin and the Kremlin's light control over the nation's media and political land-scape. Medvedev appears certain to win. After Putin endorssed Medvedev's

with.

After Putin endorsed Medvedev's presidential bid last week, the 42-year-old St. Petersburg-educated lawyer urged Putin to serve as his prime minister if he is elected. Putin waited a week hefore responding. Many here believe Putin would remain the real leader of Russia, whatever his title. But the incumber observed dealer on the meaning of the putin would be a supported by the properties of the put the incumber observed ones.

bent pledged not to undermine his strengthening

prime minister's job and weakening Russia's strong presidential system.

If the clizens of Russia show trust in Dmirry Medvedev and elect him the work as prime minister, without changing the distribution of authority. Putin sald, Later, the party voted overwhelmight on nominate Medvedev.

Putin looked on sternly from the podium as Medvedev accepted the monimation, and the younger man promised to follow the blueprint that Putin has drafted for Russia. The best way to do that, he said, was with Putin serving as head of his Cabinet.



"The full implementation of this strategy is possible only together with its author, Vladimir Vladimir ovich Putin," Medvedev said

Putin," Medvedev said.
Wille Putin can be said.
While Putin can be stressed that Putin will continue to wield "enormous" influence over Russias affairs.
"I don't have the slightest doubt that Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, in the future, will keep using his enormous political and professional resources, his influence both in our society and in the world, for the benefit of Russia and its citizens," he said.

Despite Putin's pledge not to

midermine Medvedev, many analysts expect the center of power to shift from the presidency to the prime minister's post if Putin assumes the latter office.

Leonid Gozman, a leader of the liberal Union of Hight Forces party, which failed to gain a single seat in the Dec. 2 parliamentary election, said the proposed power sharing hetween Putin and Medvedev was, aid these the proposed power sharing hetween Putin and Medvedev was at best, a temporary arrangement.

"It means either there will be a transfer of functions from the president to the premier, or Putin will think of something else, for example, either becoming general secretary of United Russia or changing the constitution to create the position of pipritual leader of the nation," Gozman said on Ekho Mosky radio. "As it is, this construction appears extremely unstable."

WHO warns countries to be vigilant as bird flu flares in Asia

HANOI, Vietnam — The World Health Organization warned Monday that coun-ries should be on alert for bird flu because it is again on the move, with Pakistan reporting South Asias first human infections and Myanmar logging its first human case.

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The key to the public health response is surveil-linace, said Peter Cordingley, spokesman for the WHO Western Pacific region in Mandia, auditing that the HSNI-peratures drop during the winter months.

His we-do-netually get-to-the-cases with antivirals early on, the health outcome is a lot better, he said.

WHO experts traveled to Pakstan and were to visit a hospital and affected areas Tuesday, said WHO country representative Khalif Bile in Islamabad.

They are here to get more information and to provide more support in the case of any potential risk, he said, adding that the country's health and agriculture ministries were also working some communication gap when the government did not immediately report suspected cases to the U.N. health agency.

Four brothers and two

agency.
Four brothers and two

cousins fell lil last month in Abbotabad, north of Islamabad, while three others who slaughtered pouttry in the same area and a nearby town tested positive for the H5N1 bird flu virus (bis

Two of the brothers died, but specimens were collected from only one.

The cases were positive for HSNI in initial government testing, but WHO will conduct further analysis to consum the results.

WIIO spokesman Gregory Hart in Geneva said human-to-human transmission had not been ruled out, but added that poultry outbreaks had earlier heen reported in the area and it was unclear if all patients had links to sick birds or infected surround-ling.

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A doctor who cared for the brothers also experienced mild flu-like symptoms, but more testing was needed to determine if she was infected.

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A woman walks part caged chickens at a market in Islamabad, Pakistan, Sunday, International health experts have been dispatched to Pakistan to help investigate the cause of South Asia's first human bird flu cases and determine if the virus could have been transmitted from person to person.

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UK data on driving students lost in U.S.

By David Stringer Associated Press writer

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LONDON — Britain's top ransport: official said Monday that a disk drive containing personal information on three million driving test candidates has been lost, in the United States — the latest in a series of government blunders over data.

Details on the candidates — including names, addresses and e-mail addresses— held on a hard drive were lost at an lowa storage facility. British Transport Secretary Ruth House of Commons.

Kelly told Jawmakers in the House of Commons.

Kelly's report follows the loss by tax officials of sensitive data — including banking records — on nearly half

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the population.

Two computer lasks from
a tax and welfare department containing names,
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cases, banking details, for
25 million adults and children disappeared while
being sent by internal mail,
ministers sald last month.

World rallies to aid of Palestinian government with \$7.4 billion

PARIS — The world rallied to the support of the embat-ded Palestinian government Monday pledging S7.4 billion in aid over the next three years at a donors' conference — a sum that tops the Palestinians' own expecta-tions.

Palestinians' own expectations.

"The real winner today is the Palestinian state." French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner told a news conference after the gathering of nearly 90 countries and international organizations. "We wanted 55,6 billion, we have 57,4 billion – not bad," he said.

World leaders at the conservations.

he said. World leaders at the con-ference also urged Israel to ease restrictions on move-ment in the West Bank and Gaza to make a recovery of the Palestinian economy pos-sible.

sible.
"Our feeling is great, this is generous. It is a vote of confi-dence for the program, and a sign of solidarity on the Palestinian question." Palestinian question," Palestinian Planning Minister Samir Abdullah told The

Associated Press.

He confirmed the overall figure and said the pledges include \$2.9 billion for 2008.

Secretary of State
Condolecza Rice pledged
5555 million for 2008.
However, the money includes
about \$400 million that the
White House announced but
has not been approved by
Congress.

Congress.
For renewed peace efforts to succeed, she said, "the continued and unwavering support of the international community is absolutely vital. That is why we are here today, and not a moment too soon."

Rice called the U.S. pledge "a significant increase" from earlier pledges. "The Palestinian Authority

is experiencing a serious budgetary crisis," Rice said. "This conference is literally the government's last hope to

avoid bankruptey."
Referring to renewed
Middle East peace efforts stemming from the U.S.-sponsored conference in Annapolis, Md., hast month, Rice said, "This is the most Rice said, "This is the most promising opportunity to seek peace that we have had in nearly seven years. And we need to seize it." Palestinian Prime Minister

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The called it part of the
process for "establishing an
independent Palestine."

The sum raised Monday
was substantial even compared to the more than \$10
billion that donor countries
have given to the Palestinians
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have said the Palestinians
have received more international aid on a per capita
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Sarkozy, participants called French President Nicolas Sarkozy, participants called for urgent action, saying a new chance for an Israeli-Palestinian peace deal must not be missed. Peace talks resumed last week after seven years of diplomatic deadlock, and international aid is seen as key to making the process

as key to manage work.
"We will not rest until we have that two-state solution a reality in this region of the world," Blair, a co-sponsor of the conference, told the con-

U.N. Secretary-General Ban KI-moon sald the donors must "invest now, invest gen-erously, and remain steadfast in their financial commit-ments over the next 36 months."

European Union foreign policy chief Javier Solana said the conference was "very constructive" and had "created a momentum to continue the good start we had in Annapolis."

remains of a car after it was hit by an Israeli missile in Gaza City Monday. Aı İsraeli aircraft hit the car filled Gaza Cily after night-fall Monday, setting off a huge blast heard

Palestinians

Inspect the

5 militants, including senior commander, rocket maker killed in Israeli airstrikes in Gaza

By Sarah El Deeb Associated Press writer

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip— Israeli airstrikes blasted two cars in Gaza Monday night killing five Islamic Jihad mili-tants, including a senior commander and a master commander and a master rocket maker.

The target of the first attack was Majed Harazin, a senior islamic Jihad militant in charge of rocket squads that have been firing at Israel, the Israeli military

said. Islamic Jihad spokesman Khaled el-Batch confirmed that Harazin was killed. Palestinians said he was a

top commander for both the West Bank and Gaza and he rarely traveled in vehicles for fear of Israell attack. They fear of Israell attack. They are the state of Israell attack want of Israell attack want of Israell attack want of Israell attack want of Israell attack of Israell atta his death a serious bloo the militant group. Islamic Jihad supporters

gathered around the morgue and pledged revenge. "The

blood of our comrades will be the fuel for the rockets that will bring death and destruction to the Zlonists, another Islamic Jihad spokesman, Abu Hamza, told The Associated Press. In the second airstrike, shortly before midnight, the military said its aircraft tar-geted a cell that was about to fire rockets at Israel. Undercover agents took part in the attack, the military said, and the leader of the cell was killed. Two other militants also died. Both Israel and Islamic Haad identified thin as Karim al-Dahdoub, known as a master rocket maker, The

ar-Dandouh, known as a master rocket maker. The

Israeli missies onnieratea a car on a narrow road, and rescne teams searched for body parts in a nearby grove. The Israeli military often

body parts in a nearby grove. The Israeli military often targets military squads involved in daily rocket fire, Islamic lihad has claimed responsibility for many of the barrages, including one that slightly wounded a 2-year-old hoy in an Israeli village this week.



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in today's paper

Saudi king pardons rape victim sentenced to 200 lashes

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia RIVADH, Saudi Arabia — A woman sentenced to prison and a public lashing after being gang-raped has been pardoned by the Saudi monarch in a case that sparked an international out-

monarch in a case that spurked an international outcry, including me criticism from the United States, the
kingdom's top ally. The woman, known only as
"the Girl of Qualt," was contreated of which was contreated of which was condependent on the congainst mixing of the sexes
because she was in a car with
a man she was not related to
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a man she was not related to when the seven men attacked and mped them both in 2006. The sentence shocked manyln the West. In unusually strong criticism of a close ally. President Bush said that the same thing happened to one of his daughters, he would be "angry at those who committed the crime. And id a single same that we would be angry at a state that didn't support the victim."

In past weeks, Saudi officials have bristled at the criticism of what they consider an internal affair — but also appeared wary of hurtising didnership and the same should be appeared way of hurtising didnership and the same should be appeared way of hurtising didnership and the same should be a same should be same should be a same

internal affair — but also appeared wary of hurting their nation's image in the United States.

On Monday, Bush's National Security Council spokesman Gordon Johndroe sald the White House thinks King, Abdullah "made the right decision" by pardoning the woman, who was 19 at the time of the attack and is from Qutif in eastern Saudi

from Quiff in eastern Saudi Arabia.

State Department deputy spokesman Tom Casey said the U.S. hopes the pardon 'will have some broader impact on the way the judicary might handle cases like this in the future.

"We would like to not see a repeat of cases like this. If the king's decision has an impact of that kind on the chinking of

those in the Saudi judicial system. I think that would be a good thing," he said.
With the pardon, Abdullah appeared to be aliming to relieve the pressure from the United States without being seen to criticize Saudi Arabla's conservative Islamic legal system, a stronghold of powerful ciercies of the strict Wahhabi interpretation of Islami.

announcement Abdullah's pardon was pub-lished Monday on the front pages of Al-Jazirah newspa-per, which is deemed close to per, which is uccurred the royal family. But it did no appear in any other local media or the state-run news

media or the state-run news agency — in an apparent attempt to play down the case at home.

Justice Minster Abdullah bin Mohammed al-Shelk defended the courts, saying the pardon does not mean the king doubted the courtry's judges, but that he was aeding in the "interests of the people."

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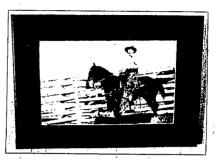
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'THE LAST **COWBOY'**





Twin Falls man preserves Western way of life with antiques

Times-News writer

The first thing Mearl Row does when you walk into his home outside Twin Falls is offer you coffee spiked with Irish cream.

Sip it slowly at the kitchen table and ask him about the black- and white photos of him on the wall. Some date back to 1942, when Row was a handsome cowboy in Nevada, working from horseback for a company with 36,000 head of cartib.

The 87-year-old misses the lifestyle — everything from waking up at 3 a.m. to working in four feet of snow.

"Cowboying now ain't nothing like it used to be," he said. "We never had no trallers to haul horses in."

Cowboys might be fading into

Cowboys might be fading into obscurity, but fucky guests at Row's home can see remnants of the Old West that he has collect-

Rows nome the Old West that he has collected.

For Row, they're not just antiques. They chronicle his life.

Start in the living room, where himd-braided rawhide topes and bridle bits mingle with his wifes shelved (chorches.

You've probably never seen these before in your life, he said, publing out a pair of suil fleather distribution of they re cults, he copialist they're cults. He copialist the copialist they can be said.

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**Amountain lion pelt with a stuffed head guards the couch. Over the big out hangs a portrail jot syounger, meaner-looking whose they converge, meaner-looking whose they was painted from a

photo of Row. He's immortalized with a eigarette hanging from his mouth and a beaten cowboy hat covering his dark hair.

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"Cowboying now ain't nothing like it used to be."

Injuries won't stop him from feeding his horses, either. Seeing them is the highlight of his day. "They're my life," he said, "Hell, without them horses, I'd be dead." The first shed opens up to a stash of antiques straight from the Old West. Groups of rusty saws, branding irons, cowbells and lanterns give the shed a rustic charm. Some are Items he used while working or inherited from his family. Others, he collected at auctions throughout southern auctions throughout southern

dations throughout southern data (dation, of this stuff I've had all my line; he said. The crown juevel in his collection, a century-old wooden chuck wagon with almost all of its original parts, sits in the corner. The wagon was originally sold in Filer in 1916. Row shows it off during parades, but most of the time it rests in the shed. It's a little like the wagon Row lived out of when he was a cowboy. The group of men he worked with kept their food and supplies

on the wagon. Other than that, they had almost nothing with them during their months on cat-

they had aimost noturing wanter them during their months on cattler runs.

"All you needed was your bedroll and your saddle," he sald. He has kept some of those saddles, too, along with others he gathered along the way." In an adjacent barn, saddles, chaps, collars and harnesses hang neatly. "I bought that saddle in 1952," he sald, pointing. Some harnesses are decorated with white spreader rings, "just for fanciness," Row sald. They're the only ornamental items in the barn. Everything else is functional. It's a bare-bones lifestyle—one Row wouldn't rade for the world. He attributes his old age to hard work."

"It's a good life," he sald. "I enjoyed every minute of it."

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The Christmas tree as a renewable resource

By Joel M. Lerner Special to The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — If you're trying to decide whether to buy a real or artificial Christmas tree, consider the

environment.

Real trees help improve air quality by producing oxygen and reducing carbon dioxide. They're also a renewable

and reducing carbon dioxide. They're also a renewable resource.

Real Christmas trees dominate the market. At least 32 million will be sold this year, most of them grown in the U.S. or Canada. That's a lot of air fiftered during the five to 10 years those trees were being ruised. And almost all of the trees cut for Christmas are replaced with seedlings and the trees are made in China. Most parts are not bindegradable, according to the National Christmas Tree not bindegradable, according to the National Christmas Tree will be interesting to see what owners of artificial trees do this year in light of the recent safety problems with Chinese products. Almost 133,000 artificial trees were sold in the U.S. last year.

You can compost the tree yourself by pruning the limbs to the main result. yourself by pruning the limbs to the main trunk. The green needles will add nitro-gen to your pile, and the thin, woody stems that the nee-dles grow on will add carbon.

Thinking 'green'

Here are some other ses for a real tree

after Christmas:
• Protect tender shrubs, such as camellias and hydrangeas. Lay the tree between the plant and the path of the prevailing wind. You can also stand a tree to get extra organizeral value.

path of the prevailing wind.
You can also stand a tree to
get extra ornamental value
while its protecting shrubs.
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era as a perch for birds. You
might get a bird to nest in it.
Leave it undisturbed until
the baby birds grow up and
fly away, which gives the tree
about a sik-month shelf life.
And, by the way, an old
country adage says that a
bird's nest in a Christmas
ree is good luck.

Create a wildlife habitat.
Lay your tree in the background of your garden,
slightly and of view. Let it collect leaf litter and other plant
debris. Place anythy we do
bush, and you will have created a shelter for wildlife.

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This rosemary can be protected outdoors by laying limbs from your Christmas tree around it.

Christmas tree around it.

is won't freeze.

Keep the root ball on live trees inside no longer than a week, so they don't break dormancy. Fire safety officials want you to keep cut trees insole on short a period as possible. Enjoy your tree outdoors for as short a period as possible. Enjoy your tree outdoors for the rest of the winter.

Before purchasing, check needles for freshness. They should be pliable. Plants that ordinarily have sharp, stiff needles, such as spruce, should still be flexible. You'll be able to tell if needle gare trunk of the tree onto a solid surface once or twice. If brown, and yellow needles forp, that's OK. But it shouldn't drop many green ones. drop, that's OK. But it shouldn't drop many green



After Christmas, this tree could

Foot Clinic

Duct tape goes plaid

Duct tape, the prosaic life-saver of do-it-yourselfers and outdoorsy types, continues its ascent as a design acces-

its ascent as a design accessory.

L.L. Bean's "Maine Guide"
plaids (red with black and
green with black) John two
other popular company
prints: camouflage and
wildilfe. At \$9.50 per plaid
pair (each is 30 yards long
and two inches wide), they
are more than just a stocking
stuffer, says Mae McKeever.



senior public relations repre-sentative for the Freeport, Maine, company, "Obviously it's essential for hunters and anglers, but at Christmastime people are actually using it to wrap presactually using it to wrap pres-ents as a way to put a little pizazz on their gifts."

Winter reader's wish list

By Joel M. Lerner Special to The Washington Post

Here are my book picks for is year's holiday shopping "Venetian Gardens," a

list:

"Venetian Gardens," a
175-page, hardcover reference book written by
Marlagrazia Dammicco and
photographed by Marlanne
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impressions of backyards,
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venice, including architecture
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stocking stuffers. Cost: \$3.95 each.

"Wildflower Gardens" is a collection of three to five-page essays by well-known garden writers. Designing in sun, partial shade and shade are covered. Various types of wildflower gardens are discussed, including borders, beds, bogs, meadows, prairies and rockeries, and 60 wildflowers are identified with instructions for care and planting.

institutions in the care and planting.

"Hummingbird Gardens," primarily written by Stephen W. Kress, vice president for bird conservation at the National Audubon Society,

also includes essays by experts with experience from other parts of the country. • "Buried Treasures: Tasty Tubers of the World" is about

The rest it world "s a law in the considered eating. Some of the nut-star there are not only tasty but are also a way to control weeds, such as nutsedge, and to grow food crops almost year-round. This is a complete collection of information from experts, about edible roots, from the common to the obscure.

• "The Magle of Monet's Garden: His Planting Plans and Color Harmonies," by Derek Fell, foffers a window late the mind of one of the great impressionist painters.

Into the mind of one of the great impressionist painters of the 19th and 20th centuries and one of the most gifted flower gardeners of the 20th century. This hardcover book has 160 pages. (Firefly Books,

century. This hardcover book has 160 pages, (Firely Books, \$35)

"Success With Shade-Loving Plants," by Graham Clarke, is for people who want to ameliorate heavy shade, find florn that will grow in the low light of a woodland garden-den-or-thrive-on-the-north-side of a house. This beautifully photographed paper-back shows plants that will bring year-round color to a woodland garden. Clarke covers more than 100 shade-tolerant plants. The 160 pages and more than 200 color photographs and fillustration contain may be contain the properties of the pr

Graftsman
Publications,
\$14.95)

"Pots In the Garden," by
Ray Rogers, is a veritable
library of container plantings
that teaches landscape design
techniques with pots, using
plants of all types.
Houseplants can serve as outdoor plants for seven to eight
months and be brought
indoors to winter. Rogers
offers lists of bulbs, shrubs,
trees and vines. The ideas are
llustrated with 240 full-color
photographs. Ite begins with
the principles of color combinations in fully designed settings. (Timber Press, \$29.95)

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By Scott Aker Special to The Washington Post

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way), it is taller and blooms much later than the more common French marlgolds, Taggtes patula (which are not native to France). Sunlight might also be the limiting factor. In shade, marlgolds may grow leaves but won't produce many flowers.

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