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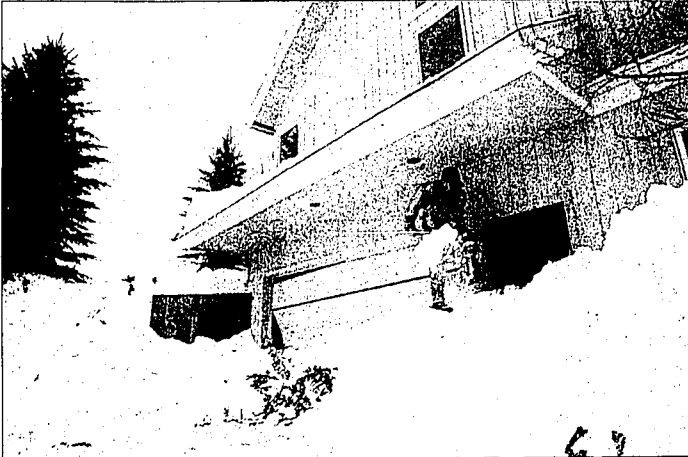
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## Ketchum digs out



Leonel Reyes digs a house out Tuesday after it was hit by an avalanche along Sage Road in Ketchum.

## Residents return home after avalanche evacuations

By Matt Christensen  
Times-News writer

Deep snow is nothing new in Ketchum, a real-life incarnation of a snow globe scene this time of year. Skiers carve through waist-deep powder. Fishermen drill through ice-covered ponds. Snowmobiles zip across a frozen winterscape. But when the snow starts burying houses, people get concerned. More than 70 homes were evacuated



See more photos and hear a report about avalanche damage in Ketchum online at [MagicValley.com](http://MagicValley.com)

Monday when avalanches damaged at least seven structures in the Wood River Valley, four of them homes in the Warm Springs area threatened by wildfires this summer.

Residents were digging out — or back in, in some cases — on Tuesday, when city officials lifted travel restrictions on Hoffman, Sage and Hillside roads Monday night. Avalanches Monday damaged four homes and one garage within Ketchum city limits, said Kim Rogers, a spokeswoman for the city police department, prompting officials to order evacuations of 71 homes around noon.

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"Yesterday a widespread avalanche cycle took place in this region. And I don't think any miracles took place overnight to cause the stability to be much better today."

— Chris Lundy, an avalanche forecaster at the center reported in Tuesday's avalanche report

## Heavy snow to continue for next few days

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

Forecasters are expecting more winter weather to hit south-central Idaho in the next few days, after snowstorms earlier this week closed schools, caused avalanches near Ketchum and contributed to a fatal semi truck crash Monday on Interstate 84. Josh Smith, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Boise, said the

agency is predicting five to six inches of snow and winds between 15 to 25 miles per hour in the Magic Valley between Thursday and Friday morning. Wind gusts could reach 45 mph.

Conditions should be even sketchier farther north, including the Wood River Valley and Camas Prairie, he said, with closer to a foot of snow in the area and winds anywhere between 45 and 70 mph. The result, he said, will likely be large snowdrifts and

**Inside**  
Keep track of Magic Valley snowpack levels.

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other hazards. "I think the main concern is it's going to be a lot of snow, but it's going to drift and go all over the roads," Smith said. "It's going to be more of a travel hazard." The prediction came as the Camas Prairie and the west-

ern Magic Valley were placed under snow advisories Tuesday afternoon through evening. The agency issued a heavy snow warning for the Camas Prairie, predicting up to a foot of snow in the area. A snow advisory for the Magic Valley and other areas warned of between two and five inches of snow and localized drifting.

School districts and public agencies were watching the

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## Choosing an LDS successor

## Picking a new Mormon church president wasn't always decided neatly

By Jennifer Dobner  
Associated Press writer

SALT LAKE CITY — In the days after Mormon Church president and prophet Gordon B. Hinckley is laid to rest, the men who served as his closest advisers will begin the process of choosing a successor. But the deliberations after Saturday will not hold the intrigue of the election of a Roman Catholic pope, during which geography, politics and other factors combine in a process that ends with white smoke puffing from a chimney.

At least in modern days, choosing the leader of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints has come down to the simple matter of who is next in line for an office unique among religious traditions. Hinckley died Sunday night at age 87 after suffering the 13 million-member church through a period of tremendous growth.

Following Mormon church tradition, the next most senior church apostle will probably succeed him



Gordon B. Hinckley, president of the Mormon church, speaks during an interview in Salt Lake City in November 2005. In the background is a portrait of Brigham Young, the church's second president, who led the faithful to Utah.

— in this case, Thomas S. Monson, 80.

Although there is no formal timetable for choosing,

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## Hailey officials plan lawsuit to fight pot laws

## Three plaintiffs come from city government

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

The attorneys could have gone on arguing forever. The issue of marijuana reform, which has been on the mind of Hailey city officials since voters passed three initiatives in November, did not go away when the attorney general and the Hailey city attorney struck down the measures. The two attorneys determined that the three initia-

tives — including legalization of medicinal marijuana and industrial hemp, and making the enforcement of marijuana laws a lower police priority — violate federal and state laws.

City officials said they expect to see marijuana advocates present four new initiatives for a special election in February.

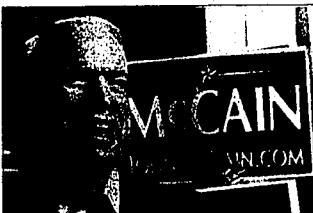
So on Tuesday evening, Mayor Rick Davis, Chief of Police Jeff Gauthier and City Councilman Don Keira decided to take the contentious issue before a judge — hoping a good will settle the matter. Whatever the judge decides, council members will obey, Keira said.

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# McCain beats Romney in Florida GOP primary

## Giuliani appears headed for campaign exit

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., smiles while speaking to reporters outside a polling station in St. Petersburg, Fla., Tuesday, the morning of Florida's Republican presidential primary.



The Associated Press

MIAMI — Sen. John McCain won a breakthrough triumph in the Florida primary Tuesday night, gaining the upper hand in the battle for the Republican presidential nomination ahead of next week's contests across 21 states. Former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani appeared

ready to quit the race.

"It shows one thing, I'm the conservative leader who can unite the party," McCain said in a brief interview with The Associated Press. "It's a very significant boost, but I think we've got a tough week ahead and a lot of states to come." The victory was worth 57

national convention delegates for McCain, a winner-take-all haul that catapulted him ahead of Romney for the overall delegate lead.

Giuliani, who bet his presidential hopes on Florida only to come in third, prepared to quit the race Tuesday and



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TODAY'S FORECAST

Table with 3 columns: Today, Tonight, Thursday. Includes weather icons and temperature ranges (High 29, Low 19, 33/21).

MINI-CASSIA

Today: Breezy and cold with little in the way of new snow. Highs upper 20s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy, breezy and cold. Lows teens.
Tomorrow: Brisk winds coupled with developing late day snow. Highs upper 20s.

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Minico/Burley before-the-game pork dinner, includes Nevada salad and surprise desserts, 5 to 7 p.m., Minico High School lunchroom, \$8 for adults and \$3 for children, proceeds to benefit boys basketball program, 431-6806.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch, noon, Golden Corral, 1823-Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, 312-5057 to R.S.V.P.

EXHIBITS

'Ceramics from the Bray: The Idaho Connection', with featured artists Donna Flanery, Margaret Gregg, Jeanette Rakowski, David Peters, Kalia Jackson and Peter Rudl, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herritt Center for Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 732-6655.

FAMILY

Grief Share, 'The journey of grief was not meant to be walked alone,' 6:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, 2262 Highland Ave., Burley, child care available, 654-2500.

GOVERNMENT

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

Veterans meetings with Min Smith, state service officer from Boise, Burley Veterans' Office, Burley Airport, 678-3599 or 878-2565 for appointment.

HEALTH

College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, a guided walking workout with stretching and gentle resistance training, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations: CSI gym, Gooding ISOB gym, Jerome Race Center, Shoshone High (old gym), Rupert Civic Center and Blaine County Campus Gym, and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at CSI Burley Outreach Center Gym, no cost, 732-6475.

Fit and Fall Proof exercise class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Agless Senior Citizens, Inc., 301 Main St. N., Kimberly, 737-5988.

Silversnakers fitness program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 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, 733-4384.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins from 5 to 5:30 p.m., meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., BridgeView Great Room (north entrance; third floor), BridgeView Estates, 1828 Bridgeview Blvd., 404-4793 or 736-9282.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Woodcarving days, public welcome to come and carve wood, 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m., 301 Filer Ave. W., Twin Falls, classes available, 736-0061.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzanne Browne by e-mail at sbrowne@magicvalley.com; by fax, 734-5536; or by mail, Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of event.

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See photos and hear a report about Ketchum residents digging out after avalanches.



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Free weekly workshops at CSI hit the right note with those who love the music and want to learn more about it.

THURSDAY IN TNT

MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE NATION

CALIFORNIA

Salmon population declines sharply

SAN FRANCISCO — The number of chinook salmon returning to California's Central Valley has reached a near-record low, pointing to an 'unprecedented collapse' that could lead to severe restrictions on West Coast salmon fishing this year, according to federal fishery regulators.

The sharp drop in chinook, or 'king,' salmon returning from the Pacific Ocean to spawn in the Sacramento River and its tributaries last fall is part of broader decline in wild salmon runs in rivers across the West.

The population dropped more than 80 percent from its all-time high five years ago, according to an internal memo sent to members of the Pacific Fishery Management

Council and obtained by The Associated Press.

NEW YORK

Room made of chocolate unveiled for Valentine's Day

NEW YORK — Don't lick the walls. An all-chocolate room was unveiled in Manhattan on Tuesday — 8 p.m. Valentine's Day creation complete with furniture and artwork made of the sweet stuff.

'It's the perfect bit of sin,' said Ali Larter, star of TV's 'Heroes,' of the Godiva chocolate 'pearls' that are her private daily indulgence.

Here, they were dripping off the chandeliers above the dining table, which was a sea of stars, truffles and crescents — all chocolate, of course, under glass.

Larter is the celebrity face hired by the Belgian choco-

lateral for its annual Valentine's Day promotion contest. This year, anyone who buys the for \$23 and up — may win the chocolate room. It is to be recreated in a suite of Manhattan's Bryant Park Hotel for a pampered get-away weekend for two in May.

The winning bus — sold only in North America — will contain a note informing the buyer of his or her good luck.

MARYLAND

Bush says reliance on faith helped him beat 'addiction' to alcohol

BALTIMORE — President Bush is talking more openly about his old drinking habit, and on Tuesday he offered perhaps his most pointed assessment yet by saying plainly that the term 'addiction' had applied to him.

'Addiction is hard to overcome. As you might remember, I drank too much at one time in my life,' Bush said during a visit to the Jericho Program, a project of Episcopal Community Services of Maryland that helps former prisoners deal with problems such as drug addiction, finding jobs and reintegrating successfully into society.

Bush spoke to reporters after meeting privately with two men who have graduated from Jericho's program and dealt with drug problems. During that session, which the White House allowed one reporter to attend, Bush spoke frankly about himself.

'I understand addiction, and I understand how a changed heart can help you deal with addiction,' he told the two men. 'There's some kind of commonality.'

— The Associated Press

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 30, the 30th day of 2008. There are 336 days left in the year.

Today's highlight

On Jan. 30, 1960, the Tet Offensive began during the Vietnam War as Communist forces launched surprise attacks against South Vietnamese provincial capitals, although the Communists were beaten back, the offensive was seen as a major setback for the U.S. and its allies.

On this date

In 1649, England's King Charles was beheaded. In 1892, the 32nd president of the United States, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was born in Hyde Park, N.Y.

In 1863, James Ritty and John Bittich received a U.S. patent for the first cash register.

In 2005, in Belfast, Northern

Ireland, Robert McCartney, 33, was killed after intervening in a pub fight between Irish Republican Army members and a friend of his.

Ten years ago: An aviation pact was reached between Washington and Tokyo enabling American travelers to fly to Japan and other Asian points from several more U.S. cities.

Five years ago: President Bush put allies on notice that diplomacy would give way to a decision on war with Iraq in 'weeks, not months.' Wary world leaders and congressional critics urged patience and demanded proof of Iraq's transgressions. Richard Reid,

the British citizen and al-Qaeda follower who had tried to blow up a trans-Atlantic jetliner with explosives hidden in his shoes, was sentenced to life in prison by a federal judge in Boston.

One year ago: A propane tank explosion leveled the Little General Store in Ghent, W.Va., killing four people, two gunmen shot and killed the wife of the Jackson County, Fla., sheriff and a deputy sent to check on her other deputies opened fire and killed the assailants.

Hollywood writer-producer and novelist Sidney Sheldon died in Rancho Mirage, Calif., at age 89.

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY

'The only tyrant I accept in this world is the still small voice' within me.'

— Mohandas K. Gandhi (1869-1948)

FOUR-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Feb. 2 — Disney's 'High School Musical,' presented by the Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation, 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, Burley, \$10 reserved seats, \$8 and \$5 general seats, 678-6868.

Feb. 2 — Jive Winter Showcase, 1 p.m. Mainstage Performance and 7:30 p.m. Evening Performance, Roper auditorium, Twin Falls High School, 55, 733-6551.

SCHOOL CEREMONY

Jan. 31 — Dedication ceremony, Summit Elementary School, 7 p.m., 200 10th Ave. W., Jerome, the community is invited to attend, 324-3396.

EDUCATION

Jan. 31 — Buhl Library book talk, with discussion leader Eileen Scheidt on Richard North Patterson's 'Exile,' 7 to 9 p.m., at the library, 215 Broadway Ave. N., books available for checkout, 543-6500.

Jan. 31 — The Kimberly and Hanson libraries book discussion group, 'Secret Life of Boes' by Sue Monk Kidd led by Sherry George, 7:30 p.m., Kimberly Public Library, 120 Madison St. W., Kimberly, books available for checkout at Kimberly and Hanson Libraries, 423-4556 or 423-4122.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

Feb. 1 — The Jerome Music Boosters Baked Potato Feed, fundraiser for school band and choral programs during 'Pack the Gym' night: Jerome High School boys basketball teams vs. Minico, 5:30 to 8 p.m., Jerome H.S. cafeteria, 'all the fixings' and a drink for \$4 donation, 329-0523 or smith@261.142.id.us.

Feb. 4 — Troop No. 38 Annual Fish Fry, 6 to 8 p.m., Blue Building, Jerome Fairgrounds, by donation, 420-3036.

Feb. 1 — 'First Friday Dinner,' a buffet-style, traditional Basque meal sponsored by the Gooding Basque Association, 6 to 8:30 p.m., the Basque Cultural Center at the intersection of Highways 26 and 46, Gooding, general donation of \$14 (seniors eat for \$12), (208) 352-4266 or 308-5051.

Feb. 2 — The Oddfellow-Rebekah Ground Hog Feed, 7 a.m.

to 2 p.m., Burley I.O.O.F. Hall, 1358 Oakley Ave., Burley, \$5 per plate, 678-3032.

Feb. 2 — Capstone Missions' 3rd Annual Crab Feast and Benefit Auction, 5:30 p.m. wine and cheese social and 6 to 7:30 p.m. dinner (with live, silent and dessert auction until 9 p.m.), St. Jerome's Catholic Church, Jerome, limited tickets \$35; table reservations available, 324-4257, 733-1187 or www.capstonemissions.org.

Feb. 2 — The Annual Fireman's Ball fundraiser, includes dance and breakfast, 7 p.m. to 1:30 a.m., American Legion Hall, Pault, \$5 at the door or from a fireman, 438-4101.

Feb. 3 — 'Biscuits, gravy and Fried Apples,' 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wendell United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St., free-will offering, 543-2088.

FAMILY

Jan. 31 — Town Hall Meeting, presented by Southern Idaho Partners Against Drugs (SIPAD) to offer hope for those caught in the cycle of addiction; includes special guests and panel discussion, 7 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Auditorium, no cost, 734-1822 or georgebrown1@a.com.

HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

Jan. 31 — L.I.F.E. Group 'Quilt-in-a-day' cutting party, for those who wish to get a head start on cutting out quilt, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School cafeteria, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, no cost, 326-5347 or 326-5198.

Feb. 2 — L.I.F.E. Group 'Quilt-in-a-day' sewing day, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Clover Trinity Lutheran School cafeteria, 3552 N. 1825 E., Buhl, no cost, 326-5347 or 326-5198.

SPORTS

Feb. 2 — Jerome Gun Club Sporting Clays Shoot, 9 a.m. start time, 11 miles north of junction of I-84 and Highway 93, mile marker 64, \$20 members and \$23 non-members, 733-6045.

Feb. 2 — District 4 Regional Cheer and Dance competition, 9 a.m., Twin Falls High School Baun gymnasium, \$6 for adults and \$4 for students and children, 733-6551.



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# Snow

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weather carefully Tuesday. Gooding School District officials have been meeting every morning during winter to assess road conditions, a representative there said, and Blaine County District spokeswoman Lisa O'Leary said she was sure district officials were aware of the forecast, though she said no snow day decisions are made until at least the night before.

Blaine County School District officials — who called a snow day on Monday — said they were also keeping an eye on Thursday's forecast.

"Typically, the only time school closes here is when the wind is up," said Darlene Kiffer, an administrative assistant at the Blaine County district office.

As snow began falling Tuesday afternoon, Twin Falls city streets superintendent Bruce Stephens drove around checking how slick major arterial roads were becoming — quite a bit, he said. Two of the city's sand trucks were patching up bits of Pole Line Road, and Stephens said he expected much more work ahead of him.

"This one here is going to

naill us," he said. "For the next few days, it's going to be a lot of overtime."

According to the NWS, this week's series of snow storms originated near the Gulf of Alaska. They are not part of the same system that dumped large amounts of snow on parts of Washington and central and north Idaho. Those storms were caused by two storm systems merging, one from California and another moving across the Northwest.

Note Poppino can be reached at 735-3237 or [ppoppino@magvalley.com](mailto:ppoppino@magvalley.com).

# Avalanche

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Janet Camp, a 52-year-old Spokane resident visiting friends in the area, was skiing on Bald Mountain when one avalanche broke just a few hundred yards away.

"This guy yelled, 'Oh my God, there's an avalanche,'" she said. "It looked like snowballs just getting bigger and bigger, like when you make a snowman. We didn't realize how big it was until it just exploded over a house."

The city's building inspector examined the structural integrity of the damaged homes Tuesday afternoon, and police expected resi-

dents would be allowed back inside late in the evening.

Police and avalanche experts warned residents on Tuesday to stay indoors, as the risk of more slides remained high.

"Yesterday a widespread avalanche cycle took place in this region," Chris Lundy, an avalanche forecaster at the center reported in Tuesday's avalanche report. "And I don't think any miracles took place overnight to cause the stability to be much better today."

City and Forest Service officials also warned residents

and visitors to avoid the bases of steep slopes and to stay off trails in canyons or along mountain bases.

Luckily, Rogers said, structures have been the only victims this week.

"There have been no injuries, and no victims have been trapped in their homes," she said. Officials said they'll continue to update residents of new avalanche dangers, which may increase by Thursday when a snowstorm is expected to move through the valley.

# LDS

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a successor, the group of 14 church apostles is not expected to meet until early next week to allow time to honor Hinckley's memory.

Succession was not always so neatly decided, said Mike Quinn, a Mormon historian who was excommunicated from the church. Church founder Joseph Smith never laid out a plan for the process, and more than three years passed from the time he died until Brigham Young took over the church.

"You had different people saying different things about the way to go," Quinn said. When Young took control of the church, only about half his members followed him to Utah. Gaps of two or more years between presidencies continued — with senior leaders arguing against seniority as the sole basis.

"Age was a factor," Quinn said. "They didn't want to create a gerontocracy. There was a power struggle, or you

could say, prophetic disagreement."

Ultimately, church leaders decided that an unclerical, unquestioned process of succession would be best for the church.

"Now you don't have a succession crisis," Quinn said. "It's a very uniform pattern. It's trustworthy."

The system also means that Mormon presidents are bound to be well beyond standard U.S. retirement age. Since 1945, only one church president has been younger than 75 when he took office.

To some, that's troubling. "There ought to be some kind of vehicle established that takes into account that individual condition, mentally and physically," said Steve Benson, grandson of former church president Ezra Taft Benson, who died in 1994. "I don't see what the problem is. This is done in all kinds of corporations."

Hinckley himself had answered that kind of criticism.

# Mormon church presidents

- 1) Joseph Smith Jr. President 1832-1844
- 2) Brigham Young President 1847-1877
- 3) John Taylor President 1880-1887
- 4) Wilford Woodruff President 1889-1898
- 5) Lorenzo Snow President 1898-1901
- 6) Joseph Fielding Smith\* President 1901-1918
- 7) Heber Jeddard Grant President 1918-1945
- 8) George Albert Smith President 1945-1951
- 9) David Oman McKay President 1951-1970
- 10) Joseph Fielding Smith\* President 1970-1972

in 1996, when confronted by Mike Wallace of 60 Minutes with the claim that the church "is run by old men," Hinckley replied: "Isn't it wonderful to have a man of maturity at the head, a man of judgment,

who isn't blown about by every wind of doctrine?"

The head of the Mormon Church is not only leader of a worldwide church, but also a prophet, living testament to the LDS belief that divine revelation continues to this day.

# Hailey

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"We kind of could see this as an ongoing thing," Keim said. "They are either legal, in which case we in the city have to enforce them or they are illegal in which case we will ignore them."

The paradox is how to get there. "To get a district judge to hear the case, the three plaintiffs are suing Hailey — the city they represent — for passing illegal initiatives. The city attorney, who has argued the initiatives are largely illegal, will have to switch sides."

"As far as I am concerned, Cities 101, the Legislature can pass a law and the court can decide if that law is legal," said Hailey City Attorney Ned Williamson. "It's that simple process. If people pass a law and let the judge decide if it's legal."

Williamson will represent the city and defend the initiatives. The plaintiffs will use city money to hire another attorney to argue the initiatives are illegal and should be struck down. A judge could also rule partially in favor of either side.

"I think what the goal here is to make a determination on all or part of the ordinances and if a judge determines some parts are illegal some parts will be stricken," Williamson said. "This is a common technique used in court to test the legality of laws. It is called declaratory judgment."

Williamson's own advice and the advice he conveyed

from the Idaho Attorney General's Office was to strip the initiatives down to their bare bones. That counsel infuriated the initiatives' author Ryan Davidson.

Williamson recommended

City Council members cut out making medicinal marijuana legal and render impotent a committee charged with making marijuana the lowest priority for Hailey police.

Keim said Williamson has

begun to identify potential attorneys to represent the plaintiffs. Keim also said he did not know when the plaintiffs will file their lawsuit.

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# Signs point toward pause of U.S. troop withdrawal from Iraq

By Robert Burns  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The first hint that President Bush might hit the pause button on troop cuts in Iraq was his offer to Gen. David Petraeus: "If you want to slow her down, fine."

That was a little over two weeks ago. Then Bush invoked the top commander's name again, in his State of the Union speech, saying the general worries about troop cuts leading to "disintegration" of Iraq's defenses.

It's now clear: The White House is reluctant to continue the cuts beyond July. In fact, the administration is sending strong signals that reductions in Iraq will slow or stop altogether this summer, jeopardizing hopes of relieving strain on the Army and Marine Corps and reviv-

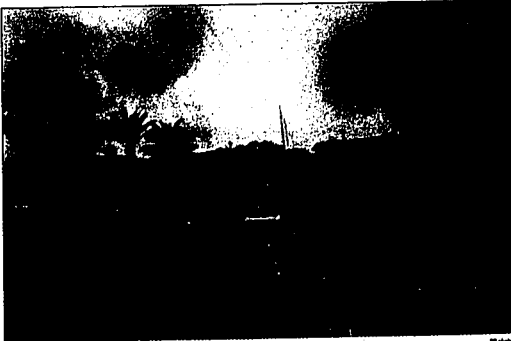
ing debate over an open-ended U.S. commitment in the country.

U.S. commanders are concerned that the improvement in security in Iraq since June — to a degree few had predicted when Bush ordered five more Army brigades to the country a year ago — is tenuous and could be reversed if the extra troops come out too soon.

One of those extra brigades left in December and the other four are due to come out by July, leaving 15 brigades, or roughly 130,000 to 135,000 troops — the same number as before Bush sent the reinforcements.

Petraeus is scheduled to report to the president and to Congress in April on possible additional cutbacks and any recommended changes in strategy. Petraeus recently said it would be prudent to "let things settle a bit" after the current round of troop cuts is completed in July.

Majority Democrats in Congress have pressed unsuccessfully to wind down



A U.S. Army soldier from Ghost Rider Company, 3rd Squadron, 2nd Stryker Cavalry Regiment runs for cover during Operation Phantom Phoenix in the village of Abu Musa on the northern outskirts of Muqadadiyah, in volatile Diyala province, about 60 miles north of Baghdad, Iraq, Jan. 10.

the war quickly, in part out of concern that more firepower should be transferred to Afghanistan, where the security situation has deteri-

orated. Reluctance by Bush to continue the troop draw-down beyond July is likely to trigger a new round of conflict with the anti-war

Democrats, especially with the November elections ahead.

Petraeus seems at this point to be inclined to

declare a pause in reductions after July, although no decisions have been made and there are competing pressures from within the Pentagon. The Army in particular wants additional reductions to enable it to shorten Iraq tours from 15 months to 12 months. The longer tours are among pressures that Army leaders fear could break the force.

Petraeus speaks regularly with Defense Secretary Robert Gates and other administration officials to keep them informed of his thinking, although he has not yet made a recommendation to Bush. A senior administration official said Petraeus has made clear he is "concerned about a rush to 10" — a reference to the 10-brigade force level that some administration officials see as an attractive target to hit by the time Bush leaves the White House a year from now.

The official briefed reporters last week at the White House on condition of anonymity.

## Florida

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endorse his friendliest rival, John McCain.

The former New York mayor stopped short of announcing he was stepping down, but delivered a valedictory speech that was more farewell than fight. Republican officials said Giuliani would endorse McCain on Wednesday in California. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity in advance of the public announcement.

"The responsibility of leadership doesn't end with a single campaign. It goes on and you continue to fight for it," Giuliani said, as supporters with tight smiles crowded behind him. "We ran a campaign that was uplifting."

Asked directly if he was dropping out of the race, Giuliani said only: "I'm going to California."

In Florida, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee trailed, but told supporters he would campaign on Texas Rep. Ron Paul was fifth, and last.

Romney, who has spent millions of dollars of his per-

sonal fortune to run for the White House, also vowed to stay in the race.

"At a time like this, America needs a president in the White House who has actually had a job in the real economy," he told supporters in Petersburg.

Florida marked the end of one phase of the campaign, the last in a series of single-state contests. The campaign goes national next week, with 21 states holding primaries and caucuses on Tuesday and 1,023 party delegates at stake.

Hillary Rodham Clinton won the Florida Democratic primary Tuesday night, an event that drew no campaigning by any of her presidential rivals and awarded no delegates to the winner.

But Clinton promptly declared it a welcome victory.

The New York senator, fresh off her lapped loss to Barack Obama in last week-end's South Carolina primary, arranged a rally in the state as the polls were closing, an evident attempt to gain campaign momentum.

## Obama to campaign in Idaho

By Rebecca Boone  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Democratic presidential hopeful Sen. Barack Obama is coming to Boise on Saturday for a public appearance, campaign officials said.

The visit is just three days before Super Tuesday, when 24 states including Idaho hold some form of presidential preference voting contest, mainly primaries or caucuses.

Obama, who opened his

second Idaho office in Pocatello earlier this month, is in a race for the Democratic presidential nomination with New York Sen. Hillary Clinton and former North Carolina Sen. John Edwards.

Obama spokeswoman Shannon Gilson said details of the visit were still being finalized. But John Foster, the executive director of the Idaho Democratic Party, said Obama's appearance would be open to the public.

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# House backs \$146 billion economic stimulus bill

## Many in Senate demanding input

By Jonathan Weisman  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The House overwhelmingly approved a \$146 billion shot in the arm for the nation's ailing economy Tuesday, sending a stimulus package to the Senate with a bipartisan appeal not to slow down the bill with significant changes.

The 385 to 35 vote marked a rare moment of bipartisan comity in the House, as Democrats and Republicans took to the floor to praise the cooperation shown by their leaders and the Bush administration in forging a package of tax checks and business investment incentives.

The bill would pump \$146 billion into the economy this year and \$15 billion next year, before recouping some of that money as businesses begin paying taxes on the investments they are expected to make under the plan, according to the joint Taxation Committee. The package would cost \$117 billion over 10 years.

But behind that amity was growing concern that the Senate would make changes that would force the package into House-Senate negotiations and, at worst, would court a presidential veto.

"My concern is that we

need to get this bill out of the House and on my desk so the checks can get in the hands of our consumers and our businesses can be assured of the incentive necessary to make investments," President Bush told reporters in the Oval Office.

House Speaker Nancy

Pelosi, D-Calif., House Minority Leader John Boehner, R-Ohio, and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., increased pressure on senators to accept the bill approved by the House and to send it to Bush by week's end.

"If we heap too much on

top of the package, it will then take us deeply into debt," Pelosi said. "I think it's a good day for us here. Let's hope the Senate takes our lead from us."

Senators said they want to alter the measure — first today when the Senate Finance Committee takes up its own stimulus proposals, then tonight, when the issue will reach the Senate floor.

"I understand (McCon-

nell's) point that we don't want to somehow derail the package, but on the other hand, some of the changes the Finance Committee is looking at would make the House package better," said Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine. Bush's comments came before he signed an executive order that directs federal agencies to ignore pet projects, known as earmarks, that lawmakers slip into reports

accompanying spending legislation. Such reports drafted by conference committees do not have the force of law, but presidents traditionally have respected them.

Because the Democratic Congress may try to hold off passing spending bills in the hope that a Democratic president will be elected in November, it is uncertain whether Bush will ever get to apply his policy.

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## Margaret Truman Daniel, only child of President Truman, dies at 83

By Margaret Stafford  
Associated Press writer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Margaret Truman, the only child of former President Harry S. Truman who became a concert singer, actress, radio and TV personality and mystery writer, died Tuesday. She was 83.

Truman, known as Margaret Truman Daniel in private life, died at a Chicago assisted-living facility following a brief illness, according to Susan Medler, a spokeswoman for the Harry S. Truman Library and Museum in Independence. She had been at the facility for the past several weeks and was on a respirator, the library said.

Her father's succession to the presidency in 1945 thrust her into the national spotlight while a college junior. "I feel that I've lived several different lives and that was one of them," she said in 1980. "Some of it was fun, but most of it was not. It was a great view of history being made."

Her singing career attracted the barbs of music critics, even the embarrassment of having her father threaten one reviewer.

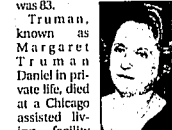
But she found a fulfilling professional and personal life in New York City where she met her husband, journalist Clifford Daniel, who later became managing editor of The New York Times. They married in 1956.

She published her first book, an autobiography titled "Souvenir," in 1956. She said it was "a bitter Truman told reporters: 'One writing job is enough.'"

But then she did a book on White House pets in 1969, and later more, one a biography of her father. The idea of "doing" a mystery called "Murder in the White House" came "out of nowhere," she said.

That 1980 title was followed by mysteries set in the Supreme Court, the Smithsonian, Embassy Row, the FBI, Georgetown, the CIA, Kennedy Center, the National Cathedral and the Pentagon.

The last book, "Murder on K Street," was released last year. Donald Bain, a well-known ghost writer, was rumored to have written Truman's mysteries, but he has denied it.



Truman

EDITORIAL

# Ethanol's troubled adolescence

The promise of ethanol has always been a Faustian bargain: in a world with 6.6 billion mouths to feed, the staples of prosperity can always be trumped by the staples of survival.

Ethanol, which has long seemed a natural fit for southern Idaho ag producers, is struggling because the corn from which most of it is made is going elsewhere — largely into the stomachs of cows as dairy prices have skyrocketed.

Speculative demand for corn has driven global prices so high that nations dependent on American exports can't afford to feed their poorest citizens. The Mexican government's fumbled attempts at cap tortilla prices last year led to noisy demonstrations in that nation's capital. The country's economy minister, Eduardo Sojo, blamed ethanol, saying food corn supplies were being crowded out of the market.

Those are factors over which the ethanol industry — and the Idaho farmers who supply it — have little control. Which is why questions have arisen over the future of two ethanol plants in the Mini-Cassia area.

Construction has stopped on a Helyburn ethanol and power plant being built by a British company, Renova Energy PLC. Reuters reported earlier this month that the firm halted the project because costs were higher than expected and the company ran out of money.

The news service said Renova is trying to renege on the project, but there's no word on when construction might resume.

A second Burley-area plant developed by Pacific Ethanol should be done by late summer, but Pacific's stock recently fell and in December it halted work on an ethanol plant near Calipatria, Calif.

Investors are wary of ethanol in part because the price doesn't rise along with demand.

Most ethanol in the United States is sold through long-term, fixed contracts with oil companies. Simply put, there are higher returns elsewhere.

That doesn't mean there isn't a future for ethanol production in Idaho — it's the most viable renewable fuel at the moment — but let's be realistic: Corn is a thirsty crop and Idaho is short on water. And as long as the milk price hovers above \$18 per hundredweight, growers will sell corn to dairy producers who can and will pay the most.

Ethanol is a long-term investment; we hope the industry is in this for the long haul.

**Our view:**  
There's no quick fix for Idaho's emerging ethanol industry. What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

# Bush slouches toward the exit

President Bush delivered his final State of the Union address Monday night to a country already eagerly searching for his successor.

Facing a worst-of-all-worlds combination of war and a possible recession, Bush did not embrace any of the high-risk policy gambles that have defined his presidency.



CAROLYN LOCHHEAD

He instead sketched a narrow path of small-scale skirmishes with Congress on spending, deadlocked with Democrats on Iraq policy and fervent hope that his signature tax cuts do not vanish with his presidency.

"We have unfinished business before us, and the American people expect us to get it done," Bush declared.

The spell of bipartisanship between Bush and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi on a \$150 billion economic stimulus package seems destined to be brief. Asked if there is any chance that Congress would extend Bush's 2001 and 2003 tax cuts, which expire in two years, House Democratic Caucus chairman Rahm Emanuel had a terse reply: "No."

Facing a hostile Congress, alysional public approval ratings (his latest Gallup poll rating is only 34 percent) and even presidential candidates of his own party running away from him, Bush's only strategy is to play "small ball and defense" for the remainder of his term, said Texas A&M presidential scholar George Edwards.

"The odds are against him doing almost anything except motherhood resolutions."



Bush got little credit when the economy grew robustly during most of his term. He is getting much of the blame for its problems now.

He acknowledged that "we can all see that growth is slowing" in the economy. He urged Congress to quickly pass the stimulus package, and he asked that his tax cuts, expiring in 2010 when he will be out of office, be renewed. He promised to veto any tax increase.

On the tanking housing market, the president called for reforms of the Federal Housing Administration and government-sponsored lending agencies Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to help ease foreclosures.

Bush outlined a stay-the-course strategy in Iraq, pushed for new free trade agreements with Columbia, Panama and South Korea, sought renewal of his No Child Left Behind law and pressed initiatives on energy and global warming that Democrats have dismissed as late to the game.

He left it to Democrats to take up entitlement and immigration reform if they choose, his plans having been stymied. "I ask mem-

bers of Congress to offer your proposals and come up with a bipartisan solution to save these vital programs for our children and grandchildren," he said.

"The economy has replaced the war on center stage as Iraq has quieted from the chaos of a year ago after Bush increased troops despite vehement opposition from the newly elected Democratic majority in Congress," Bush acknowledged. "Difficult and trying for our nation," but he promised that "years from now people will look back and say that this generation rose to the moment, prevailed in the tough fight, and left behind a more hopeful region and a safer America."

Bush said the surge has delivered "results few of us could have imagined just one year ago" and said his objective this year is to "sustain and build on the gains we made in 2007 ... while transitioning to the next phase in our strategy" where Iraq troops will take the lead.

Such promises have been heard many times in a year approaching its fifth anniversary,

costing to date nearly \$500 billion and the lives of nearly 4,000 U.S. soldiers.

With Iraq quiet over today, and having spent last year in a largely fruitless effort to force Bush to back down, Democrats seem content to await a new president, hoping that he or she will be a Democrat.

Still, Bush will do well just to cling to his policies this year. Even many Republicans are unenthusiastic about his new plan to direct federal agencies to ignore future congressional earmarks (spending for pet projects in members' districts), while accepting the ones already approved in the spending bills for this year. The White House budget office counted 11,700 earmarks costing \$17 billion in the 2008 bills.

Bush rolled the dice with his presidency many times, nowhere with greater consequence than Iraq. The war consumed and now defines his presidency.

"It's going to be a long time before he's viewed very positively, frankly," Edwards said.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Teacher pay plan fails to recognize students' needs

Ivan Luna and now Ryan Kerby in the editorial on Jan. 29 compare Idaho schools to businesses and are trying to implement a merit pay plan accordingly. Our children are not inanimate objects that can be bought and sold, but are living, breathing humans with real needs and feelings. These plans do not take this into account.

If businesses get defective merchandise, they return it to the manufacturer. Should schools refuse to accept kindergarten who do not know their alphabet or students who have learning disabilities? If merchandise gets broken or is not selling well, the price is reduced to get it off quickly. If a child is not keeping up with the rest of the class, should he be put in the "50 percent off corner of the classroom" where the teacher will teach him when she has time? Merit pay would be

based on the results of the ISAT test which the students take twice a year. On those days, does the teacher say, "I don't care if your dog was run over last night, if your parents are getting a divorce, or if your dad was put in jail. Today you do your best on this test because if you don't, our school won't make our yearly gains and I won't get my raise."

Teachers realize that teaching is more than test scores and students need care and comfort as well as instruction from their teacher. ISTARS would only reward 20 percent of the teachers in the state. How about the rest of the dedicated teachers who are caring about and instructing your child? Don't they deserve at least a cost of living raise and recognition for doing a good job because, contrary to current, popular belief, the vast majority of our students can read and our teachers are doing a great job.

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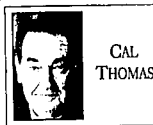
The aptly named Republican "retreat" last weekend at the ritzy Greenbrier resort in West Virginia should have included Democrats because Republicans are behaving just like them.

There was President Bush arguing for his "bipartisan stimulus package" and supporting government handouts with borrowed money. Republicans can always cut a bipartisan deal if they behave like Democrats.

House Republican leader John Boehner implored his fellow Republicans to "sacrifice" by agreeing to a one-year moratorium on earmarks to "prove" that Republicans are the party that can fix Washington. Someone should have pointed out to Boehner that the word "fix" is also used to describe the neutering that occurs at a veterinarian's office to keep a pet from reproducing.

The Republican Party is engaging in self-mutilation. President Bush, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, chose to "use his State of the Union address to lay down his toughest anti-earmarking pledge to date ... tell Congress that he will veto any fiscal 2009 spending bill that doesn't cut earmarks in half from 2008 levels" and issue "a presidential order informing executive departments that from now on they should refuse to fund any programs that aren't explicitly mentioned in statutory language."

This would have been more credible and more



CAL THOMAS

effective had it occurred when Republicans controlled Congress. "No money Republicans continue to embrace the notion that more spending on pork barrel projects will keep them in office. They should have been disabused of that notion when they lost control of Congress in the 2006 election, largely because their collusion with President Bush on spending and expansion of government mimicked the Democrats. The Republican rank and file and independent voters prefer their liberalism straight up rather than diluted by party leaders."

The best opportunity Republicans had at their retreat to prove they see the light on spending was to name the fearless anti-pork crusader Rep. Jeff Flake, Arizona Republican, to the powerful Appropriations Committee. This would have been the equivalent of placing a preacher at the entrance to a house of ill repute, or a member of the Women's Christian Temperance Union on an alcohol beverage and control board. The analogies are apt because too many politicians are drunk on power and behave like harlots with

other people's money. Flake, who was passed over for the post, would have the conscience of the committee, which has been devoid of a moral compass no matter which party controls the House. He sends out news releases spotlighting the "Egregious EarMark of the Week." Last week's was \$1.12 million for potato research, which he characterized as "a waste of money no matter how you spell it."

In a phone call from the retreat, Flake told me his colleagues rejected an earmark moratorium over hearing pleas from some members that earmarks were the only way they can get re-elected (whatever happened to ideas?). He said Republicans called on Democrats to act first and that by doing so they missed an opportunity to stand on principle and win political points. Flake predicted, "we'll get there" on earmark restraint, but not until after more Republicans are indicted and "an anti-earmark crusader like John McCain or Mitt Romney is nominated and elected president."

What Republicans need is a dose of Barack Obama, who recently praised Ronald Reagan to the consternation of leading Democrats. Obama correctly noted that "Ronald Reagan changed the trajectory of America in a way that Richard Nixon did not, and a way that Bill Clinton did not." That's because Reagan had core principles from which he rarely deviated.

Instead of standing in

front of those silly signs they use to promote whatever it is they are talking about, Republicans should use backdrops that promote some of Reagan's greatest sayings. These include:

"Entrepreneurs and their small enterprises are responsible for almost all the economic growth in the United States"; "Government always finds a need for whatever money it gets"; "Government does not solve problems; it subsidizes them"; "Government exists to protect us from each other. Government has gone beyond its limits in trying to protect us from ourselves"; "Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it."

My personal favorite is: "Man is not free unless government is limited."

That last one should be tattooed on every Republican member of Congress. Have any of these core principles been proved wrong, outdated or unworkable? Did not these ideas promote economic growth and Republican electoral prosperity?

They did, so why aren't Republicans advancing them again. Instead of retreating and trying to buy votes with "stimulus" packages and pork barrel projects?

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# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Attack story tries to divert attention from real issues

(Tuesday's) front-page story about me is not the news that ought to be in that prominent location. It presents complexly false tabloid-like allegations without substantiation.

I want to make very clear that there was no assault by me against anyone on Dec. 17 in Halley, and there is no history of my making threats against any Idaho Department of Fish and Game employee.

After the wolf management hearing in Halley, I argued with the commissioner. The apparent disagreement about what happened during the argument could easily have been resolved if the department had called me or several witnesses to the argument who are not Idaho Department of Fish and Game employees.

Those witnesses would have contradicted the claims made by the department and the commissioners, but they were not contacted.

The Department of Fish and Game would like to see the article about the Halley wolf management meeting to release this memo to a friendly newspaper without any real investigation.

The Idaho Fish and Game commissioners must believe that it is acceptable to presume guilt without any reasonable investigation if doing so may marginalize anyone who holds opposing views.

The timing and intensity of this personal attack suggests that the *Times-News* and the Idaho Fish and Game commissioners seek to divert attention from the devastating policies currently being initiated by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game to kill most of Idaho's wolves and many of the remaining big-horn sheep.

That's the news that ought to be on the front page.

**JON MARVEL**  
Halley  
(Editor's note: Jon Marvel is executive director of the Western Watersheds Project.)

water to meet this growing demand? New businesses and home construction focus on grass and trees — all of which are nice, but put further strains on limited water resources. Perhaps now is the time to adjust our landscape and building codes to allow and perhaps encourage low-water requirement plants and landscaping.

**WILL WHITE**  
Twin Falls

## Tax rebate giveaway is anything but free

Wow! An election year money giveaway? I would love to get some free money, but where is this coming from — borrowed? We (taxpayers) can pay it back later. How many "carrots" will be added to the package for Congress' special interests?

Maybe if Congress just stopped spending, wasting and giving away to other countries, we could have a strong economy.

**FREDDIE TAYLOR**  
Jerome

## Tolerance is important lesson to teach children

I'm writing in response to the article about the Jerome school and its exercise on discrimination. I was disturbed by the parent's reaction and the comment.

"That's something devastating to kids that young. I don't know how many years it's been since that's happened."

While I understand the parent's perspective, feeling that their child was taught a concept more grown up than they were comfortable with, I must disagree.

Discrimination is not a distant lesson that we've already learned; it is a current problem in our society today. Although it is not necessarily blacks being discriminated against to the

same extent as in the past, it still happens and now it is immigrants and homosexuals who are fighting for equal rights as human beings.

No matter what age or background, tolerance is possibly the most important lesson anyone can teach a child. We must all co-exist here, whether we like it or not. When we judge and discriminate against others, we forget how it would feel if we were on the other side.

Whether the method the school used is the best one, I can't say, but I feel it must be commended for attempting to show our children, the generation of humans who will one day decide not just their future but our own, how to better understand and treat other people. Treat them not by the color of their skin, the God they worship, the country they come from or the people they love, but as fellow human beings.

Nothing had could truly come from a lesson that supports that perspective. And it's a lesson we all need to be reminded of no matter what our age, religion, race, or sexual orientation may be.

**JENNIFER HARDER**  
Twin Falls

## Community deserves more conservative columnists

I'd like to second the letter in Friday's paper commenting on the liberal slant of the opinion column.

It seems most columns come from either *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, or *the Los Angeles Times*, the most liberal rags in the country.

I appreciate the Cal Thomas and Krauthammer columns, and maybe you need Maureen Dowd occasionally for balance, but don't overdo it. This is still a conservative community, I hope.

**JOHN THEIBERT**  
Jerome

# Desperate times, desperate measures for homeowners

It's the new version of the American dream: Give me the bank's keys to your house and walk away with that load of debt off your back.

"I'm 26 years old and I feel like I'm going to have a heart attack," said Carmen Goodwin of Turpon Springs, Fla. "I'm to the point where I feel like sending the key to the mortgage company and saying, 'Here, you take it.'"

She and her husband each owned a modest house before they married. Now one baby and two failed businesses later, both houses sit empty. The Goodwins are living with her mom, trying to find tenants for the houses even though previous renters stuffed them for \$3,000.

Although each of them is working two jobs, she says they can't keep up. Their payments skyrocketed because their interest rate went up and they are being required to catch up on missed payments from the past. They haven't decided what to do next.

Many property owners can't sell their homes for enough to pay off their mortgages and are ready to throw in the towel. They face a set of difficult options, the best-known of which are foreclosure and bankruptcy.

However, some lawyers and real estate agents are helping homeowners with two less-well-known outs: bar sales and deeds in lieu of foreclosure. The methods don't always work, mainly because some lenders won't cooperate. But when they do work, the outcome is likely to be less damaging to credit than foreclosure or bankruptcy.

"There is no smoke and here," said St. Petersburg,



HELEN HUNTLEY

Fla., lawyer Richard Dauval. "You need to pay for your debts or handle them in some way. We have found a way that has been quite successful to help people get out from this horrible spot that they're in to a spot that's much more manageable."

"His approach: deciding the property to the lender. He sends the lender the deed as part of a package that includes completed forms for a Chapter 13 bankruptcy filing, documenting the borrower's sorry financial condition.

"It's a really good way of seeing when this person is capable of paying," he said. "We're not saying we'll file bankruptcy if you don't accept it, but we're saying if we did, this is what it would look like. At the very least, it triggers the conversation."

The objective is to get the lender to consider the matter before the buyer is behind on payments, something many lenders routinely refuse to do.

"The quicker homeowners start dealing with problems and start to find a solution, the better," said Ramon, Fla., lawyer Scott Stamatukas. "It's all about stopping the bleeding."

"That's not to say it's easy. Stamatukas said many lenders won't consider a compromise until a borrower is in default and until the property has been listed for sale for a certain number of days. And, he says, lenders

really don't want your property. If you can find a buyer willing to pay a reasonable price for the property, even though it is less than the amount of the mortgage, the lender may agree to the deal, known as a short sale. Negotiations can drag on for months.

The lender's acceptance of a deed or agreement to a short sale does not cancel the borrower's obligation to repay the loan. However, both Dauval and Stamatukas said their experience is that most lenders cancel the debt under those circumstances.

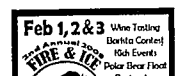
If there is a second mortgage or other lien on the property, the lender typically will foreclose to legally wipe out those secondary interests.

Dauval says that if you've already recorded the deed transferring ownership, you might be able to show the judge you are no longer the owner and keep the foreclosure off your credit record.

However, if the lender gets a court judgment against you for the balance of the loan, you'll probably have to bite the bullet and file for bankruptcy, he said.

St. Petersburg *Times* columnist Helen Huntley may be reached at [hhuntley@spines.com](mailto:hhuntley@spines.com).

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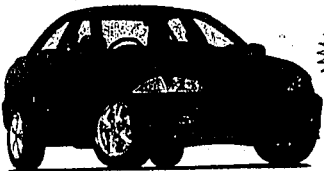
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CSI vs. Yavapai, 8 p.m.

**Friday**  
CSI vs. Glendale, 11 a.m.  
CSI vs. Eastern Arizona, 6 p.m.  
CSI vs. Mesa CC, 8 p.m.

**Saturday**  
CSI vs. Pima CC, 8 a.m.  
CSI vs. Southwestern, noon  
CSI vs. Colorado NW, 3 p.m.

**Coming Thursday**  
CSI baseball ready for new season

## CSI softball heads into second season

**Program's second squad features 12 sophomores**

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

Nick Baumert remembers plenty of the College of Southern Idaho softball program's inaugural season.

From a rocky 5-16 start to the Golden Eagles' improbable run to the NJCAA Region 18 Tournament's championship series, CSI's

2007 season proffered a 39-28 record and its share of memories. Memories the second-year coach isn't all ready to focus on.

"We talked about that at a team meeting last Thursday," Baumert said Tuesday afternoon as his team prepared for Thursday's season opener against Arizona Western College in Yuma, Ariz. "We talked a little bit about what last year's team did and how special they were. What they were able to do, and how they did things, just essentially coming together at the right time."

"We talked about that. Then I stopped and said, 'You know, that's probably the last time I'll hear me talk about last year's team. From

here on out, it's about this year's team.' We'll always remember that 2007 team as something really special, but we're on to bigger and better things in 2008."

Of course, bigger and better can mean only one thing for a team that finished innings away from earning a trip to the NJCAA Division I National Championships in Plant, Fla. With a team comprised of 12 returning sophomores that will aid in the development of seven promising

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# Tigers crush Wolverines

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

**Jerome** — Jerome got balanced scoring and frustrated Wood River with pressure defense all night to easily advance with a 59-26 victory in the first round of the Great Basin Conference West tournament.

Now the Tigers will host Burley on Thursday for a berth in the championship game. Wood River travels to Minico in hopes of staying alive.

Motivation was not a factor for the Tigers despite taking a pair of big victories over the Wolverines during the regular season.

"We have to get pumped up for these games because if we lose we don't play at home," said sophomore guard Aubree Callen, who finished with 11 points.

The game started late as the snow-covered roads delayed the Wolverines' arrival. That was OK for each school's band as they entertained the small crowd.

Once the game started, it the suffocating press of the Tigers that was too much for Wood River to handle.

Although struggling from the field early, Jerome opened a double-digit lead after one quarter at 15-4 while forcing 13 Wolverines miscues. Jordan Burnham led the way with six early points while Callen chipped in five.

"I thought we started out good. We want to walk off the floor knowing we gave it all we had," said senior Molly Reid, who chipped in eight points and grabbed a handful of steals.

Just as they had in the earlier contests, Wood River was able to get offensive production in the half court while getting the Tigers in a bit of foul trouble. Lauren Morgenthaler, the Wolverines 6-foot-3 post, went 4-for-4 from the charity stripe and connected in the paint before picking up her third foul.

The deficit remained at 13 for much of the half, but Jerome, while getting quality minutes off the bench from several players, surged ahead late with buckets by Jordan Hofffield and field for a 29-10 advantage at the break.

The Tigers finished the half forcing 22 turnovers and holding Wood River to 22-percent shooting.

Jerome kept the pressure on after the break, hitting the lead to 31 after third quarters.

"As a senior this is an emotional season. We want come out ready to play," said Burnham, who led the Tigers with 12 points.

The Jerome reserves took the floor the final



Jerome's Jordan Hofffield (22) keeps the ball away from two Wood River defenders during their Great Basin Conference West tournament game Tuesday night in Jerome.

period with Baylie Smith, Allison Bruckner and Stephanie Bingham connecting in the paint.

Wood River's Morgenthaler tallied eight late points for her game-high 14 points. The

Wolverines were able to outscore the Tigers by a pair in the final period, but it was too little, too late.

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# Burley defense huge in win over Minico



Burley's Teresa Wayment (30) rises for a shot over Minico's Kalli Mackay (32) during the Bobcats' 61-32 victory over the Spartans in Tuesday's opening round of the Great Basin West Conference tournament in Burley.

By Zach Kyle  
For the Times-News

**BURLEY** — The Burley Bobcats began defense of their Great Basin Conference West tournament title by pulling away early from the Minico Spartans in a 61-31 win.

"The Burley girls played stifling man-to-man defense, forcing Minico to 12 points and four field goals in the first half. The Spartans tried to work the offense patiently by swinging the ball around the perimeter, but open shots were hard to come by. The Bobcats ran off 12 straight points to open the second quarter and take a 22-6 lead. The Spartans never came within 14 points from there.

"Our defense in the first half was exceptional," Burley coach Gordon Kerbs said. "Minico came out hard defensively. It felt like mid-quarter we started getting into our rhythm with a couple of layups. In the second quarter we went on a pretty good run."

Burley forward Nicole Tolman hit all eight of her free throws and scored 18 points in three quarters of work. Molly Mills added 13 off the bench for the Bobcats. Minico point guard Kishia Loyd scored on several crafty drives to finish with 10 points and

was the only Spartan in double figures.

Burley ran its offense efficiently, swinging the ball around the perimeter and creating passing lanes to forwards with defenders sealed on their backs. Tolman being the primary beneficiary.

"We're playing together really well," Kerbs said. "We're spreading the ball. Nicole gets the 18, but our kids did a great job getting her the ball."

With the win, Burley earns a rematch on Thursday at Jerome, whom the Bobcats lost to once this season in overtime and once on a 3-pointier at the end of regulation.

"We're ready to go," Kerbs said. "It's two teams that are going to go at it. It's going to be good, tough basketball. I expect the score to be in the high 30s, low 40s."

Minico will host Wood River Thursday in a loser-out game.

Team	Score	Points	Reb.	Ass.	St.
Burley 61, Minico 32	61-32	18	12	12	12
Minico	32-61	12	12	12	12
Burley	61-32	18	12	12	12

# CSI men still stuck at No. 2

## Salt Lake slips to seventh

Times-News

No. 2 will have to do. Fresh off its 84-71 win over rival Salt Lake Community College, the College of Southern Idaho men's basketball team remained in the No. 2 spot of the most recent NJCAA Division I Poll, released Tuesday.

Florida's Chipola College kept its death grip on the national No. 1 ranking, taking 14 of 16 first-place votes, the others going to CSI. The undefeated Indians set a program record with their 23rd straight win after topping

### NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll

Released Tuesday, Jan. 29

College (last yr.)	Rank	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
1. Chipola (14)	1	29	0	158	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2. CSU (9)	2	206	138	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3. Wallace State Hancock	3	20	0	117	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
4. College (8)	4	156	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5. Southwestern Illinois	5	19	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6. Salt Lake CC	6	25	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7. Midland	7	20	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8. Oklahoma-Walt	8	12	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9. Louisiana	9	17	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10. Fort Smith	10	12	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11. Arizona Western	11	17	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12. Little and the Indians	12	10	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13. Bentley College	13	18	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14. Middle Tennessee	14	19	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15. Morrow State	15	19	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
16. (tie) Temple	16	19	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
17. (tie) New River (Mo)	17	18	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18. (tie) No. So. West Plains	18	23	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19. (tie) Western State	19	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Others receiving votes: Hutchinson 1, Iowa Western 2, Kankakee 1, Northeastern 1, Southwestern Tennessee 1, Tyler 1.

CSI Community College tonight before taking on No. 8 Oklahoma-Walt on Saturday.

The 20-0 Golden Eagles are the only scenic West Athletic Conference team with an undefeated record at 5-0 heading into this weekend's final doubleheader against North Idaho College. On a related note, the games between the CSI and NIC women will be webcast live at <http://www.idahosportszone.com>.

With two strong games last weekend, sophomore forward Juan Panillo increased his scoring average to 10.6 points. The rebounding sensation is also averaging 7.2 rebounds per contest.

With its loss to CSI, Salt Lake slipped to No. 7. The 19-1 Bruins host Snow College this Friday and Saturday.

# No. 1 Richfield gets past Carey

By Jon Mentzer  
For the Times-News

The No. 1 Richfield boys basketball team handed Carey its first home loss of the season Tuesday as the Tigers won the Maple Valley Northside Conference contest 40-40.

What began as a sprint turned into a marathon as Richfield started off with a relentless full-court pressure, which forced early turnovers for Carey.

"We know how to take care of the full-court pressure, but we panicked," Carey coach Dick Simpson said. "They're a good team."

Every time Carey would cut into Richfield's lead, the Tigers balanced the Panther attack with clutch 3-point shooting. Richfield junior Tel Clark tallied up four 3-pointers on his way to 14 points on the night and senior Braiden Buckner added 15 for the Tigers as well.

"It was a team effort," Richfield coach Carr Ward said. "We were able to set up the half court offense (and attack)."

The Tigers contained Carey's D.J. Simpson for the majority of the game, holding him to just 11 points.

At halftime, the Tigers found themselves up 30-16. With the lead well in hand, Richfield returned to its pressing defense, making it tough for Carey to come back.

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District IV girls basketball tournament schedules

Class 5A	
High Country Conference	
Higher seed hosts	
Game 1: Skyline 49, Madison 47	Tuesday, Jan. 29
Game 2: Midway Idaho Falls 34	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 3: High School 7, p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 4: Skyline at Twin Falls, 7 p.m.	Saturday, Feb. 2
Game 5: Game 4 winner vs. Game 4 loser, 7 p.m.	Tuesday, Feb. 5
Game 6: Game 4 winner vs. Highland, 7 p.m.	Thursday, Feb. 7
Game 7: Game 5 winner vs. Game 6 loser, 7 p.m.	Thursday, Feb. 7
Game 8: Championship (If Game 6 winner wins), Game 7 winner at Game 6 winner, 7 p.m.	Friday, Feb. 8
Game 9: Championship, Game 8 loser at Game 8 winner (if necessary), 7 p.m.	Friday, Feb. 8

Class 4A	
Great Basin Conference West Division	
Higher seed hosts	
Game 1: Jerome 55, Wood River 26	Tuesday, Jan. 29
Game 2: Burley 61, Minico 32	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 3: Burley vs. Jerome, 7 p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 4: Minico vs. Wood River, 7 p.m.	Saturday, Feb. 2
Game 5: Game 3 loser vs. Game 4 winner	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 6: Championship (If Game 3 winner wins), Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 winner	Tuesday, Feb. 5
Game 7: Championship, Game 6 winner vs. Game 6 loser (if necessary)	Tuesday, Feb. 5

Class 3A	
Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference	
Monday, Jan. 28	
Game 1: Kimberly 66, Buhl 27	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 2: Filer 64, Cassing 50	Tuesday, Jan. 29
Game 3: Gooding 49, Buhl 40	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 4: Declo 56, Filer 41	Wednesday, Jan. 30
Game 5: Gooding vs. Filer, 5:30 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 6: Kimberly vs. Declo, 7 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4

Class 2A	
Canyon Conference	
Higher seed hosts	
Game 1: Glens Ferry at Wendell, 7:30 p.m.	Friday, Feb. 1
Game 2: Game 1 winner at Valley, 7:30 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 3: Game 1 loser at Game 2 loser, 7 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 4: Championship (If Game 2 winner wins), Game 2 winner at Game 2 winner, 7 p.m.	Friday, Feb. 8
Game 5: Championship, Game 4 loser at Game 4 winner (if necessary), 7 p.m.	Friday, Feb. 8

Class 1A	
Magic Valley Southside Conference	
At Shoshone	
Game 1: District 48, Community School 29	Wednesday, Jan. 23
Game 2: District 53, Camas County 59	Wednesday, Jan. 23
Game 3: District 41, Richfield, 6 p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 4: Shoshone vs. Carey, 7:30 p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 5: Game 4 loser vs. Community School, 6 p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31
Game 6: Game 3 loser vs. Camas County, 7:30 p.m.	Thursday, Jan. 31

Class 1A	
Magic Valley Southside Conference	
At Shoshone	
Game 1: Hansen 48, Oakley 32	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 2: Raft River 92, Murtaugh 28	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 3: Castleford 50, Lighthouse Christian 24	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 4: Lighthouse Christian 48, Murtaugh 32	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 5: Raft River 75, Castleford 54	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 6: Hagerman 60, Hansen 23, 7 p.m.	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 7: Hansen vs. Castleford, 7:30 p.m.	Monday, Jan. 28
Game 8: Hansen vs. Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 9: Hansen vs. Castleford, 6 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4
Game 10: Hansen vs. Murtaugh, 7:30 p.m.	Monday, Feb. 4

# Buhl stems late tide, tops Wood River

By David BASHORE  
Times-News writer

**BUHL.** — When opposing basketball teams throw on the same mantra — start a quarter fast and then slow it down — the team that wins the most quarters inevitably wins the game.

Wood River nearly pulled that trend Tuesday with a massive third-quarter burst, but Buhl held and hit key shot after key shot in the fourth quarter as the Indians took the nonconference tussle 59-49. The 5-12 Wolverines called from 12 points down at the break to get within six at the end of three periods, but Buhl (11-5) found Brad Twiss and Eric Sengyanpheng, each nailed a vital 3-pointer in the early stages of the fourth to reclaim a double-digit lead.

Even still, Wood River contin-

ued to fight and got as close as four points. It was only when the Indians hit their free throws in the late-game foulout — something they hadn't done with regularity earlier in the game — that the win was secured.

Sengyanpheng hit the clinching free throw, after going just 1-for-6 before that foul.

"We kept getting two free throws but would hit the front end and miss the back end. When you keep going 2-for-1 with a team like that it gives them a chance to get back in it," said Buhl coach Ryan Bosman. "But it seems every game Eric hits a big shot, and it's the same way with Brad, and Patrick (Osterkamp) and all our kids."

Already missing senior big body Eric Jacobson due to injury, Buhl River suffered a dent in its rally bid when Matt Stankiewicz fouled

out with just under two minutes remaining, leaving the Wolverines facing a deficit without the win of their better players on the floor. Despite that, head coach John Stafford was pleased with the fighting spirit the other showed.

"Matt does some great things for us, and he has great basketball instinct," Stafford said. "But I thought the kids that went out there after he fouled out did great. Give credit to Buhl, they did what they had to do to win the game."

Tory Cooper finished with a game-high 19 points, mostly coming on jumps within 15 feet — a point which Cooper is more than a handful to defend.

"I felt good when I faced up to the basket, and my shot was on tonight," Cooper said. "My wrist has been hurting me a little bit but it fell good tonight."

Sengyanpheng, essentially

Buhl's defensive specialist, said that playing bigger schools can provide an advantage in the long term.

"It's good for us to play different schools with different players," Sengyanpheng said. "It gives (the defense) a chance to see different offenses, and a bunch of different looks in those offenses."

Both teams return to conference action on Friday when Buhl hosts Gooding and Wood River travels to Class 4A No. 1 Burley.

# Bruin boys drop D'backs on the road

Times-News

The Twin Falls High boys basketball team finally got off to a hot start.

A pair of early 3-pointers helped the Bruins jump out to an early lead in Tuesday's 42-37 road win over Century in Pocatello.

With a nine-point lead under their belts after the first quarter, the Bruins played aggressively against Century's switching defense to earn 31 free-throw attempts, 19 of which were converted.

"That's been a focus for the last couple weeks," Bruin assistant coach Shaun Walker said of his team getting off to a solid start. "We just haven't gotten off to good starts. We had the lead at halftime, and we haven't had to lead at the half this year. I don't think."

SCIC GIRLS TOURNAMENT  
Declo rolls past Filer

Times-News

The Declo Hornets outscored Filer in every quarter en route to a 56-41 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference Tournament victory in Declo. The win, the 14-5 Hornets will play top-seeded Kimberly tonight at CSI for a spot in the tournament's championship game.

Sydney Christensen led all scorers with 15, while Declo teammate McKell Webb added 13. Macey Jones and Sarah Sullivan, each added 11 for the Hornets.

"We did a pretty good job defensively and we had good, balanced scoring out of some girls," Hornets head coach Val Christensen said.

The Diamondbacks, ranked 10-13, were led by Kyle White's 13 points. The Wildcats will play Gooding tonight in elimination play. Tonight's action at CSI begins at 6:30 p.m.

Winning 50, Raft River 32

Times-News

TWIN FALLS 51, MADISON 12  
Joe Robinson, Tommy Keeter, Brian Martindale and Justin Blmer all picked up victories by pinball as the Twin Falls Bruins dominated Madison 51-12. Will Keeter picked up a 16-0 technical foul over Madison's Peter Piper, who couldn't pick a peak of points in the loss.

GOODING 49, BUHL 40

Nici Abramowski led the Senators to a Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference tournament victory over Buhl 49-40 Tuesday.

"I'm really proud of the way my 'second unit' played tonight," said Gooding coach Smokey Legaretta. "We started out really flat so I took out my seniors and put in my juniors and sophomores, and they played outstanding."

Abramowski scored 12 points along with six boards as well as Britany Wirth's 11 points.

Declo 56, Filer 41

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The 5-11 Bruins host High Country Conference rival Highland on Friday.

GOODING 49, BUHL 40

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The Declo Devils with 30 points while Jesus Cabral scored 13.

SHOSHONE 60, CAMAS COUNTY 29

Shane Carothers and Josh Olsen each scored six first-quarter points as the host Shoshone Indians jumped out to an early lead to top visiting Camas County 60-29.

"They got us out 19-7 and it stayed there and kind of ballooned from there," Indians head coach Larry Messick said.

MOUNTAIN HOME 39, JEROME 24

The Mountain Home varsity team will face top-seeded Valley on Friday night.

Ryan Sotter pumped in a barely hit 15 points as Shoshone jumped to a 9-0 overall and 5-31 Northside play. Olsen added 13 points for the Indians, while Cory Brand paced the Musters with 11.

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JEROME 59, KIMBERLY 40

The Jerome Tigers defeated Kimberly 59-40 Tuesday as they prepare for their final Great Basin Conference West showdown with Twin Falls this weekend.

SHOSHONE 60, CAMAS COUNTY 29

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The Tigers were led by Justin Stokes with 15 points while Dustin Brown paced Kimberly with a dozen.

SHOSHONE 60, CAMAS COUNTY 29

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The Bulldogs (9-7) travel to Declo Saturday.

SHOSHONE 60, CAMAS COUNTY 29

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District 70, Twin Falls Christian 41

The District Blue Devils earned a 70-41 victory over the District 70 team on Tuesday.

SHOSHONE 60, CAMAS COUNTY 29

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# Girls basketball

CANYON CONFERENCE  
TOURNEY DELAYED

The opening game of the Canyon Conference girls basketball tournament was postponed by Tuesday's inclement weather.

Glenns Ferry was scheduled to meet Wendell Tuesday night, but the game was moved back to tonight. Tipoff is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at Wendell High School.

"We don't know if tonight's game will now face top-seeded Valley on Friday night."

# Mountain Home

Mountain Home 39, Jerome 24  
The Mountain Home varsity team will face top-seeded Valley on Friday night.

BRUNS TO FACE SKYLINE

The Skyline Grizzlies girls basketball team defeated the Madison Lobsters 49-17 Tuesday for the right to face the No. 2 seed Twin Falls Bruins Thursday at Baum Gymnasium.

Mountain Home 39, Jerome 24  
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Murtaugh 60, Magic Valley Christian 21

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GAME PLAN

LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
Twin Falls at Idaho Falls,
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TV SCHEDULE

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
ESPN - Virginia at Maryland
ESPN2 - Cincinnati at West Virginia

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New York Mets, Minnesota Twins reach tentative deal for Santana

NEW YORK — Johan Santana is a contract extension and physical from joining the New York Mets.
Beating out the New York Yankees and Boston Red Sox, the Mets reached a two-year Cy Young Award winner, two people familiar with the deal said, speaking on condition of anonymity because no announcement had been made.
Minnesota would receive \$12 million a year for the next two years, GMs Omar Minaya and Terry Ryan said. Minaya said the deal would be for two years, with the second year being a club option.
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# Kidd shines after demanding trade

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — This is why the New Jersey Nets won't just give Jason Kidd away.

Kidd scored seven of his nine points in the final 1:42 and added 11 assists as the Nets snapped a nine-game losing streak with an 87-80 victory over the Milwaukee Bucks on Tuesday night.

Ignoring the distractions Kidd created a day earlier with his comments encouraging a trade, the Nets held the Bucks to 37.5 percent shooting and avoided their first double-digit skid since dropping their final 11 games of the 1999-00 season.

Richard Jefferson scored 20 points and Vince Carter had 16 points and matched a season high with 12 rebounds for the Nets. Bostjan Nachbar had 14 points.

Royal Ivey scored 19 points for the Bucks, who were without leading scorer Michael Redd for the second straight game because of a left knee strain that will also keep him out of Wednesday's game at Philadelphia.

**ROCKETS 111, GOLDEN STATE 107**  
HOUSTON — Yao Ming scored eight of his 36 points in the final 2 1/2 minutes and had 19 rebounds to help the Rockets hold on for the win.

Rafael Alston had 17 points and a season-high 12 assists as Houston overcame the absence of Tracy McGrady to win for the fifth time in six games and snap a four-game losing streak to the Warriors.

Stephen Jackson had 25 points, seven assists and six rebounds for Golden State.

McGrady sat out with flu-like symptoms, the fifth game he's missed this season. The Rockets improved to 8-7 without him.

**SUNS 125, HAWKS 92**  
PHOENIX — Amare Stoudemire



New Jersey Nets guard Jason Kidd looks to pass the ball during the first quarter of NBA basketball against the Milwaukee Bucks Tuesday night in East Rutherford, N.J.

scored 22 of his 24 points in the first half for the Suns.

Stoudemire, who played only 8 minutes in the second half, made 10 of his 11 field-goal attempts and four of his five free throws. He also had a team-high seven rebounds in the Suns' season-best sixth straight home triumph.

Shawn Marion added 19 points for Phoenix, and Steve Nash had 10 points and 10 assists.

Marvin Williams scored 18 points for the Hawks, who lost for the sixth time in seven games. Josh Childress scored 17 points and Zaza Pachulia had 12.

**CELTICS 117, HEAT 87**  
MIAMI — Leon Powe scored a career-high 25 points with 11 rebounds, Rajon Rondo tied a career-

high with 23 points, and Tony Allen scored 20 points with six assists to lead the NBA-best Celtics to an overwhelming victory over the Heat — who followed the win that snapped their 15-game losing streak with an absolute clunker.

The Celtics played without Kevin Garnett (strained abdominal muscle) and Ray Allen (flu), and the third member of their star triumvirate, Paul Pierce, was scoreless for most of the first half.

Mark Blount scored 20 points for Miami.

**PISTONS 110, PACERS 104**  
INDIANAPOLIS — Rasheed Wallace had 24 points and 10 rebounds to help the Pistons beat the Pacers.

Tayshaun Prince scored 17 points

and Chauncey Billups added 13 points and eight assists for the Pistons, who won their third straight game.

Mike Dunleavy led Indiana with 25 points and seven assists. Travis Diener scored 18 points and Jeff Foster had 11 points and 13 rebounds for the Pacers, who have lost four in a row.

**BULLS 96, TIMBERWOLVES 85**  
CHICAGO — Kirk Hinrich finished with 27 points after a jump start, and the Bulls spoiled Randy Foye's return from a knee injury.

Although they began the night with the NBA's worst record, the Timberwolves were showing signs of progress. They had won three of four beating Phoenix along the way, and the lone loss during that stretch was by one to Boston.

Foye scored 11 points in 17 minutes in his first appearance of the season, but the good news ended there for the Timberwolves.

Hinrich hit a jumper midway through the third quarter to break a 49-49 tie after missing 11 of his first 12 shots, and the Bulls started to pull away.

Andres Nocioni added 18 points for Chicago, which had lost three of four.

**WIZARDS 108, RAPTORS 104, 07**  
WASHINGTON — Andray Blatche had 19 points and eight rebounds in only his second start of the season, and Antawn Jamison finished with 24 points and 20 rebounds to lead Washington to an overtime victory over Toronto.

Chris Bosh led the way with 37 points and 12 rebounds for the Raptors, who trailed by as many as 12 points in the fourth quarter. Anthony Parker's high-arching 3-pointer curled into the net as the regulation buzzer sounded, forcing the extra period.

— The Associated Press

# No. 6 Vols ease past Alabama

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Chris Lofton had five 3-pointers and 23 points and Jelani Smith added four 3s and 29 points to lead Tennessee to a 93-86 victory over Alabama on Tuesday night, avoiding a second upset loss in six days.

The Vols (18-2, 5-1, Southeastern Conference) blew most of a 10-point lead, but went 9-of-12 from 3-point range in the second half. The Crimson Tide (12-9, 1-5) managed to pull within two points five times in the final 7 minutes, but never grabbed the lead.

Richard Hendrix's inside basket made it 83-81 with 1:45 left. But Smith hit a 3-pointer and Lofton added two free throws with 59 seconds left for an 88-81 lead.

**NO. 17 MARQUETTE 62, SOUTH FLORIDA 54**

MILWAUKEE — Lazear Hayward scored a career-high 23 points for Marquette. Wesley Matthews added 16 points for the Golden Eagles (15-4, 5-3 Big East), including three late 3-pointers.

Trailing by eight points at halftime, South Florida (18-11, 1-7) used a 10-4 run to tie the game at 42 with 5:10 remaining. But Matthews responded immediately with a 3-pointer, and South Florida's upset bid began to fall apart when leading scorer, and rebounder, Kentrell Gansberry fouled out.

— The Associated Press

## Softball

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freshmen, this CSI squad has the feel of a national contender that the college's other athletic programs share.

Three of those sophomores — shortstop Rachel Evans, center fielder Rochelle Noren, and pitcher Jody Zillner — are returning All-Region 18 First Team members. CSI was able to sneak up on opponents last year, but the 2006 squad's stable of experienced athletes will have to kick down the front door against its conference opposition.

"We talked about having that bull's-eye on our back last year, but I'm not sure it truly meant anything," Baumer said. "This year, it will mean something."

Heading into Thursday's start of the Arizona Western College Great Western Shootout, Baumer's squad is looking to build upon the experience gained last season to make up for a lack of outdoor preparation due to uncooperative winter weather.

"I kind of kid that we're probably going to be the best tee-ball team in Arizona," Baumer said. "We're getting pretty good at hitting the ball off the tee right now."

Whereas the Golden Eagles were tentative to even get off the bus to face live pitching in last season's opener, CSI will be sure of its offensive ability this weekend. Evans, Noren and Stephanie Holmes collectively led CSI in nearly every offensive category last season.

The pitching staff also returns intact, while freshmen McKensy Hillstead and Kyla Bryant will add two more strong right arms. Zillner returns as the staff ace after finishing her freshman season with a 14-10 record and team-high 122 strikeouts. Sophomore catcler Anna Sorrell will reprise her role as the CSI pitching staff's regular battery mate, bringing her

## 2008 CSI Softball

Head coach: Nick Baumer, second year (39-28)  
Assistant coach: Nicole Romles, first year  
Manager: Chalise Taylor, second year

Numberal roster											
		Position players				Pitchers					
No.	Name	Pos.	Height	Class	B/T	Hometown	Height	Class	Throws	Hometown	
1	Rachelle Kroll	INF	5-5	Fr	R/R	Yuma, Ariz.	5-6	So	R	South Jordan, Utah	
2	Lauren Kutenbach	INF/C	5-6	So	R/R	Surrey, B.C.	5-11	So	R	Emmett	
3	Megan Zimmerman	OF/C	5-8	Fr	R/R	Lehi, Utah	5-7	So	R	Pocatello	
4	Rochelle Noren	INF	5-6	So	L/R	Langley, B.C.	5-7	So	R	Bountiful, Utah	
6	Rachel Evans	INF	5-5	So	R/R	Woods Cross, Utah	5-8	Fr	R	Riverton, Utah	
8	Katelynn Warren	INF	5-6	So	R/R	West Jordan, Utah	5-9	So	R/R	Bountiful, Utah	
10	Cassi Merrill	UTIL.	5-5	Fr	L/R	Calgary, Alberta	5-6	So	R	Halley	
11	Melanie Meyer	INF	5-5	Fr	R/R	Clearfield, Utah	5-8	So	R/R	Pocatello	
12	Anna Sorrell	C	5-8	So	R/R	Pocatello	5-8	Fr	R	Bountiful, Utah	
13	Sarah Haney	INF	5-6	So	R/R	Filer	5-9	So	R/R	Bountiful, Utah	
14	Dani Grant	OF	5-8	Fr	R/R	Riverton, Utah	5-6	So	R	Halley	
17	Candice Benard	INF	5-9	So	R/R	Bountiful, Utah					
24	Janie Stone	UTIL.	5-6	So	R/R	Halley					
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5	Desrae Thomson	P	5-6	So	R	South Jordan, Utah	5-6	So	R	Emmett	
7	Jody Zillner	P	5-11	So	R	Emmett	5-7	So	R	Pocatello	
9	Lacey Bowman	P	5-7	So	R	Pocatello	5-7	So	R	Bountiful, Utah	
21	Stephanie Holmes	P	5-7	So	R	Bountiful, Utah	5-6	Fr	R	Surrey, B.C.	
22	McKensy Hillstead	P	5-8	So	R/R	Bountiful, Utah	5-10	Fr	R	Surrey, B.C.	
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toughness and increased leadership to the dish. "I think Anna has kind of stepped up and come out of her shell a bit from last year," Baumer said. "We always expect her to be a little more vocal, but with Anna, you have to read her body language a little bit. When things are going well, she kind of struts around, so we pick up off that a bit."

Whether it's a strut or the early formulation of a CSI softball swagger, the Golden

Eagles will need it during this weekend's marathon of nine games over three days. "It will be grind," Baumer said. "I think we'll get home Sunday afternoon and probably wonder what happened to us."

With any luck, Baumer hopes his team's opponents will be thinking the same thing.

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Jerome's Moly Reid (23) looks for an open teammate during the second half of the Tigers' game against Wood River High School Tuesday night in Jerome.

## Jerome

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"The girls played hard. Jerome is a good team and we again had a tough time getting through the pressure," said Wood River coach Brent Cardwog, who looks for a good game on Thursday against the Spartans.

Jerome coach Brent Clark, who played all 14 on his roster, was pleased with the effort.

"We wanted to come out and play hard and work on a few things for the next game," said Clark.

That next game will be a big one as the Bobcats and Tigers have played nearly dead even

in the two previous contests, which Jerome won by a total of six points.

Who will it take for the Tigers to will a third win over Burley?

"A good solid practice, a mental practice," said Iteld.

**Jerome 55, Wood River 26**

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Wood River: 24 23 22 20 20  
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Carey's Dillon Simpson (20) and Richfield's Braden Beckner (3) fight for a rebound Tuesday night in Carey.

## Richfield

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But late in the fourth quarter, the Panthers made a valiant effort to make the game close when they cut the lead to 10.

Richfield was able to control the clock in the waning minutes of the game, and Carey was unable to figure out Richfield's outside shooting, which became the determining factor.

"They did an excellent job at the end," said Ward. "We are fortunate enough to hold on in the end."

Carey (14-3) is at home against Gooding on Thursday night while Richfield (10-0) will travel to Ketchum to take on The Community School next Friday.

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# Former Utah, pro QB Mitchell will be prep coach at Springville

SPRINGVILLE, Utah — Former NFL quarterback Scott Mitchell will call the signals from the sideline as coach at Springville High School.

Mitchell, a college star at Utah who played for four NFL teams, is returning to his old school, assistant principal Brian Thorne said Monday. A new conference is planned Feb. 7.

The Red Devils have won just nine games in three seasons. Mitchell led the school to a state title in 1985.

Mitchell, who threw for nearly 9,000 yards at Utah, was in the NFL from 1990-2001 with Miami, Detroit, Baltimore and Cincinnati. He lives in Orlando, Fla., and develops real estate.

Andrew Strait and Idaho State guard Amorror Morgan have been named the Big Sky Conference men's basketball players of the week.

Strait is a senior from Yakima, Wash. He led Montana to wins over Eastern Washington, and Northern Colorado, averaging 16.5 points, and 10.5 rebounds per game.

For the week, Strait shot 81.3 percent from the field and 76 percent from the free-throw line. His field-goal percentage of 64.2 percent leads the Big Sky and ranks among the national leaders.

Morgan is a sophomore from Memphis, Tenn. He averaged 14.5 points per game in leading the Bengals to victories over Sacramento State and Northern Arizona. For the week, he shot 60 percent from the field and had nine assists, two blocks and a steal.

— The Associated Press

## Players on Idaho State, Montana share weekly basketball honor

HELENA, Mont. — Montana forward

# Still outspoken, Burress predicts Giants win Sunday

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Plaxico Burress looked through his wraparound shades and pointed to two choice midfield seats at Phoenix Stadium.

"My mom and her were laughing now they would probably be sitting in that first row right there, seats 15 and 16," the New York Giants' big-play receiver said. "They would have the best seats in the house."

And watching his every move, no doubt, is Sunday's Super Bowl against the New England Patriots.

"The words from Burress' heart said a lot about the woman who shaped his life, particularly his grandmother, Louise Elliott, whom he honored by wearing a special red and white shirt under his jersey during

games at Michigan State. "My grandma was sort of a rock," Burress said. "Everyone leaned on her. She was a quiet one who walked with swagger though, walked with a swagger. I think my mom got a lot from her. I think I learned from them a quite confidence."

Throughout his college and pro careers that confidence has crossed the line at times.

Burress has never been afraid to speak his mind, and Tuesday was no exception. "Five days before the biggest game of his career, Burress predicted that the Giants would spoil the Patriots' bid for a perfect season with a 23-17 win."

"It was the first thing that came into my mind," said Burress, sporting bling galore

— a diamond in each ear, a silver cross hanging from his neck and a huge gold watch wrapped around his wrist.

He then downplayed the obvious blackboard material for the Patriots. "I am going to say it again, the goal is to win the football game," Burress said. "It is not to come here and just play. The goal is to come here and win. That's why we are here."

When pressed, Burress would not back down, ruminating if the Giants do what is necessary. "... we will win the football game."

Giants coach Tom Coughlin was stunned to hear that one of his players guaranteed a win, a la Joe Namath postlude in 1959.

"That's not the way we have done things — all season,"

Coughlin said.

But that's Burress' way. Back in his days at Michigan State, Burress upset then-coach Nick Saban by saying before a game with Michigan that he was so confident of his ability that "it would be like taking candy from a baby."

A few weeks later, Saban instituted the so-called "Burress rule," allowing only seniors to speak to the media.

In five seasons in Pittsburgh, Burress also rattled Saban's cages and persuaded coach Bill Cowher with his immaturity.

He left the Steelers relied too much on the running game and didn't throw enough deep passes — to him, of course. He never complained the league allowed Patriots' defensive backs to play by their own set

of rules. He also was fined \$5,000 by the league for an on-field tantrum in 2002 after being ejected.

Off the field, he was arrested on a charge of drinking in public and criticized for socializing with opposing players.

"We are all humans," Burress said. "We all make good and bad choices but it makes you who you are. I am very happy with who I am and that's one of values I instilled in me. I'm not perfect, far from a saint. I wouldn't want to be any other person other than Plaxico Burress."

Teammates say the brassiness isn't a constant. They see him as laid back, soft spoken unless he wants to get a point across. Family and most of all, a family man.



New York Giants wide receiver Plaxico Burress is interviewed during media day for the Super Bowl XLII football game Tuesday in Glendale, Ariz.

# From Belichick on down, Patriots follow their leaders

GLENDALE, Ariz. (AP) — When Pepper Johnson joined the New York Giants as a rookie in 1986, the locker room was ruled by two of his defensive teammates, Harry Carson and George Martin. They were given free rein to run things by Bill Parcells, coach of that Super Bowl-winning team.

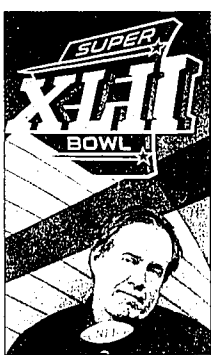
"We got 40 of those guys in our locker room now," said Johnson, now the defensive line coach of the New England Patriots.

"That is an exaggeration. It's more like a dozen or so veterans, led by linebackers Mike Vrabel and Tedy Bruschi, who saw the time with the Patriots, a direct descendant of Parcells' Giants teams, which won two Super Bowls with Bill Belichick as their defensive coordinator. Fittingly, Belichick's Patriots will try to become the first 19-0 team in NFL history Sunday by winning the Super Bowl against the current edition of the Giants.

The symmetry is interesting. Only recently has Belichick, back on relatively good terms with his one-time mentor, begun to acknowledge his roots with Parcells' Giants. He spent 12 seasons as an assistant coach in New York, and his references to those years have been a recurring theme since his team's 38-35 win in the Meadowlands to finish an unbeaten regular season. Those references intensified since the teams qualified to meet again for the NFL championship.

For all of Belichick's claims, one of the lesser-known secrets to New England's success — four Super Bowl victories in seven seasons if it beats the Giants — is the verbal self-control of its players.

"Thirty-one other teams may have 'look at me' players providing bulletin board material for opponents. The Patriots have none, not even Randy Moss, a loose cannon during his previous nine NFL seasons, but a total team man with New England. That's because he walked into a locker room full of veterans with two or three Super Bowl rings who had a code of their own that Moss wasn't



New England Patriots head coach Bill Belichick listens to a question during media day for the Super Bowl XLII football game Tuesday in Glendale, Ariz.

about to break.

"It's an even more stringent atmosphere for rookies, who learn quickly that they are at the bottom of the pecking order — seen but not heard."

A year ago, Laurence Maroney, the first-round draft pick who shared the running back load with veteran Corey Dillon, was discouraged from talking. This season, with Dillon gone, Maroney has proved to be quite enthusiastic, especially after his better games. But he's never gone to the extremes of other young emerging stars at skill positions, including his talkative counterpart with the Giants, Brandon Jacobs.

"That's because Maroney has learned from his 'handler,' nine-year veteran Kevin Faulk, the third-round back who was elected a team captain at the start of the season. Maroney may have led the team in rushing, but Faulk has qualities that Belichick values as much or even more: a veteran who will say nothing to violate the team trust, and willingly teaches younger players to adhere to the rules.

"It's just something young players have to learn," says Faulk, who was broken in by the long-departed Terry Allen as a rookie in 1989, a year before the start of the Belichick era. "It's not only about playing. It's about

## Indianapolis planning to bid for 2012 Super Bowl

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A delegation from Indianapolis will travel to Arizona this week for the Super Bowl, with an eye toward the city making a bid for the 2012 game.

Those making the trip plan to meet with NFL officials to update the bid Indianapolis made last year, when it lost out to Dallas in a 17-15 vote among league owners for the 2011 Super Bowl.

Mayor Greg Ballard said Tuesday he was inclined to make a new bid but wanted to review corporate support and the NFL's requirements before making a final decision.

The new bid would highlight many of the same attributes as last year's — including the central location of the city's new retractable roof Lucas Oil Stadium and its experience with large events such as the Indianapolis 500 and the NCAA men's basketball Final Four — to offset being a snow-belt city.

"Indianapolis is a great football city and, I believe, it deserves a Super Bowl," Ballard said. "We're going to send it back to a cold-weather city on occasion, and this is our time."

being a professional."

There is, of course, a pecking order in New England.

Tom Brady is at the top of it and beyond it. Superstar quarterbacks are leaders and technicians by definition, especially those with supermodel girlfriends. A few conspiracy theorists even suggested that Brady deliberately went out in public with a foot on his sprained right ankle to deflect attention from Moss, who was hit with a temporary restraining order filed on behalf of a woman he has known for 11 years.

That's because the code of silence and secrecy with the Patriots lends itself to such speculation.

Whatever Belichick says at the beginning of a week about the upcoming opponent always accomplishes almost word-for-word by the players who make themselves available that week: Brady, Faulk, Vrabel, Bruschi, safety Rodney Harrison, defensive lineman Richard Seymour, wide receiver Wes Walker, offensive lineman Matt Light, Dan Kopp and a few others.

# Owens owes Eagles part of signing bonus

PHILADELPHIA — Terrill Owens settled aside part of his roster bonus from Dallas to pay his team a debt.

An arbitrator ruled in favor of the Philadelphia Eagles last Friday on a grievance that was filed by the NFL players' union on Owens' behalf in 2005.

A team spokesman said the Eagles would not comment. Owens' agent, Drew Hershenson, did not return a phone message.

The union disputed the Eagles' effort to recover \$1,725 million of the \$2.3 million signing bonus the team paid the wide receiver when he signed him to a seven-year, \$48.97 million deal in 2004.

Owens was kicked off the team seven games into the 2005 season for a series of infractions, including repeated criticism of quarterback Donovan McNabb and bawling out against management.

He was suspended four games without pay and the team withheld his final five paychecks, totaling \$955,000. That means Owens still owes the Eagles \$769,120.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said this month he plans to pay Owens a \$3 million roster bonus, so the All-Pro should have some extra cash to pay the Eagles.

The Philadelphia Inquirer, citing a league source, first reported arbitrator Shyam Das ruled against Owens. An NFL spokesman confirmed the report to The Associated Press.

## Campo back with Dallas to coach secondary

HAVING, Texas — Former Cowboys coach Dave Campo rejoined the staff Tuesday, returning to his roots as the secondary coach.

While Campo carries the dubious distinction as the only coach never to get Dallas into the playoffs, he got that job because of his success working with the defense.

Having started as a defensive assistant under Jimmy Johnson, he moved up to secondary coach then became defensive coordinator under Barry Switzer. He was calling the defensive plays when the Cowboys won the Super Bowl following the 1995 season.

Campo remained defensive coordinator when Chan Gailey followed Switzer, then he

replaced Gailey in 2000.

Dallas went 5-11 in each of Campo's three seasons, yet he was somewhat a victim of bad timing — his first season ended up being Troy Aikman's last, which then left the Cowboys in dreadful shape under the salary cap.

"I'm a Cowboy," Campo said. "I'm happy to be back here."

Campo replaces Todd Bowles, one of several assistants brought to the Cowboys by Parcells who then left to join him in Miami, where he is the new vice president of football operations.

## Tulsa police arrest Alonzo Spellman

TULSA, Okla. — Former NFL player Alonzo Spellman was arrested after Tulsa police filed pepper-spray pellets into his car following a nearly 20-minute pursuit.

Spellman was arrested on complaints of traffic violations and resisting arrest and booked into the Tulsa County Jail, police spokesman Leland Ashley said.

The chase began at 12:23 p.m. after officers responded to a disturbance at a convenience store in midtown Tulsa, Ashley said. When officers arrived, Spellman got into a green Chrysler Pacifica and drove away, Ashley said.

"I took us on a little pursuit through the city," Ashley said. "We had to use stop sticks that took out three of his tires."

After the vehicle stopped, Spellman refused to get out of the car for about 20 minutes until officers fired "pepper bullets" through the windows.

Spellman said he was unaware of Ashley's ties to the Tulsa community or whether he has an attorney.

The 6-foot-4, 300-pound Spellman was a first-round draft choice out of Ohio State for the Chicago Bears in 1992. He played nine seasons in the NFL for the Bears, Detroit Lions and Baltimore Colts, recording 43 sacks in 123 games and leading the Bears with eight sacks during the 1996 season.

Spellman has a history of treatment for mental illness and was hospitalized for psychiatric evaluation after his involvement in a standoff with police at the home of his publisher in 1999.

— The Associated Press

# Rodriguez says he'll pay West Virginia what federal court orders

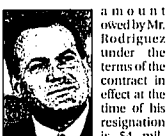
MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — West Virginia says it will sue if Rodriguez owes \$4 million for breaking his contract and moving on to Michigan. At most, Rodriguez countered Tuesday, it's \$1.5 million.

Ultimately, a judge will decide who's right.

In a move his legal team calls a gesture of good faith, not an offer to settle, the former WVU football coach filed a \$1.5 million letter of credit with the U.S. District Court in Clarksburg.

Rodriguez and his attorneys claim that's the maximum he could owe under his interpretation of the contract — an amount spelled out in a "maximum liquidated damages provision" that Rodriguez says was in effect when he resigned Dec. 18.

WVU attorney Jeff Wakefield, however, says the contract is clear: "The



Rodriguez

Nor are the two sides engaged in discussions to settle, Wakefield said.

"The letter of credit, good for 90 days, was submitted 'in the spirit of compromise and as an act of good faith' to assure WVU he will pay up if the court orders an award, the filing said.

"Coach Rodriguez is a responsible person," his attorney Mike Rodriguez said in a statement. "This is a good faith effort to move the process and communication

lines forward so all parties can concentrate on their future endeavors."

Rodriguez attorney Mary Robon told The Associated Press his client has a strong case, but the negative publicity surrounding him and acting in good faith, Robon said. "We're not saying we owe it. We're trying to say that Rick is a very honorable man, and he and (wife) Rita will pay any obligations that anyone finds they're due."

Rodriguez claimed WVU failed to honor verbal promises, including that his buy-out might be eliminated. WVU denied such a promise was made, and sued Rodriguez for breach of contract Dec. 27.

The resignation, which came a year after Rodriguez pledged to remain in West Virginia for as long as the state would have him, touched off a bitter, ongoing public dispute in which each side has accused the other of breaching terms of the contract.

The gradual disintegration of the relationship between Rodriguez and the WVU athletic department was documented in a series of e-mails written over a five-month period and released to the AP under the West Virginia Freedom of Information Act. They show Rodriguez fighting to get his client more operational and marketing control over the football program. They also show Brown threatening to take his client else-

where as early as mid-November.

Robon said the courts will decide which provisions of Rodriguez's contract were in effect at the time he quit and how much, if anything, he should pay WVU.

## Missouri's Temple ends appeal, readies for NFL

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Tony Temple's career at Missouri is over, after all.

Temple announced Tuesday he will give up on any further appeals for an extra year of eligibility and get ready for the NFL draft.

"It's time to move on and focus on doing what I need to do to make a positive impression for the next level," Temple said in a statement released through the school.

Temple played in one game as a freshman in 2004,

carrying six times for 13 yards in a loss at Nebraska before injuring his Achilles' tendon. Because of the short stint, Missouri coach Gary Pinkel was hopeful he might be granted an extra year of eligibility.

The request was turned down this month by the Big 12. Temple has dropped his appeal to the NCAA.

"It was worth a shot, but I don't want anyone spending any more time on it," Temple said.

— The Associated Press

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**TWIN FALLS FORECAST**  
**Today:** Lighter, less widespread snow showers. Breezy to windy at times. Highs upper 20s to near 30.  
**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy with little to no snow. Lows upper teens.  
**Tomorrow:** Overcast with developing late day snow showers. Highs low 30s.

**BURLEY FORECAST**  
**Today:** Breezy and cold with little in the way of new snow. Highs upper 20s.  
**Tonight:** Mostly cloudy, breezy and cold. Lows teens.  
**Tomorrow:** Bristk winds coupled with developing late day snow. Highs upper 20s.

**IDAHO FORECAST**  
**SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.**  
 A chance for snow will be with us most days through the end of the week. Periods of heavy snow are possible. Travel will be slow and problematic at times.

**Today:** High 14 to 12 Tenights Lows -1 to 2  
**BOISE**  
 Cold weather and brisk winds will accompany an already thin trail of snow developing through the end of the week and this coming weekend. Travel with care.

**Today:** High/Lows 21 to 34/22 to 28  
**NORTHERN UTAH**  
 Periods of snow and blowing snow are expected at times through the end of the week. Travel will be difficult at times.

Today	Tonight	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Venue/Day	Venue/Day
Lighter, less widespread snow	Little to no snow likely	Overcast, late day snow	Periods of light snow	Snow chances persist	A little less likely to snow	Day	Hi Lo 7-19
High 29	Low 19	33/21	34/21	33/23	35/23	City	Hi Lo 7-19

**ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS**

Temperature	Precipitation	Humidity	Barometric Pressure	Sunrise and Sunset
Yesterday's High: 33 Yesterday's Low: 20	Month to Date: 0.027 Year to Date: 0.237	Yesterday's Humidity: 61% Yesterday's Minimum: 50%	Yesterday's Barometric: 30.2 Yesterday 20:11 h	Sunrise: 7:54 AM Sunset: 6:48 PM
Normal High/Low: 36/18 Record High: 81 in 1968 Record Low: -29 in 1980	Normal Year to Date: 1.227 Normal Year to Date: 0.517	Yesterday's Humidity: 79% Today's Minimum: 60%	Temperature & Precipitation valid through 5 pm yesterday	Sunrise: 7:53 AM Sunset: 6:50 PM

**MOON PHASES**

Jan 30	Feb 7	Feb 14	Feb 21	Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Last Moon	New Moon	First Quarter	Full Moon	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent	Waxing Crescent

**MOONRISE AND MOONSET**

Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Moonrise: 1:00 AM Moonset: 11:53 AM	Moonrise: 1:54 AM Moonset: 12:33 PM	Moonrise: 2:48 AM Moonset: 1:13 PM	Moonrise: 3:42 AM Moonset: 1:53 PM	Moonrise: 4:36 AM Moonset: 2:33 PM

**REGIONAL FORECAST**

City	Hi	Lo	City	Hi	Lo
Boise	23	15	Idaho Falls	21	13
Blaine	23	15	Malheur	21	13
Blackfoot	23	15	Meridian	21	13
Blackfoot	23	15	Shoshone	21	13
Blaine	23	15	Twin Falls	21	13
Blackfoot	23	15	Wendover	21	13

**NATIONAL FORECAST**

City	Hi	Lo	City	Hi	Lo
Atlanta	48	30	Los Angeles	68	48
Baltimore	48	30	Memphis	48	30
Boston	48	30	Minneapolis	48	30
Chicago	48	30	Phoenix	68	48
Cincinnati	48	30	Portland	48	30
Cleveland	48	30	San Francisco	68	48
Dallas	48	30	Seattle	48	30
Denver	48	30	Tampa	68	48
Detroit	48	30	Washington	48	30
Houston	48	30	Wichita	48	30
Los Angeles	68	48	Yonkers	48	30

**WORLD FORECAST**

City	Hi	Lo	City	Hi	Lo
Amsterdam	52	32	London	52	32
Beijing	68	48	Paris	52	32
Bombay	88	68	Rome	52	32
Buenos Aires	68	48	Stockholm	38	18
Cairo	72	52	Sydney	68	48
Hankow	68	48	Tokyo	68	48
Hong Kong	68	48	Yokohama	68	48
London	52	32			

**REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned."

**PHOTO:** A photo of Regg Middlekauff, a man in a suit and tie, looking thoughtful.

**BANADIAN FORECAST**

City	Hi	Lo	City	Hi	Lo
Calgary	17	9	St. John's	15	7
Edmonton	17	9	Toronto	25	17
Halifax	15	7	Vancouver	25	17
London	15	7	Winnipeg	15	7

**TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP**

Valid to 6 pm. Local Time  
 Yesterday's National Extremes  
 High: 93 at Grand Rapids, Mich.  
 Low: -33 at Klamath Falls, Ore.

# U.S. skier Macartney recovering after frightening crash

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Scott Macartney knew he was having a great run. He was moving fast over the ice and snowing through the ski-chattering, guttural, and as he soared above the steep Austrian mountain. It wasn't until almost the very end that Macartney's downhill turned into a disaster.

This taken on the final jump at Kitzbühel was uneven. His left ski started to drift and his body followed, helplessly twisting before he slammed his head in a horrific crash.

"You go right from 'I might be all right' to 'Oh, I'm screwed.' It's really that fast," said Macartney, still recovering from the concussion nearly two weeks after the accident.

Other than a few scrapes on his face that were still visible more than

a week after the Jan. 19 crash, Macartney says he is physically fine. His head, however, is still a little cloudy and until the fog has completely lifted, Macartney is grounded.

"This isn't like a twisted knee, sore back or any other injury common to Alpine ski racers. Those can usually be fixed with surgery. The brain is more delicate, and much less understood."

"It's very important that you get this one right," said Macartney, who turned 30 the day of the crash. "You just wait for the body to recover. I feel OK, but I don't feel great and I

don't feel as sharp as I should. It's that sharpness that's worrisome."

Macartney returned to the U.S. last week spent the weekend in Park City home of the U.S. Ski Team. Doctors ran neurological tests and found to gauge how bad his head was rattled.

The early results were good. "It's made significant gains since the injury," said Richard O'Connell, medical director for U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association.

Macartney is lucky, considering his head smacked onto a hard surface after he flew through the air going faster than it's legal to go on U.S. highways. "I was elated at almost 60 mph just before the last jump and landed hard enough to break his helmet, which made the crash look even worse but actually helped.

The helmet is designed to absorb energy by breaking, which it did. The idea is to lessen the impact inside the helmet by allowing the broken shell to take some of the force like crumple zones in a car.

Still, seeing what was left of his helmet left Macartney slightly bewildered.

"This one, I mean it's destroyed," Macartney said.

Macartney says he has watched video several times, just to see how it happened. He remembers everything until the end, when the impact knocked him unconscious and left his limp body sliding down the slope to the finish area.

He had carried great speed to the final jump, but felt his right ski drop and left one start to rise as soon as he was airborne. He tried to correct it, but his body continued to twist

and his skis were pointed sideways when he hit.

"As soon as that happens, you land and it's just an explosion," he said. "I was thinking about trying to do everything I could to land on my feet and keep going."

It's scary to watch, especially when he is obviously knocked out and his body keeps going before finally coming to rest as paramedics rushed to get to him. He was flown to a hospital in Innsbruck and doctors induced a coma as the swelling subsided overnight.

When Macartney came to the day after the crash, he knew why he was in the hospital. By last Wednesday, he was well enough to fly home for more physical exams. He planned to return to his home outside Seattle after the U.S. Ski Team doctors finished with him.

# Drug policy gives players a wake-up call at Torrey Pines

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Torrey Pines turned out to be a real wake-up call.

Some players were overwhelmed, nervous, even a little scared. Others were frustrated. Most of them were deeply concerned about the future of golf, but many were not grasping the magnitude of what lies ahead.

And that was before Tiger Woods' test.

In morning and afternoon sessions last week at the Buick Invitational, more than 100 players filed into a tent for a mandatory meeting on the PGA Tour's new anti-doping policy. Drug experts have been available since the Sony Open. The tour doesn't figure test attendance figures for such voluntary visits, but it's a safe bet these guys had more interest in Pro-Vi's than TUEs (therapeutic use exemptions).

That might have changed last Tuesday.

PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem was at the helm, flanked by two staff attorneys and three outside advisors. One of them was a top expert on the World Anti-Doping Agency list, which the tour used as a guide for its policy and procedures.

And while just mentioning the name of certain banned substances is enough to put someone to sleep — ben-droflumethazide, anyone — it wasn't long before reality set in.

"Do you really know what's in that energy bar? Those protein shakes?"



PGA tour player Frank Liekhter II, pictured during the Buick Invitational Sunday in San Diego, has strong opinions on the PGA Tour's new drug testing policy.

was mentioned that "anywhere" could include coming to a player's home, Frank Liekhter suggested in so many words that the drug officials bring a warrant.

"It's going to have a hard time getting off my property without a bullet in his (behind)," Liekhter said.

The reaction to Liekhter was almost as loud as the cheer when Woods made that sweeping 60-foot birdie putt on the 11th hole Sunday on his way to an eight-shot victory.

If nothing else, the meeting got their attention.

The anti-doping policy was announced Nov. 12 to little fanfare among players, perhaps because everyone had gotten home for the year. But the closer golf gets to testing — July 8 is the target date — the more resistance it meets.

"I was caught off guard," Jim Furyk said. "I thought everyone was pro-testing. What I drew out of the meeting was that a few guys aren't. Not a few. Let's say more guys had negative opinions."

Liekhter doesn't understand why the tour adopted WADA guidelines for golf, testing that's prohibited.

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# Barbaro's ashes and statue to be placed at Churchill Downs

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — The image of Barbaro blazing down the stretch at Churchill Downs, all four hooves off the ground as the powerful bay colt crushed the field in the 2006 Kentucky Derby, is seared in Roy Jackson's memory.

It's the way Jackson prefers to think of Barbaro, whose thunderous surge left a field of 19 follow 3-year-olds in his wake and whose courage after a breakdown at the Preakness two weeks later made him an icon.

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Barbaro, jockey Edgar Prado on, wins the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Ky., on May 6, 2006.

certainly rivaled by the courage and resolve he displayed after his injury," Churchill Downs president Steve Sexton said.

The Jacksons say they continue to be amazed at the outpouring of support for Barbaro, much of it from non-racing fans who were captivated by images of him wincing on the track at Pimlico Race Course following the injury and his heroic attempts to deal with the myriad of setbacks that ultimately proved too much.

"I don't think any of us knows how widespread the interest was," Roy Jackson said. "We've gotten a tremendous amount of response and we continue on almost a daily basis to get some correspondence and very articulate art on what he meant."

As painful as Barbaro's battle was, the Jacksons say it was not in vain. His plight drew attention to the laminitis, an often-fatal hoof disease that Barbaro contracted in both rear hooves before his death.

More than \$2.7 million has been raised for the Laminitis Research Fund.





# TESTER BOWL GLUTTONY

## goes Italian! (Don't try this at home)

**T**imes-News sportswriter Bradley Guire was a guest writer in Food & Home a year ago, as he attempted to assemble foolproof fried dishes for a Super Bowl party with friends. He fumbled that menu, but he was game for another try this year.

By Bradley Guire • Times-News writer

Another attempt at making a Super Bowl-worthy dish yielded another disaster. Surely, I would have learned from last year's chicken wings and cheese sticks, but I did not.

Instead, I lowered my thick head and barreled through the idea that this year, we'd go Italian. Not so much finger foods or fried foods, but something that would take most of the day to prepare.

Bad idea. For this year's experiment, I tested, um ... treated sportswriter Eric Larsen and my wife, Bryna, to three dishes and a drink, most of them based off our favorite Italian chain restaurant: toasted ravioli for an appetizer, chicken

Don't know Super Bowl dish? See page C2

Parmesan as the main dish, which wine to pair with for dessert and Italian sodas. (Though I've made chicken Parmesan many times, this was the first occasion in which I used a recipe for the tomato sauce rather than a bottle of Prego. The chicken portion, baking lightly breaded chicken breasts, is too easy to mess up.

The sauce was another matter. I loaded it with what I thought was a large amount of spice, but I just didn't get it right. It was too bland. (Although two recipes are provided here — one with chicken Parmesan and one with ravioli — it's easier to pick one sauce and up the ingredient measurements, to make enough for both dishes.) Of course, boiling spaghetti for the dish was not a problem, but I started it too late, which meant the chicken got cold.

For the ravioli, I went with a recipe that allowed me to buy the ready-made stuff found in the cooler. Bryna and I like meat-stuffed ravioli but could find none at the grocery store. There was a chicken pesto ravioli, but chicken was already on the menu. Instead, we went with four-cheese ravioli. It was by far the simplest dish to make, but also another bland one. It was too close to last year's mozzarella sticks.

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Photo by Melissa Fritzsche/PhotoBank

Host with the most: In an effort to bring a touch of class and taste to a Super Bowl party that usually centers on pizza and beer, Times-News sportswriter-turned-copy editor Bradley Guire tried something new. He searched for recipes online and tested an Italian menu for this year's big game. The result? He's just as likely to revert to takeout pizza.

### TESTER'S REVIEW

## Mangia! Italian feast delivers the goods

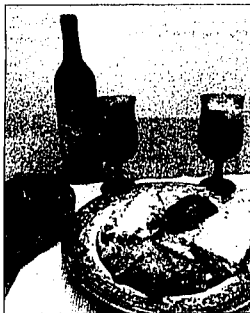
By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

Feeding the freeloaders on your couch during Super Bowl Sunday should be a matter of serving up whatever you want and watching them eat with no complaints. That's exactly what you'll get if you choose to roll out the Italian-inspired meal Bradley cooked up.

The toasted ravioli was perfect for dipping in marinara sauce, or as a crunchily stand-alone take on the classic dish. The chicken Parmesan was as it should be with enough marinara and melted cheese to go with a juicy breast fillet.

The chocolate hazelnut cookies, posing as biscotti, were tasty, if a little flat and doughy in the middle. Bradley seemed most worried about his raspberry Italian soda, which took on the hue of Pepto-Bismol before I taught him the trick of pouring the cream slowly to get the desired multicolor effect. Of course, teaching a Southerner to mix a drink that doesn't include steeping five tea bags and adding enough sugar to give a racehorse a head rush is like trying to glide across the Snake River Canyon on a paper airplane.

Overall, two forks up!



A local red wine and an Italian soda complement the Italian meal. For dessert Bradley Guire baked chocolate hazelnut cookies — but had a few problems keeping the recipe straight.

# Good deals on flooring can be knotty but nice

By Mary Ellen Slayer  
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Some people knock on wood; others prefer to walk on it.

Wood floors are available from more than 50 species of trees, both domestic and exotic, in a wide range of color, hardness and price.

One way to judge the quality of unfinished hardwood flooring is through the grading system created by the Wood

Flooring Manufacturers Association. Its grades are based primarily on color, grain and markings. The best — and most expensive — grades of wood are labeled "clear" and "select."

But these days, not everyone is aiming for perfection. "People are going more toward the natural-looking characteristics of wood," said Sprigg Lynn of Universal Floors in Washington, D.C.

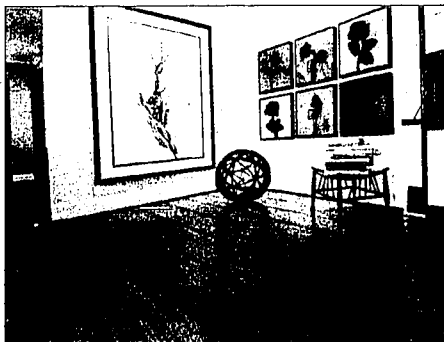
"Years ago people wanted very clear. Now they like to see a knot. They like to see a variation, or texture." Wood flooring can be finished on site or purchased

already finished. Pre-finishing generally increases the cost of materials, though it can save on labor because the boards can be put down more quickly and with less mess than a traditional wood floor. However, such flooring is not graded, so you may want to bring home a test carton — not just the retail sample — to make sure you like the way it looks. "It's better to make a 100-square-foot mistake than a 1,500-square-foot mistake," said Paul Stringer, director of marketing for Somerset, a Kentucky company that sells both types.

Here's a look at what you can get for your money. Prices are per square foot and do not include installation.

### The bargain

If you have a tight budget and you're aiming for a rustic look, consider flooring made of lower-grade, 2 1/4-inch strips of domestic red oak, which is sold unfinished for as little as \$1 a square foot by



White oak planks, with American walnut feature strips. Wood floors are available from more than 50 species of trees in a wide range of color, hardness and price.

Photo courtesy of National Hardwood Flooring Association

iFloor (ifloor.com). At that price, you get a "cabin" grade wood, with a lot of imperfections and boards of various lengths. You will have to finish it yourself.

### The basics

For about \$5 a square foot,

you can buy the standard choice for U.S. homeowners and builders: high-grade red oak. Half of the market here is domestic red oak, said Anita Howard, a spokeswoman for the National Wood Flooring Association. In this category, Somerset sells 2 1/4-inch oak strips in a

natural finish for about \$6 per square foot.

### The upgrade

A budget of up to \$10 per square foot opens up a range of options, including wider planks and exotic or more costly domestic woods, such

as American walnut. One option in this price range is Mullican's (www.mullican-flooring.com) 3-inch-wide strips of walnut in a natural finish.

### The splurge

Those with the most generous budgets have their pick of the highest grades of exotic and domestic woods, custom designs, and hand-scraped wood for a well-worn historic look. If the latter interests you, consider the planks of hand-scraped walnut in 3-, 5- or 7-inch planks from Somerset's Handscraped Collection (www.somersetfloors.com/handscrapedflooring.asp) for about \$20 a square foot.

Or, you can buy unfinished flooring and hire a skilled craftsman to scrape it for you at your home. That will cost you up to \$100 a square foot, said Lynn, who still uses tools that his grandfather had in the 1890s to hand-scrape floors. "It's labor, labor, labor intensive, but it doesn't have a contrived look to it."



# Thursday is last chance to nominate favorite tacos

Times-News

You have one more day to tell us about Magic Valley's tastiest taco.

Then in March, our readers' favorite tacos receive southern central Idaho will compete to win the favor of our culinary referees — on the road to the 2008 Taco Tournament championship. You can watch their

## Taco Tournament



progress through each round of our testing here in Food & Home, in bracket-style competition.

But the initial Savory Sixteen lineup is up to you. Today and Thursday, you can nominate tacos from any restaurants or taco buses in Magic Valley. Mini-Cassia and the Wood River Valley. Traditional or trendy. Carne asada dressed up with cilantro and pico de gallo on fresh tortillas, or plain old ground beef in a crispy shell. Fish or chicken or soy. Whatever you think has a shot at the big game. E-mail your nomination to [virginia.hutchins@tee.net](mailto:virginia.hutchins@tee.net) — with "Taco" in the subject line. The deadline for nominations is Thursday. Then the 16 local tacs receiving the most nominations from our readers will battle it out to impress our referees and take the championship.

# Wine that's suited for Super Bowl

By Karen Page and Andrew Dornenburg  
Special to The Washington Post

If the two teams competing in Super Bowl XLIII were wines, what would they be? Gary Vaynerchuk, host of a popular wine webcast, is as passionate about football as he is about wine, so the question we asked him wasn't rhetorical.

The New England Patriots? "Classic Bordeaux. 1916." The New York Giants? "Cava, which is a major underdog in the sparkling-wine world," Vaynerchuk told us, adding, "but I would root for cava, while I'd never root for the Giants."

Vaynerchuk, 32, is a die-hard Jets fan, as he also sells wine to anyone who is interested in even a handful of times to a groundbreaking weekday webcast on Wine Library TV (<http://twine-library.com>).

Vaynerchuk is director of operations at Wine Library, too, a New Jersey store that also sells wine online. Though many in the traditional wine world have never heard of him, his unorthodox yet undeniably entertaining way of describing wines (think less "cassis" and "tobacco" and a lot more "Coca Cola Puffs" and "Big League Chew") has created a passionate army of a reported 40,000 regular viewers known as Vaynians, one of whom even created a radio tribute to WLTW. Their ranks continue to swell after Vaynerchuk's recent appearances on National Public Radio, "Late Night With Conan O'Brien," "Ellen" and "Nightline."

Vaynerchuk has been called "an underground phenomenon" by Doug Stewart, owner of Braggo Cellars in California's Anderson Valley, whose staff had to work overtime after a rave review on WLTW led to 200 e-mails and 20 orders in less than 24 hours. Bob Newsum, owner of Boudreaux Cellars in Leavenworth, Wash., went a step further and called Vaynerchuk "the Mike of Robert Parker, probably the most influential wine critic in the United States." And lest anyone think Vaynerchuk is interested in selling wine above all else, one viewer analysis had him slumming two-thirds of the wine on the show —

## Down these

Here's what to drink with some of the most popular Super Bowl fare:  
**Chicken wings:** sparkling wine; or Riesling, syrah/shiraz or zinfandel  
**Chili:** Beaujolais, Cotes du Rhone, syrah/shiraz or zinfandel  
**Guacamole:** Champagne, unoaked chardonnay, sauvignon blanc, Torrontes  
**Nachos:** sparkling wine, Torrontes (with white meat), zinfandel (with red meat)  
**Pizza (pepperoni or sausage):** Barbera, Chianti, highest bodied zinfandel  
**Popcorn:** champagne or other sparkling wine  
**Fudge brownies and chocolate chip cookies:** Banyuls, muscat, port or PX sherry

including some sold by Wine Library.

He's definitely the biggest football fanatic of any wine professional we've ever met. Attending 10 or more NFL games every year, Vaynerchuk knows he's not the only fan who's also passionate about wine. "Fifteen years ago, I would walk past tailgaters and wonder, 'When am I going to see wine instead of beer at tailgates?'" Vaynerchuk recalls. "In the early 1990s, I started to see boxed wines, and by the late '90s, I noticed bottles of Kendall Jackson, Clos du Bois and Meridian."

The red turning point was a 2003 visit to Washington's FedEx Field when the Redskins and his beloved Jets opened the season. "I finally saw someone with a bottle of Pilsner Gabeignet," a cult wine, he says. "And last season was out of control: I saw rows of tailgaters with nothing but wine. Yes, there were some magnums of Yellow Tail and Woodbridge, but also lots of intriguing Barbera d'Asti, dolcetto and even a Rhone blend. It looked just like a wine tasting."

On Super Bowl Sundays, Americans do more wine entertaining than on any other day of the year and eat more food than on any day other than Thanksgiving. "Wine has been around since the beginning of time to bring people together. With the Super Bowl being the major social event of the year, the

two belong together," Vaynerchuk says. He is partial to white wines — "The occasion calls for a ravenous time and sudden interceptions, and you don't want to get red wine on your friend's carpeting" — and recommends white Rhone blends, high-end Albarinos from Spain and whites from Greece. He's a fan of the 2006 Leitz Dragonstone Riesling (\$16) for its "great fruit and spritz action" that is "very driven by the apple and pears that make this wine a home run."

Among reds, he's keen on New Zealand pinot noirs "that are like the love child of Burgundy and California pinots" and even more passionate about the quality of reds coming out of Portugal's Douro and Dao regions at "ridiculously low prices."

With ham-and-cheese subs or cheese pizza, you might want to grab a light-bodied pinot, such as one of two light-fruited ones designated Vin de Pays d'Oc for its "great fruit and Pinot Noir (\$10) or the 2005 Heron Pinot Noir (\$12), which Vaynerchuk and we recommend, respectively. Or as a match with your homemade chili, you could try a riper, spicier 2005 Penfolds Koonunga Hill Shiraz (\$12).

However, our main picks this week are both super-freshly white. Both do such a great job of cutting through the fattiness that marks the days' typical fare — spicy chicken wings and snack foods galore — that we easily could have flipped a coin to make either one our top favorite.

Karen swears by the 2006 Quara Catawpa Valley Torrontes (\$9), which, with the fruitiness of juicy, ripe peaches and its crisp, dry finish, was a perfect match for guacamole and even held its own against steak-topped nachos. Andrew is equally keen on the lively N.V. Segura Viudas Aria Estate Brui Cava, lush with ripe-peach flavors, and in the traditional method champagne and a steel at \$12, plus a great match for virtually everything on your Super Bowl buffet. Yes, Vaynerchuk calls cava an underdog wine, but this one is a champ, in a league of its own.

# Learn a few rustic meals

Times-News

Several Dutch oven cooking classes will be offered through spring at A Happy Camper, 1848 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Topics are "One Pot Meals" on Feb. 19; "Breads, Corned Beef & Cabbage 'Tob" on March 18; "Desserts" on April

8 and "Prime Rib" and a hands-on class on May 20. Colleen Sloan, author of long Cabin Dutch Oven cookbooks, will instruct.

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THE GLUTTONY CONTINUES ...



Bradley Guire adds the marinara sauce to chicken cutlets for chicken Parmesan. He loaded the sauce with what he thought was lots of spice, but the result was too bland for his taste. Tester Eric Larsen, however, gave the dish a more positive review.

Gluttony

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The biscotti gave me the most problems, mostly due to my own stupidity. I had to start this twice, as I kept mixing the dry ingredients too soon. I swear I read the recipe twice, but I kept messing up as I went back and forth between the other dishes. My advice is to make one at a time if you can't multitask well. The other error: I bought walnuts for a hazelnut cookie. But it still tasted good.

Though we had a bottle of red wine from Glenns Ferry's Carmela Vineyards on hand, I made a raspberry Italian soda, with and without cream. The cream version wasn't that good; the recipe said milk, while Eric said I should have used cream or half-and-half. However, the no-milk version was just fine. Eric and Bryan seemed to like the food, especially the chicken Parmesan and biscotti — despite the fact that I let the meal get cold (we took the pictures before we



Bradley Guire turns up the stove heat as he tries out an Italian menu for this year's Super Bowl feast. The simple tomato sauce recipe incorporates onion, garlic, celery and carrot as well as tomato. Perhaps too subtle. Guire wanted more kick.

ate, obviously). However, it is my belief that they enjoyed the photo shoot more as I made a fool out of myself. All for you, the reader.

Ultimately, I'm not convinced that this was the way to go for Super Bowl food. It's just too ambitious a menu for a sporting event. Then again, I made barbecue ribs and baked potatoes for

WrestleMania 23 last April, and that turned out fine. Bottom line: Spend the money on pizza, chips and beer, and let somebody else do the work while you kick back on ye ole recliner. Trust me.

Bradley Guire may be reached at 735-3371 or bguire@magicalvalley.com.

HERE'S HOW TO DO IT

TOASTED RAVIOLI

- 2 eggs
- Splash of milk or half-and-half
- Salt and pepper
- 1 1/2 cups Italian bread crumbs, eyeball it
- 1/2 cup grated Parmigiano-Reggiano, a couple of handfulls
- 1 handful flat-leaf parsley, chopped
- 12 large fresh spinach-and-cheese ravioli, about 3/4 pound
- 5 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 3 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- Pinch red pepper flakes
- 2 roasted red peppers, drained
- 1 (14-ounce) can crushed tomatoes

Beat eggs and a splash of milk seasoned with salt and pepper in a shallow dish. Combine bread crumbs with cheese and parsley in a second dish. Coat the fresh pasta in egg, then bread crumbs. Heat 3 tablespoons olive oil over medium heat in a skillet, then toast the ravioli until deep golden, 3 to 4 minutes on each side. In a small sauté pan, heat the remaining olive oil and the garlic and red pepper flakes over medium-low heat. Grind the roasted peppers in the food processor and add to garlic after it sautés for a couple of minutes. Stir in tomatoes and season the sauce with salt and pepper. When ready to serve, transfer sauce to a small bowl. Surround the sauce with toasted ravioli for dipping, and serve.

Source: FoodNetwork.com

CHICKEN PARMESAN

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh rosemary leaves
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh thyme leaves
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh Italian parsley leaves
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 8 chicken cutlets, 3 ounces each
- 1 1/2 cups Simple Tomato Sauce (recipe follows) or purchased marinara sauce

- 1/2 cup shredded mozzarella
- 16 teaspoons grated Parmesan
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, cut into pieces

Preheat the oven to 500 degrees.

Stir the oil and herbs in a small bowl to blend. Season with salt and pepper. Brush both sides of the cutlets with the herb oil. Heat a heavy, large, oven-proof skillet over high heat. Add the cutlets and cook just until brown, about 2 minutes per side. Remove the skillet from the heat. Spoon the marinara sauce over and around the cutlets. Sprinkle 1 teaspoon of mozzarella over each cutlet, then sprinkle 2 teaspoons of Parmesan over each. Sprinkle the butter pieces onto the cutlets. Bake until the cheese melts, and the chicken is cooked through, about 3 to 5 minutes.

Simple Tomato Sauce:

- 1/2 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 small onion, chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 stalk celery, chopped
- 1 carrot, chopped
- Sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 (28-ounce) cans crushed tomatoes
- 4 to 6 basil leaves
- 2 dried bay leaves
- 4 tablespoons unsalted butter, optional

In a large casserole pot, heat oil over medium-high heat. Add onion and garlic and sauté until soft and translucent, about 2 minutes. Add celery and carrots and season with salt and pepper. Sauté until all the vegetables are soft, about 5 minutes. Add tomatoes, basil and bay leaves, and simmer covered on low heat for 1 hour or until thick. Remove bay leaves and check for seasoning. If sauce still tastes acidic, add unsalted butter, 1 tablespoon at a time, to round out the flavors. Add half the tomato sauce into the bowl of a food processor. Process until smooth. Continue with

remaining tomato sauce.

Source: FoodNetwork.com

CHOCOLATE HAZELNUT BISCOCCI

- 1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup chocolate hazelnut spread (recommended: Nutella)
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3/4 cup chopped toasted hazelnuts

Preheat the oven to 375 degrees.

In a medium bowl combine the flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Set aside.

In another medium bowl combine the butter, chocolate hazelnut spread, sugar and brown sugar. Using an electric mixer, cream the ingredients together, about 4 minutes. Add the egg and vanilla and beat until smooth, about 1 minute. Using a wooden spoon or rubber spatula, stir in the flour mixture until just combined. Add the hazelnuts and stir until just combined.

Using a tablespoon measure, spoon out the cookie dough onto a cookie sheet, spacing the mounds about 4 inches apart. Use the tines of a fork to flatten the cookie dough. Bake until lightly golden around the edges, about 10 to 12 minutes. Use a metal spatula to transfer the cookies to a wire rack and let cool.

Source: FoodNetwork.com

ITALIAN SODA

- 4 tablespoons Torani syrup
  - 3/4 cup milk, optional
  - Carbonated water
  - Crushed ice
- Mix the syrup and milk in a tall glass. Add carbonated water and ice until the glass is full. Don't try mixing the ingredients in any other order, or the milk will curdle.

Source: Cooks.com

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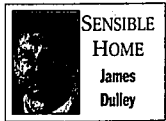
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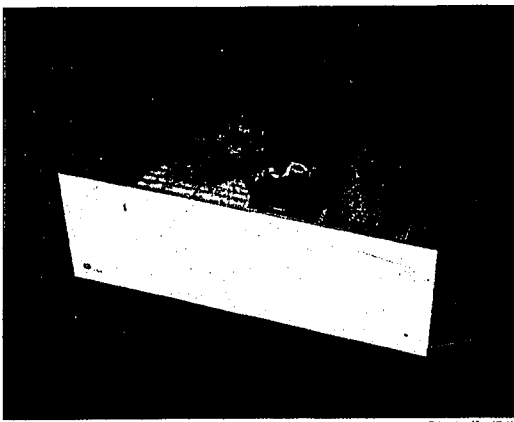
# For a large meal, turn to the warming drawer

**DEAR JIM:** I want to be as efficient as possible in my kitchen. With our busy schedules, it is difficult to get everyone together. Does it make energy sense to cook a large meal in the oven and use a warming drawer?  
— Cindy D.



**DEAR CINDY:** Today's family lifestyles and dining patterns are very different from when I grew up in the 1950s. If I was not home within a few minutes after my mom called out the window to have dinner with the family, I was in big trouble. Now, with busier and more diverse schedules, it can be difficult to prepare foods and serve them in an energy-efficient manner.

The most efficient method to prepare dinner is a large meal, enough for the entire family, in the oven. It takes almost as much energy to bake one potato in the oven as it does to bake six potatoes. The same is true of frozen prepared dishes. The heating element in an electric oven can easily use more than 2,000 watts. A microwave oven can cook smaller quantities of food using less energy than a conventional oven, but some of the large models use almost 1,300 watts of electricity. A microwave oven does not develop residual heat to keep foods safely



This warming drawer has removable trays and racks for more versatility and various sized dishes.

warm for long periods. Any extras for a late dinner have to be refrigerated and later reheated, consuming even more energy. Using a warming drawer is an efficient alternative to the microwave oven when your family members eat dinner at different times. Warming drawers use between 450 and 600 watts of electricity to keep entire dinners warm. Most foods must be kept above about 140 degrees to be sure they do not spoil. They plug into a standard 120-volt electric outlet. Warming drawers are typically available in widths of 27 and 30 to match the stan-

dard widths of kitchen cabinets and other appliances. A 30-inch warming drawer can hold up to six full-size dinner plates of food. When closed, they look similar to just another drawer under the countertop. The controls are hidden behind the front cover so it must be opened to access them. Some stainless steel models give the kitchen a more contemporary and professional appearance. The warming drawer can also be mounted directly under the oven for convenience and less heat loss. The better models have built-in moisture controls.

Most foods taste "just cooked" when kept warm at the moist setting. Others foods, such as baked potatoes and fried food, are better when stored at the crisp setting. The food-holding temperature settings usually range from about 100 to 210 degrees with four set points. If you bake yeast doughs, select a warming drawer with a low setting to use to proof the dough. For food safety, always preheat the drawer before placing food in it. Most models preheat in about 20 to 40 minutes. Miele models use a small

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**DEAR JIM:** We currently have an in-ground swimming pool adjacent to the rear house wall. We are considering building a room addition over it to make it an indoor pool. How do we avoid excess humidity?

— Paul R.  
**DEAR PAUL:** Excess humidity is going to be somewhat of a problem at times no matter what you do. Having adequate ventilation and keeping the pool water as cool as possible will reduce the humidity level in that room.

In order to keep the humidity from penetrating the wall and wall insulation, seal the current outside wall by the pool. If there is an indoor vapor barrier inside the wall, it would help to puncture it so moisture is not trapped.

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# Class can teach you to banish clutter

Times-News

Start the year right by conquering the clutter in your life.

Professional organizer Barbara Stephenson will show students how in a College of Southern Idaho North Side Center class: "Organizing 1-2-3." Participants can fight procrastination by learning where to begin and then making it happen with a plan of attack. They will learn about organizing systems that can be customized to fit their lifestyles.

Whether it's closets or drawers, kids' toys or the husband's tools, stop letting clutter invade the space and cause stress, Stephenson says. Living clutter-free saves time, energy and money.

"Organizing 1-2-3" will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Feb. 5, 12 and 19, at the North Side Center, 202 14th Ave. E. in Gooding. The fee is \$50, which includes a binder filled with organizing information. Information: 934-8678.

# Chatham has a welcoming front porch

By Associated Designs

Painted wooden posts and porch rails below, and gabled dormers above, give a welcoming look to the Chatham. The covered porch is just right for lazing away a warm summer afternoon on a chaise lounge or porch swing.

This contemporary country home fits on a fairly narrow lot and is well-suited to the needs of both young, growing families, and empty nesters. The den, just inside the foyer, could be used as a home office, or outfitted as a fourth bedroom, if needed.

An abundance of natural light washes into the foyer through one of the overhead dormers, plus two side lights and a row of small windows near the top of the door. The ascending stairway on the right is rimmed by a half wall, and leads to a balcony that overlooks both the stairway and foyer. A deep coat closet nestles beneath the stairs, right next to a convenient powder room.

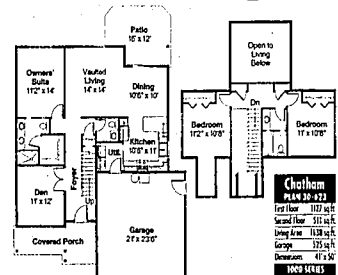
A vaulted living room is at the far end of the foyer, and this expansive space is open to the dining room, while window fills about half of the

living room's rear wall, while sliding glass doors in the dining room open onto a partially covered patio.

The peninsula counter/feating bar marks the boundary between the dining room and kitchen. A good supply of cabinets, counters, and appliances wraps around four sides of the kitchen. Laundry appliances hide behind pocket doors in a pass-through space that links with the garage.

Only the owners' suite is on the Chatham's main floor. Two more bedrooms, a two-section bathroom, and two roomy storage closets are upstairs. One of the bedrooms has a deep dormer, ideal for a desk, display area, or window seat.

For a review plan, including scaled floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$25 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Dr., Eugene, OR 97402. Please specify the Chatham 30-623 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring more than 550 home plans is available for \$15. For more information, call (800) 634-0123, or visit our website at [www.AssociatedDesigns.com](http://www.AssociatedDesigns.com).



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# Chilling out with cookies from the fridge

By Cicely Wedgeworth and Donna Deane  
Los Angeles Times

Making refrigerator cookies, so fantastically simple, qualifies as kitchen relaxation therapy.

With dough that you've prepared in the freezer or refrigerator, cookies are ready to bake whenever you are. You don't even have to bake it all at once — just slice off as much as you need from cylinders of fresh dough.

• **Slice-'n-bake** cookies might sound like kid fare (and kids can certainly help out), but these sophisticated ver-sions invoke familiar flavors with a twist. Try playing up the cookies' buttery sweetness with dried apricots and pine nuts, set off with fresh thyme for an unexpected floral note. Chocolate and peanut butter is a classic combination; here the chocolate is bittersweet and the peanut butter chunky. Add chopped peanuts and you get a cookie with fresh, nutty flavor.

• **Berkeley, Calif.-based** pastry chef Alice Medrich gives a recipe for coffee-walnut cookies in her book "Pure Dessert" that's wonderfully elegant, the walnuts ground up with the flour for a fine texture, plus freshly ground coffee beans for a pleasantly bitter edge. A single white bean crowns each delicate wafer.

"Sometimes I even make a roll of cookies and give it to someone as a gift," Medrich says. "It's just the easiest way to make cookies if you're pressed for time or doing other things."

Whatever ingredients you choose — nuts, fruit or chocolate — make sure to chop them finely so that the dough will not tear when it is sliced. Once mixed, the soft dough needs to be thoroughly chilled in order to cut neat cookies. The dough can be kept in the refrigerator for as long as a week, then frozen for as long as three months. If straight from the freezer, let the dough soften slightly for about 10 minutes before slicing. They might need a couple of additional minutes in the oven.

When you're ready to bake, take one cylinder of dough at a time from the refrigerator. Time and heat are the enemies of a neat refrigerator cookie, so work quickly to avoid letting the dough soften. Slice it into cookies about 1/4-inch thick, using a sharp

knife and a sawing motion and rotating each log slightly as you go so it doesn't get flattened on one side. If the dough starts to soften despite your speedy maneuvering, don't panic — just pop it back in the fridge until it firms up again.

Having worked so hard to preserve the perfect cookie shape, don't just toss the raw cookies onto a bare baking pan. The cookies color beautifully and retain those sharp edges best when baked on a silicone pan liner (such as Silpat). The Times' test kitchen found in a test of shaped cookies last year.

Once baked, the cookies keep well in an airtight container for as long as a month. And when they run out, just take more dough out of the freezer, or mix up a new batch. Easy as pie? Much, much easier.

## PEANUT AND BITTERSWEET CHOCOLATE COOKIES

1 1/4 cups flour  
1/2 teaspoon baking powder  
3/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/2 cup (1 stick) cold butter  
1/2 cup chunky peanut butter  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1 egg  
1/2 teaspoon vanilla  
1 cup finely chopped peanuts  
1 cup finely chopped bittersweet chocolate

In a medium bowl, stir together the flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt in a medium bowl and set aside.

Beat the butter until creamy in a stand mixer or in a medium bowl using a hand mixer. Beat in the peanut butter until blended. Beat in the sugar and brown sugar until light and fluffy.

Beat the egg and vanilla into the sugar mixture until blended. Add flour mixture and beat until thoroughly mixed. Then stir in the chopped peanuts and chocolate until evenly incorporated.

Divide the dough in half. Shape it into two logs about 9 inches long and wrap each log in plastic wrap, waxed paper or aluminum foil. Twist ends to seal. Chill in the refrigerator overnight.

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Unwrap the logs and

cut into 1/4-inch-thick slices. Place the slices on silicone-lined baking sheets, and bake 10 to 13 minutes until lightly browned around the edges. Remove the cookies to a wire rack to cool. Store the cookies in an airtight container.



Coffee-walnut cookies.

## COFFEE-WALNUT COOKIES

Adapted from "Pure Dessert" by Alice Medrich.

2 cups flour  
1 cup walnuts  
3/4 cup sugar  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons fresh, finely ground medium-roast (not espresso-roast) coffee beans, plus about 70 whole beans for garnish  
3/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons (1 3/4 sticks) butter  
1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon brandy  
1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

Combine the flour, walnuts, sugar and salt in the bowl of a food processor and pulse until the walnuts are finely ground. Add the ground coffee and pulse to mix. Add the butter (cut in several pieces if firm) and pulse until the mixture looks damp and crumbly. Drizzle in the brandy and vanilla extract and pulse until the dough begins to clump up around the blade. Remove the dough, press it into a ball and knead it by hand a few times to complete the mixing.

Form the dough into a 12-inch log about 2 inches in diameter. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap and refrigerate for at least 2 hours, or preferably overnight, or as long as 3 days. The dough can also be frozen for as long as 3 months.

Position the racks in the upper and lower thirds of the oven and heat the oven to 350 degrees. Use a sharp knife to cut the cold dough log into 1/4-inch-thick slices. (If the dough crumbles when you cut into it, let it soften for several minutes.) Place the cookies at least 1 inch apart on silicone-lined baking sheets. Press a coffee bean

into the center of each cookie.

Bake the cookies until light golden brown at the edges. 12 to 13 minutes, rotating the sheets from top to bottom and front to back halfway through the baking. Let the cookies firm up on the pans for about 1 minute, then transfer them to a rack with an offset spatula. Cool completely. These cookies are delicious fresh but are even better the next day. They can be stored in an airtight container for at least a month.

## APRICOT BUTTER COOKIES

1/2 cup pine nuts  
2 1/2 cups flour  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 cup butter  
1 1/4 cups confectioners sugar  
1 egg  
1 teaspoon vanilla  
1 1/2 tablespoons finely chopped thyme  
1 cup finely chopped dried apricots

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Toast the pine nuts on a baking sheet in the oven for 5 to 7 minutes, or until very lightly browned. Let cool, finely chop, then set aside.

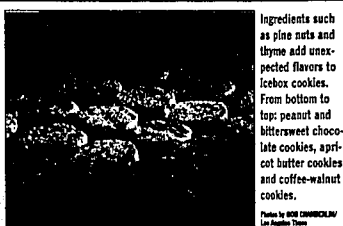
In a small bowl, stir together the flour and salt. Set aside. In a standing mixer or in a medium bowl with an electric mixer, beat the butter until light and creamy. Beat in the sugar until blended. Beat in the egg and vanilla.

Beat in the flour and salt until thoroughly combined. Beat in the thyme, apricots and pine nuts until evenly mixed.

Divide the dough in half. Shape each half of the dough into a log about 9 inches long. Make the logs as smooth and even as possible. Wrap the dough in plastic wrap, waxed paper or aluminum foil, twist the ends to seal. Repeat with the second half of the dough. Chill the cookie logs in the refrigerator overnight.

Heat the oven to 350 degrees. Unwrap the logs and cut each log into 1/4-inch thick slices. Place slices on silicone-lined baking sheets. Bake 12 to 13 minutes until lightly browned around edges. Remove cookies to a wire rack to cool. Store the cookies in an airtight container.

Makes about 5 1/2 dozen.



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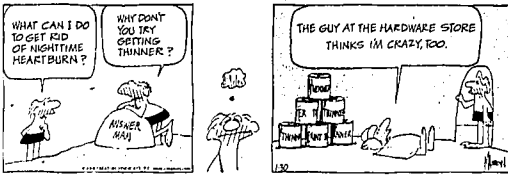
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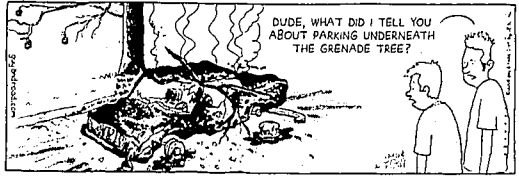
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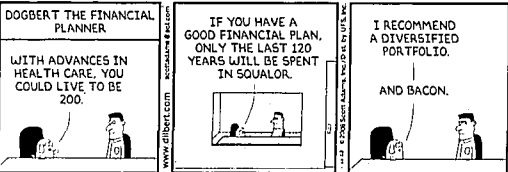
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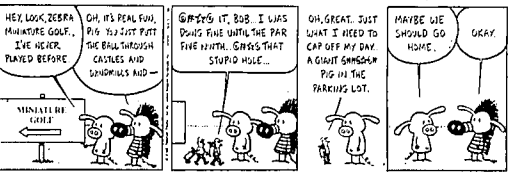
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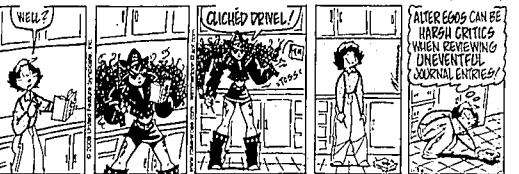
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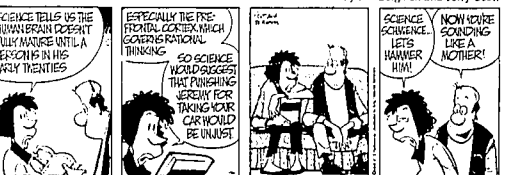
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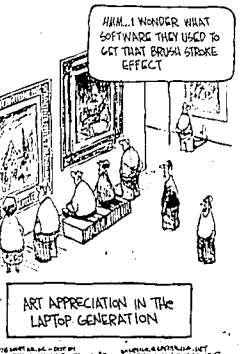
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Aquarius, keep your personality pleasant

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IF JAN. 30 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Your part of the cosmic pie will be filled by peace and tranquility throughout most of the coming year. You can count on lucky stars for the next several months. The particularly alert during April for a chance to could change your life for the better, which may come through a casual acquaintance. Since this is such a very good time for you, it might be wise to consider launching your important personal plans during that time period, too. ARIES (March 21-April 19): The bright red planet that rules your sign seems to change direction in the skies today. Wait until adjustments have taken place to start new projects. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Certain schemes might prove to be delicate bubbles that can burst unexpectedly. People may misunderstand intentions, so hold off on presenting convincing arguments. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You can handle a small amount of commotion caused by others or an upsetting situation with diplomacy. Strive to be fair and open-minded when faced with unreasonable people. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Accept the good with the bad. A fair-weather friend might show his or her true colors regarding a business proposition. You may be disappointed in a situation that requires trust and commitment. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): This isn't a good time to let someone else drown you in waves of sympathy, as compassion may come at a price. Don't feel guilty if you must say no to an offer or agreement. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Get your head out of the clouds. A tendency to be impractical could put you in a poor position for negotiations or maneuvering. Hold off on signing key agreements or contracts and avoid quarrels. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): It might not even really be a horse. Know exactly what you are getting into when someone offers you something that could affect your decisions. It is best to hold off on finances. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Although you might make a favorable impression on new acquaintances in the business world, or have a wonderful time with a certain someone, avoid investments and major purchases. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Learn to adjust gracefully when faced by surprises. People who pop into your life now might pop right out again. Forgive yourself for to appraise tense situations with sensible rationality. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your piggy bank in a safe place. Making key purchases now might mire you in the muck. Wait for better celestial conditions to spend your money or to follow up on an enticing romantic invitation. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You might be sidetracked by a get-rich scheme or be unable to see your own faults clearly. Maintain a pleasant air of tranquility and don't stir up controversies. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The tides may turn quickly where your love life is concerned. Someone's expectations might be unrealistic and create a rift. Enjoy unique experiences, but don't put your money on the line.

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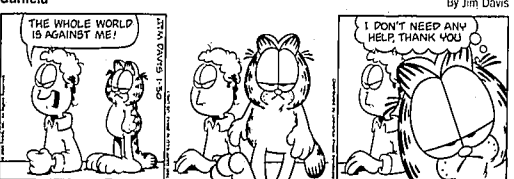
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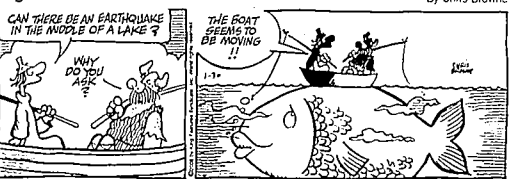
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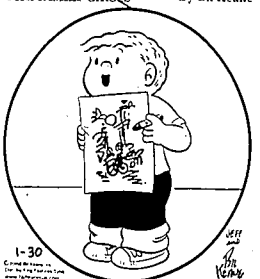
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# Apartment seeker ends up in married landlord's bed

DEAR ABBY: I'm a middle-aged man who has been married for 20 years. I own a duplex in a nice neighborhood. Last week, I put an ad in the paper and a 21-year-old woman came to look at the upstairs apartment. The problem is, I found her attractive and had sex with her downstairs while my wife was not home.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

I recently married a phenomenal man. He also travels extensively, so he has rarely seen our neighbors. When he moved his belongings into our condo, the neighbors popped over with a bottle of wine they have a cellar and a fruit basket. We thanked them profusely, but I handed the bottle of wine back, stating, "We don't drink, but maybe you could open it and think of us when you do."

Hide the keys? Call the police?

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DEAR WORRIED MOM: You have every right to be concerned, and so does Larry's wife. For an adult, your son's behavior is immature and shows extremely poor judgment.

It's too bad that your daughter-in-law is afraid of a confrontation because that is what it may take. You ask if she should hide the keys or call the police. I have another suggestion. If necessary, she should give your son's keys to you, returned only after his case has been adjudicated.

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DEAR ABBY: My son, "Larry," has lost his driver's license until the case can go to court. However, he still continues to drive. Larry's wife doesn't want a confrontation with him, but she is worried that if he should get into an accident, he could be arrested. We're all concerned because with his license suspended, his insurance might not cover any accident or ensuing lawsuit, and his family could be bankrupt. What should his wife do?

DEAR ABBY: I have lived in my condo for three years. My across-the-hall neighbors moved in two years ago. To welcome them, I left a bottle of wine, some bread and a floral arrangement outside their door. I received a gracious thank-you note in return. Since then, we have talked in the hall, but socialized only rarely because I travel frequently for business.

What I didn't mention to the neighbors is the fact that my husband is a recovering alcoholic, 15 years and counting. Again, thanks were offered and I wrote a thank-you card that very night. While I was writing the card, my husband gently intimated that I may have committed a faux pas by returning the wine. He thinks we should have accepted it to be hospitable, then re-gifted it to someone else. What do you think?

— NO OFFENSE INTENDED IN N.Y.  
DEAR NO OFFENSE INTENDED: What's done is done, so don't fog yourself. However, once a gift is received, it belongs to the recipient to do with as he or she wishes. And the "proper" thing to have done would have been to thank them warmly for their thoughtfulness — and then re-gifted it to someone else.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Comedian Dick Martin is 86. Actress Dorothy Malone is 83. Producer-director Harold Prince is 80. Actor Gene Hackman is 78. Actress Tammy Grimes is 74. Actress Vanessa Redgrave is 71. Country singer Jeanne Pruett is 71.

Country singer Norma Jean is 70. Vice President Dick Cheney is 67. Rock singer Mary Balin is 66. Rhythm-and-blues musician William King (The Commodores) is 59. Singer Phil Collins is 57. Actor Charles S. Dutton is 57.

Actress-comedian Brett Butler is 50. Singer Judy Chenay is 49. Country singer Tammy Cochran is 36. Actor Christian Bale is 36. Pop-rock singer-songwriter Josh Kelley is 28. Actor Willner Valderamma is 28. Actor Jake Thomas is 18.

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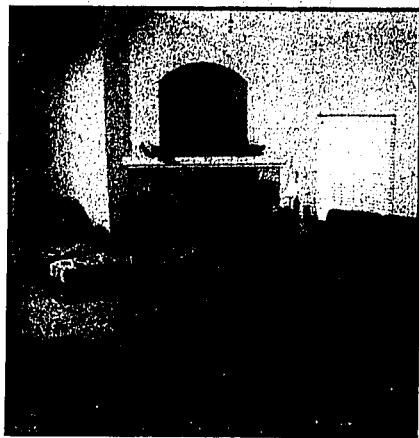
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## If Punxsutawney Phil had a job, he'd get fired

It's been a nice 122-year run, but The Groundhog is past it. Punxsutawney Phil — the world's most famous groundhog — gets his when-will-spring-arrive forecasts correct only 39 percent of the time, according to an analysis by the National Climatic Data Center. A Canadian study puts his performance even lower, at 37 percent.



**DON'T ASK ME**  
Steve Crump

Shoot, if Phil were just flipping a coin he'd be right half the time. The woodchuck's problem, it seems to me, is pervasive pessimism caused by spending his winters in Pennsylvania.

On 96 Groundhog Days, Phil has seen his shadow — meaning, according to legend, six more weeks of winter. He's encountered no shadow — and thus predicted an early spring — only 14 times, most recently in 1999.

So 76 percent of the time, Phil thinks there will still be snow on Easter Sunday. If that were accurate, we'd be up to our butts in mukluk.

In fact, the opposite has happened. Six of the 10 warmest years on record for the United States have occurred since 1998, part of a three-decade warming trend.

I'm thinking Phil is just taking a shot in the dark here. Happens when you're working five feet under Punxsutawney.

Notwithstanding, it's time to replace him with a more optimistic weather forecaster. It's time for a rockchuck from out west to take over the job. Rockchucks, which are close kin to groundhogs, are far cheaper in disposition. They spend their days sunning on boulders, not grubbing the forest floor for grasshoppers, insects and snails like their cousins do.

*Marmota flaviventris* (yellow-bellied marmots, as rockchucks are formally known) dine on seeds, flowers and leaves — think of them as vegans with potbellies. They're the only mammals besides ourselves that build separate bathrooms, dining rooms, living rooms and bedrooms.

By contrast, *marmota monax* (groundhogs) dig enormous underground burrows big enough to swallow tractors and undermine buildings. Plus, they're cantankerous. Doug Schwartz, a zookeeper at New York's City's Staten Island Zoo, told *The New York Times*, "They're known for their aggression, so you're starting from a hard place" (Their natural impulse is to kill "em all and let God sort 'em out").

So what you've got here is a choice between a genial weather critter (the rockchuck) and a homicidal one (the groundhog). It's the difference between being able to golf on Valentines Day and having to wait until Labor Day.

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Punxsutawney Phil after not seeing his shadow in 2007.

## Ailments catch up to state leaders

Gov. Otter, Stennett have successful procedures

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

BOISE — A long-time state lawmaker has temporarily stepped down for medical reasons. Others are experiencing ailments or recovering from them. And on Tuesday, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter

successfully underwent hip surgery.

So, is serving in state government unhealthy? "It makes you wonder, doesn't it?" Sen. Tomi Gannon, R-Buhl, a prostate cancer survivor, asked with a grin. "You better watch out. Something might be contagious."

Joking aside, Gannon is included in the current crop of lawmakers with ongoing health concerns. He said he has stomach-related problems — which he says are unrelated to the cancer — but insists he's improving each day. Meanwhile, Senate Assistant Majority Leader Joe Stegner, R-Lewiston, recently overcame prostate cancer, as did Rep. George Eskridge, R-Dover. And

Rep. Janice McGuehin, R-Johns Falls, has been hobbling around the Capitol Annex after tearing her ACL while skiing.

The idea that a governor and state lawmakers require medical attention is not uncommon, but the timing is likely a result of having older elected officials, said Jasper IJCabalz, a political science

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## Lawmakers introduce legislation to up school zone speeding fines, assess tolls

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Two pieces of legislation were introduced in the Senate Transportation Committee — one to improve roads and another to make them safer.

Sen. John Guedde, R-Coeur d'Alene, introduced legislation that would increase the fine of speeding violations in school zones to \$116.50. Fines are currently assessed at \$41.50.

"The magic number seems to be over 100," he told the committee.

A series of traffic collisions in Coeur d'Alene, including fatal ones, sparked the issue, and a costlier consequence could deter people from speeding, Guedde said after the meeting.

He said that safety near schools is a statewide issue.

"I don't think it resonates only in north Idaho," he said.

The bill would also allow for provisions and rules for signs in school zones to be more efficient, he said.

"It would enhance the quality of signs," he said.

Earlier in the meeting, Sen. Tim Corder, R-Mountain Home, introduced legislation that would authorize highway districts to assess tolls for maintaining roads.

If districts want to upgrade roads, state law permits districts to only close the roads or reduce the weight of vehicles traveling on them, Corder said.

"This bill gives them one more option," he said.

Currently, the state is authorized to assess tolls, but there is no provision on the local level, he said. Corder said his primary concern is a 17-mile stretch of highway east of Boise in his district that is maintained with private money. Corder said that the road has been worn down and the local highway district lacks the funds to maintain it.



Crossing guard Laurie Coats says goodnight to elementary students as they cross the street Tuesday after school gets out at Lincoln Elementary School in Twin Falls. Sen. John Guedde, R-Coeur d'Alene, in an effort to increase safety at school crossings, introduced legislation that would increase the fine for speeding violations in school zones to \$116.50. Fines are currently assessed at \$41.50.



### On the Web

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The change would apply to any highway district, regardless of whether it crosses county lines. Corder said it's not fair that highway districts can go into debt for building roads but not for maintaining roads.

"That seems to me not to be the way we ought to be doing business," he said.

The tolls would be set by the local boards. Corder said they would be subject to court approval — the result of the recent City of Boise vs. Brazier Supreme Court decision.

Rep. Leon Smith, R-Twin Falls, said Corder reviewed the proposal with him and it looked pretty good to him. Smith, a former chairman of the Idaho Transportation Board, said that he couldn't recall any tolls that exist in the state.

But he said he didn't have a problem with the bill since the primary users of the stretch of highway Corder referenced are who would pay the tolls.

"This is one of those peculiar circumstances where there's a long stretch of desolate road for three industrial companies," he said. "They're the ones who use it and they're the ones who want it fixed."

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## Crews find stranded T.E. hunters

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

Two local hunters are safe after being rescued Monday night by search and rescue teams from their pickup, which they remained marooned with for more than 24 hours in the blizzards that coated southwestern Twin Falls County.

Twin Falls County Search and Rescue teams found Jim Maughan, 65, and his son Ralph Maughan, 24, both of Twin Falls in the Shoshone Basin near Kinsey Cabin in "good condition," Twin Falls County Sheriff's spokesman Lari Rehder said in a press release. They both returned to work Tuesday.

The heavy teams that set out for them on four-wheelers and four-wheel drives fought off freezing winds and little visibility. They had begun their search for their own vehicles lodged in their own vehicles from the snow when one rescue team member made the call at 10 p.m. to continue on by foot and saw the lights from the pickup.

With close to a full tank, extra coats and food rations, the two hunters tried to dig themselves out of snow banks. The vain attempts began Sunday evening and lasted through Monday night. By making use of the heater inside their stranded car, the Dodge pickup, they had withstood a full night and day with temperatures dropping into the teens. When the search party leader finally spotted the pickup's lights, there was still about 100 miles of snow

all around the track the snow and wind was blowing, it was really cold," said Jim Maughan's wife Dorothy Maughan. "They tried to dig themselves out but it was just too fast. It was blowing on top fast and they couldn't get themselves free. Jim said it didn't take long to realize it wasn't going to work."

The pair had driven the truck on Sunday afternoon down the muddy-plowed, unmarked road. Dorothy Maughan said deputies told her, Jim, who moved to Twin Falls from Utah six years ago, told his wife who is unfamiliar with the county's outlying areas that night.

"But I felt confident in Jim's experience — that he figured they had to spend the night in the truck," Jim was worried, but not unduly.

Jim Maughan had a map but miscalculated their walking distance to the highway, Dorothy said. They kept chipping out to dig out the tires.

"They couldn't stay out for long," Dorothy said. "They would try to dig and then get warm. Ralph was a bit scared, but I was not."

Twin Falls County Sheriff's deputies launched the search and rescue teams. Then seasoned hunters told her they were going, too — against warnings from deputies to not do it because of the number of potential victims.

## One-mile feedlot rule returns in Davidson hearing

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

BOISE — Last year, the Idaho Senate passed a bill to allow people living farther than one-mile from proposed feedlots to testify at public hearings. The target, senators said, was Jerome County.

The bill eventually languished in a House committee.

Jerome County Commissioner Joe Davidson if a "conflict" arose over residency since last year's state session.

"I don't believe so, but it comes down to what the people in that area," Davidson told the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee. "As a landowner

we can do that. As a tenant it's much more difficult. To my knowledge we did not."

The issue, however, hasn't been entirely dormant. After the bill failed to get a hearing in the House, Jerome County took action. Commissioners approved allowing oral testimony for people living farther than one mile of proposed operations. But they haven't allowed for written testimony, despite promises to change the ordinance more than six months ago.

The one-mile dispute emerged at its strongest point in November when the commissioners denied a feedlot application to Big Sky Limited Partnership, Jerome County resident Dean Dimond was one of the strongest supporters of allowing written testimony because his father owned property near the site, but lived beyond one mile from it and could only provide limited testimony.

Siddoway, an elk rancher,

was among four senators to vote against last year's bill. He said after Tuesday's meeting he was instrumental in getting the bill held in the House. Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Ketchum, has said he plans to introduce a one-mile bill this year.

On Tuesday, Commissioner Charlie Howell said the issue has been on the "backburner" due to the county's

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### Mary Rose Chastain

Mary Rose Chastain, 79, of Twin Falls and formerly of Merced, Calif., passed away Jan. 26, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

She was born May 12, 1928, in Stewart, Okla., the daughter of Joseph and Bertha Walker, the last of four girls. Mary moved with her parents from Oklahoma to California, finally settling in the Merced Area. She was married to George Chastain; he passed away in 1998. Mary moved from Merced to Twin Falls in 2003 to be closer to her



daughter, which she resided with until her passing.

Surviving are her daughters, Linda (Lana) Williams of Twin Falls and Sandy (Ken) Majors of Olathe, Kan., along with 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband and two sisters.

She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her.

Visitation will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the funeral home. Burial will follow in the Twin Falls Cemetery.

### Art McFarland

KIMBERLY — Art McFarland, 68, of Kimberly, passed away Jan. 27, 2008, in his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Feb. 10, 1939, in Ontario.

One, the son of Herman and Gladys McFarland. After attending Hansen High School, he joined the U.S. Navy from 1956 to 1960, serving aboard the USS Hornet. Upon returning from the service, he married Norma Lee Karalick. They were later divorced. On March 27, 1989, he married Alberta Lierman Askew in Eiko, Nev. Art enjoyed golf in his younger years. As he grew older, he loved to camp, fish and hunt, but most important was the time spent with his family. He will always be remembered as a person who loved to tell jokes and make people laugh.

Surviving are his wife,



Alberta of Kimberly; mother, Gladys Irving of Twin Falls; sisters, Ann (Ken) Johnson of Walla Walla, Wash., and Sue (Tim) Brown of Twin Falls; sons, Brian McFarland of Twin Falls and Gary McFarland of Nampa; stepchildren, Steve (Lianne) Askew, Kevin (Lacey) Askew, Tim (Tracy) Askew, Stacey (Tracy) Black and Shaun (Crystal) Askew; along with grandchildren, Hunter, Parker and Brianna; and step-grandchildren, Cody, Chance, Jamie, Tawni, Kasey, Austin, Karsyn, Shenea, Bayleigh, Shelby, Aspen, Payton and Shaylee.

He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

A memorial service for Art will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 2, at Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls. Military honors will be offered by the Magic Valley Veterans and Auxiliary. Services and arrangements are under the direction of Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

### Paul Mark Okelberry

Paul Mark Okelberry passed away Friday, Jan. 25, 2008, in Pocatello after a long illness.

He was born Dec. 4, 1940, in Murrumbidgee where he attended school. He married Barbara Duncan in 1958, and they had four daughters. They later divorced, and he married Darice Toner. They had one daughter and one son. Paul farmed in the early 1980s and later went into sheet metal fabrication until the time of his illness. He enjoyed working with electronics, camping, water



skiing and motorcycle riding.

He is survived by his wife, Darice of Twin Falls; their children, Meredith Shoen and Leon Okelberry; two daughters, Linda Carroll, Crystal Eberhart, Violet Mullikin and Jacque Herfeld; his brother, John Okelberry; and his sister, Jane Isaacs. He is also survived by 16 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Leonard and Amy Okelberry; his brother, Gerald; and Harland; and twin granddaughters.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at "Chapel by the Park," in Twin Falls, with the Rev. Jim Pollard officiating.

### Kenneth W. Osterhout

DECLIO — Kenneth W. Osterhout, an 87-year-old resident of Declio, passed away peacefully on Monday, Jan. 28, 2008, at his home. He was surrounded by his loving family.

Kenneth, the son of Lew Card and Katie Winn Osterhout, was born in Declio on July 14, 1920. He was the fifth of nine boys. Kenneth attended school in Declio. He married Melba Anna Rasmussen from the Springdale area in the Salt Lake LDS temple. They were married 67 years. Kenneth enjoyed farming and loved the 32 years as a heavy equipment operator for the Burley Highway District.

Kenneth was a very devoted husband, father and grandfather and loved his family dearly. He loved hunting, fishing, his horses and camping with other family members. He was a devoted member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and had served as a Scoutmaster, in an elder's quorum presidency and in a



high priest group leadership. He and his wife, Melba, served as missionaries in the Mississippi Jackson Mission.

He is survived by his wife, Melba of Declio; his children, LeShel (Tom) Dresel of Declio, Gale (Ray) Breason of View, Linda (Gary) Waters of Burley, Garth (Lynn) Osterhout of Unity, Doreen (Dan) Lowder of Burley, Colleen (John) Arnoux of Owasso, Okla., and Eldon (Sherry) Osterhout of Declio; 32 grandchildren; 92 great-grandchildren; 10 great-great-grandchildren; and his oldest brother, Carl Osterhout of Declio. He was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers, one son-in-law and three grand-children.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Declio LDS Stake Center, 213 W. Main St., with Bishop Tim Darrington officiating. Burial will be in the Declio Cemetery. A visitation for family and friends will be held from 6 until 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, and from 1 until 1:45 p.m. Friday, both at the Declio Stake Center.

Arrangements will be entrusted to the care of the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

### SUN VALLEY — Ellen Elizabeth Morriscal

Ellen Elizabeth Morriscal, 67, teacher and school administrator, died at her home from complications of pancreatic cancer on Friday, Jan. 25, 2008, was born June 19, 1940, in Camden, N.J., the daughter of Keron Caldwell and Dorothy Evans Morriscal. She was raised in St. Louis and graduated from Ladue High School in 1959. Ellen was active in school sports and student leadership. She spent many happy summers in Colorado as a camp counselor. It was here she began a love affair with the mountains and the outdoors. She developed an early affinity with animals, loved to ride her own horse and was never without her dog.



Ellen spent her working life as a teacher and school administrator. She earned her degree in psychology at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., and her master's degree at the University of Wyoming at Laramie in 1964. She received the Letter of Commendation from Idaho Gov. Dirk Kempthorne in 2008. She taught school in Sunnyside, Calif., then at the Idaho School for Deaf and the Blind in Gooding. She came to the Wood River Junior High School in 1974, where she taught English and social

studies. She became head teacher at the Halley Elementary School in 1976, and then served as principal and school administrator from 1988 until her retirement in 2000.

Ellen had numerous hobbies and interests focused on her love of nature, the mountains and animals. She was an avid hiker, skier, biker and scuba diver, diving in New Zealand and the Caribbean. She was also a serious collector with many interests, including art, sculptures (especially animals), sea shells from around the world, Christmas ornaments and more. She was a voracious reader but always was grounded in her love for her "kids." She was honored in the Wood River Journal in 1997 in the Business and Professional Woman's feature and in a Times-News article, "Meeting at Camp Morriscal," in 2000. The library at the Halley Elementary School was dedicated as the "Ellen Morriscal Library" on May 2, 1992.

Ellen first came to Sun Valley to ski in 1969, and she knew this area was a "special place" and stayed. She was an inspiration and mentor to generations of kids for more than 30 years of teaching. She was the daughter and granddaughter of teachers, and education was in her blood. Throughout a difficult illness, she maintained a positive "can do" approach to life. Last fall, she hiked to "Shangri-la" at

Saddleback Lakes while worried able-bodied friends waited for her at the bottom. Ellen was a true professional who loved her job and the people around her — the teachers, kids, parents and wonderful friends.

Ellen is survived by two brothers, John (Karen) Morriscal of Carmel, Ind., and their children, Ann-Marie Deets and John K. Morriscal Jr., and Richard C. (JoAnne) Morriscal of Davenport, Iowa,

and their children, Heather Morriscal and Gregory Morriscal. Her parents preceded her in death.

A reception in her honor will be held from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at the Blaine County Senior Center, and a memorial service will be scheduled in June around her birthday. Cremation took place under the care of Wood River Chapel of Halley, Id., and Richard C. (JoAnne) Morriscal of Davenport, Iowa. (www.woodriverchapel.com)

### Ethel Virginia Hathaway Lowery

PAUL — Ethel Virginia Hathaway Lowery, 86, of Paul, passed away Sun-day, Jan. 27, 2008, at the Warren Home in Burley.

She was born June 4, 1921, in St. John, Kan., to Charles H. and Florence Foster Hathaway. She was one of 12 children, seven boys to Charles and Florence. She was raised and educated in Kansas and came to Idaho in September of 1935. She married Joe Lowery on Aug. 13, 1939. Joe had two sons, Ethel's stepsons, Buck and Dick Lowery. Ethel and Joe lived and worked on cattle ranches in Rupert and the Wood River area. She lived in Paul for the last 13 years.



She was preceded in death by her husband, Joe; her parents; four sisters and two brothers. She is survived by one sister, Bonnie Schrock of Paul; and four brothers, Palmer Hathaway of Burley, Ralph Hathaway of Idaho Falls, Charles Hathaway of Boise and Cecil Hathaway of Gooding.

A private burial has taken place at the Paul Cemetery. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

### DEATH NOTICES

#### Mildred Batterton

BOHLEY — Mildred (Sherry) Batterton, 97, of Bohley, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2008, at Park View Care and Rehabilitation Center.

The previously announced funeral has been postponed. New arrangements will be announced by Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley.

#### Paul J. Duffy

BOHLE — Paul J. Duffy, 95, of Bohle, died Monday, Jan. 28, 2008, at his home.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Bohle.

#### Ann Good

Ann Good, 82, of Twin Falls, died Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home of Twin Falls.

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## Fae LaRue Stoddard

**BURLEY** — Fae Lattie Stoddard, an 83-year-old resident of Burley, died Friday, Jan. 25, 2008, after an extended illness.

She was born May 2, 1924, in Grace, the daughter of Willard and Emily Harris Williams. She graduated from Grace High School in 1942 and later from the Union Pacific Telegraph School. Fae's working career started with the Union Pacific Railroad as a telegraph operator in various towns that included Crookville, Wyo., and Rupert, Montpelier and King Hill.

She married Samuel Keith Stoddard on Feb. 13, 1945, while he was home on leave from the United States Navy. They returned together to Farnham, the Farnham Center where they lived for only a few months. Keith was transferred to Pleasanton, Calif., where they stayed until Keith was discharged in 1946. She and Keith left California for Island Park, where they both worked for the Stoddard Sawmill. She worked in the commissary. Later, they moved to Pocatello, where Keith attended college. In 1947, they moved to California and later settled in the home state of Idaho.

Fae and Keith owned and operated Stoddard Appliance and Furniture for 19 years. They were able to travel abroad extensively during this time. In the mid '70s, Fae purchased a Diet Center franchise for the Burley-Rupert area and took over the day-to-day operations. It was also at that time that she was chosen as the winner of the Mrs. Mini-Cassia contest. She enjoyed being a contest-



ant in the Mrs. Idaho pageant.

Fae and Keith took a part-time job in 1980 after selling the furniture store. They went to work for Jiffy Flower Lines delivering silk floral arrangements to 15 Western States. Fae was only able to accompany him for two years. Keith retired in 1988, and they enjoyed five years of traveling in their RV. They spent winters in St. George, Utah, and summers at home in Burley. In 1993, she and Keith enjoyed living in Star Valley, Wyo., care taking a cabin in the Alpine Village.

Fae was active in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, supporting her husband as branch president and later as bishop. She was a teacher in the Mutual Improvement Association and later became the president. She also was a counselor in the Relief Society presidency prior to serving as president. Fae and Keith completed a one-year mission at the St. George Temple Visitor Center and historical sites. Fae acknowledged this as one of the most rewarding years of her life.

Fae was an accomplished golfer and skier. She served as president of the Burley Ladies Golf Association for two different terms. She taught skiing lessons during

the annual ski school at Pocatello. Fae also took flying lessons and completed a solo flight. She and Keith found pleasure in flying to many destinations from California to Florida.

Fae was preceded in death by her parents, two brothers, Blaine (Allie Mae) Williams and Harry (Leora) Williams and one sister, Alleen (Elmer) Adams. She is survived by her loving sweetheart and devoted husband, Keith Stoddard; their three daughters, Leslie (Mike) Klett, Janie (Leroy) Fluk and Laurie Ann Stoddard; one son, Sam Stoddard (Debbie Bretz); eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, Douglas (Carolyn) Williams and Grant (Barbette) Williams; three sisters, and Imogene (Boe) Nuttall, Lois (Richard) Boers and Marilyn (Don) McElride.

Fae's family would like to thank the Burley Care Center and Parke View Care and Rehabilitation Center for the kindness and loving care that was given to her during the last three years of her life.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 1, at the Burley LDS 3rd and 7th Ward Church, 2200 Oakley Ave., with Bishop Tracy King officiating. Burial will be in the Gem Memorial Gardens. Friends may call from 6 until 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and from 10 until 10:45 a.m. Friday at the church.

The family suggests that memorials be directed to the Intermountain Hospice at Cassia Regional Medical Center in care of Rasmussen Funeral Home.

## Christopher R. 'Chris' Lavelle

**BOISE** — Christopher R. 'Chris' Lavelle, 51, of Boise City and formerly of Twin Falls, beloved son, husband and father, died Jan. 27, 2008, in Boise City of cancer.

Chris was born June 1, 1956, in Youngstown, Ohio, the second child of James and Loretta Lavelle, nee McGarry. Chris and Evelyn Lavelle, nee Soth, were married on St. Patrick's Day 1978 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Roman Catholic Church in

Youngstown. This very happy and loving union produced five children.

Chris is survived by his father, James of New Middletown, Ohio; his wife, Evelyn; their son, Christopher Lavelle Jr.; their daughters, Miss Kerry Lavelle, Miss Angela Lavelle, Miss Gailin Lavelle and Miss Maureen Lavelle, all of Boise City; and his brothers, James, Greg, and Mark Lavelle of Ohio. His revered mother

preceded him in death.

Chris was happy to be a family man, a Roman Catholic, a follower of Illinoisan traditions and a lifelong Democrat.

A wake for Chris will be held in the family home and the Falcon Tavern in Boise City. A funeral Mass will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 31, at St. Mark's Church in Boise, followed by interment at Homeyer Cemetery in Idaho City.

## SERVICES

Paul B. Bateman of Rupert, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Hansen Mortuary, Rupert Chapel, 710 Sixth St.; visitation one hour before the funeral at the mortuary.

Elden Leland "Red" Westlund of Gooding, funeral at 1:30 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Service, Gooding Chapel.

William Jerry Gardner of

Shoshone, memorial service at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church, 205 E. Fifth St. in Shoshone (Demaray Funeral Service, Shoshone Chapel).

Olevin Maribelle "Harris" Westlund of Twin Falls, visitation from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday with a celebration of life at 10 a.m. Friday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls; reception follows in the

Friendship Room at the United Methodist Church in Twin Falls; graveside service at 3 p.m. Friday at the Cloverdale Memorial Park in Boise.

O.L. "Orlie" Dudley of Eagle, funeral at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Cloverdale Memorial Home in Boise; reception will follow at the Cloverdale Reception Center.

## BIRTHDAYS

### Former Magic Valley resident celebrates 90th birthday

**VANCOUVER, Wash.** — Ralph Lamb will celebrate his 90th birthday on Sunday in Vancouver, Wash., with a family dinner. Birthday cards and well-wishes may be sent to him at 5003 NE Hazel Dell Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665.



Lamb

Lamb was born in Kellogg and moved with his family to the Twin Falls area in 1918. He attended schools in Hollister and Jerome. He married Noble Clark in 1941, after they moved to Boise where he worked for Safeway Stores and Standard Oil. During World War II, he served with the 3rd Fleet aboard the heavy cruiser, USS Canberra in the South Pacific. After the war, he attended barber school and worked for Young's Barber Shop in Buhl. In 1947, he went to work for Safeway Stores working in Buhl, Payette, and Twin Falls. He retired in 1983 with a service record of 36 years. He and

Mable moved to Vancouver, Wash., in 2003. Lamb was a member of the Buhl Volunteer Fire Department for 18 years and was active in the First Baptist Church in Twin Falls and Buhl, and Faith Baptist Church in Vancouver, Wash.

Children include Aleta (Lynn) Hearn of Woodland, Wash., Brian (Margaret) Lamb of Pullman, Wash., and Robin (Curt) Strickland of Vancouver, Wash. He has eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

### Buhl man to celebrate 80th birthday

**BOHLE** — John P. Hill of Buhl will celebrate his 80th birthday at an open house. Family and friends are invited to attend from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Moon Glo Village, 910 Moon Glo Road, Buhl.



Hill was born Jan. 29, 1928, in Castleford. He graduated from Castleford High School in 1946. He married Eileen Zagata on Dec. 11, 1950, in Buhl. He has lived and farmed in the Buhl-

Castleford area all his life.

Children include Connie Gowdy of Twin Falls; Linda Hill of Buhl; Bart Hill of Twin Falls; Liz Hill-Betts of Covington, Wash.; Mary DiMaggio of Bend, Ore.; and Frank Hill of Buhl. He has eight grandsons and one granddaughter, one step-granddaughter and three great-grandsons.

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### Infant Safety and CPR Class

Now parents, grandparents, and caregivers learn CPR and what to do if baby chokes. No registration required. Free. Thursday, January 31 and Tuesday, February 5, 8:30-9pm St. Luke's Downtown Campus, Lobby, 660 Shoshone Street East

### Big Kids Klub

Help prepare brothers and sisters for the new baby. Pre-registration required, call 732-3148. \$10/one child, \$15/two or more children. Saturday, February 2, 10-11:30am St. Luke's Education Center, Sage Room 588 Addison Avenue West

### Prepared Childbirth Course

A series of five classes designed to prepare expectant mothers and their support person for labor and childbirth. Pre-registration required, call 732-3148. \$60 Wednesdays, February 6-March 5, 6:30-9pm St. Luke's Downtown Campus, Lobby, 660 Shoshone Street East

### Happiest Baby on the Block

Learn step-by-step how to help baby sleep better, and how to soothe even the fussiest baby in minutes. Pre-registration required, call 732-3148. \$20 Thursday, February 7, 6:30-9pm St. Luke's Downtown Campus, Lobby, 660 Shoshone Street East

### Childbirth Refresher Course

Review of childbirth preparation and breathing techniques, and a video tour of the Women and Infant's Center. Pre-registration required, call 732-3148. \$20 Wednesday, February 13, 6:30-9pm St. Luke's Downtown Campus, Lobby, 660 Shoshone Street East

## Healthy Living/Screenings

### Healthy Diabetes Plate and Pedometer Program

A diet and exercise program for people with diabetes and their families. Pre-registration is required, call 734-9500 or email rhlant@uidaho.edu, \$25, includes pedometer. Tuesdays, January 29-February 26, 6-7:30pm Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Avenue East

### Parkinson Disease Exercise Group

The program uses "soft" exercise to help delay the progression of symptoms and provide for a more active and comfortable life. Call 737-2126 for information. Free. Tuesdays and Thursdays, January 31-February 12, 11am-noon Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371 Eastland Drive North

### Squeaky Joints Arthritis Aquatics Class

People with arthritis and related conditions are invited to attend. Call 734-2336 for information. \$3 per session or \$30 for a 12-session pass. Mondays and Fridays, February 1-11, 9-10am YMCA City Pool, 756 Locust Street

### Strong Women - Strong Bones

A nationally recognized 6-week program to improve muscle strength, balance, and flexibility through physical activity and nutrition. Call 734-9590 or email rhlant@uidaho.edu. \$10 Mondays and Wednesdays, February 4-March 12, 4-5pm Twin Falls County Extension Office, 246 Third Avenue East

### Diabetes Education Classes

A series of six classes on diet therapy, medication administration, foot care, and more. Pre-registration required, call 736-6218. Fee is billed to insurance. Wednesday, February 6, 10-11:30am Dr. Emery's office, 526-D Shoup Avenue West

### Back School

Basic anatomy of the spine, common injuries, diseases leading to back pain, and more. Call 737-2126 to register. \$25 Local businesses may request on-site classes. Wednesday, February 6, 5-7pm, St. Luke's Idaho Elks Rehab 660 Shoup Avenue West - Doctor's Park Complex

### HeartSaver CPR Classes

This class offers infant, child, and adult CPR, and AED. Pre-registration required, call 737-2007. \$36 Thursday, February 7, 6-10pm St. Luke's Education Center, Sage Room 588 Addison Avenue West

## Support Groups

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# Amish man's new miracle idea helps home heat bills hit rock bottom

## Miracle heaters being given away free with orders for real Amish fireplace mantles to launch the new invention that slashes heat bills, but Amish craftsmen under strain of winter rush impose household limit of 2

### Saves money: uses less energy than a coffee maker, so leave it on day and night and never be cold again

By MARK WOODS  
Universal Media Syndicate

(UMS) Everyone hates high heat bills. But we're all sick and tired of turning down the thermostat and always being cold.

Well now, brand new HEAT SURGE™ miracle heaters are actually being given away free to the general public for the next two days starting at precisely 8:00 a.m. today.

The only thing local readers have to do is call the National Distribution Hotline before the 48 hour deadline with their order for the handmade Amish Fireplace Mantles. Everyone who does is instantly being awarded the miracle heaters absolutely free.

This is all happening to launch the new HEAT SURGE Roll-n-Glow™ Amish Fireplace that actually rolls from room to room so you can take the heat with you anywhere. That way, everyone who gets them first can immediately start saving on their heat bills.

For the first time ever, portable Amish fireplaces are being delivered directly to the doors of all those who beat the deadline. These miracle fireplaces have what's being called the "Fireless Flame" technology that gives you the peaceful flicker of a real fire but without any flames, fumes, smells, ashes or mess. Everyone is getting them because they require no chimney and no vent. You just plug them in.

The Fireless Flame looks so real it fools everybody but it has no real fire. So what's the catch? Well, the soft spoken Amish craftsmen who hand make the mantles are imposing a strict household limit of 2 during the strain of the winter rush.

"We can barely keep up ever since we started giving heaters away free. Now that it's really cold outside, everyone's trying to get them. Amish craftsmen are working their fingers to the bone to be sure everyone gets their delivery in time to save a lot of money," confirms Timothy Milton, National Shipping Director.

"These portable Roll-n-Glow Fireplaces are the latest home decorating sensation. They actually give you a beautifully redecorated room while they quickly heat from wall to wall. It's the only way to dress up every room, stay really warm and slash your heat bills all at the same time," says Joseph Holland, Home Makeover Expert to the rich and famous.

And here's the best part. Readers who beat the 48-hour order deadline are getting their imported hi-tech miracle heaters free when purchased in the real Amish built solid wood fireplace mantles. The mantles are being hand made in the USA right in the heart of Amish country where they are beautifully hand-rubbed, stained and varnished.

You just can't find custom made Amish mantles like this in the national chain stores. That makes the solid oak mantle a real steal for just two hundred ninety-eight dollars since the entire cost of the miracle heater is free.

This free giveaway is the best way to slash heating bills and stay warm through the dead of winter. The HEAT SURGE Roll-n-Glow Fireplace gives you all the beauty and warmth of a built-in fireplace but it can also save you a ton of money on heating bills.

Even people in California and Florida are flocking to get them so they may never have to turn on their furnace all winter. And since it uses less energy than a coffee maker the potential savings are absolutely incredible.

"We are making sure no one gets left out, but you better hurry because entire communities of Amish craftsmen are straining to keep up with winter demands. For now, we have to turn away dealers in order to let readers of today's newspaper have two per household just as long as they call before the deadline," confirms Milton.

It's a really smart decision to get two right now because for only the next 48 hours you get both miracle heaters free. That's like putting five hundred bucks right in your pocket and you can save even more money on your monthly heating bills.

Everyone's calling to get one but those who really want to save a lot on their heating bills are surprising the whole family by getting two. So when lines are busy keep trying or log onto



GENUINE AMISH MANTLES MADE IN THE USA: Amish craftsmen are pleased that Heat Surge officials have provided proof of certification of the coveted UL Listing for the miracle heater. Now, everyone wants to save money on heat bills this winter, so entire Amish communities are working from the crack of dawn to finish. These fine solid wood Amish made fireplace mantles are built to last forever. The solid oak mantle is a real steal at just two hundred ninety-eight dollars because all those who beat the order deadline by calling the National Hotline at 1-800-242-6155 to order the fireplace mantles are actually getting the imported hi-tech Fireless Flame HEAT SURGE miracle heaters for free.

amishfireplaces.com. We promise to get to every call. Then we can have a delivery truck out to your door right away with your beautiful Amish made Roll-n-Glow Fireplace," Milton said.  
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## How to get 2 free heaters

The National Toll Free Hotlines are now open. All those who beat the 48 hour order deadline to cover the Amish made Fireplace Mantles and shipping get the HEAT SURGE miracle heaters free.

They have imposed a strict limit of 2 per household. Since some home woodworkers want to build their own mantle piece, they are letting people get the imported miracle heater alone for just \$249. Or, with the Amish made mantle you get the miracle heater free.

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**FREE:** Get this \$249 miracle heater free. It is being given away free to all who beat the 48 hour order deadline for your choice of the oak or cherry Amish Mantles. The free heater comes already encased.

## AROUND THE VALLEY

### CSI hosting four-year college transfer fair

The College of Southern Idaho is hosting a transfer fair today equipped with a handful of Idaho's four-year institutions.

The annual fair has been held for about 13 to 14 years, and gives CSI students information about four-year higher education programs, applications and financial aid, said CSI Dean of Students Graydon Stanley.

Some of the state's schools with booths this year at the fair include Boise State University, Idaho State University, University of Idaho, and Lewis and Clark State College, Stanley said.

Transferring is occurring. About 30 percent of CSI's first time, full-time students ages 18 to 21 go on to four-year institutions, said CSI Spokesman Doug Maughan.

Applications are the first step in transferring, and they're available online and in paper form. Some program deadlines for financial aid and scholarships are

approaching, on Feb. 1 and April 1, Stanley said.

This fair is marketed to Idaho's colleges and universities. But another fair later this March that's co-sponsored by the Times-News "invites schools from other states along with regional employers to attend. Typically those non-Idaho schools are from the Pacific Northwest, said Stanley.

Today's fair will be held from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the student union building on the first floor.

### City warns of imposter water inspectors

Twin Falls city officials are asking citizens to be aware of an out-of-state vendor with representatives in the city pretending to be water inspectors. The city provides potable water services to most city homes and does not conduct "routine" inspections of residential drinking water or plumbing.

For residents' safety, they should always verify the source before giving any

information or allowing access in their homes. Residents can always call city offices or the police department to verify whether the persons contacting you are legitimate.

If you have questions regarding water quality, arsenic levels or inspections, call the water department at 736-2275. To call the police: 735-4357.

### South Side electric meeting scheduled

Members of South Side Electric are invited to attend the 61st annual Meeting of the Members at 6:30 p.m. Monday.

Registration will begin at 6 p.m. in the multi purpose room at DeLo High School. The agenda includes reports from the management, board and the election of two board members.

All members are encouraged to attend. Dinner will be served and door prizes awarded.

— from staff reports

## Rexburg temple dedication rescheduled

By Kyra Davis  
The (Rexburg) Standard Journal

REXBURG — The Rexburg Temple dedication has been rescheduled due to the Saturday evening death of Gordon B. Hinckley, president of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

The dedication was set for Sunday, but has now been moved to the following Sunday, Feb. 10.

Members of the LDS Church who are within the Rexburg Temple District boundaries had been told church services would be

canceled to hold the temple dedication and have it broadcast in the stake centers.

Chairman of the Rexburg Temple Committee Richard Smith said church leaders have been notified that regular church services should be held Sunday.

The Cultural Celebration originally set for Saturday has also been moved back one week to Feb. 9.

But the setback of the dedication also means that temple appointments will have to be rescheduled.

Rexburg Temple

Committee Public Affairs Chairman Merv Brown said temple work cannot begin until after the temple is dedicated.

"The church spokesman for eastern Idaho, Clark Hirsch, said that it had been the "hope that President Hinckley would attend the dedication, but it was never confirmed."

Hirsch said that any of the 14 apostles could conduct the dedication ceremonies, but no announcement as to which general authority will preside over the dedication was released.

## 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

### Twin Falls County

#### ARRAIGNMENTS (JAN. 28)

Ronnie J. Parrott, 35, Twin Falls; driving without privileges; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Feb. 19; \$300 bond.  
Bernadette Melugin, 45, Eden;

failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Feb. 19; \$300 bond.  
Elias Parra Castillo, 23, Twin Falls; failure to appear-failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed;

pretrial hearing set for Feb. 19; \$300 bond.  
Jose Olivares, 36, Twin Falls; eluding a police officer; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; pleaded innocent; public defender appointed; pretrial hearing set for Feb. 19; \$1,000 bond.

## Hearing

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moratorium restricting livestock operations, but is on Monday's agenda.

Davidson was in town regarding his appointment in September by Gov. C.L. "Hutch" Otter to the five-member Soil Conservation Committee. Approval by the Legislature for the five-year term is a formality.

The Soil Conservation Commission provides support and service to the state's 51 soil conservation districts regarding soil, water and other resources, according to the body's Web site.

Davidson said that he continues to learn about digesters and how they

affect the livestock industry in addressing the problem of waste.

"We really do have an opportunity," he said.

Davidson was introduced by Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome, who said that Davidson's background in agriculture has made him knowledgeable on how to treat and maintain land and water.

"He's not afraid to stand up and speak to what he thinks is right," she said. "I think that it's going to be a very fine thing to go ahead and have him in this position. I'm pleased the governor recognized his qualities and I would ask you all to accept him in this position."

## Health

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professor at the College of Idaho in Caldwell. In fact, a study from last year found Idaho to have the nation's oldest state Legislature.

"I don't know if it's especially dangerous," LiCalzi said of serving in the Legislature. "This is typical kind of stuff that you're going to have. We just see it more because they're public figures. But this stuff happens to everyone."

On Monday, Senate Minority Leader Clint Stennett, D-Ketchikan, announced he would temporarily step down to have surgery for swelling in his brain. He released a statement Tuesday night saying

the procedure was a success, but it's unclear how long Stennett will be away from the Legislature.

"It's just the way it's fallen," said House Minority Leader Wendell Jaquet, D-Ketchikan, who has worked with Stennett for a decade. She said she understands the surgery called to shave his head and add height; "I can't wait to see him because he may be bald."

Otter's hip resurfacing surgery — less invasive than a hip replacement — lasted about two hours, according to his office. His office didn't inform media of the governor's surgery until shortly before it was performed. Several state lawmakers said

"This is typical kind of stuff that you're going to have. We just see it more because they're public figures."

— Jasper LiCalzi, professor at the College of Idaho

they didn't know about it until Tuesday.

State law provides for Lt. Gov. Jim Risch to serve as interim governor until Otter returns, said spokesman Jon Hanian. Hanian said that Otter's surgery is not indicative of the tolls of public life,

but rather what happens as an individual.

"That's life, man," Hanian said. "Stuff comes up and you gotta deal with it."

Still, medical conditions affect the Legislature, LiCalzi said. Not having Gannon, who is chairman of Agricultural Affairs, or the seniority of Stennett can affect the workings of state government, LiCalzi said.

Meanwhile, it being an election year often places additional pressure on lawmakers. Gannon said health will be his primary factor on whether to seek re-election. He expects a full recovery but said he hasn't decided whether he'll seek a fourth term.

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# Rising costs force Haiti's poor to resort to eating dirt

By Jonathan M. Katz  
Associated Press writer



A market vendor sells mud cookies at the La Saline market in Port-au-Prince, Friday. The cookies are made of dirt, salt and vegetable shortening.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — It was lunchtime in one of Haiti's worst slums, and Charlene Dumas was eating mud.

With food prices rising, Haiti's poorest can't afford even a daily plate of rice, and some take desperate measures to fill their bellies.

Charlene, 16 with a 1-month-old son, has come to rely on a traditional Haitian remedy for hunger pangs: cookies made of dried yellow dirt from the country's central plateau.

The mud has long been prized by pregnant women and children here as an antacid and source of calcium. But in places like the slum, the ocean-side slum where Charlene shares a two-room house with her baby, five siblings and two unemployed parents, cookies made of dirt, salt and vegetable shortening have become a regular meal.

"When my mother does not cook anything, I have to eat them three times a day," Charlene said. Her baby, named Woodson, lay still across her lap, looking even thinner than the slim 6-pound, 3-ounce he weighed at birth.

Though she likes their buttery, salty taste, Charlene said the cookies also give her stomach pains. "When I nurse, the baby sometimes seems colicky too," she said.

Portion. Prices for basic ingredients such as corn and wheat are also up sharply, and the increasing global demand for biofuels is pressuring food markets as well.

The problem is particularly dire in the Caribbean, where island nations depend on imports and food prices are up 40 percent in places.

The global price hikes, together with floods and crop damage from the 2007 hurricane season, prompted the U.N. Food and Agriculture Agency to declare states of emergency in Haiti and several other Caribbean countries.

Caribbean leaders held an emergency summit in December to discuss cutting food taxes and creating large regional farms to reduce dependence on imports.

## AP Video

With food prices rising, Haiti's poorest can't afford even a daily plate of rice. Now some people are taking desperate measures to fill their bellies.

At [magicvalley.com](http://magicvalley.com)

fruit have gone up at a similar rate, and even the price of the edible clay has risen over the past year by almost \$1.50. Dirt to make 100 cookies now costs \$5, the cookie makers say.

Still, at about 5 cents apiece, the cookies are a bargain compared to food staples. About 80 percent of people in Haiti live on less than \$2 a day and a tiny elite controls the economy.

with flies. Women buy the dirt, then process it into mud cookies in places such as Fort Dimanche, a nearby shanty town.

Carrying buckets of dirt and water up ladders to the roof of the former prison for which the slum is named, they strain out rocks and clumps on a sheet, and stir in shortening and salt. Then they pat the mixture into mud cookies and leave them to dry under the scorching sun.

The finished cookies are carried in buckets to markets or sold on the streets.

A reporter, sampling a cookie found that it had a smooth consistency and sucked all the moisture out of the mouth as soon as it touched the tongue. For hours, an unpleasant taste of dirt lingered.

the worm to certain diseases, said Gerald N. Callahan, an immunology professor at Colorado State University who has studied geophagy, the scientific name for dirt-eating.

Haitian doctors say depending on the cookies for sustenance risks malnutrition.

"Trust me, if I see someone eating those cookies, I will

discourage it," said Dr. Gabriel Thimothée, executive director of Haiti's health ministry.

Marie Noel, 40, sells the cookies in a market to provide for her seven children. Her family also eats them.

"I'm hoping one day I'll have enough food to eat, so I can stop eating these," she said. "I know it's not good for me."

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# Hostage standoff ends in Venezuela; gunmen arrested after fleeing in ambulance

By Christopher Toothaker  
Associated Press writer



Hostages, held by gunmen inside a bank, gesture in Altagracia de Oritico, Venezuela, Tuesday. Gunmen held more than 30 people hostage inside the Banco Provincial branch during a standoff with police that began with a botched robbery Monday.

ALTAGRACIA DE OBITUICO, Venezuela — Police let four gunmen get away in an ambulance after a more than 24-hour hostage standoff at a bank, but the fugitives soon found there was no escape.

Followed by a helicopter, the gunmen and five hostages they brought along were tracked down by police who stopped the ambulance on a roadside. First, the men let three hostages go. Then, after a bit of negotiating, they tossed down their guns, freed their last two captives and stepped out.

"They're turning themselves in," Guairico state Gov. Eduardo Manuitt said excitedly, narrating the scene on television by phone as he followed along with police. The men were ordered to the ground as police arrested them.

"The hostages are free," Manuitt said. "This nightmare is over."

The arrests freed room for the best of the more than 30 hostages whose ordeal began Monday morning during a botched bank robbery in this town southeast of Caracas. The hostage standoff at the Banco Provincial branch was the longest in at least a decade in Venezuela. As the standoff dragged on, the gunmen accepted a package with diapers and a bottle for a 2-week-old baby who was among the captives. In the final hours, some hostages inside the bank held up signs in the windows, with desperate pleas for help and used cell

gunmen. "She's very brave. I know she's going to come out of this fine," Gonzalez said through tears outside the bank.

It was not immediately known how many hostages were freed as relatives and onlookers massed at the front door of the bank and some were led to waiting ambulances. Bank executive Leon Enrique Cottin said earlier Tuesday that 33 hostages were held captive, but Manuitt said after the siege that nearly 40 hostages were freed at the bank.

Those freed were believed to include the 2-week-old infant, at least three other children under the age of 10, and a woman who is eight months pregnant. She was wheeled out reclining on a stretcher.

One man emerged with a bandaged hand, carrying a girl in his arms, and got into an ambulance.

"After five or six hours, they began to let down their guard saying, 'You aren't going to die,'" freed hostage Juan Carlos Gil told The Associated Press of his captors. "They were nervous, but it was all an atmosphere as if they were everyone's friends."

His account differed from that of justice Minister Ramon Rodriguez Cincin, who said during the standoff that the gunmen had been taking drugs, making the situation volatile.

Gil said he never saw any of the gunmen use drugs and they appeared sober.

The four gunmen entered the bank Monday morning when a uniformed police officer pulled up to use the

cash machine and surprised the would-be robbers, said Amanda Saldivia, a reporter for the local Guayma Radio FM.

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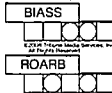
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## FBI: 14 companies under investigation for possible fraud

### Feds work with SEC to probe lenders, other firms in connection with subprime loans

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Federal Bureau of Investigation on Tuesday said

it is investigating 14 companies for possible fraud or insider trading, violations in connection with loans made to risky borrowers, and

investments spun off of those loans. Agency officials did not identify the companies under investigation but said

the wide-ranging probe, which began in spring 2007, involves companies across the industry, from mortgage lenders to financial firms that bundle home loans into securities sold to investors.

The FBI is working in conjunction with the Securities and Exchange Commission, Neil Power, chief of the FBI's economic crimes unit in

Washington, said during a briefing with reporters.

The development comes as authorities in New York and Connecticut investigate whether Wall Street banks hid crucial information about high-risk loans bundled into securities that were sold to investors.

Power said federal authorities are looking into the practices of so-called subprime lenders, as well as potential accounting fraud committed by financial firms that hold subprime loans on their books or securitize them and sell them to other investors.

Referring to certain bankrupt subprime lenders, Power said there are "some irregularities there that we're looking into."

## Big ticket goods see big growth

### Orders for big-ticket manufactured goods jump by largest amount in 5 months

By Martin Cusinger Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Orders to factories for big-ticket manufactured goods soared in December by the largest amount in five months, welcome news for an economy buffeted by talk of recession.

The 5.2 percent increase in orders was a surprise finish for the manufacturing sector at year's end — a segment of the economy considered to have had a poor year.

The increase in orders, as reported Tuesday by the Commerce Department, was far larger than had been expected. The strength came from a big increase in demand for commercial aircraft, but even excluding the transportation sector, orders posted a solid 2.6 percent gain.

The December orders

### Durable goods



SOURCE: Department of Commerce, AP

increase was more than double what had been expected. Analysts were looking for a much weaker performance, given that a key gauge of manufacturing activity had fallen to the weakest reading since April 2003. The Institute for Supply Management manufacturing index dipped to 47.7 for December. Any reading below 50 is considered recession territory for manufacturing.

## BUSINESS IN BRIEF

### Sears announces change in leadership

CHICAGO — Sears Holdings Corp. announced the departure of president and chief executive Aydin B. Levin on Monday, leaving a management void at the top of the department store chain controlled by Chairman Edward S. Lampert as it tries a high-stakes restructuring to reconnect with customers and revitalize slumping sales.

Monday's announcement marked the latest chapter for the venerable retailer, which has seen its competitors snatch away customers since Lampert acquired Kmart in 2003 and Sears, Roebuck and Co. in 2005.

### American Express reports profit decline

NEW YORK — American Express Co. said Monday its profit slumped nearly 10 percent in the fourth quarter after it set aside more money to prepare for cardholder defaults.

The credit-card issuer posted net income of \$831 million, or 71 cents a share, down 9.9 percent from \$922 million, or 75 cents a share, in the previous year's fourth quarter.

Total revenue rose 10 percent to \$6.42 billion from \$5.84 billion in the prior fourth quarter. Excluding

interest expense, revenue came to \$7.35 billion, up from \$6.68 billion a year ago.

### Verizon reports strong fourth quarter

NEW YORK — Verizon Communications Inc. on Monday said it was seeing little effect of the turmoil in the U.S. economy, reporting higher fourth-quarter earnings that were largely in line with expectations.

There has been speculation on Wall Street that telecommunications companies, which have been branching out from their old business of providing utility phone services, would be more sensitive to a recession this time around.

### Fed auctions funds to banks

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve, working to combat effects of a serious credit crisis, said Tuesday it had auctioned \$30 billion in funds to commercial banks at an interest rate of 3.123 percent.

It marked the fourth in a series of innovative auctions the Fed began last month in an effort to provide cash-strapped banks with extra reserves. The Fed's hope is that the increased resources will keep banks lending and prevent a severe credit squeeze from pushing the country into a recession.

## Wealthy shoppers' cutbacks could choke blue-collar households

By Anne D'Innocenzo Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — It's hard to feel sorry for wealthy shoppers whose idea of tough economic times is passing on \$1,000 Burberry raincoats or that \$300 limo ride while the working poor skimp on vegetables and take the bus.

But economists say that recent signs of cutting back by the affluent could hurt the economy and deliver even more pain to lower-income workers, who are dependent on their business and fat tips.

Nathan Warren, a limo driver, knows this first hand: He has seen his monthly wages drop by 40 percent to about \$1,800 since late last year. His work week at Newport Beach, Calif.-based Classy Ride Limousine Service was reduced to three days from five amid slow business.

"I have to struggle to get by. I am pinching pennies," said Warren, 30, a Costa Mesa, Calif. resident. "I am eating more cereal and am not buying clothing."

Cutbacks by the wealthy have a ripple effect across all consumer spending, said Michael B. Niemira, chief economist at the International Council of Shopping Centers. That's because American households in the top 20 percent by income — those making at least \$150,000 a year — account for about 40 percent of overall consumer spending, which makes up two-thirds of economic activity.

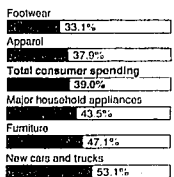


Clothier and image consultant Jeffrey Landis, right, shows bolts of fabric to customer Tim Philousopoulos at Montapoli Custom Clothiers in Chicago. Landis' shop tailors to consumers willing to spend \$3,000 to \$30,000 for a custom-made suit. Economists say that recent signs of cutting back by the affluent could hurt the economy and further deliver even more pain to lower-income workers, who are dependent on their business and fat tips.

### Deep pockets

Retail, manufacturing and other industries rely on high-income consumers for a large part of their sales.

Dollar share of overall consumer spending attributed to top 20 percent of households by income



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Niemira expects the retail sector, whose growth was fueled in part by strong gains at luxury chains, will struggle to eke out a 1 percent sales increase in stores opened at least a year during the next few months. That's

below the 2.1 percent average for 2007 and 3.7 percent for 2006.

Just look at the cutbacks by Doli Wiederholt, a 52-year-old marketing

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## Consumer confidence registers sharp drop

By Eileen Alt Powell Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Consumer confidence fell sharply in January on worries over deteriorating business conditions and a weakening job market, a business research group said Tuesday.

The New York-based Conference Board said that its Consumer Confidence Index dropped to 87.9 in January from a revised 90.6 in December. That put it back to about where it was in November, when it registered 87.8.

The January reading was just a tad below the 88 expected by Wall Street analysts, according to Thomson/IBF.

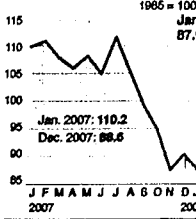
The index, which measures how consumers feel now about the economy, has been weakening since July, suggesting that wary consumers could renege financially. Any cut back on consumer spending could weaken the economy further.

January's data was collected before the Federal Reserve on Jan. 22 cut its short-term interest rate target three-quarters of a percentage point to 3.5 percent to boost the economy.

Two days later, the White House and

### Confidence lags

The consumer confidence index from a survey of 5,000 U.S. households: Seasonally adjusted



SOURCE: The Conference Board, AP

Congress announced a joint agreement to work on an economic stimulus program that's expected to include tax rebates for consumers.

The Fed began a two-day meeting on Tuesday, and many in the market expect an additional rate cut of at least

a quarter of a point.

The market marked time in advance of Fed's Wednesday announcement, with the Dow Jones industrial average up 47.15, or 0.4 percent, at 12,431.04 in midmorning trading and the Standard & Poor's 500 index up 3.87, or 0.3 percent, at 1,357.83. The Nasdaq composite fell 4.35, or 0.2 percent, to 2,345.56.

Robert B. MacIntosh, chief economist with Eaton Vance Corp., the Boston-based investment management firm, said he was worried that consumers were overreacting to media reports and politicians' statements suggesting the economy was heading into a severe recession.

"It's not strong, but they make it sound like it's 1932 all over again, and I don't think that's the case," MacIntosh said, in a reference to the Great Depression.

MacIntosh expects the economy to be weak through the first half of the year, growing at an annual rate of about 1 percent, with unemployment creeping up.

"It won't feel great, but I don't think we're going to have a recession," he said.

## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table with 3 columns: Company Name, Price, Change. Includes Con Agra, Dell Inc., Idacorp, Lithia Mo., Micron, Supervalu.

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What to expect today in business

WASHINGTON — Commerce Department reports on gross domestic product, fourth quarter, advance

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Residential: Edmunds Homes, 2111 N. Temple Drive; new house: \$308,411.
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Twin Falls County: Kristy Glassett-Nielsen, 2005 E. 2400 N.; Twin Falls detached garage: \$59,192.

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Informal probate of will and informal appointment of personal representative; Michael Byl Felton Sr.; Case no. 07-50430.
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FLAKE, James N.; Dec. 14, 2007; application for informal probate of will and informal appointment of personal representative; Jeff Stoker; Case no. 08-250.
DUHANN, Thomas H.; Nov. 23, 2007; application for informal probate of will and informal appointment of personal representative; Steven D. Peterson; Case no. 08-260.
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 520 Real Estate Wanted

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5 "The Maltese Falcon" co-star Mary
10 Poet Teasdale
14 Turned right
15 Stockholm man
16 Declare
17 "Atlas Shrugged" author
18 Johnnycakes
19 Prom transport
20 Trial
performance
22 See the world
24 Like removed gift-wrapping
25 Hat par
26 USMC part
29 Most lathered up
33 Jumbles
34 Open courtyards
35 Rights org.
36 Banker's offering
37 Big bee
38 Beast of burden
39 Picnic visitor
40 More certain
41 Liquefy
42 Emerge again
44 Most recent
45 Marion or Diana
46 Enormous
47 Costello's partner
50 Well sourced
54 Veal source
55 Fuming
57 Nettle
58 Actor Morales
59 River ironicker
60 Actor Jennings
61 Liability
62 Requisites
63 Pass out cards

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- 1 Taj Mahal locale
2 Courting gent
3 Twist out of shape
4 Computing sums
5 Hopes high
6 Get all dreamy
7 Ky. neighbor
8 Poetry from Pinder
9 Check
10 Red offering
11 Tel. —Jalfa
12 Vatican's only neighbor
13 MP's pursuit
21 Very heavy weights
23 Philbin co-host
25 Plant pest
26 Grinding tooth
27 Going solo
28 Rodeo accessory
29 Bum chaser?
30 Habitual
31 Parts of shoes
32 Bird call
34 Halos

15x15 crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-32.

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

Solved crossword puzzle grid with words filled in.

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- 37 Call into doubt
38 Gared verbally
40 Predicament
41 One tense
43 Earnings
44 Light beams
46 Cast one's ballot

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- 47 Shot a hole in one
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If trumps break, you are almost home, but West discards a heart...

What now? If you draw East's last trump immediately, you will need the diamonds to break 3-3...

If East ruffs in, you will still have to lose a couple of clubs and go down instead of one down...

The edge comes when East has three spades and four diamonds...

NORTH A Q B 8 2 K Q 8 6 3 6 5 4

WEST A 10 A K J 9 5 4 7 5 K Q 10 3

SOUTH A J 7 6 5 4 2 7 6 5 4 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: West

The bidding: South West North East 1♥ 1♥ Pass 2♠ 4♥ 4♠ All pass

Opening lead: Heart king

BID WITH THE ACES

South holds: A Q B 8 2 K Q 8 6 3 6 5 4

South West North East 3♦ 1♥ 3♦ Pass 3♦ Pass ?

ANSWER: Cue-bid four spades. (This must be a cue-bid, not an attempt to play in spades, since you would have bid spades initially if you had four of them.)

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