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Twin Falls girls all smiles.

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Thirteen years. For College of Southern Idaho men's bas-ketball, the past i3 years have meant 336 wins, seven head coaches, five trips to the NJCAA Division I National Championships

in Hutchinson, Kan., but never a No. 1 ranking.
Tuesday, the Golden Eagles were named the best junior college team in the nation for the first time since December of 1995.

to attain perfection. Now it's time to retain it.

"We're not national champs yet," sophomore guard Terry Fields said. "We can't really say we're No. 1, but we're No. 1 in the poll."

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Super Tuesday



A Twin Falls County caucus participant tries to generate applause for Hillary Clinton as he embraces a life-sized cutout of the Democratic presidential candidate Tues night at the Twin Falls Senior Center during Idaho's Super Tuesday caucus.

Obama dominates Idaho caucus

Idabo Democrats resound-ingly endorsed Illinois Sen. Barack Obarna for president in one of the largest Democratic caucuses in memory. Party officials reported Obarna winning 43 of 44 counties. Sen. Hillary Clinton of New York won only one county, Lewis, Caucus returns from around the state showed a total of 21,196 caucus ballots cast. Obarna won around 80 percent of the ballots cast.

Turnout was universally

Idaho delegate count

98 percent counted 18 delegates Barack Obama 15 Hillary Clinton 3

heavy around the state. In Twin Falls County, more than five times as many Democrats cau-cused on Super Russday than in 2004 — and the multitude chose Obanna over Clinton by

about a 3-1 margin. Final tallies showed that 763

Democrats caucused in Twin Falls — the most since the Depression era, said several long-time party members. Obama received support from 564 people, with 175 backing Clinton. The count resulted in 11 county delegates for Obama; and four for Clinton. Almost an hour before the caucus began at the Twin Falls Senior Center, which holds 350 people, party officials opened spillower caucus locations at Pandora's, where Democrats

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Republicans

1,191 delegates are needed to win the nomination. There were 1,023 up for grabs Tuesday, Totals to date are:

John McCain 522

Mike Huckabee 142

Democrats ·

2,025 delegates are needed to win the nomination, There were 1,681 delegates up for grabs Tuesday, Totals to date are:



Hillary Clinton 656 Numbers as of 11:30 p.m.

Barack Obama 559

For updated election results, stories and video, go to Magicvalley.com

McCain seizes GOP command; Dems battle on

By David Espo Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Sen. John McCain swept a string of delegate-rich, East Coast primaries Tuesday night, reaching for command of the race for the Republican presidential nomination.

for the Republican presiden-tial nomination.

Democratic rivals Hillary
Rodham Clinton and Barnck
Obama traded victories in an
epic struggle from
Connecticut to California.

"We've won some of the
biggest states in the country.
McCain told cheering supporters at a rally in Phoenix
after pocketing victories in all

regions. An underdog for months, he proclaimed himself the front-runner at last, and added, "I don't really mind it one bit." With 371 delegates, the Arizona senator was far ahead of his rivals in the competition that counted most. Even so, Mike Huckabee and Mitt Romney said they were in the race to stay. Neither Clinton nor Obama proclaimed overall victory on a Super Tuesday that sprawfed from coast-to-coast, and with good reason. "I look forward to continuing our campaign and our debate about how 40 leave

this country better off for the next generation," said the former first tady, looking about on the primaries and caucuses yet to come.

Obama was in Chicago, where he told a noisy election night rally, "Our time has come. Our movement is real. And change is coming to American."

McCain, the early Republican front-runner

America."
McCain, the early
Republican front-runner
whose campaign nearly
unraveled six months ago,
won in New York, New Jersey,
Connecticut, Missouri,
Delaware and his home state

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Republican presidential hopeful Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and his Cindy arrive at their Super Tuesday primary election night party in

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Abuse report flawed

Researcher can't access state crime reports

By Cassidy Friedman Times News writer

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Lawbreaking prosecutors — not researchers —
are responsible for a flawed
report that dramatically
understates the number of
child sex abuse prosecutions in Idaho, the Boise
State University professor
who authored the report
said this week.

BSU professor Boh
Marsh said half of the
state's 44 county prosecutors not only fell short of
providing accurate data.
He says they broke the law.

Marsh has prepared the
report for the Atturney
General's Office and has

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Tainted pills from Puerto Rico plants reach U.S.

By Michael Melia Associated Press writer

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico SAN JOAN, Puerto foro — The first warning sign came when a sharp-eyed worker sorting pills noticed that the odd blue flecks dotting the finished drug capsules matched the paint on the factory doors.

the paint on the lactory doors.

After the flecks were spotted again on the cap-sules, a blood-pressure, medication called dilti-azem, the plant began placing covers over drugs in earts in its manufactur-ing areas.

in carts in its manuacon-ing areas.

But the factory owner,
Canadian drug maker Blowall Corp., never tried to find out whether pass shipments of the drug were contamination, according to U.S. reg-ulators.

Thirteen of the 20 best-selling drugs in the United

Thirteen of the 20 best-selling drugs in the United States come from plants on this Island. But an investigation by The Associated Press has found dozens of examples over four years of lapses in quality control in the Puerto Rican pharmaceutical industry, which

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Today:Times of snow and blowing snow. Highs low 30s Tonight: Breezy with little to no new snow likely. Lows middle 20s.

Tomorrow: Breezy to windy with redeveloping snow showers. Snow may mix with rain. Highs 30s

Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Idaho Old Time Fiddlers Association jamming for the crowd and meeting, members will jam and entertain the public from 6 to 8 p.m. with monthly meeting to follow, ldaho Pizza Company, 1859 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, open to the public and prospective members, 735-1580.

CHURCH EVENTS

Ash Wednesday sorvices, beginning the Lenten season, noon and 7 p.m., Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H

noon and 1 p.m., rupert United Melinodist Church, 6 St., open to the public, 436-3354. Contering Prayer Practice, monthly topic and video: "Fruits and Gifts of the Spirit." 7:39 p.m., Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 East

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch, various speakers on topics important to the community, noon, Golden Corral, 1823 Blue Lakes Blvd., Twin Falls, 312-5057.

American Mothers, Inc. of Magle Valley meeting and potluck luncheon, noon, BridgeView Estates Great Room; 1818 Bridgeview Blvd., Twin Falls, 733-5133.

Candlelight Tales, 30-minute 'end of day' presentation for preschoolers and early elementary-age children (ma wear pajamas), 7 to 7:30 p.m., in the Storykime Kiva, Twin Falls Public Library, 201 Fourth Ave. E., 733-2964 ext. 109 or jhills@lib.tfid.org.

GOVERNMENT

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Shoshone St. N., 736-4068.
Castleford City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 342 Main, 537-

6544. Glonns Ferry School Board, 7 p.m., district office, 820 Old Highway 30, 3567436. Hagerman City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 191 State St. N., 837-6536.

HEALTH AND SUPPORT

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College of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9 to 10 a.m. at several Magic Valley locations:
CSI gym, Gooding ISDB gym, Jerome Rec Center,
Shoshone High (old gym), Hoppert 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 oxercise class, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.,
Ageless Seniro Citizens, Inc., 301 Main St. N., Kimberly,
no cost, 737-5988.
SilverSneakers fitness program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries'

Silvo-Eneakers (Iftness 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 Bldd., no cost for Humana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4394.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) ID No. 3 Chapter of Twin Falls, weigh ins from 5 to 5:30 p.m. and meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. BridgeView Great Room (north entrance, third floon), BridgeView Great Room (north entrance, third floon), BridgeView Estates, 1828 Bridgeview Bldd., 404-4793 or 736-9282.
Rosotta Asslated-living Athelmor's support group meeting, 6 to 7 p.m., 1177 Eastridge Ct., Twin Falls, one hour of free adult day care to first-lime altenders, (208) 734-9422 to R.S.V.R

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HOBBIES AND CRAFTS

CANCELLED FOR FEBRUARY: Woodcarving days, public welcome to come and carve wood resuming March 5, 1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m., 310 Filer Ave. W., Twin Falls, 736-0061, (Shop is also closed for the month.)

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

WHAT'S NEW ONLINE

See a video report on the sights and sounds at the Twin Falls County Democratic caucus, along with a photo gallery,



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With 50 years under its belt, the Dilettante Group of Magic Valley has arts down pat. Thursday in TNT



MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE NATION

MASSACHUSETTS

Men charged in fire at home of 'Mary' from 'Little Lamb' poem

WORCESTER — Two men are accused of hurning down the birthplace of the woman made famous by the nursery rhyme "Mary Had a Little Lamb."

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John Rousseau and
Michael Dreslinski, who also
face charges in a series of
fires in central and western
Massachusetts, have been
held without bail since

Massachusetts, have been held without bail since August.
They are scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday in connection with the Aug. 12 fire that destroyed a vacant house in Sterring where town officials say Mary Elizabett house in Sterring where town officials say Mary Elizabett house in Sterring where town officials say Mary Elizabett house in Sterring where town officials say Mary Elizabett house in Sawyer was born in 1806.
Sarah Josepha Hale reportedly published a poem in 1800 ahom Sawyer, as a child, bringing her lamb to schollow hit her. Other accounts, however, claim the original writer was a young man who was inspired by the incident. Rousseau and Dreslinski were arrested in August on arson charges in a vacant warchouse fire that destroyed part of a paper mill. They are also charged in a fire that damaged a barn and a rail-road and thoughtow.

LOUISIANA Presidential race gives a political flavor to Mardi Gras celebration

NEW ORLEANS — Fat Tuesday and Super Tuesday collided on the streets of the

STAIRMASTER



ning the 31st al New York Road Runners Empire State Building Run Up, Tuesday in New York, Dold, a repeat winner, ran up the 86 flights of stairs, with a total of 1,576 steps, in 10 minutes 8 seconds.

provided by the Empire State Building, Thomas Dold of Stuttgart,

Germany, col

lanses at the fin-

French Quarter, where revelers added a distinctly political flavor to the city's annual rau-cous bash.

Among the men dressed in pink bably-doll pajamas or leather foincloths and the women flashing glimpass of flesh for beads were some whose costumes had political themes. Louisiana voters don't head to the polls until Saturday, so many let their costumes make political statements on a day when 24 other states were holding presidential primaries and cucuess.

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caucuses.

Kim Disselliss, 49, simply taped a sign to her hack showing Sen. Clinton dressed as George Washington and reading. "Monica Lewinsky's

X-Boyfriend's Wife for President, 2 for 1 Sale." Mardi Gras, also known as Fat Theaday, is the end of the pre-Lenten Carnival season. The ecdebration — characterized by family friendly parades uptown and in the sthutus, and by heavy drinking and lots of near-mudity in the French Quarter — ends 12 days of parades and parties.

CALIFORNIA **Britney Spears confidant** accused of controlling her life, drugging her

LOS ANGELES -- A restraining order against the

man who's been at Britiney Spears' side during her downward spiral portrays hin as a Svengali figure who held her a virtual hostage in her home, drugged her, took over her finances and con-trolled the ravenous over her infances and con-trolled the ravenous paparazzi like a general."

The order against 33-year-old Sam Lutfi

The order against 33-year-old Sam Luffi was based on a lengthy declaration from Spears of the cr. Lynne, who says they met in October 2007, when luffi y moved into Britney's home and has purported to take control of ber life, home and finances."

control of her life, home and finances.

Lynne Spears' account of a long, chaotic night at Britney's home depicted a drugged and confused pop star theing lett' around by Luffi, who was setting up pictures for the paparazzi even as she was spinning out of control.

The documents released by the court Tuesday ordered Luffi to stay away from Spears, her homes, her parents and siblings homes and the baspital where she is confined for psychiatric evaluation.

Lynne Spears said in the rder that Lutti "drugged britney he has cut Britney's home—phone—lines—and removed her cell phone chargers. He yells at her, He claims to control everything

Britney's business manager, her attorneys and the
security guards at the gate."

- The Associated Press

FOUR-DAY PLANNER

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Feb. 8 — A dance for all ages, featuring old western music played by Jesse Vaughn and David Bean, 7 to 10 p.m., Golden Heritage Senior Center, 2421 Overland Ave., Burley, refreshments served, 878-8646.

BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS

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Feb. 9 — The 4th Annual Art, Wine and Jazz, presented by The Visual Arts Committee of Mountain Home Arts Council; includes variety of venues of art by local area and invited artists and entertainment by Kanolyn Gaines, 6 to 9 p.m., Carmela Vineyards. Glenns Ferry, \$20 food and wine, \$12 food only and free admission for dining patrons at Carmela, proceeds to benefit community art education, (208) 366-2328 or sharm. 2@msn.com.
Feb. 9 — Jubilloe Fathor/Daughter Ball, dessert and dancing with theme "My Dad is a Hero!" to benefit Jubilee House, 6:30 to 10 p.m., Shoshone Room., 205 Shoshone
St. N., Twin Falls, tickets provide two-for-one dinner special at area restaurants (flasho Joss, H/Og Golden Corral, and Gertie's Pizza), \$15 per father/daughter pair and \$5 addi-

Gertie's Pizza), \$15 per father/daughter pair and \$5 addi-

Feb. 10 — RESCHEDULED "Blscults, Gravy and Fried Apples," 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Wendell United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St., freewill offering, 543-2088.

BUSINESS

Feb. 7 — Kloketand Southern Idaho, with guest speaker Doug Lincoln, CPA on "Current Hot Tax Issues for Your Business," 6 to 7:30 p.m., Pandora's Restaurant, 516 Hansen St. S., Twin Falls, no cost, appetizers and drink tlok-ets provided by Idaho TeckConnect, brandon.armstrong@ida-hotechconnect.com or (208) 324-3455.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Feb. 7 — Twin Falls Monarch Llons club meeting and no-host lunch, noon, Loong Hing Restaurant, 1719 Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, 735-9092 or 733-3429.

Road, Twin Falls, 735-9092 or 733-3429.
Fob. 7 — Boy Scouts of America Minidoka District Annual District Recognition dinner, polluck with meat provided; Chinese New Year theme; all district Scout leaders and spouses invited, 6:30 p.m., in the commons, East Minico, small cover charge, 436-1543.
Fob. 7 — Boy Scouts of America Minidoka District Roundtable, Includes merit badge arena featuring Cittenship in the World and Salesmanship, 8 p.m., in the commons, East Minico, blue cards, pencil, and paper needed, 436-1543.
Fob. 9 — Twin Falls Bank & Trust employees meeting and no-host tunch, all former Bank & Trust Employees and

friends are also invited to attend, 1 p.m., Wok N Grill, 1188 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, 423-5493 or 420-4418 by Feb. 8.

rep. 8, Feb. 9 — Daughters of the American Revolution meeting, Good Clitzens and American History Awards Reception, 1:30 p.m., Jerome Public Library, prospective members welcome, 735-1205.

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Feb. 9 —American Legion Post No. 19 of Fairfield annual Sweetheart Dinner, for all Legion members and Sons of the Legion with spouse or friend, 5:30 p.m. social hour and 6:30 p.m. dinner, Legion Hall, Fairfield, 934-5796.

EDUCATION

Feb. 7 — Buhl Library book talk, with discussion leader Dave Erickson on Jack Nisbet's "Sources of the River: Tracking David Thompson Across Western North America," 7 to 9 p.m., at the library, 415 Broadway Ave. N., books avail-able for checkout, 543-6500.

able for election; 349-350-01.

Breakfast, 7 to 11:30 a.m., at the center, 702 11th St., Rupert, \$4.50 per person, \$20 for family of five and \$2 for children age 10 and under, 436-9107.

FAMILY

Fob. 9 — Saturday Program, with showing of "FernGully!" following brief introduction by Park Guide Dianna McKeage, 1 p.m., Visitor Center, 221. N. State St. ... Hagerman, all ages welcome, no cost. (208) 837-4793 ext. 5227.

HEALTH

Fob. 7 — Burloy Physical Therapy and Rohabilitation's Community Health Chat, guest speaker Dr. Mark Dowdle on bone health and osteoporosis, 6 to 7 p.m., Burley Physical Therapy, 1263 Bennett Ave., Suite 2, Burley, open to the public, 678-1191.

SAFETY

Registration for Fob. 14, 15 AARP Driver Safety Class, for all ages, no AARP membership required or driving; insurance discount provided for participants age 55 and older, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Woodstone Assisted Living Center, 491 Caswell to 1 p.m., Woodstone Assisted Living Center, 491 Casw Ave. W., Twin Falls, \$10 (pre-registration required), 733-

SUPPORT

Feb. 9 — Rosetth Assisted-living Alzheimer's Support Group meeting, 2 to 3 p.m., 1177 Eastridge Ct., Twin Falls, one hour of free adult day care to first-time attenders, (208) 734-9422 to R.S.V.P

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two small rooms in the old brewery

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Before the counting began, supporters for each candidate chanted and shouted in the hot, cramped spaces, and the groups whooped in unison, seeming surprised and pleased by their own numbers.

"I think it may be a wake-up call for people who think there are no Democrats here," said Deborah Silver, the county by any chair.

Each county was given a specific proportion of the state's 382 total delegates on Tuesday, as determined by its population.

After each county determined a final total, the county's delegate count was split according to total caucus votes. The delegate count in each county for the candidates was then reported to the state Democratic Party office, where national delegates were distributed hetween the candidates gates were distributed hetween the candidates

based on their proportional share of county delegates from all the state's caucuses. In Jerome County, mean-

while, a spunky crowd of 113 friends and neighbors — twice what organizers had expected — turned out to back their candidates. The lilinois seutor gathered 62 supporters, with 47 going to Clinton. Four were uncommitted. The county's delegate count was two for Obama; one for Clinton, according to Gib Anderson, chalrman of the Jerome County Demo-cratic Central Committee. "I was dumbfounded," Anderson sald of the turnout. "Tim so inspired by everything he had to say," said Sherry Turner, who was chosen as an Obama delegate for the state convention. "I'm excited."

In Blaine County, an Idaho Democratic Stroughold, the while, a spunky crowd of 113 friends and neighbors —

In Blaine County, an Idaho Democratic stronghold, the caucus was lively and hectic, with nearly 1,200 people

clogging streets, the auditori-um and the halls of the um and the halls of the Halley Community Compus. Despite the occasional plea

Haltey Community Campus, Despite the occasional plea from a few Clinton support-ers, 984 Democrats banded together behind Obama, and all 11 of the county's delegates went to him in the evening's first count. Clinton had 178 supporters, while Edwards had seven and 28 were undecided. The same pattern held up in Gooding County, where 48 of the 65 participants went for Obama. Minddoka County saw 90 Democrats' turn out with 58 leaning to Obama. and 32 to Clinton. In Cassia County the Obama camp took 48 of 73 participants. Camas County had a turnout of 11, seven of which fewored Obama.

turnout of 11, seven of which favored Obama. In Lincoln County, 40 bal-lots were cast with 21 to Obama, 17 to Clinton.

Clinton supporters in Blaine County seemed disappointed, yet encouraged by what they described as

two strong candidates for their party to choose from Halley residents Kaz Thea and D.J. Simms; the latter sporting a "Hillary '08" shirt, said they felt Bill Clinton's presence in the White House would do wonders for international diplomacy.

"I think both candidates are amazingly qualified," Simms said, "but I'm looking for electability in the fail,"

The mood in the auditorium, the site of the main caucus debate, wasn' as congenial. A defense of Hillary Clinton's early support for he raq War was drowned out by an overwhelming choracter on harsh befure the initial - results were read, emptying most of the room.

Betty Murphy, Blaine County Democratic Party chairwoman, applauded the surprising number of voters present and answered questions several times about how, the process worked. Many voters said they had

never been to a caucus before, and much of the audience was made up of young adults, such as Halley resident Kali Orr, 23.

restlent Kall Orr, 23.
"It Just shows how much
the Democrats are building
momentum," she said.
"The community's concern
for state Senate Majorlty
Leader Clint' Stennett, DKetchum, was notteeable
throughout the night.
Though he was unable to

attend after his recent brain surgery, Stennett was nomi-nated as a delegate and a "get well" poster was hanging in ain entrance for cau-

cus-goers to sign.

Idaho Republican voters
go to the polls in a May 27
primary election.

This report, was filed by staff writers Matt Christensen, Cassidy Fried-man and Nate Poppino.



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Super.

Continued from page A1 of Arizona to gain all 309 delegates at stake there — well over a quarter of the total needed for the nomination. He also put Illinois and Oklahoma in bis column. Huckabee, the former governor of Arkansas, won a series of Bibbe Belt victories, in Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee as well as his own home state. He also triumphed at the Republican West Virginia convention,

and told The Associated Press in an Interview he would campaign on. "The one way you can't win a race is to quit it, and until somebody beats me, I'm going to answer the bell for every round of this fight," he said.

fight," he said.
Romney, the former gover-nor of Massachusetts, won a home state victory. He also took Utah, where fellow Mormons supported his can-didacy. His superior organi-zation produced victories in

North Dakota, Montana and

North Dakota, Montana and Minnesota, and he, too, breathed defiance. "We're going to go all the way to the convention. We're going to win this thing," he told supporters in Boston.

Democrats played out a historic struggle hetween Clinton, seeking to become the first female president and Obama, hoping to become the first black to win the White Ibouse.

Clinton won at home in

New York as well as in Massachusetts, New Jersey, Missouri, Oklahoma,

Missouri, Oklahoma, Missouri, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Arizona and Arkansas, where she was first lady for more than a decade. She also won the caucuses in American Samoa. Ohama won Connecticut, Georgia, Alabama, Delaware, Utah and hils home state of lilinois. He prevailed in cancuses in North Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas and Idaho, all caucus states.

Abuse

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Confined from page A1 presented to the Legislature each year since 1990. He said he asks cominy proceedings to verify his data, and that according to state law they must respond. However, they often don't. This year, half of the county prosecutors failed to respond to his fax, resulting in a wildly unreliable obstuncts. y unreliable picture of abuse, and calling into question the accuracy of nearly two decades of research. "They are

they are not in compli-e with the law," Marsh said the prosecutors. "But neone has got to call them

on it."
But a representative of the AG's office said that instead of affixing blanne or trying to fix unreliable data, the state needs to look for ways to correct the problem before nexy year's annual report.
"I don't think that the Attorney, General's Office

t think that General's •C Attorney General's believes that there are violabelieves that there are viola-tions of the law going on here," said Bob Cooper, spokesman for Idaho said Bob Cooper, spokesman for Idaho Attorney General Lawrence Wasten. What we need to do now is talk with everybody who is involved in this and realty figure out how we can improve the future reports. And that's our focus, That's our goal."

Cooper said them.

our jean!"
Cooper said that having researchers use data from a statewide computer system, rather than ask prosecutors for information, "may be part of the solution." He said he didn't know if the atomicy generals office has access to that system.

Twin Falls County
Twin Falls County

Prosecutor Grant Loebs is or of the prosecutors who did not answer Marsh's fax. He initially countered Marsh's accusation, saying the same law instructs the AG's office "to minimize the paperwork impact on each county prose-

That would mean using a statewide crime database for research, rather than "bug-

research, rather than long-ging prosecutors, Loebs said, "If the Attorney General asks me a question, believe me I answer it," Loebs said, "I think the law has not worked the way It was designed to work, but that doesn't mean

anybody's violating it." Last month Marsh reported

that Twin Falls County hat filed just 17 counts of child ser abuse hetween July 1, 2006 and June 30, 2007. and June 30, 2007. Meanwhile, Bingham County

Meanwhile, Bingham County was said to have zero.

In fact, Twin Falls County filed more than 80 counts during that thue, and Bingham County saw at least 30. Other counties reported similar problems, but its unclear how widespread the errors were. Errors in the report were first reported by the Times-News last week.
While the Marsh and the AGS office acknowledge that years of data may be wrong, no one proposes fixing past reports.

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That's troubling for the state, said David Hooste, who prosecutes Bingham County child sex abuse cases.

The reports are used by the

Legislature to set public poli-cy, he said, and bad data could make it harder for Idaho

cy, ne said, and had data could make it harder for Idaho and its counties to get resources needed to fight crime.

"If Idaho was to go to the feds and say we need help with this (prosecuting child sex abuse cases) and I am underrepresented, it's going to make an inspact," said Hooste, "If I want to ask the state for a grant for child abuse prevention and they look at the stats and say, 'Oh, look you got zero.' That's going to cost me some grant money."

Hooste says it should have raised eyebrows in Boise when the report showed no cases in his county.

But Marsh said he was not unduly abarmed by the

unduly alarmed by the Bingham County figure. He he understands that prosecutors have beavy work-loads and don't respond. His report, however, offers no warning of response prob-lems and resulting inaccura-

cies. "I could put a whole section in the report saying these are the people not complying with it," Marsh said. "But the state is not trying to take shots at the counties. It's not my job to say so and so is not doing enough."

Pills

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churns out \$35 billion drugs each year, most of it for sale as part of the \$300 billion market in the U.S.

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An AP review of 100 pages of Food and Drug Administration reports shows even modern drug plants here under the watch of U.S. regulators have failed to keep laboratories sterile and have exported tainted pills.

"People would be shocked to find this whole variety of contamination." said Dr. Sidney Wolfe of the Washington watchdog group Public Citizen. "The common denominator of all these is there's really poor quality con-

there's really poor quality con-

there's really poor quality con-trol."

FIA officials say the prob-lems in Puetro Rico are pro-portionate with the large number of pharmaceutical plants here and generally no worse than those on the U.S. mainland. Consumer advo-cates say they demonstrate the regulatory agency does not sufficiently monitor the industry across Puetro Rico and in the mainland.

The reports obtained by AP were produced by FIA mspections from 2003 to 2007 of 13 pharmaceutical plants - roughly half the total in this U.S. territory, a Caribbean island with one of the world's lightest concentrations of

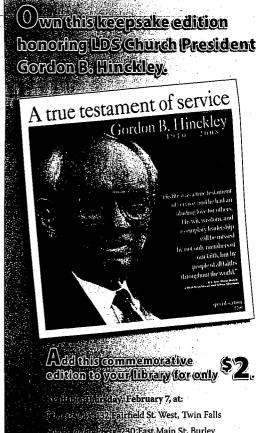
concentrations drug makers.

Several are closing or downsizing as the expense of updating decades-old plants to meet regulations adds to struggles with rising energy costs and tightening tax

David Elder, director of enforcement in FDA's regula-tory affairs office, said phar-maceutical companies gener-

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Obama gains with whites, GOP race pits moderates against conservatives

WASHINGTON — Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama grabbed an edge among white men and led with black, young and higher-income voters in early national exit polls on Tuesday. White women rallied behind Hillary Roßham Clinton, who also got a boost from Hispanics and people seeking an experienced candidate.

On the Republican side, preliminary data from exit polls of voters in

candidate.

On the Republican side, preliminary data from exit polls of voters in 16 states showed Sen, John Mcs in getting broad support, Including strong backing from moderates and people valuing experience and leadership. He and Mitt Romney were building for an edge among party regulars, while Romney had an advantage with the 60°F most conservative voters, people seeking a strong stance against illegal immigrants, and those satisfied with the status of the economy and the war in Iraq.

Diama was getting support from about half of white men, giving him a slight edge over Clinton with a group whose support had mostly childed him this year. Former Sen.



Patricia Kessen and her husband Willard wear 'I Voted' stickers on their faces after cest-ing their votes at a Goodwill store in the Reseda section of Los Angeles, Tuesday. Exit polls Tuesday showed older Democratic voters favoring Hillary Clinton.

John Edwards' decision to leave the Democratic race last week may have helped Obama with white males, who made up more than a quarter of Tuesday's Democratic voters from coast to coast, prelimi-nary exit poils showed. At the same time, more than four in 10 women and about the same number of whites also were sup-

porting Obama. That represented a gain for the Illinois senator from most of the previous Democratic nominating contests this year, though, he still trailed Clinton by almost 10 percentage points in both categories, a significant gap in a two-person race. "I think Obama can bring a more radical change," sald Linda Ster, 44,

a social worker in Nashville, Tenn. Thave voted for a Clinton already. I want something different — way different — this time."

The bulk of Obama's white support was coming from those under age 45 — especially those younger than 30 — a group he was dominating overall in Tuesday's concests.

Countering that, Clinton had'the support of almost six in 10 white women, giving her a muscular 20 percentage point edge with them. White women comprised more than one-third of Democratic voters Tuesday.

Nationally, Obama was getting the backing of eight in 10 blacks, his usual margin. But Clinton, a New York senator, was countering with strong support from I lispanics, about six in 10 of whom were supporting her. Much of that strength came from Hispanic women and from the oldest Latino voters.

Clinton also was favored by older voters, with those over 65 giving her most of their votes, and had a clear loss of the control of their votes, and had a clear loss of their votes.

liminary data from exit polls in the state. The big difference there for Clinton were Hispanics and Asians: two-thirds of Hispanics and about three-fourths of Asians were backing her. Those two groups com-prised almost four in 10 California voters.

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On the GOP side in California, early exit poil figures showed and and an analysis of the conservatives. But McCalin had a big edge with people calling themselves independents. And he had a commanding margin among moderates and liberals, who together were nearly four in 10 GOP voters in the state.

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Severe weather plagues much of nation, with tornadoes in South, new flood fears in Ohio

By John Seewer Associated Press writer

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TOLEDO, Obio — Storms drew a line down the middle of the nation Tuesday, dumping snow to the north, spawning damaging tornations to the south and dropping heavy rain on parts of Ohio still recovering from major floods months ago.

A possible tormado near Memphis, Tenn., damaged a mall and several other buildings, trapping people inside, said a dispatcher for the Memphis Police of the Memphi

r plagues much of nation, with wednesday. The river, rising about 5 inches an hour Tuesday, was predicted to rise to about 3 feet above flood stage by Wednesday afternoon.

If that happens, flooding will cover many streets and could force evacuations of some neighborhoods, said film Barker, the city's safety director.

"One thing in our favor is that a lot of the people who were flooded in August have not returned," said Jim Barker, safety director in this city of about 40,000.

Police planned to put cruisers at all city fire stations in case the floodwaters split the city in half, which is what happened in late August, Neighborhoods were isolated when heavy rains dumped up to 10 inches during a few hours, causing the superior of the city and the superior of the superior



Conservation officers navigate flood waters from the Tippecanoe River to help a Northern Indiana Public Service Co. employee, front, check power lines Tuesday, near the Oakdale Dam at Delphi, Ind. Thunderstorms and snowstorms spread across the eastern half of the nation Tuesday, making travel miserable for voters in states holding primaries and causing flood ing that chased some people from homes in Indiana.

International Airport, the world's busiest cargo airport. In central Arkansas, a tor-

nado touched down in downtown Atkins, northwest of Little Rock. Officials were

trying to assess damage, state emergency manage-ment officials said.

Forecasters in Kentucky warned that the storms could produce hail, high winds and flooding Tuesday

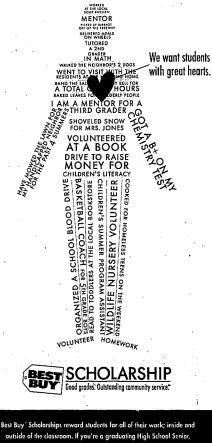
could produce, hail, high winds and flooding Tuesday night.

"All the elements are there for sewere weather," said National Weather Service hydrologist Mike Callaham. In southwestern Wisconsin, snow-was expected to total more than a foot and a half in some southern parts of the state before ending Wednesday afternoon. The snow triggered a rash of traffic accidents. A woman was killed and four other people injured when a tracticular, two cars and a pickup collided, authorities said.

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Intelligence chief says Iraqi al-Qaida creating cells in other countries

Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON WASHINGTON — Algalda, increasingly tamped
down in Iraq, is establishing
cells in other countries as
Osama bin Laden's organization: uses Pakistan's tribal
region to train for attacks in
Afghanistan, the Middle East, Africa and the United States, the U.S. intelligence chief said

"Al-Oaida remains the pre-



fewer than 100 al-Qaida terrorists have moved from Iraq to establish cells in other countries as the

U.S. military clamps down on their activities, and the organization 'may deploy resources to mount attacks outside the county.'

McConnell said while 'the level of violence in Iraq has dropped sharply since last year, it is going to be years before Iraq is stable.

"It is not going to be over In year, it's going to be a long time to bring it to closure," he said.

sald. The al-Qaida network in

Iraq. Pakistan and Afghanistan has suffered set-backs, but he said the group poses a persistent and growing danger.

The Pakistani tribai areas provide al-Qalda asafe havet similar to what It enjoyed in Afghanistan before the war, but on a smaller and less secure scale, McConnell told the Senate Intelligence Committee. It uses the area to the Senate Intelligence Committee. It uses the area to "maintain a cadre of skilled lieutenants capable of direct-

ing the organizations opera-tions around the world," he said. The next attack on the United States will most likely be launched by al-Qaida operating in those 'under-governed regions' of Pakistan, Adm. Michael Mullen, chair-man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, planned to tell Congress on Wednesday.

"Continued congressional support for the legitimate government of Pakistan braces this bulwark in the

extremism, Munen stated in remarks prepared for a sepa-rate budget hearing and obtained by The Associated

Press. FBI Press.
FBI Director Robert
Mueller, who testified along-side McConnell, said al-Qaida continues to present a "critical threat to the homeland" and warned that "homegrown terrorists" inspired by al-Qaida's propaganda on the Internet posed a threat as well.

Presidential veto threatened for surveillance bills that don't protect telecom providers

By Lara Jakes Jordan sociated Press write

WASHINGTON wristinicitors president lash threatened a veto Tuesday in the debate to update terrorist surveillance laws, assailing Democratic lands of the deep protection from lawsuits for telecommunications providers that let the government spy on U.S. residents after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks.

The threat came in a 12-page letter to Senate leaders from Automey General Michael Mukasey and Mational Intelligence Director Mike McConnell. It was issued as hownakers prepare to vote on legislation seeking to update a 1978 surveillance law without violating privacy rights.

If the president is sent a bill that does not provide the U.S. intelligence agencies the tools they need to protect the nation, the president will veto the bill," wrote a work of the bill," who was the top Democrats and Republicans on the Senate leaders and the top Democrats and Republicans on the Senate Indicatry and Intelligence committees.

Senate Majority Leader larry Reid, D-Nev, said the letter was premature since there still isn't any legislation yet.

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"It's a little early to have a veto threat," he said. The existing surveillance law will expire Feb. 15. Bush as said he would resist extending it again.

After neady two months of legislative wrangling. Reid announced the Senate would begin voting on amendments today. Debate began The administration's veto threal was aimed at amendment, that would bar etrojective immunity to phonic companies and other telecton providers that have given the government access to e-mails and phone calls linked to people in the rottogic protections, the letter! botted. United States, Without the retroactive protections, the letter 1 noted, telecom providers might be unwilling to help the government track down terror suspects in the future at they were asked to do in the days following the 2001 attacks. 2001-attacks.

2001 attacks.
"Private citizens who respond is good faith to a request for assistance by public offilials should not be held llable for their actions," Mukasey and McConnell wrote.



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EDITORIAL

At wit's end: MV still needs mental health program

here's no brand of hopelessness quite like being the parents of an out-of-control teen with mental health issues. Ask Christina League of Twin Falls. Her 15-year-old son has been cutting himself,

Six months later, the southcentral Idaho

community still

has not been

able to find a

real alternative to Canyon

patient adoles-

cent program.

What do you

think? We welcome viewpoints from our

readers on this

and other

issues.

View's in-

15-year-old son has been cutting himself, and counseling hasn't worked.

"We've had to even put him in the juvenile detention center overnight because we had nowhere else to send him." League told the Times-Newl sats week. That's why we hope St. Luke's Health System will resume inpatient adolescent treatment at Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services in Twin

Our view:

St. Luke's temporarily closed the program in August — a year after The Walker Center closed its adolescent unit -- leaving parents with the options of limited outpatient treatment or sending kids to out-of-town hospital-

kids to out-of-town hospital-based programs.

The inpatient adolescent program at Canyon View was-nt a money-maker. The num-ber of referrals was small—

ber of referrals was small — about 10 patients a month. And for most teens with behavioral problems, outpa-tient care is adequate. But when parents really need an inpatient program, that need is acute. As of last week, for example, League had the possibility of a bed for her son at Eastern Idaho Regional Medical Center in Idaho Falls, 165 miles from home. Lacking a car capable of making the

and other in dano relias, to similes from home. Lacking a car capable of making the trip, her alternatives were bitching a ride, borrowing a car or one expensive ambulance ride. Mental health services are expensive, private insurance often doesn't cover them and government help in Idaho is limited. So after spending thousands of dollars out of pocket, parents of troubled teens often gravitate from one crisis to another. Canyon View still responds to emergencies and is beefing up outpatient services, and is exploring joint venture with Family Health Services that would diagnose and treat troubled teens carly on. But there's nothing on the horizon that would fully replace Canyon View's inpatient program. St. Luck's Health System wants to maximize returns, but we hope it will consider the essential role that inpatient adolescent services play in the lives of families such as the Leagues.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Seventh-day Adventist church is ahead of LDS

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On Page A3 of the
Monday, Ian, 28, Times
Neus in an Associated Press
story, a statement was made
that the Mormon Church is
"the most successful faith
born in the United States." I
agree that the Mormon
Church has been successful,
I votald disagree that it is
the "most successful" of the
faiths that were born in the
United States."

nited States. Without a doubt among the top four most "succ ful" faiths "born" in the full faiths "born" in the United States are the Mormons, the Jehovalis Witnesses and the Christian Scientists. However, also without a doubt the most successful faith that began in America is by far the Seventh-day Adventist. Church, which was organized in the mell-Boos. The official Web site of the Seventh-day Adventist Church (adventist-org) states, "Welcome to the official Web site of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in United States are the

churches, 61,361 companies (a company is the first step in organizing a new local Adventist Clurch) and 15,115,065 members. With a void population of about 6.5 billion, there is one Adventist for each 430 peo-ple on earth. During 2006, 1,107,425 new members were welcomed into the fel-lowship of the Adventist Church. Action the world, a new member joins the church every 30 seconds, a new member joins the church every 30 seconds, and a new church is organ ized every three hours, 42 minutes. The church employs 15,813 active ordained ministers and has 201,646 active employed There are 1,436,290 stu-dents in 7,284 schools, dents in 7,284 schools, including elementary, sec-oulary, and colleges and universities. The Adventist school system is the second largest parochial school system in the world (Catholles are first), Adventists run one of the largest systems of hospitals and health care facilities in the world.

facilities in the world.

The LDS Church is a very distant second among successful faiths "born in the

S.A. MARK SIMMONS

It's time for conservatives to get over it

The prospect of John McCain as the likely Republican presidential nominee has produced a squill of anger on the right. Normally reserved columnists and usually ebuillent talk-radio hosts vie to express their disgust with McCain, and their disdaln for the Hepublicans who are about to nominate him. The conservative movement as a whole appears disgrantled and dyspeptic.



WILLIAM KRISTOL.

Now I have nothing

Now I have nothing against a certain amount of disgramdenent and dyspepsia. The ways of the world, and the decisions of our fellow Americans, occasionally warrant such a reaction. But American politics tends to be unkind to movements that dwell in anger and relish their unhapplness, in the era from Franklin D. Roosevelt to John E. Kennecky, liberals tended to be happy warriors — and that helped their cause. The original civil rights movement succeeded in part because it worked hard to transcend a justificable bitterness, Liberailism felittered when it became end to the more than the control of the c faltered when it beca lessly aggrieved and visibly churlish.

The American conservative movement has been remarkably successful. We shouldn't take that success shoutont take that ancecss for granted. It's not easy being a conservative movement in a modern liberal democracy. It's not easy to adly a conflictable and commercial people to assume the responsibilities of a great power. It's not easy to defend excellence in an egalitarian age. It's not easy to encourage self-reliance in the era of the welfare state. It's not easy to make the case for the traditional virtues in the face of the seductions of liberation, or to speak of duties in a world of rights and of homor in a nation pursuing pleasure. for granted. It's not easy

One reason conservatives the reason conservatives have been able to navigate the rapids of modern America is that they've often gone out of their way to



When the primaries are over, if McCain has won the day, don't sulk and don't sit it out. Don't pretend there's no difference between a candidate who's committed to winning in Iraq and a Democratic nominee who embraces defeat.

make their case with good cheer. William E Buckley, the father of the conservative movement, skewered liber-als, but always with wit and clan. By 1980, bolstered by the growth-oriented doctrine of sumply-skide communic the growth-oriented doctrine of supply-side economics, and speaking the language of American uplift more than that of conservative despair, Ronald Reagan won the pres-idence:

Ronald Reagan won the presidency.

Since then we conservatives have had a pretty good run. We had a chance to implement a fair share of our ideas, and they worked. In the 1980s and '990s, conservative policies helped win the Cold War, revive the economy and reduce crime and welfare dependency. American conservatism's ascendancy has benefitted this country—and much of the world—over the last quarter-century.

This is an important moment for the conservative movement. Not because conservatives have some sort of obligation to fall in behind John McCain. They don't. Those conservatives who can't abide McCain are free idency.

to rally around Mitt Romney And if McCain does prevail for the nomination, conser-vatives are free to sit out the But I'd say this to them:

When the primaries are over if McCain has won the day, don't sulk and don't sit it out. Don't pretend there's no dif-ference between a candidate who's committed to winning in Iraq and a Democratic nominee who embraces defeat. Don't tell us that it doesn't matter if the next dereat. Doint eat a finit doesn't matter if the next president voted to confin John Itoberts and Samuel, Alito for the Supreme Cour, or opposed them. Don't close your eyes to the difference between pro-life and pro-choice, or between resistance to big government and the embrace of it.

And don't treat 2008 as a throwaway election. If a Democrat wins the presidency, be or she will almost certainly have a Democratic Congress will not impede a course of dishonorable retreat abroad. It won't balk

retreat abroad. It won't balk at liberal Supreme Court nominees at home, It won't save the economy from tax hikes.

save the economy from tax hikes.

If, by contrast, McCain wins the presidency—and all the polls suggest he'd be the best GOP bet to do so—he'll be able to shape a strong American foreign policy, nominate sound justices and fight for parts of the conservative domestic agends.

One might add a special reason that conservatives—and the nation—owe John McCain at least a respectful hearing, Only a year ago, we were headed noward defeat in Iraq, Without McCains jubile advocacy and private lobbying. President Bush might not have reversed strategy and announced the surge of troops in January 2007. Without McCain's vigorous leadership, support for the surge of troops in January 2007. Without McCain's vigorous leadership, support for the surge of troops in January 2007. orous leadership, support the surge in Congress wot would the surge in Congress would not have been sustained in the first few months of 2007. So: No McCain, no surge. No surge, failure in Iraq, a terri-the setback for America— and, at it happens, no chance for a GOP victory in 2008.

2008.
Some conservatives can close their eyes to all this. They can choose to stand aside from history while having a temper tantum. But they should consider that they should consider that the American people might then choose not to invite them back into a position of responsibility for quite a while to come ...

William Kristol is a colum-nist for the New York Times.

Galena cell phone tower is just the beginning

I hope to Inject a few fresh thoughts into the Galena cell debate. Idaho Cell Tower Co. proposes a 90-foot vertical structure (plus 980 square-foot building) that would be disguised as a tree. Several problems adise. No alternative locations have been seriously studied. To approve the tower would require a Forest Plan amendment to Officially designate Galena Summit as an electronic/Commu designate Galena Summit as an electronic/communi-cation site. I do not believe a legal basis exists for such a retroactive amendment. The whitebark pine and

other tree species are dying on the exposed 8,700-foot ridge — drastically reducing visual screening. An esti-mated 5,000 to 6,000 backmated 5,000 to 6,000 back-country skiers yearly are currently gliding right by the proposed site. The SNIA encouraged this win-ter use. The Idaho Transportation Department, with Forest Service concurrence, con-structed a large year-around parking for primari-ly to accommodate the skier explosion. This is OK in that it is a National Recreation Areal But when you com-bine the incredible skier traffic with flundreds of thousands of whickies going

thousands of vehicles going

READER COMMENT Scott

by yearly on scenic Highway 75 you have a uniquely sensitive visual uation that dictates minimum to no visual impair-ment. Attempting to dis-guise the 90-foot tower is a panacea u... the real issue cea that circumvent that Galena Summit is uniquely lil-sulted for an electronic site.

uniquely in-suited for an electronic sixt.

Most importantly, the public needs to be aware that this is not just about a single tower. Multiple towers are indisputably in the works. A second tower is proposed just east of SNRA headquarters. SNRA staff members accompanied tower company representatives to the proposed North Fork site for an initial field review. It is also clear that the Sawtooth Valley will come into play. A series of towers between Galena and Stanley is inevitable. Cell towers between Galena and Stanley is inevitable. Cell towers are not located solo. They are planned in series to provide overlapping coverage, generally every 8 to 10 miles. What happens when the cell company wants coverage extended down the scenic Salmon River Corridor below Stanley? With all the bends in the highway a tower would be needed every mile.

mile.
The Sawtooth
Forest/SNRA has not
researched the cumulative
effects and total visual
impact of many towers in
the SNRA as required by the
National Environmental Policy Act. In a Jan. 16 letter to Sawtooth Supervisor Jane Policy Act. In a Jan. 16 letter to Sawtooth Supervisor Jane Kollmeyer, the Blaine County Commissioners stated, "We urge you to avoid segmented, unique, decisions, i.e., one application at a time." Those with serious concerns are 10 decisions, i.e., one applica-tion at a time." Those with serious concerns are 10 retired SNIA land man-agers, the Sawtooth Group of the Sierra Club, the Backcountry and Nordic Sklers association, the man-ager of Galenta Lodge, two retired SNIA landscape architects, a Bolos attorney, and many other citizens, NEPA requires compré-hensive study of all foreses-able cumulative effects. Nationally the Forest Service tends to get itself in legal trouble on this point. A recent article from PEER

(Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility) notes:

Environmental Responsibility) notes:
"In recent years, thi Forest Service has lod a string of environmental lawsuits brought under NEPA, among other statutes. Plantiffs with NEPA suits by showing that the agency did not comider major potential impacts of its plans."

The Sawtooth Breest in good faith must, I deny the present application, and, 21 insist that the preponent lay out for the public its maximum proposed cell tower network and then start over with mis vesping and an exhaustive environmental assessment of total proposed cumulative and connected action, The guiding words of habite Law 92-400 creating its SNRA should be kept uppermost In mind: should be kept uppermost in mind:

...to assure theoreserva tion and protection of the

uon and protected of the natural, scenic, pasoral and fish and wildlife values." Maintaining the bng-term visual integrit of the SNRA is infinitely nore important than short term business interests.

Public lands advocate Scott-Phillips, a retired Forst Service employee, lives in Haley.



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Japanese were put in camps for their protection

To me, it is interesting to read the letters for and against the Hunt Camp where the coastal Japanese were interned during World

where the coastal Japanese were intermed during World War II.

I was a young teenager at the time and remember my older sixters and brothes had friends killed by the Japanese. There was a lot of anger against them at that time. Burley High School had Japanese Students whose families were farmers in the area and were well known as good U.S. citizens. There were no hard feelings against them. But some of the people from the West Coast were thought to be loyal to Japan.

from the West Coast were thought to be loyal to Japan. In 1949 and 1950, I worked with a girl who was in the camp at Hunt. She said it was parily for their own protec-tion as there were so many camp at Hunt. She said it was partly for their own protection as there were so many hard feelings toward them in California. She said their homes were to be hoarded up and kept intact for them, but instead, their homes were to be hoarded up and kept intact for them, but instead, their homes were broken into and their furnishings shashed and destroyed. If they had been then, the same would have been done to them.

I personally don't like the idea of the monument and think! It interesting that the idea was put off until most of the people that lost loved ones were dead and gone before it was done.

SHIRLEY FAUGHT.

Hillary Clinton has all the wrong kind of experience

wrong kind or expenence Responding to the Meyers' letters supporting the one and only "hubris" Hillary. The Meyers have said the "hubris" one is the only one with experience to lead this country. Hillary has said that she gained her vast experi-ence from the eight years in the White House. Examples of what she learned: of what she learned:

- · How to get convicted of
- perjury.
 How to lose your law
- How to lie to the world
- ahout affairs.
 How to rent out various bedrooms in the White House for campaign dona-

bearooms in the vote in the state of the sta

- everything Force One
- Learned how to raise
- Learned how to raise income taxes and will rescind Bush's tax cuts.
 She supports the largest tax increase in U.S. history 53.1 trillion.
 Plans to raise taxes on U.S. industries, making them the highest taxed in the world. Goodbye thousands of jobs.

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Learned how to bring race into her campaign. This couple is all class.
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is her hero, even though he failed at everything he did. Just what we need, a Marxist In our White House.

In closing, the only experi-ence the "hubris" one has is being married to a very cor-rupt president but never spoke to him. MIKE SIMMONS Buhl

Dalry industry needs to get serious about cleanup

get serious about cleanup
This letter's in response to
the Times-News article,
'Dairy industry doubles
pledge for livestock research
center' on Feb. 1.
The dairy industry doesn't
need a \$17 million research
facility. The research is
already out there, it's just not
what the industry wants to
hear.

We all know manure and we all know manure and urine are contaminating sub-stances. Why else would we have sewage treatment facili-ties for our municipalities? Who else but this industry gets away with storing waste containing hormones and antibiotics in lagoons without treatment before land apply-

antibiotics in lagoons without reatment before land applying? These irresponsible practices leach planmaceuticals and nitrates into the ground and underlying water tables, not to mention putting tons of ammonia into the air.

Mr. Naembout's comments in the airle about suing Jerome County being a "first" are appailing. This inclusivy sues whenever it doesn't get its way. Gase in point, fidalio Dairymen's Association sued Twin Falls and Gooding counties for enacting mon-toriums. This organizations also assisted dairymen in water right transfers, helping to expand problems associated addressed with confined animal feeding operations strongle red with continued animal feeding operations through-out the valley. Does Mr. Naerabout think people don't remember the facts?

remember the facts?
Unfortunately, the reporter
didn't investigate his comments either. Then our widestance Sen. Graig is still trying
to get this industry exempt
from Superfund laws and a
community's right to know
what kind of toms are in its
air and water. And years after
our Legislature enacted rules
requiring odor standards, no
standards have been set. If

this industry were serious about cleaning up its act, it would stop the stall tactics, stop the charades, listen to the good research already out there and begin working on the existing troublesome

the existing troublesome facilities already here. You know who you are and if you're having a senior moment, I'd be happy to pro-vide a list. I used to live in the

lagic Valley. BERT REDFERN Halley

Giving up contract rights is a serious step for teachers

a serious step for feachers
Superintendent Tom Luna
came to Burley on Jan. 2 and
outlined bis ISTARS proposal
for teachers' Salaries. At that
time, he told those in attendance the only reason he
included the part about
teachers giving up their contioning contracts in order to
receive some of the salary
increases available was to
annesse the leefslators in appease the legislators in Boise. He hinted that some of Boise. The finited that some of the lawthakers would not pass the bill without this part being included. When some-one in the audience asked Mr. Luna if other states had olans to eliminate continu ing contracts, he admitted Idaho was the only state of

ing contracts, he admitted lidno was the only state of those using continuing contracts that wanted to do this. Giving up contract rights is a serious step for teachers, if a teacher did something that brought irritation or embarrassment to the administration (and writing letters to the editor could be among those offenses), that teacher would have little recurrse in keeping a teaching position after giving up those rights to durprocess as outlined by current law. Teachers were also had that once they give up their contracts, they cannot change their minds later and regain their contract status. Neither Tom Luna, nor any other source in the media.

other source in the media, has been able to defend their has been able to defend their reasoning for the need for teachers to give up their continuing contracts in order to receive salary raises. Any teachers that don't sign up for Luna's plan will not receive a pay raise this year according to the salary schedule, and future raises to the salary schedule will not be a priority if this plan passes, according to Mr. Luna, RUBY GEBHAIT

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Presidential campaign this year is all about race and gender

f Barack Obama were a state, he'd be California, sald Maria Shriver as she dorsed Obama last weck-

end.
But what if Barack Obama
were white? What if Hillary
Ciliaton were a man? What if
Inliany
Ciliaton were a woman?
What if Mit Rormey were a
black female Baptist?
The "what if" question is
useful across the hoard as
voters wrestle with Identity
polities. I don't mean to be
flippant, but rather to suggest that we are more blased
than we admit, and that, just
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We keep hearing that
Obama's candidaey isn't
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presidential campaign season is about better. But clearly this
presidential campaign season is about period. It is also
altout age and eligion, in the
cases of McCalif and

Ronney, respectively.

Sometimes it isn't possible to separate content from these prisms of perception, as this exercise demon-

ones pissus or preception, as this exercise demonstrates, But removing the lens of personal identity can force us to focus more intently on substance. Despite key endorsements from the African-American community, the Obama phenomenon primarily has been about white America, as black authors Neblus' Seeler executly noted. "There is this twhite need, this driving bunger, to some-law get this race thing resolved, to redeem the country, to get beyond." That's they phenomenon, he said in an interview with the Hower Institution's best for the country, to get beyond. e Hoover Institution's Pe

Voting for Obama because he's a black man may be



defensible for all those reasons. He is also capable of insplring hope and unity, no small things, and seems to take a thoughtful approach to issues. But would a white Obama— and the most liberal member of the Senate, according to Mational Journal— be accorptable as the leader of Mational Journal— be accorptable as the leader of the free world? If Illilary Clinton were a man, she probably wouldn't be running for office because she wouldn't have been married to Bill Clinton, which means she probably also wouldn't be a U.S. senator. It's almost impossible to separate Illilary Clinton's candidacy from her martial status and thus her gender. It may be that Americans want to see a woman in the Cleat Office centuck to over.

It may be that Americans want to see a woman in the Oval Office enough to overlook what is an unremarkable Senate record. They may well figure that she's smarr enough and note that

wen ngue that she's small enough and note that Clinton consistently has str-passed her nade challengers in debate.

Liberals may find her standing as the 16th-most-liberal senator acceptable and bet that she will keep be word to within a wrops from Iraq no mater what generals on the ground say. But they shouldn't fool themselves into thinking that Illilary Clinton would be their first choice of woman and the wife of bill Clinton. A female John McCain also he's a black main may be A Fernance point recommenders.

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face it, at no time in these United States would a 71-year-old woman he elected to the presidency. We simply have a different standard for women than for men when it comes to age. Those who till toward McCain do so precisely because of his manly record as a prisoner of war. His woing record, which cam be viewed as reaching across the aisle, is seen by many cineservatives as something elses. National hurnal, which also calculated Clinton's ranking, rared McCain's 2006 conservative score as 56.7 meenting that he was more conservative than 56.7 percent of other flequillican senators). Finathe Remuneur as a back

senators).
Finally, Ranney as a black
woman Baptist would be the
ideal candidate. Shed kill
both birds — race and gender — for all time, and her
religion would be a nonissue.

religion would be a marissue. More to the point of verta a presidential race should be altout, she would be admired for her intelligence, her executive record as a governor and as the womant who halled out the Olympies. Well adore that in a woman, Some may be able to justify all these bilases as recompense for past inequalities, but we shouldn't be entitised about why we vote a certain way.

way.

Far from transcending race and gender, we have made them our political masters. Syndicated columnist

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Bruins shoot their way to Region Four-Five-Six title

POCATELLO—It's amazing what a quick start can do in the game of basketball.

Last time the Twin Falls girls traveled to Highland, the Bruins conceded the first 11 points of the game and went down by 10. This time, they scored the first raine and left Pocatello with a successful defense of their High Country Conference tournament champinship after knocking off the top-secded Rams-18-34 on Thesday.

Devan Matkin scored 16 of her 19

seeded itams 48-34 on Thesday.

Devan Matkin scored 16 of her 19 points in the first half, and Twin Falls (17-5) got out to a 16-2 run totake a lead it would never relinquish.

It was a far cry from the regular-season game at Highland, which saw the Brulius play far from their best, but the loss clearly was treated as a learning experience.

Amber Petersen locked down Highlands main interior threat, 6-foot-1 Junior Breanne Vantivery, to the tune of Just four points com-pared to 16 in the last encounter on the same floor. And the Barns' out-side game couldn't do enough to pick up the slack.

"My team has impeccable team-work," said Twin Falls coach Nancy Jones after the win." We talked about it beforehand, and I remind-ed them what happened last time and they weren't going to let it hap-pen again."

Said Petersen: "I Just established

good position early and went from there. The guards were sagging (to help out) and that made it easy for me to sag off and help out on other cutters. (VanEvery) hit one long shot but I wasn't afraid that she was going to hurt us from there time.

If there was any facet to the Bruins game that didn't come off, it was at the foul line, where they were just 2-for-9 on the night. But

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Twin Falls players including Sara Federico. Kelly Vriesman and assistant coach Leah Moore celebrate the Brains' win over Highland Tuesday In Pocatello.



It's unanimous: CSI is No. Golden Eagles take top

spot in NJCAA hoops

By Eric Larsen • Times-News writer

arret Peery has put the College of Southern Idaho back on top. Not the top 25 or the top 10, but the top of the top: No. 1.

Peery's Golden Eagles earned the No. 1 spot in Tuesday's NJCAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll, marking the first time since early in the 1995-96 season that CSI has been recognized as the best team in junior college basketball.

In his third year at the helm of this started program, Peeryleads a 22-0 squad that has earned every bit of its top billing in the eyes of its coach. "I think right now they deserve it." Peery said. "They've put in a lot of hard work, and their record shows it." Of course, the Golden Eagles' unthlemshed record is only part of in the story. During the 2604-65 season,

Of course, the Golden Eagles' imblemished record Is only part of the story, During the 2004-05 season, CSI finished 333- and third at the national tournament, but never climbed higher than No. 3 in the polis, as the teams ranked ahead of the Golden Eagles simply didn't lose before possesson play. This year, the story looked to be the same as preseason No. 1 Chipola College (18a), attled off 24 consecutive wins to start the season before running into in-state foo (Nadioosa-Walton College bas Saturday, The No. 9 Raiders upset the Indians 68-95 to open CSI's path to No. 1. "Things have to fall in the right place, and you have to be in the right spot," Peerly said.

They did, as a CSI squad that hadrigather of the political place wotes until Thuesday was named the NICAMS unanimous No. 1, receiving each of the politic 16 sist-place wotes. The last time CSI was the color.

NJCAAs unanimous No. I, receiving each of the poll's 16 first-place votes. The last time CSI was the topranked team in the nation, head coach Steve frons and his Golden Eagles were working toward a 25-7 finish, during their 1995-96 campaign. Since the completion of that

NJCAA Division I Basketball Poll

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season, CSI has won 311 games, seen six new hend coaches, and broken five program records. For a program that has averaged nearly 26 wins per season during that span, attaining a top ranking has been one of the few higher levels of success left to strive

"It just says that every year, (this pro-gram) gets better and hetter," sophomore gram gets better and hetter," sophomore guard Terry Fields said. "It's been all this time waiting for us to be No. 1, and we got it. It's

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Declo's Sydney Christensen (13) drives against a Filer defender during the Hornets' 41-40 victory over the Wilcats in their SCIC tournament game Tuesday at Declo High School.

SCIC TOURNAMENT

Declo survives, reaches title game

DECLO — The Declo girls live to fight another day after edging the Filer Wildcass 41-40 Tuesday in a Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference tournament infiller. The Homeis carned a District IV championship game berth against the undefeated Kimberthy Buildogs tonight.

The Declo girls struggled early, but made a string of big plays late, none more crucial than Sydney Christensen's two free throws with 18.8 seconds left, which proved to be game winners.

with 16.3 sections tell, which proved to be game winners.
After Filer regained a 38-37 lead on Rocio Gutternz's lay-up, Holly Hamilton nafled a jumper to put Declo back up 39-38. Webb hit a pair of free throws, followed by Lacle Heinkes' long jumper with 49 seconds left to regain the lead at 40-39.

Then came Christensen's free throws.

Heimkes launched the ball Just before the buzzer, but the 3-point attempt danced off the rim, leaving the gym breathless.

"She Just stepped up and hit them." Declo coach Val Christensen said of Sydney's buckets. "She didn't have a great shooting night, but she's pretty good on the line in the clutch."

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Tight defense by both teams spread points around the score sheet. Mckell Webb led the Hornets with 11 points despite Filer's defense holding her to four field goal attempts. Christensen, Holly Hamilton and Macey Jones each scored seven for Declo, and Jones grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds.

Kylie White led Filer with nine points, Jill Haney and Haney Ramswyer each scored

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Former New York Yankees pitch Roger Clemens departs the of the Honse Oversight and Government Reform Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington Tuesday where he gave several hours of closed-door testimony to commit-tee lawyers about alleged use of lilegal sterolds and other performance enhancing drugs in profes-sional baseball.

Clemens repeats denials

WASHINGTON — Roger Clemens' most meaningful denial of drug uses of rwis also the most well-guarded. The star pitcher gave a sworn deposition for about five hours to congressional lawyers behind closed doors. Tuesday, addressing his for-mer personal trainer's allega-tions. And this time, Clemens was under oath

stons. And this time, Lemens was under oath.

T just want to thank the committee, the staff that just met with. They were very courteous, the seven-time Cy Young Award winner sald, wearing a pinstriped gray still instead of a pinstriped new York Yankees uniform. It was great to, be able to tell them what I've been saying all along — that I've never used steroids or growth hormone. Thesday's deposition was the first time Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clements Line Clemens faced legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens and Justice for legal risk if he were to make first stime Clemens and Justice for legal risk if he were to make proposed with the comment of the clement stime first stiments by his lawyers. In a witten statement, uning a taped TV interview and in a live news conference.

Clemens spoke Tuesday with staffers from the same House panel that — after the Mitchell Report came out — asked the Justice Department

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Twiss, Buhl boys outlast Declo for conference win

Brad Twiss led the Buhl High boys basketball team to a 67-54 victory over the visit-ing Declo Hornets Tuesday evening in Buhl.

Twiss put in 22 points while Tory Cooper followed with 19 for the Indians. Chad Christensen paced Declo

with 11.

The Indians opened the game with a strong 23-5 first quarter, which set the tone for their victory.

Buhl (14-5) hosts Glenns Ferry Friday.

SHOSHONE 51, BLISS 20 Shoshone crushed Bliss 51

Shoshone crushed Bilss 51-20 on Tuesday.

Toan Villagomez had four 3-pointers and all 13 of his points in the first haif and that put us at a 27-10 tead, which was the difference in the game. Shoshone coach Larry Messick sald.

Shoshone's Josh Olsen followed Villagomez with 12 points as well as Jarce Hizgendla's seven points.

Bilsa's Jose Vanderwist scored nine points.

Shoshone (10-10) hosts Dictrich Titursday.

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HIMBERLY 59, FILER 45
The Kimberly Bulldogs
came out strong for a 59-45
victory over the host Filer
Wildcats.

Wildcats.

"Kimberly came out in the first quarter and put a good press on us and got us rattled, giving them a good 10-point lead, and we just couldn't catch up." Filer head coach

catch up." Filer head coach Jay Silver sald. Kimberly's Duston Brown led with 21 points while Eric Marvin added 13. The Wildcats' Bryce Beard put in 13 points. Filer (1-16) plays at Gooding Friday.

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RICKFIELD 77, CAMAS COUNTY 35

Richfield remained unbeat-en in the Magic Valley Northside Conference as the

Buhl's Tory Cooper (44) struggles against Declo's Chad Christensen during Tuesday night's basketbail action in Buhl.

Tigers pounded the host Mushers 77-35. "Our gays finished the regu-har sesson with a lot of heart," said Camas County coach Mandy Palan. "They fought hard until the very end." Richfield had three players to duable flarure with lose

double figures with Jos Rivas scoring a game-high 18 points followed by Tel Clark with 15 points and Michael Lezamiz added 13.

For Camas County (2-18, 1-senior Ben McLam scored a team-high 15 points.

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HAGERMAN 62, HANSEN 53

Hagerman picked up a road Magic Valley Southside Conference win as the Pirates defeated the Huskies 62-53

Conference win as the Pirates defented the Huskies 62-53.

"We fought a good game for three and a half quarters," said Hansen coach Mike Pfeifer. "Then (Morgan) Knight took over. We didn't rebound and we made too many mistakes. Hagerman is a good ball club." Knight scored a game-high 22 points, and sophomore plyan Brooks followed with 11 for Hagerman. Junior Carlos Vargas ied Hansen with 16 points and senior Nick Urle tied junior Jesus Guerrero with 10 points. Hansen (81-1), 8-5) has a make-up game tonight at home with Haft River.

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CLENNS FERRY 79, WENDELL 69

Glenns Ferry denied Wendell the Canyon Conference regular-season Wendell the Canyon Conference regular-season title Tuesday by defeating the Trojans 79-69. The Pilots and Trojans end at 3-1, but Glenns Ferry won the coin filp for the No. 1 seed in the postseason

The Pilots led 58-37 after The Filots led 58:37 after three quarters, but Wendell attempted a rally with a 32-point performance in the fourth. However, superior rebounding kept the Filots ahead. Michael Crane led Glenns Ferry with a 13-point, 16-rebound double-double. Wendell will host Valley on Feb. 11, and the winner will advance to face Glenns Ferry on Feb. 13.

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read actions from the theoretical foot CARPY 69, WAILEY 62.

The Carey Panthers built some momentum Tuesday as they lead into the Magic Valley Northside Conference Tournament by defeating the Class 2d Valley Vikings 69-62. Carey trailed most of the game, however, a li-for-24 field goal shooting perform-ance during the second half lifted the Parthers, D.J. Simpson talled a double-double for Carey with a 19-point, 10-rebound performance. Hyler Parke had 18 points and nine rebounds. The Parthers claimed the

The Panthers claimed the No. 2 seed to the conference tournament, which begins Thursday at Shoshone High.



CASTLETORO 57,
MAGIC VALLEY CRESTAN 51
Nick Howard scored 14,
Zach Kline and Oscar Vargas
added 12 each, and the
Castleford Wolves topped visting Magic Valley Christian
57-51. Jordan Jarvis scored a
game-high 19 points for the
Conquerors, while Zach Van
Esch added 10 points.
The 2-17 (0-14 Southside)
Conquerors are back in
action Thursday at the conference tournament, as are

ference tournament, as are the Wolves, who finished their

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MURTAUGH 71. RAFT RIVER 54

Taylor Wilson and Trey Perkins spurred a furious sec-ond-half rally as the Perkins spurred a furious sec-oud-half rally as the Murtaugh Red Devils topped Raft River 71-54 In Magic Valley Southside Conference play. Murtaugh trailed 28-26 at halftlme, but outscored its guests 45-26 in a second half that included a 27-point fourth quarter.

that Included a 27-point fourth quarter, Wilson pumped in a game-high 26 points, while Perkins added 15 and lesus Cabral 18. The Trojans were led by Jacob Williams 17 points, while Bridger Barrett added 13. The Bred Devils enter Thursday's first round of conference tournament play at 13-6 (10-4 Southside).

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OAKLEY 66, LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN 52 Senior Colton Bedke was one of four Oakley players to score in double figures with 16 points as the Hornets defeated the host Lons 65-52 in Magic Valley Southside Conference play. Sophomore Payson Bedke added 13 and seniors Mitch Bedke, and Cole Wasiburn each had 10 points for Oakley.

Daldey.

Lighthouse Christian senior feremy Eldredge scored a game-high 23-points including four 3-pointers, and Chris Bulcher registered a double, and the souther with 13 points and 10 rebounds. Senior John Van Wiet grabbed seven boards for the Lions (4-14, 4-9).

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Girls basketball

MAGIC VALLEY SOUTHSIDE TOURNAMENT RAFT RIVER 61, CASTLEFORD 32

Senior Nicole Harper and junior Sally Hansen each scored 17 points as Raft River beat Castleford 61-32 to finish In second place in the Magic Valley Southside Valley Tournament.

Valley
Sounside
Tournament.
"We got out 5-0 and they
made a 17-0 run and we never
could recover and get going
again," said Castleford coach
Roger Wells. "Itaft Rilver played
well and took eare of business.
This is the first time since the
1980-81 season that Castleford has a chance for state."
Castleford (12-11) sopliomore Allison Rodgers was the
leading scorer for the Welves
with eight points.
The District IV Tournament
at Murtaught onight will have

at Murtaugh tonight will have the Northside No. 1 Richfield facing Southside No. 1 Hagerman at 8 p.m. for the No. 1 and 2 district seeds at No. 1 and 2 district seeds at state tournament. Southside No. 2 Raft River will play Northside No. 2 Carey at 6:20 p.m. At 5 p.m., Southside No. 3 Castleford will play Northside No. 3 Dietrich for the No. 5 seed to state. Only the top five finishers advance to state Feb. 13-16.

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MAGIC VALLEY NORTHSIDE TOURNAMENT ACARPT S3, DETRIGH AVENT ACARPT S4, DETRIGH AVENT ACAPPT S4, DETRIGH AVENT ACARPT S4, DETRIGH AVENT ACAPPT S4, D No. 2 seed in the tournament and gained a berth in the Class 1A state tournament with the win. Fourth-seeded Dietrich upset Shoshone on Monday, but ran out of gas

Tuesday.

Carey coach Lane Durschi said his team shot the ball well early, gaining early confidence and momentum.

"We just played with a lot of heart and hustle," Durtschi said.

"We just played wun ann or heart and hustle," Durtschi sald. Carey will face Southslde second-place finisher Raft River tonight in Murraugh, while Dietrich will try to earn

a play-in Southside Castleford.

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Wrestling BURLEY BEATS BUHL

BURLEY EATS BUHL
BURLEY — The Burley
Bobcats celebrated senior
night with a solid 42-31 dual
victory over the Buhl Indians
on Tuesday. Leading the way
for the Bublesats were seniors
Corbin Bowers and Jerod
Hammond.
Bowers pinned Buhl's

Hammond.
Bowers pinned Buhl's
Kurran Kelley in the 189pound class in 1 minute, 30
seconds, and Hammond put
Chance Share's shoulders to
the mat in 3:04 in the 152pound class.

pound class.
"As seniors, they went out
the right way," said Burley
coach Clint Milliron.

The Bobcats join the Minico Spartans for a double dual at Hillcrest High School on Thursday at A p. 1997 on Thursday at 4 p.m. a Hillcrest and Bonneville

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GOODING SWEEPS AT VALLEY
Gooding beat host Valley
54-21 and routed Glenns
Ferry 54-6 in a tri-match onTuesday, in a buttle of forfelts,
Glenns Ferry got a 32-18 win
over Valley in a matchup
where only one weight class
was actually contested.
Gooding romp of Glenns
Ferry featured pins by Justin
Postma at 152 pounds, Ross
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Postma at 152 pounds, took Koyle (160) and Eric Hernandez (189). In Glenns Ferry's win over Valley, the Pilots Taylor Owen beat Skylor Kunt at 152 pounds in the only non-forfeit.

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even a poor shooting night from the charity stripe couldn't derail the Twin Falls victory train. "That's what you sometimes get for working on (free throws)," Once said tongue-in-cheek. "It seems that when we don't work on them in practice we're good, and if I tell (the play-ers) to sink 20, we don't do as

Regardless of the shortcom-ing in the free-throw-depart-

ment, every other bit of criteria on Jones' pre-tournament on Jones' pre-tournament checklist was ticked off with great effect. Defense without fouling, rebounding, and hitting timely shots.

Matkin hit four 3-pointers in that first half, and felt that the win was not only beneficial to get the top seed to state— which means the Bruins avoid a potential first-round matchup with Class 5A No. 2 Coeur d'Alene—but It also served as a statement that Twin Falls is

indeed 24' points better than earlier in the season.

"We had a good rhythm and I was feeling it with my shot early on. We knew if we could do the things that we've been doing right lately, that we could win," Matkin said. "It's great to know that we've improved, and that we're playing well. Redemption

Tyln Falls advances state tournament as the top seed from the High Country, and the Bruins will open play at

the Idaho Center next Thursday at 6:15 p.m., against the third-placed team from District III.

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District IV girls basketball tournament schedules

Class 5A Region Four-Five-Six At High Seed Tuesday, Feb. 5 ame 5: Madison at Skyline Game 5: Madison at Skyline, Game 6: Championship, Twin Falls 48, Highland 34 Thursday, Feb. 7 Game 7: Second place, Game 5 winner at Highland, 7 p.m. Note: First, second place edvance to state tourname Feb. 14-16 at Idaho Center.

Class 4A

Monday, Feb. 4 Game 6: Championship: Jerome 48, Burley 37 Note: Champion advances to

state seeding game vs. District V champion on Feb. 7 (District IV champion hosts); Second iv criumpion hosts); Second place advances to state ploy-in game vs. District V second place or District VI second place at Highland (Pocatello) Feb. 9, 1 p.m.

Class 3A Tuesday, Feb. 5
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Game 8: Championship, Declo vs. Kimberly, 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7 (If necessary) Game 9: Chempionship, Game 8 winner vs. Game 8 loser 8 winner vs. Game 8 loser (higher seed hosts), 7 p.m. Note: Champion advances to state tournament, Feb. 14-16 at Middleton: second place advances to state play-in game vs. District VI second place at Highland (Pocatello) Feb. 9, 3 p.m

Class 2A Canyon Conference Monday, Feb. 4 Game 3: Valley 47, Glenn's Ferry 27

Class 1A Magic Valley Northalde Conference At Shoshone aturday, Feb. 2

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District IV Tournament At Murtaugh Wednesday, Feb. 6 Fifth place: North 3 vs. South 3 5 p.m.
Third place: North 2 vs. South 2, 6:30 p.m.
Championship: Richfield vs. Hagerman, 8 p.m.

Note: Championship game is for No. 1 and 2 seeds at state tournament, third-piace game is for No. 3 and 4 seeds, filth-piace game is for No. 5 seed to state. Top five finishers advance to state tournament, Feb. 13-16 at Columbia and Nampa High Schoots, Nampa.

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MVTA holds singles tennis tourney

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Tennis Association will hold the 2008 Singles Tennis Tournament Feb. 13-16 at the Twin Falls YMCA, Players must be members of the MVIA YMCA, Players must be members of the WiNA. Players must be members of the YMCA. The entry fee is \$35 per person and players may register online at http://www.mvtanet.com or entry forms are vaulable at Elevation Sports and the Twin Falls YMCA. Registration deadline is Feb. 8. For more information, contact, Bill Fowler at 312-3925 or Mike Sato at 731-1633.

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Red Raiders say transition to playing for Pat Knight will be easy Cagerz and a season leading the Wisconsin

Raiders offered the reaction everyone expect-ed Triesday. They were shocked that Bob Knight resigned and ready to move on with his

the winningest coach in mens Division I history.

Except the new Coach Knight didn't show for the dozen or so reporters who came to United Spirit Arena for an introduction. He was busy getting ready for his first game Wednesday night against Baylor.

Some might say "Like father, like son," considering Bob Knight was as well known for his combative relationship with the media as he was for his ability to win games (902) and champlonships (three NCAA tiles).

Regardless, players say the fled Raiders are in good hands.

"Pat's doing a good job already" guard John Roberson said. "We're going to have the same preparations."

Roberson sald. "We're going to have the same preparations." Being the Texas Tech coach is a role for which Knight has been groomed the past three seasons, and perhaps his entire life. He played for his father at Indiana and has been with his since they arrived at Tech in 2001. He was chosen as his father's successor in 2005. Knight, whose personally is more subdued than his father's, has been a head coach twice, a partial season with the USBUS Columbus'

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Cagerz and a season leading the Wisconsin Blast, which went 19-15.

Bob Knight, in comments Tuesday to the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, reflected on a story about Ted Williams that said the famed Boston hitter knew when to quit.

"I hope I have done that in this regard and I think I have." said Knight, who doesn't plan to attend his son's debut in Waco. "I have above all a great appreciation for the players that I we had over the years. But know that in most cases, or in all cases, I've been really tough with them. That was just my nature as a coach."

coach."

The players were expecting that tough approach for 10 more regular-season games and the Big 12 tournament, at least. Freshman John Roberson said their last meeting with Bob Knight produced a collection of dropped

Jaws.
"I was shocked because I expected him to finish out the season," floberson said. "He told us he was tired and he was worn out. So he made the best decision for the team, and I respect him for that."

MAGIC VALLEY Rapids soccer has rosters spots

TWIN FALLS — The 2008 Twin Falls Rapids Soccer Club is looking for boys in grades 2-6 to fill open roster spots. Only a few spots remain

CSI Rec Center accepts new members

TWIN FALLS*— The College of Southern Idaho Recreation Center is accepting membership applications from students and the general public. CSI's Rec Center features a full-court basketball floor, elevated walking/run-

ning track, two racquetball courts, a spinning room with 26 bikes, a cardio-aerobic room with 26 pieces of equipment, and a strength/weight room with a circuit of 11 machines, dambbells, bar bells, and Olympic half rack.

Community memberships are \$200 per individual, \$275 for an individual and spouse, \$120 for persons age 62 or older, \$200 for a sen-ior and a spouse, and \$50 for a child. For more information, contact Scott Roger

at 732-6470 or at srogers@csi.edu or call the Student Rec Center front desk at 733-9554 ext.

Youth Ranch tournament dates set

BURLEY — The Idaho Youth Ranch 20th Annual Basketball Tournament will be held Feb. 14-16 for girls in grades 5-6 and 7-8. The tournament for boys in grades 5-6 will be Feb. 21-23, while grades 7-8 compete March 20-22. For more information, contact Tony Bell at (200) 532-4117.

North West Baseball seeks players

The North West Baseball League is seeking umpires, managers and players for next sea-son. The league will hold sign-ups in January. Play begins in April. Those interested may con-tact Carlos at (200) 212-4044. — Compiled from staff and wire reports

James nears triple-double as Cavs slip past Celtics

CLEVELAND — LeBron James scored 33 points and barely missed a tripie-double as the Cleveland Cavalliers beat Boston for the second time this season, downing the Celtics 114-113 on Tuesday night. James added 12 assists, nine rebounds and five steals to pace the Cavallers, who improved to 15-4 since Dec. 25 and handed the NBAs best road team just its fifth loss away from home. Cleveland also beat the Celtics in overtime on Nov. 27.

Zydrunas Ilgauskas added 21
points, Larry Hughes had 18 and
seldom-used Ira Newble had 18 for
Cleveland. Also, guard Daniel
Gibson made a big steal in the final
minute to help the Casv hang on.
Ray Allen scored 24 points and
Paul Pierce 19 for the Celides, who
were again without Kevin Garnett.
The All-Star center missed his fourth
straight game with an abdominal
strain sustained on Jan. 25.

SPURS 116, PACERS 89
INDIANAPOLIS — Tim Duncan dominated the middle and San Antonio's stingy second-half defense turned a close game into a

Duncan had 19 points and 15 rebounds, and backup guard Jacque Vaughn scored 16 points off the bench. Danny Granger led the Pace

Danny Granger led the Facers with 16 points, not nearly enough to halt Indiana's season-high seven game losing streak.

Indiana shot 67.6 percent from the field in the first half, but settled for a 59-all tie. Indiana opened the



Cleveland Cavaliers forward LeBron James, left, fires a pass past Boston Celtics guard Tony Allen during the fourth quarter Tuesday in Cleveland.

third quarter shooting 1-of-11, a lapse that allowed San Antonio to open the quarter on an 8-0 run. By the time it ended, the Spurs had outscored Indiana 18-2, building an insurmountable 77-61 lead.

LAKERS 105, NETS 90
EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Pau
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Gasol was a winner if in its Loddebut, without even much help from Kobe Bryant. Gasol had 24 points and 12 rebounds, and the Lakers beat New jersey despite a season-low six points from Bryant, his first single-digit effort in more than a year. Derek Fisher matched a season

high with 28 points to lead the Lakers, who improved to 3-1 on mign with 26 points to lead the Lakers, who improved to 3-1 on their nine-game road trip. Bryani shot 3-of-13 from the floor but had eight assists in his lowest-scoring effort since an eight-point game against Denver on Jan. 5, 2007. Vince Carter scored 27 points for the Nets.

76ERS 101, WIZARDS 96
PHILLADELPHIA — Andre Iguodala scored 20 points and Philadelphia stunned the Wizards with a 17-0 run late in the fourth quarter, handing Washington its fourth straight loss.
The Sixers trailed by 12 early in the

Report: Heat's O'Neal could be traded soon

MAM (Ap) — Shaquilla O'Nheil s prepared for the Main! Hest to trade shim, a confident of the 44-tims All. Star center told The Associated Pression Tuesday night.

O'Neal's associated who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not euthorized to reveel anything publicly, indicated a move could be imminent.

Shaq thinks something will happen, the associate said. The Miam! Herald reported earlier. The Miam! Herald reported earlier. The Miam! Herald reported earlier and ongoing "trade registrations with the Process Suns, and the South Florids Sun-Sentinel said the deel could occur "within 48 hours." A Hear spokesman seld the team had no comment, and several Suns officials (din't Immediately return phone calls from The AP.

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The Herald report seld the Suns-would send Shawn Marion and Marcus Banks to Miami in exchan for O'Neal, who is everaging a can low 14.2 points and has been ald

fourth before Rodney Carney's open dunk off a turnover tied the score at dunk off a turnover, tied the score at 90. Iguodala's layup at the 4 minute mark put the 76ers ahead 92-90. They would never trail again.

DeShawn Stevenson scored 19 points and Brendan Haywood had 18 for the Wizards.

BUCKS 102, GRIZZLIES 97
MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Mo Williams scored 32 points and led a fourth

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control search specialized to do the Vesteria Conference teams would respond; And's Shed-Joh-Suns deel would certainly create planty of buzz; It lan't known if O'Neal — who has two full seasons remaining after this concorn his \$200 million; Nevger contract — would welcome a trade, it is also lan't known if the Heat would seek to add guard Smush Parker, who's been on the inactive list for months because of an unresolved legal issue, to the deal. Otherwise, making a 24ord, trade would force Milami to cut another player for roster room.

quarter rally to help Milwaukee snap a three-game losing streak. Williams, who was 14-0f-22 from the field, scored all 10 Milwaukee points as the Bucks overcame a five-point deflict in the final 2 minutes. Charlie Bell finished with 17 points for Milwaukee, while Charlie Villanueva had 16 points and 16 rebounds. Andrew Bogut added 12 points for the Bucks.

— The Associated Press

Georgetown beats South Florida

WASHINGTON — Duluan Summers had a career-high 24 points, and No. 6 Georgetown used a 12-0 run late in the first half to overcome a horrendous start and beat South Florida 63-53 Tuesday night.

Summers made eight of 13 fleid goals, including 4-of-63-pointers, and had nine rebounds to lead the Hoyas (19-2, 9-1 Big East) to their sixth straight win and 18th in a row at home. Roy Hibbert, who had his hands full with Kentrell Gransberry, missed his first three shots but finished with 13 points and eight rebounds.

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KNOXVILLE. Tenn. —Chris
Lofton made ix3-pointers in
scoring 26 points, and
Tennessee beat Florida.
Tyler Smith and Jaluan
Smith each had 23 points and
Duke Crews added 10 for the
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ry. Florida (18-5, 5-3) led by as

many as 13 points during the first half.

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VALPARAISO, Ind. — Pete
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Valparaiso had one last chance to tie it, but a 3-point attempt by Brandon McPherson caromed off the rim and Butler's Julian Betko came down with the rebound as the Bulldogs improved to 20-2 (9-2 Horizon League).

NO. 15 DRAKE 73, ILLINOIS STATE 70

NORMAL, Ill. — Josh Young scored all but one of his 18 points in the second half, and Drake used a 17-2 run to secure its 20th straight victory, the second longest-win-

their best start in team histo- ning streak in the nation.

NO. 18 TEXAS A&M 69, IOWA STATE 51

NO. 24 PURDUE 67, PENN ST. 53

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. —
Robbie Hummel scored 17
points and E'Twaun Moore
added 16 for Purdue, which won its eighth straight to move into sole possession of

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- The Associated Press

Lawson's ankle injury becomes huge factor in Duke-UNC game

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — Roy Williams went to the training from Tuesday morning to see how point guard IV Lawson was recovering from a spanien def ankle. The answer was enough to give the North Carolina coach reason for concern.

"He walked in the trainer's room on crutches." Williams said, "and I think it's awfully difficult to go from crutches one day to playing against Duke the next day." Lawson's status has become the biggest variable in the latest matchup of college baskethall's most intense rivally.

matchup of college baskerbulls most intense rivalry. With a healthy Lawson, the third-ranked fixe Heels can run with their typical zeal and better handle the second-ranked Blue Devil's permet persure. If the speedy sophonior is limited or can't play at all, North Carolina will be a different team.

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Lawson was hurt about tour minutes into Sundays B4-73 overtime win at Horida State and didn't return. He missed practice Monday and was unavailable for comment before Tuesday's practice because he was receiving treatment. Afterward, team spokesman Steve Kirschner said Lawson was unable to participate in team drills and managed only some light shooting on his own while wearing an air cast, though he has not been ruled out.

It is the second time this season Lawson's

It is the second time this season Lawson's ankles have been a hot topic leading up to a

game. He sat out at Ohio State in November after spraining his right ankle against BYU in the Las Vegas invitational. But this time, the Tar Heels (21-1, 6-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) have less depth to handle it. Reserve Bobby Frasor, who started against the Buckeyes and could play both guard positions, was lost to a season-ending knee injury in December. That leaves the Tar Heels with senior Quentin Thomas, a career reserve and the only active player remaining from the 2005 NCAA championship team. He would likely inherit the starting role if Lawson is out with junior swingman Marcus Ginyard also to see time at point against the Blue Devils (19-1, 7-0).

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"For me personally, it's being ready for anything," said Thomas, who had a cureer-light nine points to go with six assists in 36 minutes against the Sentinoles. "And whencer my time is to go out there for the game, the same that takes."

Just have to be prepared. ... Whether it's 36 minutes or 2 minutes, 10 m

It takes."

Either way, both teams sound ready to run in a matchup of two of the nation's top offenses. North Carolina ranks second nationally in socing at 91 points per game, while Duke ranks third at 85.7. Duke eoach Mike Krzyzewski is preparing, his team as though Lawson will play at full strength.

"I just think it's tough to keep any kid out of this game, from either side," Krzyzewski said Monday.

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to look into whether 2002 AL MVP Miguel Tejada lled when he told committee investigators in 2005 that he never took performance enhancers and had no knowledge of other players using or talking about steroids. The FBI's fledd office in Washington is handling that inquiry. "Roger hasn't declined to answer a single question

since this matter began, and he was completely forthcoming," one of Clemens lawyers, Lanny Breuer, told The Associated Press.
Clemens, Breuer said, "answered every question that was posed to him today and we very much appreciate the committee giving him to approximately." Clemens' private entities of Oversight and Government

Reform came one day after his Vankees teammate and workout partner, Andy Petitite, gave a deposition to committee staff of 24 hours. Both players interviews were preparation for 24 hours. Both players interviews were preparation for 40 hours on McNamee's allegations in the Mitchell Report that he injected Clemens more than a dozen times with human growth hormone and steroids.

growth hormone and steroids in 1998, 2000 and 2001.

CSI

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Chippoin took a short tum-ble to No. 3 with the loss, while Alabama's Wallace State Community College-Hanceville moved up to No. 2 as the only undefeated NJCAA Division I team other than CSI. Okalosas-Walton jumped up to No. 8, one spot behind CSI's Scenic West Athletic Conference rival, fifth: ranked Salt Lako Community College. As CSI went through its Tuesday preparations for

Community College.

An CSI want through its
Tuesday preparations for
Friday and Sauruday's conference road games against the
College of Eastern Utah,
Peery had a businessmanlike message for his team.

"It's like I told the guys
today. Where much is given
that a great ranking like that
much is expected." Peery
sald. "That bull-eye that's
always on their chest just got
a little bit bigger, and our
expectations we have of ourselves need to got a little bit
bigger."

Bigger expectations equate
to two things for this program: the first undefeated



rthern Idaho guard Kerin Galloway (13) defends durin game earlier this season. The Golden Eagles took over the No. 1 spot in the NICAA Division I Men's Basketball Poll on Tuesday.

season in program history, along with the first national championship since Fred Trenke ied CSI to the 1988-87 national title. "There's a lot of games to play and it's really hard to be

undefeated," Peery sald. "I really challenging, so we'll see what happens."

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Today's recruiting made tougher by early commitments

(AP) — Their fax machines still warm from the letters of intent that poured in during Signing Day, many of the nations elite college football, programs will go a long way toward lilling next year's recrulting classes in the coming weeks.

As the commitments pile up, some of the beneficiaries may be the less marquee schools who get left out of this early scramble. As any-body who has been around teenagers will attest, they can change a lot in a year, so the trend of recruits committing earlier and earlier compilicates coaches' already difficult task of predicting which-ones will pan out.

"What's happened is it's kind of helped even things out," said David Yost, Missouris quarterbacks coach and recruiting coordinator, in a phone interview.

The nation's top five classes head.

The nation's top five classes head-ing into Wednesday's Signing Day; as

Local signings

Minico quarterback Dane Broadhead is expected to sign today with NAIA champion Carroll College of champion Carrou Joines or Montana, while, Burley's Breeden Clayson is slated to sign with Ideho State: Broadhead guided Minico to three straight, Great Basin. Conference West tilles as the Spartana' guarbeteck. Clayson starred for the Bobçats as a 6-foot-6, 305-pound lineman. See

6, 305-pound lineman. See
Thursday's Times-News for coverage
of the signings.
Coaches and athletic directors are

invited to contact the Times News-by phone (735-3239) or e-mail (sports@magicvelley.com) regarding any other District IV football players signing to play at the college level.

ranked by Rivals.com, belonged to Florida, Alabama, Notre Dame, Oklahoma and Georgia, Florida had

many late commitments, but for the other four, 62 of the 90 players had committed by the end of August, according to the recruiting Web site.

Compare that to the class Missouri signed last February. Six players had committed by the end of August; 13 committed after the start

August 13 committed after the start of November.

The Tigers were one of college footballs biggest surprises last senon, putting themselves one win away from playing in the national championship game.

Later commitments were also the norm for other unexpected 2007 success stories like Kansas and illinois.

"It's made for more instakes by some of schools," Yost said of the trend toward earlier commitments at big-name programs.

Many players who commit early change their pledges before Signing Day, and teams try to leave open spots in their classes for any late

schools that get a lot of early com-mitments and completely locked into their classes many months before Signing Day. But a team with many early co

But a team with many early commitments may have a tough time
wooling a player who came out of
nowhere to have a great senior season because it already has a lot of
recruits at his position. And there
are certainly cases of athletes who
seem to peak when they're 16. They
commit when they're juniors in high
school, then are unimpressive durinig their senior seasons.
"One year can do a lot of good for
a player or have a minimal effect,"
CSTV recruiting analyst Tom
Lemming said.
Programs don't want to pull the
scholarship offer and develop a bad
reputation among high schools, said
former Mianii coach Larry Coker.

That gets around pretty quickly,

he said.

Coker and former Mississippi coach Ed Orgeron said there are many tricks for trying to predict how a high school player will develop, even 18 months before he'd enroll in college. Coaches take into account everything from shoe size to relatives heights to the kids' diets. They talk to school counselors, ministers, teachers.

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The recruits opportunities in high school can make a big difference. One with access to sophisticated it coaching and training programs may have bestoomto improve that one who last even getting three square meals a day.

"All off it is projection," Coker said. It's no science.

The increased popularity of sumer camps vital colleges hold for recruits gives coaches an additional opportunity to evaluate players.



New York Cliants quarterback Eli Manning looks on as defensive end Michael Strahan, holds the Super Bowl trophy during a parade Tuesday in New York celebrating the Cliants Super Bowl victory over the New Enzland Patriots.

Giant celebration

New York celebrates with Super Bowl parade

NEW YORK (AP) — On a day for jumping and whooping it up, Michael Strahan showed the throngs of jubilant fans just how it's done, New York Glants

Strahan showed the throngs of jubilant fans just how it's done, New York Glants style.

The star defensive end fires up his team — a wildly improbable NFI. champion — with a leap that he calls "stomping you out." And with that, Strahan jumped skyward on the podjum at a Super Bowl rally Tuesday, illfing his knees to his shoulders.

"We would like to extend this to every other team in the NFI. and particularly for the last team we defeated, the New England Pariots," he said, his team-attes standing behind him. "Because you know what we did to you'f We stomped you out."

Two days after the Giants won the tie with a 17-14 victory that ended the New England Pariots' perfect season, fans gathered at City Hall Park after a ticker-tape parade to watch their team get the keys to the city.

And those fans, umbrellas raised in a light rain, made a plea to Strahan, who is contemplating retirement. "One more year" came the chant as soon as he got to the podfum. "One more year" Strahan sald. "We'll

he got to the podium.
"One more year?" Strahan sald. "We'll

sec."
Eli Manning, the MVP of the Super Bowl, said the team was proud to "bring the championship back to New

"I've never ever played with a bigger group of goofballs than this group here. And you know what? We won the Super Bowl!"

— Glants defensive end 'Michael Strahan

York City."
"It's been an unbelievable journey,"
he said.

he said.

Manning and Strahan were joined by the entire Glants organization in a parade through the "Canyon of Heroes" before hundreds of thousands of fans, many decked out in Giants blue, to celebrate one of the city's great sports triumphs.

After the Manhattan lovefest, the After the Manhattan loverest, the team took buses back to New Jersey, where it was met by a crowd of more than 20,000 fans at Giants Stadium. The crowd saved its loudest cheers for coach Tom Coughlin, who merged from a tunnel holding atoft the Super Bowl trophy. "You believed in us and this group of young men believed in themselves," he said. "And that's why we're standing

." wd burst into cheers when

here today."
The crowd burst into cheers when wide receive David Tyree was introduced and pressed a football to his head, simulating his astonishing careting the final minutes of Sunday's game. State Senate President Richard J. Codey took a jab at the Patriots when he referred to their videotaping scandal at Glants Stadium against the Jets in September.

"If the Patriots were here today, they could film all they want," Codey said. Earlier, across the Hudson River, the Glants rode in floats and many players carried video cameras to record the moment. A huge cheer went up when Manning Joined Strahan at the front of a float. The float also carried Mayor Michael Bloomberg as well as the Vince Lombard! Trophy, which was cradled like a baby in Strahan's massive arms.

"The newer ever played with a bigger group of goofballs than this group here," Strahan said, "And you know what We won the Super Bow!"

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ties. Gov. Ellot Spitzer and Sen. Charles Schumer were among the politiclans Johing Bloomberg at City Hall. "The Glants may not he perfect but no one Is, at least not this year in the NFL," Bloomberg said, taking a shot at the Patrols: Fla1 season. Schumer said: "Now the Glants aren't just New York's team, they're America's team."

Giants' Spagnuolo meets with Redskins

ASHBURN, Va. — From Super Bowl to Job Interview. From ticker-tape parade in Manhattan to Dan Snyder's house along the Potorna River, via the Washington Redskins owner's private plane.

Plane.
It's already been quite a week for Steve Spagnuolo.
The New York Giants defensive coordinator arrived in the Washington area Tuesday to interview for the Redskins' to interview for the Redskins coaching vacancy. No audi-tion tape was necessary; the defense's performance in Sunday's 17-14 upset of the New England Patriots pretty

much speaks for itself.
"I think they're pretty
good," Snyder said. "It was a

good. "Sinyder said. "It was a very interesting game. To see what I consider the most caplosive offense I've seen in years and years to just be slowed down like that was quite impressive." Snyder was making a rare public comment on the coaching search at his own celebratory event, a reception marking the selection of for-mer Redskins Art Monk and Darrell Green into the Hall of Fame. Snyder said he antici-pates his team playing in the Hall of Fame game in Canton. Obio, this summer.

Ohlo, this summer.
After the recupion, Snyder was planning to head home to meet with Spagnuolo.
"We're going back to work tonight," Snyder said. "And hopefully we'll be making the right decision in the very near future."

Spagnuolo, Ron Meeks Jim Fassel are the Jim Fassel are the remaining contenders to replace Joe Gibbs, who resigned Jan. 8.

Packers sign McCarthy to 5-year contract

GREEN BAY, Wis, — The Green Bay Packers signed coach Mike McCarthy on Tuesday to a five-year con-tract that runs through the 2012 season.

2012 season.
McCarthy, who had a year
left on his original three-year
deal, reportedly agreed in
principle last month to the
new contract, which is worth
about \$4 million per season.

Senator, NFL commish could meet next week

WASHINGTON — Sen.
Arlen Specter and Nikl. commissioner Roger Goodell
could meet next week to discusts the league's investigation
into spying allegations against
the New England Patriots.
The two staffs are working
on setting up the meeting.

Belichick moving ahead after upset

altical after upper BOSTON (AP) — Bill Belichick isn't looking back. With the sting still fresh of the stunning Super Bowl loss that ruined the Patriots unbeotin season, their coach hasn't watched tape of the game yet or analyzed everything that went wrong. And that eat if from the field with one second left after he congratulated New York Glainst coach Tom Coughlin? I wasn't really sure of the time, Belichick said in a conference call Tuesdry.

time, Belichick said in a con-ference call Tuesday, "Everybody started on to the field and then I got over there and I wanted to congratulate Tom, I've been in that situation before after the game. I want-ed to get over there and con-

before after the game. I wantdo get over there and congratulate him and congratulate
him on the championship.
There really woard much left at that point.

Just enough time for Eli
Manning to kneel down with
the ball as the final second
ticked off, ending New Yorks
17-14 win and finishing New
England's season at 18-1
rether than 19-0.

"It's a disappointing end to a
iot of good things mar trapppened this eason," Belichiek
said. "We played a lot of good
football, but we're certainly disgraped fine and the work it
ended... It lakes a lot to get
to this point, but now it search
ti's already time to move on."

Specier's office confirmed.

Last week, Specier, R-Pa, questioned the quality of the NFI. Investigation and Goodelfs decision to destroy video evidence uncovered by the league earlier this season.

Patriots' DB charged with drug possession

LOWELL, Mass. - New England Patriots defensive

LOWELL, Mass, New England Parties defensive back Wille Andrews pleaded not gullty to drug possession Tuesday, hours after authorities said they found him with a ball-pound of marijuana. Andrews was changed with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute and drialing an unregistered motor vehicle. Prosecutors said he had \$6,000 in easi, three bags of marijuana, and no means to smoke the drugs.

Andrews was released on personal recognizance after entering not guithy pleas during his arraigment in Lowell District Court.

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ing his arraignment ...
District Court.
— The Associated Press

Umenyiora only Giant missing from victory parade; he's in Hawaii for Pro Bowl

HONOLÖLU — It can be lonely for champions. Ost Umenylora certainly knows that. The star defensive end for the Super Bowlening New York Glants is the only member of the team at the Pro Bowl. Yes, the champs have all of one Pro Bowler.

Ch. Bowi. "It Bowler.
"It sounds incredible.
There's no better feeling than
being world champions,"
OUenyiora said after the
NFC's practice Tuesday. "I'm a little sad that no teammates made it with me, but I'll rep-resent for New York."

The Giants were only 10-6 and a wild card for the playoffs. While they had several other worthy Pro Bowlers, on i ty Umenyiora and his 13 sacks—sax in Sunday, Fox one game, a g a i n s t Philadelphia—got here.

a g a i n s t
Philadelphia — go there.
Umenylom's dislike for flying made the decision to skip
the victory parade in New
York an casy one. The was no
way he wanted to fly back
home, then over to Hawaii for
Sunday's all-star game.

"If I flew to New York, I wouldn't have come back here," he said. "It's only six hours — only six, ha — from . Phoenix.
"I watched it on TV this

"I watched it on TV this morning and I cried when I saw them celebrating. Saw Mike (Strahan) and the coaches: Ilove those guys so much." Umenyiora was awake at 4 am. Tuesday because of jet lag, so tuning into the celebration in Manhattan hardly was a problem, even with the five-hour time difference. By proxy, he did take part in It, text-messaging fellow defendence.

sive end Strahan and DT Barry Coffeld, and also speak-ing to Coffeld by phone dur-

Ing to Cofield by phone during the pande.
This is Unnerylora's second Pro Bowl. He was selected in 2005, when he was an Ali-Pro and led the NFC with 14% sacks. But he didn't have a championship in his resume then. He has the 17-14 victory over previously unbeaten New England now.
He's certain the Giants wouldn't have won their third Super Bowl without the overwhelming performance by the defense, which had five

sacks and put Patriots quarterback Tom Brady on the ground more than a dozen terback Tom Brady on the ground more than a dozen times. The line was the key to that domination against the most prolific offense in NFI. history, one that scored 38 points on New York in the season finale, then managed just two touchdowns, its smallest output in 19 games, in the title game.

Nevada sports books lose big on Super Bowl

LAS VEGAS — Nevada sports books lost a record

\$2.6 million on Super Bowl

S2.6 million on Super Bood-bets when the New York Giants upset the New Fighand Patriots on Sunday. The sports books handled just more than S92 million on the game, the third-highest amount ever but down for the second consecutive year. The record was see in 2006 when S94.5 million was bet. The last time the books lost when the consecutive year. The first properties of the properties of the time of the properties of the properties of the San Francisco 49ers blew 6ii! the San Diego Chargers, 49-26, and Nevada books lost \$400,000. 26, and S400,000.

— The Associated Press

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

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Els' three-year plan looking far more impossible than realistic

PERBLE BEACH, Calif. (AP)

PEBBLE BEACH, Callf. (AP)

After one of his many crusting losses to this many crusting losses to the sonce described Tiger Woods as a legend in the making Woods was 24 at the time with only wormajors.

The's probably going to be bigger than Elvis when he gets into his 40s, 'Els said after losing to him in a playoff at Kapahua.

Now'l the earr only get Elvisto leave the building. Because that looks to be the only way the Blg Easy can achieve his grandlose goal of becoming No. I in the world. Whether he was simply trying to motivate himself or truly believed it, Els said toward the end of the 2006 season that he was giving himself three years to rectain the No. I ranking, a spot he has not accupied in nearly I byears.

The demons were gone

years.
The demons were gone from 2004, when he had a chance to win all four majors and came up empty.
The scars were healed from torn knee ligaments the following wear.

The scars were headed from torn knee liganents the following year.

"It's a hell of a task, but I really believe I can do h," Els sald on the eve of 2007.

Then he watched Woods who seven times, including another major, and build such an enormous lead in the tanking that a three-year plan looked out of reach even in dog years.

"Let's get serious," Els sald in a preview to his 2008 season. Thave got two years left of myordgiand plan. Thave got to start winding tournaments.—fast!"

Then came another devas-

— last!"
Then came another devastating blow in Dubai.
Els had the 54-hole lead and was four shots clear of Woods until a finish that was

Woods until a flaish that was all too famillar. Woods fropped five birdles over his flaid seven holes, while Els twice missed par puts inside 6 feet to slip behind. Els fast chance came on the par-5 18th, where a birdle would have forced a playoff. He had 240 yards to the green, but his 5-wood caught a gust and found the middle of the lake, not the ripple effect Els had in mInd. Els walked toward the drop area with his head down and his spirits even lower.

area with his head down and his splits even lower. He wrute of his disappoint-ment the next day-in his weekly diary in his Web site, but the real frustration was evident by the fact Els never inentioned Woods by name. "I have to put behind me



Tiger Woods, right, shakes hands with Ernie Els on the No. 18 green at the Emirates golf course in Dubal, UAE, on Feb. 5, 2006. Woods won a playoff with Els after they both finished at 19-under par at the tournament.

what happened last week in Dubal," Els said, "It's history. There's nothing I can do about I now."

Els has been runner-up to Woods seven thues, more than any other player, and only a hogey at the final hole that dropped blim into a tle for third kept that number from going even higher.

The knee is fine. The game is healthy.

The mental scar issue is

The mental scar issue is another matter.
"It's definitely more mental now than physicat," swing coach David Leadbetter said Tuesday at Public Beach. "It's happened a number of times in different locations. But as I've said to him, he can't get down on himself. It's not as if he played badly. But when Tiger is in that mood, it's tough."
"Them have been plenty of

There have been plenty of audacious comments that relate to Woods over the last couple of years, and Itils stated goal to be No. 1 in three years has to rank among them. What separates it from, Rory Sabbatini saying Woods looked "beatable as ever," or lan Poulter saying that when he reaches his full potential

"it will be just me and Tiger," Is that Els has a track record. Since Woods first became No.-1 in the world, Els is one

Since voods and occume of only three players to have replaced him, although for the shortest time (inhe works). The others were David David (15 weeks) and Vijay Singh (23 weeks). Els had every reason to believe he could return to No. 1 based on his ability. What he didn't take Into account was Woods. There is no denying that the three times Woods lost the No. 1 ranking, he was in the middle of changing his swing—after winning the '97 Masters (Els, Duval) and in 2003-04 (Singh).

Masters (fils, Duval) and in 2003-04 (Singh). "People ask why we don't stand up to this guy," Thomas Bjorn said, "The fact is we are not as good as he is. It all depends on Tiger."



Manchester United to mark 50th anniversary of Munich air disaster

MANCHESTER, England (AP) — Fifty ears ago, a stunned city rallied around funchester United after a crash in a snowy

Manchester United after a crash in a snowy Munich alrifield.
Eight players and 15 others died, and a renewed outpouring of ennotion will mark Wednesday's anniversary as United players honor the lost "Busby Babes." The state of the state of

opportunity to let people know how good-that team was."

At 3:04 p.m. — the time of the crash on Feb. 6, 1958 — survivors and supporters will join manager Alex Ferguson and his current players for a memorial service at Old Traifford. A free, permanent exhibition dedicated to the Busby Babes will be unveiled.

On Tuesday, fans left flowers, United shirts, scarves and T-shirts with pictures of the Busby Babes outside the stadium, where the clock is permanently set at 3:04 p.m.

Busby's team, which had won two English league fittles, seemed destined for European Cup glory. It had just qualified for the semi-finals by advancing past feed Star Belgradte.

But after leaving Yugoslavia and stopping or fuele in Muntch, the Elizabethan charter plane hurtled through the perimeter fence in its third attempt to take off in a snow-storm.

Seven players — Roger Byrne, Cooff Bent

storm.
Seven players — Roger Byrne, Geoff Bent,
Seddle Colminn, David Pegg, Mark Jones,
Liam "Billy" Wholan, Tournny Taylor — died
in the wreekage, Duncan Edwards, considered the best player of all, died in a hospital
IS days later. Fifteen other officials, supporters and Journalists also perished.
Kenny Morgans, who had just played his
way onto the first team, was the youngest
survivor and last to be recovered from the
smoldering wreekage. He made Just 23



Flowers and a badge are placed near the grave of former manager of Manchester United Sir Matt Busby in Southern Cemetery In Manchester, England, Tuesday, Tributes have been laid at the grave and outside Manchester United's Old Trafford stadium before the 50th anniversary of the Munich air disaster of Feb. 6, 1958.

appearances before his career faded in his native Wales.

"I was never the same player again. I went back to Swansea and played for them," he said. "I've got the last lineup of the Team in my lounge. I see them every time I go down-statis."

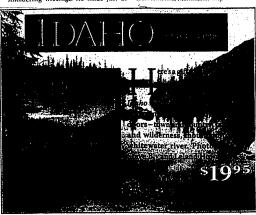
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my lounge. I see them every time I go outwissuits.

Through the tragedy, the club was redefined and seared deeply into the psyche of soccer fany worldwide.

"We got our name through the crash, It was very much in the public eye and what we've done, since then is make sure that we understand all of those elements when we make decisions," Man U chief executive David Gill said. "Without doubt everyone who follows Manchester United is aware of it and it reflects our philosophies and how we make decisions today."

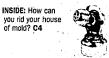
"The commemorations will extend into the weekend when United, wearing a 1950-style uniform devoid of sponsorship, hosts crosstown rival Manchester City.



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Dodging DEATH once again

Death by Chocolate triumphs in third year

Korbin Ludwig sat in front of a plate of cookies, brownies and cake, sorting through the pile of chocolate to decide his favorite.

It didn't take much to please the Filer 12-year-old, who skipped the gournet treats from specialty bakeries' in favor of a simple, rich cake from Costco Wholesaic, "It's really chocolatey, I guess," he said. 'I like checolatey things.' He was at the right place. The Rotary Club's 3rd Annual Death by Chocolate charity fundralser, sponsored by the Times-News and First Federal, indulged Magic Valley's sweet tooth with a huge sampling of chocolate treats from local businesses. Rotarians on Tuesday were still counting the event's proceeds but estimated the gross at \$18,000. Profits benefit local charities including the Valley House homeless shelt incoal charities including the Valley House homeless shelt, The Salvation Army and scholarships. Twenty-six local vendors contributed a thousand pleces of chocolate each, creating a flood of chocolate for chorolate services and sample at Radio Rondevo on Thursday. The fundralser also served as a contest—vendors submitted their treats to a panel of judges. Patrons also judged the goodles, which were separated into five categories brownies, cake, candy, cookies and unique dessert.

ies and unique dessert.
Hundreds braved
Thursday's snow for a chance
at decadent indulgence.
Dozens of people crowded in
he fooyer 20 minutes before
the event started, trying to
keep warm while competing
to be the first in the doors.
They had the right idea—
within minutes of the 6 p.m.
they had the right idea—
within minutes of the 6 p.m.
Their chatter nearly drowed
music by Twin Falls bluegrass
hand Srings Attached.
The chaos didn't faze
Phillip Couch of Rock Creek,
who enjoyed the chance to
meet people.
"It's fan just to get out and
get away from work." he said,
It also paid off for the business: The Twin Falls resultatant won Judges' Choice for
best brownie.
The awards aren't the only
hereft for contestants home.

est brownie.
The awards aren't the only Fischer, owner of The Cookle Basket in Twin Falls, said business place.



Greg Clinton, an executive chef at Blue Lakes Country Club, serves chocolates to a long line of people at Death by Chocolate, held Thursday in Twin Falls.





satisated: Keagan Hornaday, 2, sits back after thoroughly enjoying a plate of Death by Chocolate goodles.

introduced a popular new cookie at last year's Death by Chocolate.
"It had a name, but it

n had a name, but it became known as the Death by Chocolate Cookie," she said.

It seems the rich chocolate mixed with the social atmos-phere sticks with people

throughout the year. It's a for-mula that worked for Amy Olds-Alfred and Becky Olds-Alfred and Becky Bonnett, who documented their picks carefully on their

"We take this very serious-ly," Olds-Alfred said. Their favorite? Chocolate cookles from Herlinge-

Woodstone Assisted Living, "Those old folks are doing quite well when it comes to chocolate," Olds-Allred said.

Olds-Allred and Bonnett are three-year veterans of Death by Chocolate, Bonnett, a Salvation Army employee, bought tickets to the first event after learning the fundraiser

Judges' Choice winners

Cake category .
First: College of Southern Idaho culinary students
Second: The White House Third: Costco Wholesale Third: Costeo writinesses
Brownie category
First: Rock Creek
Second: Subway
Third: Jim Bob's Bakery
Cookle category
First: Bridgeview Estates
Second: Beacon Burger & Brew

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Fir "We haven't died yet," Bonnett said.

Melissa Davdin may be reached at 735-3234 or melis-sa.davlin@lee.net.

Impress your campfire friends with this bread

Ilmes-News

If you and your campfire
buddles have some cast-tion
competition going, here's
how to get an edge.

The College of Southern
idaho will offer a "Dutch
Oven Breads' class from 6:30
to 9 p.m. Feb. 20 at its North
Side Center, 202 14th Ave. W.
in Gooding.
Instructor Colleen Sloan
will present a taste of history
while teaching participants how to season, cook
with, clean and store Dutch
ovens. She will also introduce new products for casttroot cooking.

Already took the course?
Come again to try some

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Sloan, organizers suggest.
Bring a non-alcoholic beverage to enjoy with
the meal.

and and receive hints from an, organizers suggest. Bring a non-alcoholic bev-



Prepare for a romantic meal

A cooking class next week aims to teach you techniques and tips that will keep you out of the klitchen on Valentine's Day. Joseph Szenvo, executive chef at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, will teach Heart Thealthy Valentine' from 7 to 3 pm. Tuesday at Rudy's —A Cook's Paradise, 147 Main Ave.-W. Cost is \$40. There is an underlying.

"There is an underlying desire to have as much of this meal prepared ahead of time so that the romantic evening is not spent cooking while the love of your life waits alone in the dining room," Szervo sald in a Rudy's press release. The menu is a lineap of dishes

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The menu is a lineup of dishes intended to keep your sweeties heart healthy: Warm Goart Cheese Tart with Brolled Vegetables angle Walmut Vinalgette: Duet of Dijfon Rack of Lamb; Poached Salmon with Hazehut Pesto; and Cream-Filled Grepes with Clinnamon Schnapps Sauteed Strawherries.

At the Twin Falls hospital. Szervo produces a variety of call, and say the property catered events. He draws on his experience running kitchens in such diverse properties as the Westin Bonaventure in downtown Los Angeles and the Nugget Casino in Sparks, Nev.

To sign up: Rudy's at 733-5477.

Don't skimp on parsnips

By Stephanie Witt Sedgwick Special to The Washington Post

WASIIINGTON — If any vegetable could have a split personally, it would surely be the parsnip. The root vegetable brought to America in the 17th century looks like a hale carrot and gets such warled reactions from those who also carrot was the surely less that them," says from Ricci, sales manager at Tuscarora Organic Growers Tony Ricci, sales manager at Tuscarora Organic Growers Tony Ricci, sales manager at Tuscarora Organic Growers Cooperative in Pennsylvania, which supplies fruits and exceptables for restaurants.

"I love them," says Barton Wasington, D.C. "The texture, the flavor, the aroma, the look," Christophe Poteaux, one of the chefowers of Bastille in Mexandia, Va., covets the parsnip as well. "The sweetness of it and the texture you can play with.... I find it so versalic," he says.

But at supermarket known for its abundant produce, the cashier stopped recently when she got to my bag, "Turnipas," available year-rund, were mace a staple, accommon as the potato. They in Europe before the introduction of the potator in the Mexandia of the Cooperation of the potator, available of the control of the control

anything that can be done with a potato was done with the parsulp.
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The introduction of the potato pushed the parsilp aside. Though enligrant groups from Europe brought the parsilp with them to America and kept cultivating and eating it, the vegetable was slowly eclipsed. "It became less and less of a mainstay," lited says, "and by the mid-19th century, it fell out of vogue.

Parsilps retain one characteristic that no potato can replicate: flavor. The taste Is sweet and distinct, and the around further fuels the ardor that parsilps inspire among the cultinary effect. Caramelized and then pulverized, parsilps make a wonderful soup. Rousted, they are a perfect accompaniment to beef and pork. Sliced and fried into chips, they become a crisp, and unexpected topping for mashed potatos. Purced. Sliced and fried into empthemental topping for

succe and true mo chips, and unexpected topping for masked potatoes. Purced, they can elevate a serving of duck or lamb. Cut into churks, they bring extra flavorto stews.

There's no mystery in handing and storing them: Treat parsnips the same as carrots. Peel before using, and cut as you please. Parsnips with really fat toot ends tend to be too starchy. Either avoid the chubby ones or simply quarter each parsnip and cut away list starchy center.

For the unittidiated, I recommend toustings as a good place

mend roasting as a good place to start. Toss parsnip pieces with some oil, salt and pepper with some oil, salt and pepper and place in a hot over; roast until tender and browned. If you're into quick cooking, try glazing them on the stovetop. Their carthiness makes them a good match with other root vegetables and with mush-rooms and asparagus; their sweetness complements roasted salmon and other fish.

MIRIN-GLAZED PARSNIPS WITH **GINGER AND** SCALLIONS



One of the fastest and most •

One of the fastest and most-delicious verys to cook root vegetables is to let them steam on the storetop in a small amount of flavorful liquid, then let that liquid reduce to a glaze.

Here, the liquid used is mirin, a severt rice white used in Japanese cooking. Choose a golden-colored mirin for the best flavor.

1 tablespoon mild olive or vegetable oil 3 scallions, white and light-green parts, thinly sliced crosswise (about 1/4 cup) 2 to 3 teaspoons minced

1 pound parsnips, trimmed, peeled and cut into 3/4-inch chunks

1/3 cup mirin 1/3 cup water Pinch salt

Heat the oil in a saucepan just large enough to hold the parsahp-over medium-high beat. Add 3 tablespoons of the scalllons and cook for 2 minutes, until they soften. Add the ginger and cook for 1 minute, then add the parsahps and stir to combine. Add the mirin, water and salt. Bring the liquid to a boil and quickly cover the pan; adjust he heat to medium or as needed so the liquid stays at a steady but controlled hoil. After 6 minutes, begin checking the parsaphs. They are done when they can be easily pierced with a fork, but they should not be mushy. The cooking time will depend on the size of the pieces; it should take to 10 minutes. Uncover, increase the heat on medium-high and cook for a minute or two, until the liquid to the cooking times to a glaze. Transfer the parsapps and glaze to a serving dish. Garnish with the remaining dablespoon of siliced scallons. Serve hoil.

tablespoon of lions. Serve hot.

nons, serve not.

Per serving: 159 calories, 1 g
protein, 32 g carbohydrates, 4
g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg
cholesterol, 101 mg sodium, 5
g dietary fiber.

PORK, PARSNIP AND APPLE RAGOUT

In this stew the parsnips are dieed and then cooked with the onions and apples until they start to brown. That allows the vegetable to devel-op its sweetness before the slow cooking of the meat. The recept calls for bone-less, country-style park chaps. The cut comes from the end of loin and typically is more suitable for braising than the

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aer atso can be used:

3 to 4 tablespoons mild olive or vegetable oil
3 pounds boneless country-style pork chops or pork shoulder, cut into 3/4- to 1-inch cubes
2, medhum (about 4 to 5 ounces each) onlons, cut into 1/4- to 1/2-inch dice (2 cups)
1 pound parsnips, triamed, peeled and cut into 1/4- to 1/2-inch pieces
2 cups apples, peeled, cored and cut into 1/4- to 1/2-inch pieces

1/2-inch pieces 1/4 cup flour 4 cups low-sodium chicken

broth.

2 tablespoons Dijon-style
mustard, or more to taste
1/4 cup light brown sugar
1/2 cup dry vermouth or
dry white wine
Salt
Freshly ground black pepter.

per Water

2 tablespoons chopped chives, for garnish (optional)

Coat the hottom of a large Coat the bottom of a large saute pan or skillet with some of the oil and heat over medi-um-high heat. Add enough of the pork cubes to fill the pan without crowding. Brown the pieces of meat in batches, pieces of meat in batches, turning each piece at least once, and then transfer to a bowl. Continue with the

turning each piece at least once, and then transfer to a bowl. Continue with the continue remaining pork, adding oil as needed, until all the cubes have browned; this will take 20 to 30 minutes.

While the pork cubes are being browned, thea 2 tablespoons of the oil over medium-high hear in a large 65 equart or larger) pot. Add 6the onions and reduce the heat to medium; cook for 3 to 4 minutes, stirring, until the parsnips and apples. Cook for 12 to 15 minutes, stirring and adjusting the heart to prevent burning, until the parsnips, onions and apples. Cook and the distribution of the parsnips, onions and apples all soften and begin to brown. Add the flour and stir to coat at assessmeltic Add the chicken Add the flour and stir to coat thoroughly. Add the chicken broth, then add the mustard and brown sugar, stirring to

and brown sugar, stirring to combine.

When all the pork has browned and has been trans-ferred to the bowl, increase the heat to high under the saute pan or skillet and add the vermouth or wine to deglaze. Use a spatula to

Glazing root vegetables

vegetables

I am often asked what advantages going to cooking school has given me. Krafe skills, an ability to roll with the kitchen's punches and or mastery of basic techniques are the obvious and true enswers. But they don't compare to my favorite trick. Somewhere between American Regional Cuisine and international Cooking, I picked up a 15-minute method that has swerd many dinner—party and heliditay meal; glazing not vegetables. Here's what to do.

*First, cut carrots, parsnips, turnips or the like — any root vegetable or combination of the property of the combination of the property of the property of the combination of the like — any root vegetable or combination of the property of the property of the combination of the like — any root vegetable or combination of the property of the

vegetable or combination of root vegetables will work — into bite-size pieces. Make them as uniform in size as Melt a pat of butter or heat

possions.

Melt a pat of butter or heat some oil — enough to lightly cost all the picces — In a saucepan just large enough the picces — the assucepan just large enough time to add ginger, garlic or lime to add ginger, garlic or onlons to boost the flavor. Add the vegetables, sift desired, this is little sweet (or boost in the add sweet (or boost in the sweet rice wine) and clear fruit juices all fill the bill. Add a pinch of fill the bill. Add a pinch of

Bring the liquid to a boil and cover the pon. Adjust the heat to maintain a low boll. After to maintain a low boil. After about six minutes, start checking for doneness: The vegetables should be tender but not mushy. Uncover, increase the heat and quickly reduce the liquid to a glaze; this will take only a minute or here.

two.

Sorve as is or garnish with chopped herbs, freshly ground black pepper, sesame seeds or whatever seems right. The dish can hold without deteriorating for 20 to 30 minutes while you prepare other parts of a meal.

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scrape all the browned bits off the bottom and sides of the pan. Transfer this mixture and the pork to the pot; taste, and add salt and pepper as

and add salt and pepper as needed.
Bring the llquid in the pot to a boil over medium-high heat, then reduce the heat to medium-low so it bubbles gentyin the center. If the liquid does not fully cover the meat, add water as needed, maintain the heat so the stew does not boil. Cook, uncovered, for 2 1/2 to 3 hours, skinming off any foam that accumulates on the surface, until the meat and vegetables are tender. At this point, the stew may be transferred to a container; cool the container in an Ice-water bath, then in an ice-water bath, then cover it and refrigerate for up to 2 days.)

When ready to serve, gar-ish with chopped chives, if

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Looking for advice on choosing food

Perhaps the ultimate way consumers are finding to yet their food is the Internet. It has, of cottres, bradened choice, allowing people to buy Vermont cheeses, Alaskan salmon and Virginia hams directly from producers. But as important are Web sites such as Ethicurean, Grist, More Deliberately Every Day and the D.C.-based The Slow Cook (motter. 'An urban insurgent's guide to food for 10°; Allara designed to leip simple services and control to the conformation of the conformation of the conformation of the conformation and the conformation of the conformation of

shoppers make choices may can feel comfortable about. Ethicurean, a site that focuses on sustainable, organic, local and 'ethical'; food, is a classic example. Founded in 2006 by Berkeley resident Bonnie Powell as a fun way to trade information with her filends, it now has 40,000 unique wistors and 500,000 page views per month. The site is a mix of personal essays and news designed to help people who want to

make good decisions about what food to eat and where to find it.

One of the more popular

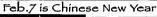
to find it.

One of the more popular posts is Powell's early report on Judy's Family Farm egs.

Powell researched the business, whose egg packages evoke an idylife country farm. In fact, the brand, along with another called Uncle Eddle's, belongs to Petaluma Parms, a large producer in California. That knowledge alone changed Powell's buying habits and those of some of her readers.

Such advocacy is having an Impact, when a GKR Roper Public Affairs & Media survey taken in November asked consumers who they thought had their best interests in mind when it comes to food choices, advocates and settled serviced by the control of the comes of food choices, advocates and settled services when the comes to food choices, advocates and settled services the control of the

choices, advocates and activist groups led-the list of responses, at 64 percent. Retail grocers were second, at 62 percent, and food manufacturers were third, at 53 percent. The U.S. government ranked fourth at 97 percent, ahead of fast-food companies at 26 percent. advocates





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OF A 100-MAN CHORUS to sing the National Anthem at a CSI basketball game

Friday, February 22nd All male singers are invited to participate, including those from area schools and churches.

Since The Star Spangled Banner will be sung in

four-part harmony, two short rehearsals will be held at First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls at

7:30pm Tuesday, Feb 12, and Tuesday, Feb 19 All singers will be admitted free to both women's and men's games on February 22nd. For more info, call Chuck: 543-5480 or Fred: 324-5365.

TECHNIQUES | Cleaning Leeks

s grow in sandy soil and are notoriously difficult to clean. Depending on how they are to be cooked — whole or sliced — there are two good methods to clean them. Both call for first cutting the leeks lengthwise so water can get between the tight leaves.

african asset

METHOD 1: When leaving it whole

■ Trim off the tough green ends of the leaves. Start to cut the leek in half lengthwise, but cut only up to the root.

Attached at the root end,

the leek still will be in one plece.



Spread the tightly wrapped leaves and gently rub the dirt off the leaves while holding the leek under a warm-water spray. Warm water dislodges the dirt better than cold.

■ Cut away the rest of the root



BY TODLY — THE WASHINGTON PUST

SOURCES: Food Network, Cook's Illustrated, "834 Kitchen Ouick Tips"



Lob some lobster in your next bowl of chili

By Bonnie S. Benwick The Washington Post

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Savory Recipes From North America's Favorite Restaurants," by Stephanle Anderson (Chronicle, 2007).

LOBSTER CHILI

4 servings

3 medium shallots 2 medium cloves garlic 1 medium yellow bell pep-

per 2 ribs celery 8 to 10 ounces cooked lob-ster meat (from 2 lobster

ster meat (from 2 lobster tails)
1 tablespoon olive oil
15-ounce can kidney beans, rinsed and drained
2 to 3 tablespoons home-made or store-bought chili powder (see headhout)
1/4 cup tomato paste illustrate l'cup fish stock (may substitute 1/2 teaspoon seafond base seasoning paste mixed with 1 cup very hot water)
1/4 cup water
1/2 cup heavy cream

Mince the shallots and garlic; stem and seed the bell

pepper, then finely chop it and the celery (about 1 cup each). Cut the cooked lobster meat into large dilee. Heat the oil in a large, heavy-bottomed pot over medium heat until it shimmers. Add the minreed and chopped vegetables; cook for 6 minutes, stirring occasional-hy, until they have softened. Add the kidney beans, chili powder and tomato paste; cook for 5 minutes, stirring powder and tomato paste; cook for 6 minutes, stirring ocnstantly. The mixture will be thick; add the stock, stirring constaintly. The mixture will be thick add the stock, stirring constaintly. The mixture will be thick add the oxoft for 1 minutes. Add the diecel floster meat and of the cream, stirring genity to combine. Cook for 1 minutes, or just until those ingredients are heated through. Taste and adjust the seasoning as necessary. Divide among individual bowds; serve hot.

Per serving: 359 cardohydrates, 16 g fat, 8 g saturated fat, 82 grotein, 88 dictary fiber.

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METHOD 2: When slicing

■ Cut away the entire root end and then cut the leek in half lengthwise. Holding the two halves together, slice the leek into pieces. Submerge the cut-up Mikil pieces in warm water. Using

your hands, gently agitate them to loosen the at clings to the leaves



■ Then, put the leek pieces into a strainer. Spray them well with warm water and check carefully to make sure they re

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What to do with old cheese

By Walter Nicholls The Washington Pest

Q: I have several imported cheeses that have gotten rock hard during about a year in the refrigerator. Is there some way to soften them again or to cook with them, or are they too old?

A: According to award-winning cheesemaker

Peggy Smith, co-owner of Cowgirl Creamery, "It depends on what kind of cheese it is, how large the piece is, how much surface was exposed to the air, how it was wrapped and where it was stroed in the refrigera-tor."

No matter what the con-ditions, Smith says that old Camembert or other soft

cheeses that depend on moisture should be thrown away. But a large piece of, say, aged cheddar, Parmesan or Gruyere, well wrapped and stored in the crisper, can be pared down from the surface and grated atop pasta or added to a casserole, Smith also suggests that you shop for cheese more often.





Mold is nasty, but don't blame an airtight home

DEAR JIM: My children have allergies to mold. I want to make my house more airtight for better energy efficiency, but I heard this can exacerbate mold problems. What safe efficiency improvements can I maker – Karla S.

DEAR KARIA: People often think airtight, musty, mold-ridden indoor air quality is the price one has to pay for greater energy efficient. Actually, making your house more energy efficient can boost air quality. Mold spores are a unique indoor air indoor air indoor air indoor air indoor indoors. With many allergens, such as a lalergens, such as a lengens, such as a lengens, such as a lengens.



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because the dead spores would not reproduce, but live ones may still be somewhere else in your house.

Setting your heating thermostat lower

Setting your heating thermostat lower saves energy and can slow mold growth. At a lower indoor tem-perature, less mois-ture content is needed in the air for comfort.

This may reduce damp-ness, installing more energy-efficient windows in high-humldity areas, such as the kitchen and bathrooms, reduces condensation, Windo condensation can drip, and saturate a wall or baseboard

wall or baseboard.

Installing a central air cleaner on your furnace/air-conditioner duct

your furnace/ale-conditioner duct system removes more mold system removes more mold spreas than a standard 9s-cent fiberglass filter and improves the standard of the furnace or heat pump heat exchanger surfaces cleaned they arasfer heat more efficiently. Sealing the return air duct plants saves energy by drawing the air from rooms, not from inside musty walls, attles or basements. Sealing them also keeps mold spores from being drawn into the duct system. Black Gorilla tape or spread-on sealing compounds work well to seal leaky joints.

joints.
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of mold spores once they are established. They can remain dormant for a
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Gourd lamps, from low-price to luxe

The Washington Post

Gourd lamps have clear appeal: The shapely silhou-ette blends with different styles of decor, from mod-ern to traditional and every-tion in between

styles of decor, from modern to traditional and everything in between.

Ceramist Christopher Spitzmiller's luxurious gourd kamps set the standard. They are all over the pages of shelder magazines and are a favorite among designers. But Spitzmiller's handmade lamps are as dramatic in price as they are in style. With their glided bases and 42 available glazes, they dan nun from \$445 to \$3,080 each at www.chistopher. Some of the best knockoffs we've seen are the bulb and gourd was lamps from Tonic. Home coww. \$350 each). The colors aren't as varied as Spitzmiller's (there are only five), nor are the suppose of the stoppes and fively, nor are the suppose of the stoppes and suppose the suppose of the suppos

as Spitzmiller's (there are only five), nor are the shapes and shades as grace-ful, but they're great lumps at a reasonable price. And Tonic offers free shipping on all orders over \$200. For an even less expen-sive option, Shades of Light (www.shadesoflight.com)

has a Twin Screnity table lamp in six colors for only \$169 each.





Gourd lamps come in different price points, from Shades of Light's modest version, \$169. p, to Christopher Saltzmil pricey paragon, \$1,690.



Safety first, yes, but style is next with this extinguisher

The Washington Post

Finally, a fire extinguisher so good-looking you could give it

as a gift.

Homelfuro has successfully married safety and style with its steek new Kitchen Fire lextinguisher (\$24.97). Among its hencitis is its unobtrusive look, so followell be inclined to keep it out on the counter and within arm's length in an emergency. At 4.5 pounds and 16 inches high, it's lightweight, easy to handle and simple to use. has pull the pin, aim and squeeze. The Homelfuro Kitchen Fire Extinguisher is available at

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The whole, sophisticated enchilada

Admit to being from Texas, and people tend to react with stereotypes and eliches, mission conceptions and exaggerations. So the first few years after my move to New England in the early 1990s; I tried to debunk as many of the myths as I could, even if areu to debunk as many of the myths as I could, even if nobody asked.

nobody asked.

No, I'm not an oilman.
Nope, don't hunt.
Uh-uh, not a Republican.
And then there was the problem of Tex-Mex food, a cuisine that in its best iterations is delectable but at its worst is little better than a frozen TV dinner. Because Boston had few examples of good—Tex-Mex restaurants—inj work was cut out for me. [I' was going to do anything about the cuisine's reputation, at least among my cited of friends, I'd have to start by cooking.

The job got easier after one trip back to my college town of Austin, when my dear friend Tanya and I tasted some addictively interesting enchladas at VT-tas Grill. Within weeks of my return, as coincidence would have it, a reader who had also fallen for them asked the Austin American-Statesman for help in getting that very recipe, and the paper printed it. Tanya rushed me a copy. I adapted the recipe to my taste (no mw green hell peper and onlon, please), and I've puade the enchladas ewest sour-spiecy ance made of pumpkin seeds, tomatilos, clantro and honey, thenker of sunder that few perspires and onlon, please, and I've puade the enchladas weet-sour-spiecy sauce made of pumpkin seeds, tomatilos, clantro and honey, the Awes food can sometimes approach sophilistication.

tication.

Best of all, once I started doubling or quadrupling the batch to serve eight or 15 instead of four, they made the perfect polluck offering. Take one enchilada or two, but unless everybody else has had their share, it would be more than impolite to take any more. It would be down-



Joe Yonan's Tex-Mex standby with a sophisticated touch is his Smoked Turkey Enchiladas With Mole Verde. Best of all, once he started doubling or quadrupling the batch, he found they made the perfect poliuck offering.

right un-Texan.

SMOKED TURKEY **ENCHILADAS WITH** MOLE VERDE

These entitladas get their unusual flavor from smoked unkey breast, preferably cat from a large piece, not thinsked and packaged. For those who mistakenly think that Mexican mole always contains chorolate, this vibrant green version will be a revolation. Serve with black beans and rice.

For the mole verde:
Nonstick cooking oil spray,
for the pan and the tortillas
14 medium thomatillos,
husks removed
1/2 cup water
3 cups coarsely chopped
cilantro (2 hunches)
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon chili powder

I teaspoon ground cunin 2 medium jalapeno pep-pers, stemmed, seeded and chopped 172 cup honey 174 cup olive oil 1 cup pumpkin seeds, toasted (see note) 172 cup sesame seeds, toasted in ad y skillet over medium-low heat until gold-en

For the enchiladas:

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2 tablespoons olive oil
2 medium green bell peppers stemmed, seeded and
finely chopped
1 large yellow onion, finely
chopped
24 ounces honeless

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24 ounces honeless
smoked turkey breast, cut
into 3/4-inch dice
12 ounces shredded or
grated Monterey Jack cheese
16 6-inch corn tortillas

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees, Lightly grease two 9-by-13-inch casserole dishes with nonstick cook-

ing oil spray.
For the mole verde: Work in batches if necessary. Bring a pot of water to a rolling boil over high heat. Carefully drop the tomatilitos in the water and boil for 5 minutes, then use a slotted spoon to transfer them to a blender (discard to boiling water). the bolling water). Add the 1/2 cup of water, I cup of the cilantro and salt; remove the chanto and sair tember the stopper from the top of the blender cap and place a dish towel over it; pulse to purce. Add the remaining cilantro, then the chill powder, ground

cumin, jalapeno pepper, honey and olive oil; purce until smooth. Add the pump-kin seeds and sesame seeds; purce until smooth. For the enchiladas: Heat the olive oil in a large skiller over medium-high heat. Add the green bell pepper and onion and cook, stirring occasionally, for 8 to 10 minutes or until softened. Transfer to a large mixing bowl. Add the smoked turkey and half of the Monterey lack cheese to the bowl and toss to combine.

Spray each tortilla briefly on each side with canola- or olive-oil cooking spray, stack on a microwave for 1 minute on heat quickly on both sides in a large skillet set over medium heat. It cool slightly. Spoon about 1/4 cup of the smoked turkey filling mixture evenly across each tortilla, and pitchly and place, seam-side down, in the prepared, easserole dishese. Pour the mole verde sauce over the tortillas, and sprinkle the rest of the cheese on top. Bake for urther south of the sauce is bubbling around the stowes and the cheese is nichteness and the cheese is nichteness.

sauce is bubbling around the edges and the cheese is melt-ed and starting to brown. NOTE: To toast shelled pumpkin seeds: Toss them with 1 tablespoon of canola oil and spread in a single layer on a lined baking sheet. Bake in a 350-degree oven for 6 to 8 minutes; allow to cool completely.

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Red wine diet draws a fan

It is widely accepted that red wine can improve your cardiovascular However, few people fully understand why it is so good for you and how to maximize the beverage's health benefits. "The Red Wine Diet" by Roger Corder, a professor of experimental therapeutics at William Hurvey Research Institute in London, spells everything put, from the selence behind wine's benefits to how to incorporate it proporate it proporate it proporate it proporate it proporates.

ence benind wines beneats to how to incorporate it prop-erly into your diet.

The program is built on Mediterranean eating princi-ples, where most funches and dinners are accompanied by

Sunday in Family Life

a glass of wine.

Corder says the key to wine's health benefits is a chemical compound called procyanidin, and the hook offers a guide to which wines have the highest procyanidin levels

It also provides sample menus filled with many Mediterranean-inspired, nutrient-rich foods such as nutrent-rich foods such as salmon, heans and arrigula, as well as other procyanidin-rich foods such as dark chocolate, apples—and—berries. The recipes, such as a spicy chick-pea—and—apricot pate—and monkfish kebahs with pome-granate salsa, read more fike recipes from a gourmet cook-book than diet recipes.

wine diet is on improving your overall health and longevity rather than losing weight. However, I did find that drinking wine with my meals made me eat slower and feel full faster.

meats made me eat slower and feel full faster.

As a red-wine enthusiast, I was salivating right off the bar at the title of the book, but the chapter devoted to moderation (sadly, drinking too much wine does more harm than góod) knocked all delusions of living entirely on alcohol and dark chocolate out of my head.

It also isn't very practical to drink a glass of wine at your desk with hunch, but a glass or two with dinner is a great way to unwind and improve your general health.

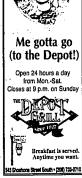
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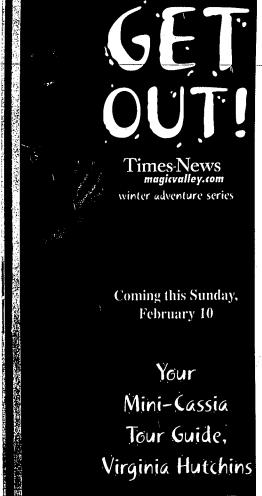
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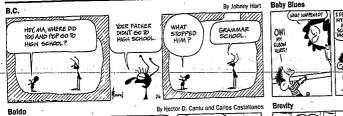






















BUT HER AM IS GETTING BETTER



































IF FEB. 6 IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY: This month, and sgalin september, you are at the peak of your ability to charm others and receive attention. If you deal with the public to make your living, your business will soar and everyone will be dazzled by your sincertly and trustworthiness. Singles could find their true love or their true calling through a career move or promotion. A golden opportunity to improve your life in some important way may be offered in July.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A sympathet 1 par at the ARIES (March 21-April 18):
A sympathetic pat on the shoulder or a kind word at the right time may serve to crack an impasse. Your special someone is willing to experiment or break away from

outines. TAURUS (April 20-May 20):



TAURUS (April 20-May 20):
A change does not need to
nise a red flag, it is in your
best interest to be spontaneous and go along with
something out of the ordinary. A new hookup might
need extra attention.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20):
Talk may be cheap, but good
conversation is a priceless
art, You might become aware
of someone who shares intersibilities without supervision.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):
Try using different tactics for smooth sailing. Old sailors know that pulling one way will tighten a knot and pulling the other way will toosen it. Be willing to change direction.







SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Don't cling to old habits or repeating unsuccessful powelling on the past or repeating unsuccessful actions is counterproductive. Be a little more self-sufficient: remember you can't solve problems by throwing money at them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Open the lines of communication with a key player. You might find that more objectivity is required. A positive shift in relationship dynamics may be to your advantage.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A penny saved is a penny carned. Today's new moon might mark the commencement of a monthlong period when you become more aware of the financial aspects of your life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

aware of the financial aspects of your life. AQUARIUS (Ian. 20-Feb. 18): With a new moon in your sign, you may fall prey to irrational wants and needs for a few hours. Recharge your batteries by reading something inspirational. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Even if you can't be a poet, live as though your life were poetry. Your daily routines may be disrupted for pleasurable reasons.

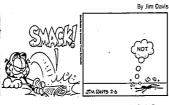
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THANKS FOR REMINDING ME... BEETLE WANTED TO TO PICK ME UP!









By Chris Bro Hagar the Horrible



CHEERS!



Classic Peanuts











By Bil Kenne

Dennis the Menace

By Hank Ketchan



THERE SEEMS TO BE MORE WINTER THAN WE NEED THIS YEAR."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Mommy, I can't breave through this one nozzle."

Tolerance for others' beliefs could help heal world's woes

DEAR READERS: Today's column is a continuation of yesterday's, with more of your thought-provoking answers to my question, "What do you think is society's greatest problem?" Read on:

tinink is society's greatest problem? Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You won't print this, but in my opinion organized religion has a lot to do with why the world is so badly messed up.

Although most religions espouse values of kindness, generosity and good works, in practical application, it seems that religion is used more often to divide "then" from "tiss" and to give people-yet another way to discriminate against one another. It isn't limited to wars between different religions; one need only look back a few years to edifferent sects of Christians killing and terrorizing other in Northern Ireland. And look at the state of religious warfare today, Muslims are murdering and terrorizing other Muslims in Iraq just for belonging to alfferent sect of Islam.

If people were more concerned with doing the right things in this world, rather than preoccupying themselves with what is going to happen in the next one, our world would be a better place.

KIM

— KIM
IN COLUMBUS, OHIO
EAR KIM: Your letter
merit, and that's why I

DEAR ABBY Jeanne **Phillips**

printed it.

DEAR ABBY: I have been in this world a little more than 14 years, and to me, the main problem in our world today. I lack of forgiveness. We hold onto our anger and hate, whinking it makes us who we are, but really it destroys us.

Abby.—I am—not—naive.—I know not all people are good, but I believe people's actions depend on their circumstances and past, and we cannot judge them solely on what they do. If we could forgive people's had decisions and move on, the world would be a better place.

IN JAMESVILLE, NX.

IN JAMESVILLE, N.Y.

DEAR ABBY: It's the "ine first" mind-set that is illustrated by the guy who cuts you off in traffe, the young woman who rushes past the delerly woman with a cane entering a public restroom to grath the larger handleng seal when all the others are empty, the young mother who continues shopping with a screaming toudler having a faurtum—oblivious and not even trying to

control it.

It's the co-worker who rises
to the top by telling lies or
taking credit for the work of
others, or the person who
cheats you in a business deal.

The bottom line? We have
made evil pollitically correct
and faith unmentionable.

— MARTHA IN

- MARTHA IN CRESCENT CITY CALLS

DEAR ARRY: I think the DEAR ABBY: I tunk the problemt is ignorance—ignorance of the fact that we are faced with choices every day and can act on them for better or worse. We are ignorant of our own empowerment when it-comes to the environment, how we treat other owners to the contract of the s, our society's history that times leads us down the same path toward war and the destruction of others. It's the destruction of others. Its ignorance of the plight of our neighbors, our community, our country and around the world. There is woeful Ignorance of our government, that it services the people, and the safety and well-being of the people, and our own civil rights.

rights.
Merlin of King Arthur's
round table said, "The curse
of man is that he forgets." If
only we won't forget that
we are loving beings, capable of
great love beyond measure, if
only we would not ignore so
much, but remember just a
linte.

— MAURICE IN ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Ash Wednesday, Feb. 6, the 37th day of 2008. There are 329 days left in the

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 6, 1911, Ronald Wilson Reagan, the 40th pres-ident of the United States, was born in Tampleo, III.

On this date:

In 1756, America's third vice president. Aaron Burr, was born in Newark, N.J. in 1778, the United States won official recognition from France with the signing of a Treaty of Alliance in Paris, in 1788, Massachusetts

in 1788, Massachusetts became the sixth state to rul-fy the U.S. Constitution. In 1899, a peace treaty between the United States and Spain was rutified by the U.S. Senate. 1933. the

Amendmen to Constitution, the so-called "lame duck" amendment, was proclaimed in effect by Sterretary of State Henry

Stimson.
In 1952, Britain's King George VI died; he was suc-ceeded by his daughter, Elizabeth II.

In 1959, the United States in 1933, the United state of the lirst time a Titan intercontinental ballistic missile from Cape Canaveral, Fla.

In 1978, Muriel Humphrey took the oath of office as a U.S. senator from Minnesota.

filling the scat of her late bus-band, former Vice President

band, former Vice President Hubert Humphrey. In 1992, 16 people were killed when a G-130 milliary transport plane crashed in Evansville, Ind. In 1996, a Turkish-owned Boeing 757 jediner crashed into the Atlantic Ocean short-by after takeoff from the Dominican Republic, killing 189 people, mostly German tourists.

Ten years ago: President Bill Clinton and British Prime mit cinton and pritish rimbe Minister Tony Blair redoubled their pledge to use military force against Iraq if necessary; during a joint news confer-ence in which the subject of former White House intern Monica Lewinsky came up,

THOUGHT

"We are suffering from too much sarcasm."

Marianne Moore, merican poet (1887-1972) Clinton said he would "never" resign. President Clinton signed a bill changing the name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan

name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. Five years ago: Edgling clos-er to war, President Bush declared "the game is over" for Saddam Husseln and urged skeptical allies to join in disarming Iraq, ABCS "20/20" aired a British documentary on Michael Jackson in which on Michael Jackson in which

the singer revealed he some-times let children sleep in his

bed.

One year ugo: traqi Prime Minister Nourf al-Maliki complained that the long-awitted Baghdad security operation was off to a slow start, but the also reassured fraqis that security forces would live up to their responsibilities. Singer Frankle Laine died in San Diego at age 93.

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- Curions, St. Lons, MO. DONNA:

- Curious, St. Louis, MO

DEAR CURIOUS: I knew you would like EBS Facial Cream. It actually works like 5 creams in one jar...t is a Wrinkle Cream...Throat Cream...Timing Cream...Throat Cream...Timing Cream...Tallin in one!



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State residents are getting the last restricted rolls of Idaho Quarters for the next 48 hours

Only residents get these last Idaho State Quarters. Non-residents can not have them.

By D. L. COTTRELL

UMS—The clock is ticking. Hotline operators are bracing for the flood of cells.

That's because the United States Gov't has forever censed production of non-belowed states questions. Hot today, thousands of state residents are calling for some of the last remaining ledhos state quarters.

For the next 48 hours only the World Reserve Monetary Exchange is offering up the last of its private hourd of Idaho state quarters.

Those state residents who beat the deadline will be getting these restricted rolls of the last of their home state quarters at control the control of the last of their home state quarters at face value in brilliant, never-circulated condition.

restricted roils of the last of their home state quarters at face value in brilliant, never-circulated condition. They are only asked to cover the processing fee and shipping. But the government is not the one to thank. "The people of bulbo are sick and tired of the whole unlevers always revolving around New York City and California. So, we felt labbr residents deserved to get the last of these state quarters before anyone else could get their hands on them? con-firms Aaron L. Stryker, Executive Director of the privately owned World Reserve Monetary Exchange. "That's why we're opening our vaults exclusively to Idaho residents for the next of hours," Stryker said. "Non-residents are restricted from getting these special state resident rolls of Idaho quarters. And, you can't get these rolls from the U.S. Gov'l, from the Federal Reserve or from any local bank. You can't get them rolled this way anywhere else," he said. These rolls are not just he ordinary commercial forty coin rolls. They were rolled into special wenty-five coin bankroils under supervision of vault workers wearing white gloves and are currently under guard at the private World Reserve daho residents. And at face value, they are getting them for a real stenl.

These State Quarters heree.

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These State Quarters have never_been_circulated_That's_why_collectors hourd them whenever they can get their hands on them.

"You cannot find these never-circulated coins in your pocket change. Once circulated they are handled and virtually worthless to collectors," said Stryker.

Many of the other state quarters in never-circulated condition with mist contact markings have increased dramatically in value.

"Values always fluctuate and there are never any guarantees as to how much these Idaho State

Quarters will be worth in the future. But I can tell you that the Tennessee state quarter has already increased in value by 1200% since its release," Stryker said.

"We felt Idaho residents deserve to get the last of their state quarters in the restricted rolls before anyone else can get their hands on them."

- Anton L. Stryker Fare when been to An of Perserve M. certary Fact ang

"We've put on extra staff and have earmarked our entire vault stock. That means there will be enough of these special twenty-five coin state resident rolls for all flubn residents who beat the 4B hour order deadine," said Stryker.

But with less than 4B hour semanling, and with a very limited number of coins actually minted, the demand is expected to be at record levels.

"Lots of people will be getting to rolls or more because they make such wonderful gifts for any occasion for their children, parents, grandparents and friends," said Stryker.

"To keep these quanters in their never-circulated condition, they are heing carefully placed into rich gold embroidered vault bags, and special custom-tailored coin jackets for Idaho residents only. Stryker said.

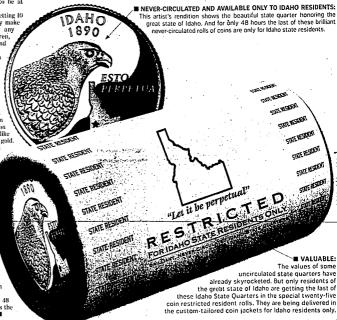
"These vault bags turn the rolls of coins into an impressive gift. The person who receives it will feel like they just got a pot of gold. And these vault bags and.

impressive gift. The pers who receives it will feet they just got a pot of And these vault bugs am custom-tallored coin jackets are available only to Idaho state residents, he added. Whether readers get these special restricted Idaho State Quarters for themselves or to give ass gifts, one thing is certain, this marks the end of the great coin that brought honor and pride to the State of Idaho. With such a limited supply available and only hours left to get them, Idaho residents are scrambling to get all they canow.

So, for at least the next.

So, for at least the next 48 hours, it looks like Idaho is the "center of the universe."

RESIDENTS GO RESIDENTS GO
TO THE HEAD
OF THE LINE:
This is the way
most nonresidents will
have to find the
remaining Idaho State Quarters. But for the next 48 hours only, Idaho residents are going to the That's because readers of today's are restricted because non residents cannot have them.



Values for state quarters soar

If the past can predict the future, the last of the ID state quarters soon may be harder to find

"It's staggering how much some of the uncirculated state quarters have already increased in value. In fact, the Tennessee State Quarter has already increased in value an astonishing 1200%. The values of the Oblo and Loisiann State Quarters have also risen dramatically since their release date," confirms Aaron L. Stryker, Executive Director of the privately woned World Reserve Monetary Exchange.

"It's important to get both mint marks. The value of coins can differ dramatically and there are never any guarantees. That's why savy collectors always make sure to grab up both mint marks when they can get them. And for those who do get the last of the Idaho State Quarter-Dollars it wouldn't be surprising if they were worth significantly more at this same time next year," said Stryker.

Values For These State Quarters 1200% Have Already Skyrecketed. 110096 Could Idaho Be Next? 1000% 8009 Increase 7009 600% 4009

Here's how residents are getting free State Quarters

Every Idaho resident that beats the deadline will also receive a free encapsulated brilliant, never-circulated Idaho State Quorter-Dollar with each roll. Beginning at 8:00 a.m. today, residents of northern Idaho should begin calling to get all the restricted rolls they want to the control of the restricted rolls.

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Residents of southern Idaho have a different number and should begin calling at 8:30 a.m. to get their restricted rolls of state quarters.

ould begin causing at 6.50 mins - 2-10 mill be turned in miss the 48 hour deadline you will be turned and required to wait for future public announce-

ments if authorized by the World Reserve in this or other publications. The standard \$11 processing fee pilus shipping gets you the full unbroken rolls of never-circulated diabat State Quarters at face value, the NOTEMEN OF THE NOTEMEN FOR STATE OF THE NOTEMEN OF THE NOTEMEN OF THE NOTEMEN FOR STATE OF THE NOTEMEN OF THE NOTEMEN STATE WILL THE WORLD RESERVE MORE AND ATTACKED WITH THE WORLD RESERVE MORE AND ATTACKED WITH THE WORLD RESERVE MORE MORE AND ATTACKED WITH THE OWNED STATES COMPANIED OF ANY OFFICE AND ATTACKED WITH THE OWNED STATES COMPANIED OF THE WORLD STATES OFFI THE OWNED STATES OFFI THE AND ANY OWNED STATES OFFI THE AND ANY OWNED STATES OFFI THE PROPERTY DICTAINER WITH A SO DAY MONEY BOOK QUARANTEE OF THE PROPULSE PRICE UP TO \$10,000,00.



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Forget PC: Let's get rid of the scurvy first

There's a state commit-tee in Idaho that busies itself locating offensive place names that date from our colorful past and sanlitzing them with note-politically correct tile. That's how, for example, Lake Coeur d'Alene's Squaw law became Neachen Bay

Hate Stow, for example, Lake Coeur d'Alene's Squaw Bay became Neachen Bay and how Chink's Peak out-side Pocatello became China



ASK ME Steve

DON'T

With respect, I think the Idaho Geographic Names Board has bigger fish to fry. I've just been through Laila Booth's Indispensible 1988 reference book 'Idaho Place Names,' and found some items for the board's to-do-today list:

1. The Democrats, a ruined way station in Owyhee Gounty, Owyhee County, basn't wated for a Democrat shore William Jennings Bryan, who still may be waiting for the stage out there.

2. Gentile Valley, located in southeastern Idaho's Franklin County, which is 93 percent Mormo

premium county, which is 93 percent Mormon.

3. Wimpey Creek, which rises along the Idaho-Montana border and runs out seven miles later.

4. Bitch Creek, in eastern lahols between the season of the lahols Fremont County. The name is a corruption of the French word Melle, meaning "doe." Or so the story goes.

5. Crooks, a glost town in eastern Balaine County mear Fish Creek Reservoir. The hamlet, it seems, had neither a jall nor a sheriff.

6. Scurvy, Saddle, in central Idaho's Clearwater County, You don't want to know.

7. The Ogre, one of the

know."

7. The Ogre, one of the peaks of the Seven Devils Mountains in Idaho County. It's located a half-mile from She Devil Peak and not far from 11e Devil Peak within sight of the Tivin Imps.

9. Strychnine Creek, located near Moscow, A group of painers of European extra pain

Strychnine Creek, located near Moscow. A group of miners of European extraction — who had previously abandoned the diggings — poured strychnine into this north Idaho waterway and poisoned the Chinese miners who had taken their place. But they never found

point to the Chinese miners who had taken their
place. But they never found
the Chinese gold.

9. Yellow Dog, a ghost town
near Moscow originally
named Almeda. The last
remaining resident didn't like
the name and decided heid
rather call it anything else,
say ... Yellow Dog, (He got his
way)

10. Governor's
Punchbowl. A lake near
Sawtooth City in the Stanley
Basin that was named by
Alexander Ross, who the
Hudson's Bay Company sent
explore Idaho in the
Hudson's Bay Company
Ser Gorge Simpson of the
Hudson's Bay Company
then Ross returned to corporate headquarters in
Toronto three years later,
Simpson demoted him.

11. Liars Peak, one of the
highest points in the Big
Hole Mountain near Driggs
in eastern Idaho. Honest.

12. Chicken-Out Ridge, a

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eastern Idaho. Honest. 12. Chicken-Out Ridge, a rock formation located a few hundred feet below the sum-mit of Idaho's highest moun-tain, 12,665-foot-tall Borah

Steve Crump grew up along Rattlesnake Creek in eastern Idaho's Power County. He hasn't been back since.

Digester deal collapses

Company pulls out of peat moss project

By Matt Christensen Times-News writer

Less than two years ago, Russ Davis, who heads a Washington-based solld waste company, though the found the perfect business opportunity in Magic Valley.

To some extent. Davis told the Times-News in 2006, "we've uncovered a gold mine."

mine."
At the time, Organix had partnered with Intrepid Technology and Resources, an Idaho Falls-based company developing anaerobic

digesters in a pilot program at Whitesides Dairy in Ruppert. Intrepid used the digesters to turn manure into natural gas, and Oganik planned to use the byprod-ucts to develop a peat moss-like substance it would mar-ket to businesses like garden stores.

stores. Now, Organix is abandon-

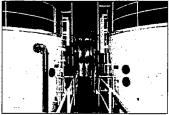
"The expectations of both parties here are not being met." Davis said-last week. when the company announced it was pulling out

of the partnership.
Organix can't produce enough of the peat moss substitute to make the deal economically viable, Davis said

The company had sold 'a semi load" of the substitute to Zamzows, a chain of Treasure Valley pet and garden centers, and other buyers were lining up, Davis sald

said.
"There's no shortage of demand," he said, "but we've just reached an impasse, economically."
Organix will now try to make money on the substance, called RePeat, at a Texas facility.
Meanwhile, intrepid has its own plant to develop a

its own plans to develop a similar product at Whitesides, said Jake Dustin, Intepid's president and Intrepid's president and CEO. Intrepid also continues its blogas program at the site and is close to reaching an



A Washington-based company has withdrawn from plans to make a peat ss substitute from the an

Whitesides Dairy near Rupert, in this no agreement with Intermountain Gas, who would buy natural gas pro-duced by the digesters. "We simply couldn't come to a business agreement," Dusting couldn't agreement with

Organix deal. "They kind of took their bat and went home."

Matt Christensen may be reached at 735-3243 or at matt.christensen@lee.net.

Legislature 2008

A fine old jubilee

Drug treatment home opens doors after four years of work

By Nate Poppino Times-News write:

It was just more than four years ago hat Vicki Adams laid out her plan to

that Vicki Adams laid out her plan to combat drug addiction. On Thesday, Jubilee House, a one-year faith-based residential substance abuse program for women, opened its doors and took in its first resident, who had been waiting in jail for a week.

had been waiting in jail for a week. The program, modeled after a similar one in Bolse, has been the focus of Adams Iffe since he first described be program at an informational meeting in October 2004. The home, at 315 Grandview Drive in Twin Falls, could represent a new start for as may be eight women at a time who otherwise would have had nowhere to go—except likely back to prison, sooner or later.

It's really hard to express how you

rater.
"It's really hard to express how you feel," Adams said, of the home's open-ing, "It's like a dream, and extremely excling ... (and) a tremendous sense of relief."

of relief."

Cherise Merrick, the home's acting director until March, was moving in as well Tuesday, eager to Join the initial three or four women who will call Jubilee House their home. The program will start with the few and expand, Merrick said, to ease into things and iron out any remaining details.

details.

A total 14 people might one day
inhabit the home, including two
women who would be allowed to bring
children with them. Those children
will also receive education and help,
Merrick said.

"So many of their children are in-

will also receive education and help. Merrick said.

So many of their children are just behind, just because of the circumstances, she said.

The building housing the program likely looks completely different to its previous owners. Duxter and Cindy Bail of Twin Falls Title and Esrow. The four-bedroom vintage home, built in about 1918, was pulled off its foundation next to the title company on Stoshone Street North and hauled to its new location in June 2006. Since then, a host of community volunteers have overrun the place, installing new furniture, windows, insulation, flooring and otherwise completely renovating the place. Installing new furniture, windows, insulation, flooring and otherwise completely renovating the place and insulation, and kitchen appliance still at around, waiting to be installed or moved. But the home as a whole looked bright and new, sporting a wel-



AMEN METERS WICK Adams walks through the 2,600 square foot Jubilee House in Twin Falls on Tuesday. The home will eventually be bome to 18 women and children, although they start out with four to five

How to help:

Jubilee House is looking for volunteers to escort residents to doctor appointneeds. For more inform

coming living room and a computer room that will be hooked into the College of Southern Idaho's network for classes.

College of Squarest trained by the for classes.

Large windows contributed the morning light to a look Merrick said would play a vital role in the treatment of the house's future residents. Similar ministries can often end up run down,

she said.
"A lot of them are just dumps," she

said. But a nice-looking home, she added, can reinforce what the program will teach the women: "You're worth this."

this." Not everything is quite settled. The ministry relies entirely on donations and volunteers, Adams said, and though organizers have enough money to get started, they will still rely on ongoing donations to keep the home open. Despite the uncertainty, Adams said she's confident God will belie the home to get B.

"Man thinks we have to have all the money right there," she said. "God says, 'I will provide for you dally."

Nate Poppino can be reached at 735-3237 or poppino@mavicuallm.com

Committee will consider law to curb gill netting

Rep. Marv Hagedorn, R-Meridian, introduced legis-lation Tuesday at the House Resources and Conser-vation Committee Intended at curbing the gill-netting of steelbeage.

The measure would require under certain circumstances that people

buying steelhead trout or salmon would need a license. Hagedom said that hes heard of animal body parts being sold out of the backs of vehicles and on the side of roads. Concern was raised if the measure would hurt the American Indians, and, all Democrats voted against introducing the legislation. Some cited fear the bill asks

the state to turn its head on poaching, as well. "This would be authoriz-ing or legalizing buying wildlife from poachers," said House Assistant Minority Leader George Sayler, D-Couer d'Alene.

U of I scientist gives climate change talk

In more than 75 years

from now, Southern Idaho could see more rainfall, but it might not have the capacity to store it, a university scientist told the Senate Agricultural Affairs Committee on Tuesday. Using six different scenarios split between both 2030 and 2008, southern Idaho could gain water in four of

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State Board to survey educators

regarding

ISAT test By Jared S. Hopkins Times-News write

BOISE — Starting next week, two surveys will become available for teachers and school administrators to provide their opinion on the Idaho Standard Achievement Test, the exam the state uses to meet federal education requirements, Idaho State Board of Education officials told state lawmakers Tuesday.

To find out concerns, ques-

Education officials told state lawmakers Tuesday.

To find out concerns, questions and proposals to improve the test, which was revised in 2006, the State Board will select 2,000 educations—including teachers and school administrators, and the state Board will select 2,000 education as survey with data analyzed by an independent agency, said ISAT Program Director Margo Healy.

A second, voluntary survey for anyone else not chosen but interested will be available on the State Board's Website, Healy said after the meeting, Both surveys will last two or three weeks, and results will be distributed and analyzed by an independent agency. Board officials said they simply want to know what teachers think, and will preserve their anonymity.

"There are unanswered

and will preserve their anonymity.
"There are unanswered questions that are on everyone's minds," said board spokesman Mark Browning, Primarily you hear we're testing too much, but the major question is, are we getting the information we need from the tests being administrated?" teredi The announcement, made

The announcement, made briefly during a presentation on the ISAT to the Ilouse Education Committee, comes shortly after the disclosure of major finance miscues, including the overspending of \$1.4 million. Gear Up. a federal grant matching program that helps provide college scholarships for lower-income kids, was using the wrong type of

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On the Web

For more stories about the Idaho Legislature, a blog by political reporter Jared S. Hopkins, a Who's Who in the Idaho Legislature and more,

Aleene Bush

Department until her retire

ment in August 1987. In her final months at home, three

angels assisted mom and dad: Lupe Hernandez, Barbara Rodriguez and Carol Walker. Their loving and faithful service made the folks life easler.

folks' life easier.

Aleene was preceded in death by her parents, Alla Lee and Beatrice (Mills) Richardson; and nephew, David Bush; She is survived-by-har-bast-friend-and husband of 64 years, Robert Eaton (Bob) Bush; sons, Gary Carol) and Lee; daughter, Dorothy Anne Vowels (Chris): granddaughters, Kendra Kinlock (Jeremy), Kristin Sargent (Bric), Lesle Brock (Jeremy), Erin Caseh (Jerem

gels assisted mom and

RICHIAND. Wash. —
Dorothy Alcene Bush left Richland, Wash., to be welcomed into the arms of her loving Lord, Jesus Christ, on Monday, Feb. 4, 2008, after a courageous battle with numerous allments.
Alcene was born in her Grandma Mills' home in Shoshone on July 18, 1925, to Alla Lee and Beatrice (Mills) Richardson. After a few years in Minidoka, the family lived in Twin Falls, where they had a small truck farm. In her senior year of high school, she was secretary to the executive for the Snake River Area Council Boy Scouts of utive for the Shake River Area Council Boy Scouts of America before graduating in 1943 from Twin Falls High School. On Nov. 17, 1943, she married Robert E. (Bob) Bush Truax Army Airfield in Madison, Wis. In 1944, Aleene joined the Twin Falls Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.
When the war ended,
Alcene and Bob lived in Twin
Falls, where both sons were
born, Gary Robert (1948) and
Earl Lee (1950). In the summer of 1951, the family
moved to Richland, where
daughter, Dorothy Anne, was
born (1954). Alcene lived in
Richland for more than 56
years. years.
Alcene and Bob loved to

Aleene and Bob loved to travel with family and friends. Aleene inherited her father's "green thumb" and loved to garden. She was an excellent hostess, seamstress and cook. She also embroldered and crocheted, but sh dered and crocheted, but she took the greatest delight in being with and doing things with her family and friends. Aleene was always a loving and caring woman who lived by a written budget. She was

by a written budget. She was compassionate to others as well as her own family. She was a proponent of 'loving your neighbor' and 'doing to others as you'd like them to do for you' and instilled that in her children.

Since 1952, Alcene has heen a member of Central United Protestant (CUP) Church in Richland. She and Bob instilled the love of God in their children's hearts. She was a member of the Hanford Retirees Association and the Richland Seniors Association and the Richland Seniors Association since their founding. Aleene and Bob were avid square and round were avid square and round duncers, having been members of the Prairie Studiers Square Dance Club for the past 49 years. It was in the early years that they were thonored with the Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington MacGregor Award, She humbly served as secretary for many years on the Prairie Land Company Board of Directors until poor health compelled her to resign, Alcene worked for the Hanford Federal Credit Unlon before working for resign. Aleene worked for the Hanford Federal Credit Union before working for Rockwell in the Material

William Troy Dickard

POCATELLO — William
Troy Dickard, 47, of Pocatello
and formerly of Kimberly,
American Falls and New
Plymouth, passed away
Monday, Feb. 4, 2009, at the
Portneuf Medical Center following a sudden illness.
He was born Aug. 9, 1920,
in Osage, Ark., a son of
William Dec and Marjorle
Adella Armor
D 1 c k a rd
When he was
very young,
his family
moved to
Filer, where
he attended
school and
graduated



school and graduated from Filer High School. On Sept. 7, 1940, he married Ruth Snelson in Filer. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the South Power of the World and operated a service station in Eden: He then sold tractors and farm implements for the Ford tractor declership in Twin Falls. He purchased a farm and ranch south of Kimberly, which he operated until 1970. He and Ruth moved to American Falls in 1977, where he worked and managed the CENEX Co-Op until 1983. He then moved to New Plymouth, where he operated a custom fertilizer busi-

Wash, A gravesue service wan follow immediately at Sunset Memorial Gardens, 915 By-Bas Highway in Richland. After the graveside service, a reception will be held in the Fellowship Itali at the Central United Protestant Church. Visitation will be held from 12 noon to 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, and from 8 to 11 a.m.; Saturday, Feb. 9, at Elinans Funeral Home, 915 By-Pass Highway, In lieu of Howers, the family encourages contributions to be made in her memory to the Domestic Violence Services, BO, Bos 668, Richland, WA, 99352, or charly of your choice.

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Express your thoughts and memories in the online guest book at www.elnansfuneral-

ness until he retired in 1996. He and Ruth enjoyed traveling and would spend the winters in Apache Junction, Ariz., and the summers in Idaho. They moved to Contello in 1998. Ruth passed away July 23, 1999. He loved to golf and would golf every day with his friends that the weather would permit. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends. Survivors Include a son, Pat (Dixle) Dickard of New Plymouth; a daughter, Pam (Wayne) Taysom of McCammon; a brother, Joyce (Hallile) Dickard of Twin Falls; five grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his particular, with a man and the survivors in the held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at the Filter Cametery, Feb. 9, at the Filter Cametery, Feb. 9, at Washer Church of New Plymouth officiating. The family will received friends from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 8, at Manning-Wheatdey Funeral Chapel, 5:10 N. 12th Ave. In Pocatello, Friends may wisk www.manning-wheatleytuneralchapel.com wheateyuneralchapel.com for online condolences. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Manning-Wheatley Funeral Chapel.

Donna Fay Packard Watson Barrus

Longtime Twin Falls resident, Donna Barrus, has passed away after spending the past several years in El Paso, Texas.

Donna had a dynamic per-mality and greatly touched sonality and gr met She

will be missed by numerous friends and Born

family members Genesce on Sept. 25,

Genesee on Sept. 25, 1928. Donna moved to southern Idabo to attend nursing school in Bolse. There she met and married Ceell Eugene Watson. Donna and Ceell moved to Twin Falls, where she held many nursing, positions. Her last nursing assignment before externement was as nursing director at the Walker Center in Gooding. With a family of four children. Donna was active in Scouting. Little League baseball, PTA and many other civic organizations. Sept. 1928,

tions.
In 1982, Donna married
Harrison Gene Barrus and
spent several years enjoying
fishing, camping and wintering in Yuma, Ariz. With her

own four children and four

own four children and four stepchildren from her martage to Gene, Donna now has numerous grandchildren.
Donna was preceded in death by her husband, H. Gene Barrus; and her sister Doris Lillian Alinsworth of Coeur d' Alene, She is survived by four children, Karryn Brown of El Paso, Texas, Dewey Watson of Twin Falls, Greg Watson of Twin Falls, Greg Watson of Anchorage, Alaska, and Janette Burr of Victor; four stepchildren; Kathlyn Eghert of Twin Falls, Kelvin Barrus of Salt Lake City, Utals, Karla Birkby of Twin Falls and Kirk Barrus of Salt Lake City, Utals, Karla Birkby of Twin Falls and Kirk Barrus of Salt Lake City, Utals, Karla Birkby of Twin Falls and Kirk Barrus of Salt Lake City, Utals, Karla Birkby of Twin Falls and Kirk Barrus of Salt Lake City, Utals, Marla Birkby of Twin Falls and two sisters, Mildred Germer of Fairfield, Conn., and Wilma Daniels of Moscow.

A stroke disabled Donna's Moscow,
A stroke disabled Dorina's

body and eventually stole her life, but the magic in her life, but the

A funeral for Donna Barrus will be held at 13 A funeral for Donna Barrus will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9, at White Mortuary, "Chapel by the Park," Burial will be in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Burley, A viewing for family and friends will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 8, at the mortuary.

George B. Sullivan

GRESHAM, Ore. — George B. Sullivan, husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend, passed away peacefully on Feb. 4, 2008, at his home in Gresham, Ore. George was born in Rupert to George A. and Bliss Sullivan. He attended by the sullivan sullivanted from the University of

from the University of Idaho with a



and were rarely separated during their 54 years of marience.

After leaving the service, they moved to George's hometown of Rupert and say beans. In 1956, George accepted position with FIA in Shoohone, Later, the was approached by the John Spent the next 24 years working for John Deere. His final 12 years with John Deere were at the Portland Regional Paranch office. George retired in 1982 but returned periodically to work on special projects until 1985. He worked at Bergh Machinery in Gresham for nine years until 1985. He worked in carnest in 1989. Upon final retirement, George spent his time concentrating on his two favorite pastients, family and golf. It signed him great pleasure to golf with his family, and he has taught all of his grandchildren to enjoy the game. The annual

Sullivan family golf tournament was a cherished high-light of his year. He was very proud of his four children and adored his nine grandchildren, making them a priority in his life. No matter where or when the kids' events were, you could count on Goorge being there, cheering them on. George is survived by Rita, his wife: daughters, Elise (Harry Nichhson of Boring.

George is survived by Rita, his wife; daughters, Elise (Harry) Nicholson of Boring, Orc., Terese (Daniel) Alfred of Parker, Colo., and Denise (Garry) Smith of Boring, Orc.; son, William (Anne) Sullivan of Portland, Orc.; nine grand-children. Laura. Lisa. of Portland, Ore; nine grand-children, Laura, Lisa. Thomas, Erica, Joshua. Nathan, Shannon, Brendan and Keelan, Ile was preceded in death by his grandson, Aric. He is also survived by brothers and sisters that include May Dallolla of Paul, Paul Sullivan of Paul, Paul Sullivan of Paul, Paul Sullivan of Tugerman, Elorn Bennyhoff of Yunna, Ariz, James Sullivan of Potacaller Robert Sullivan of Buhl, Cecella McCaln of Payson, Ariz, and Richard Payson, Ariz., and Richard Sullivan of Yuma, Ariz.

Sullivan of Yuma, Ariz.
George possessed an engaging personality, a quick wit and a genulne appreciation of everyone he met. He loved his family more than anything else and he will be remembered as a man of honesty, integrity, and devotion.

honesty, integrity, and devo-tion.

A viewing will be held from 12 noon to 4 p.m., with a recitation of the rosary at 4 p.m., Friday, Feb. B, at the fresham Funeral Chapel. The funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m. Saurday, Feb. 9, at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Gresbam. Arrangements are under the direction of Gresham Funeral Chapel. Local arrangements have been provided by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

SERVICES

Roger Rue of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary Chapel, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome; visitation one hour before the service today the mortuary.

Mildred Batterton of Burley, funeral at 2 p.m. today at the Payne Mortuary Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley: visitation one hour before the funeral today at the mortuary (Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley).

William "Bill" Adolf Miller of Bubl, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Bubl United Methodist Church; visitation from 4 to 7 p.m. today at

Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

Howard L. Bevens of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m., Thursday at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the mortuary.

Donald C. Tolley of Boise and formerly of Caldwell and Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. Saturday at Dakan's Funeral Chapel in Caldwell.

Jackle Irene DeBoard of Idaho Falls and formerly of Buhl, Twin Falls and Jerome, graveside service at 1 p.m. Saturday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

For obituary rates and information, call 735-3266 Monday through Saturday, Deadline is 3 p.m. for next-day publication. The email address for oblusaries is obitis@magicallep.com. Death notices are a free service and can be placed until 4 p.m. every day. To view or submit obituaries online, or to place a message i an individual online guestbook, go to www.magicvalley.com and click on "Obituaries."

DEATH NOTICES

Joseph Trau

RUPERT — Joseph Trau, 82, of Rupert, died Monday, Feb. 4, 2008, at the Portneuf Regional Medical Center in

Pocatello.

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Russell W. Pincock

HEYBURN — Russell Whitney Pincock, 82, of Heyburn, died Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2008, at his home. :. will

Arrangements will be announced by Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Louise M. Wheyland

BURLEY — Louise M. Wheyland, 86, of Burley, died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2008, at the Cassla Regional Medical Wheyland, 86, of Burley, died Sunday, Feb. 3, 2008, at the Cassia Regional Medical Center in Burley, Arrangements will be announced by Hansen-

Center in Buriey.
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announced by Hanse
Payne Mortuary in Burley.

Virginia Scherschel

Virginia Scherschel, 77, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb.

4, 2008, at her home.
Arrangements will be announced by Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls.

State warns of increased flu risk

After a few months of quiet, public health officials are reporting widespread flu-like activity in Idaho, meaning residents who have not been vaccinated against the virus should schedule an appointment to become vaccinated; Idaho December of Idaho and Department of Health and Welfare officials said

Welfare officials said Tuesday.
"We don't know how severe this flus season will be, but we believe it hasn't peaked yet," Dr. Leslie Tengelsen. Health and Welfare deputy state epidemiologist, said in a statement. "If you haven't received an influenza vaerine, don't walt any longer." Flu activity can occur as inte as May officials said, so getting a vaccing now may

still offer protection for the duration of the season. The vaccine is particularly for people at high risk for seri-ous flu complications and their close contacts. People at high risk include infants, pregnant women, people with chronic health condi-tion. His cather, disputes tions like asthma, diabetes or heart disease and people 65 and older.

65 and older.
People over age 65 are also at risk for bacterial pneumonia as a result of the flu, and should consult their health care provider about what vaccines may be right for them.

vaccines may be right for them. Health care providers or local public health districts are good sources for receiv-ing the flu or pneumonia vaccines, officials said. For Information about influenza and how to stay healthy, visit www.cdc.gov/flu.

SERVICE NEWS

Bohrn graduates from Army basic training

Army basic training
FORT IACKSON,
Columbia, S.C. — Army
Reserve Pfc. Brent T. Bohrn
has graduated from basic
combat training at Fort
Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

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physical finess,
and received instruction and
practice in basic combat
skills, milltary weapons,
chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and core
mony, maching, rifle
marksmanship, armed and
unarmed combat, map
reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justic system, basic first aid,
foot marches, and field
training exercises.

Bohrn is the son of Tim
Bohrn of Twin Falls and is a
2007 graduate of the College
CENTION CTAININE

of Southern Idaho.

Vaughan completes Marine training

JEROME — Andrew William Vaughan of Jerome has successfully completed training and graduation from the United States **Narrine** Recruit Depot in San Diego, Calif. Vaughan is the son of Thomas and Carrie Vaughan of Jerome and is a 2007 graduate of Jerome Hubs Car.

Jerome and is a 2007 graduate of Jerome High School. He is currently on leave, but will continue his school of infantry training at Camp Pendelton, Calif., then continue on to Quantico, Va. for Marine Security Force Training.





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Senator begins grilling of State Board

BOISE — Members of the Senate Education Committee plan to meet with the Idaho State Board of Education trustees to discuss how \$1.4 million was mis-

how \$1.4 million was misspent
Sen. Gary Schroeder, RMoscow, started early.
After a presentation for
next year's board budger
tuesday by board Interin
director Mike Rush.
Schroeder asked Rush point
blank to explain the deficit.



Rush said that it was true former director Karen McGee used funding from 2008 for 2007 purposes, but the money wasnt misused. "There wasn't any mis-spending of money, said Rush, who said he remains the board's director of pro-fessional and technical edu-

cation. "The problem was that it was done in the wrong fiscal year."

Schroeder followed with a question about unfilled posi-tions, including chief finan-cial officer. Rush said the positions. are unfilled positions are unfilled because about \$500,000 was spent on the development of Idaho Standard Achievement

Tests. When Schroeder Tests.
When Schroeder wondered how salaries and testing could share the same funding sources, Rush said it's normal and contingent on a director's decisions.

Rush added he plans to com-bine four vacant positions to increase the salaries. Schroeder demanded to see proof that such authority for a director exists. He said he requested it from McGee in August and also-talked with Rush about it on the

phone.

After Schroeder finished,
Sen. Mike Jorgenson, RHayden Lake, who said
recently he wants members
of the board to answer to the
mistakes, said "I was going to
ask him some questions but
I've thought better of it."

State bill would grant tax credits for land conservation

By Simon Shifrin Associated Press writer

BOISE — A state House committee voted Tuesday to consider a bill that would consider a bit that would offer Income tax credits to farmers, ranchers and forest owners who protect their land for more than 30 years, from subdivisions and

oland for more than 30 years, delal from subdivisions and unban growth.

The House Revenue and Taxation Committee voted policy of the committee of the committee of the committee voted open 13-4 to further debate the measure, which would fund as much as Seach year for used landowners who agree to preserve their property with senservation casements.

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tion organized bus tours across the state and invited lawmakers to meet with farmers and ranchers inter-ested in preserving their land.

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The group also commissioned a poll in November that found 83 petrent of idaho voters supportive of using tax credits to encourage the protection of rancilles, farms, private forests and open space.

This is one thing idahous have said public money can and should be used for, "said Suzanne Budge, a lobbyist who presented the bill to lawmakers on Tuesday, "This spans party affiliation and rural, urban, suburbant (divides)."

The program would offer

urban, suburban (divides)."
The program would offer
-tax-credits=of=as=much=as
\$560,000 for each qualified
property, based on 50 percent of the fair market value.

Feds, Al-Kidd agree to settlement conference in lawsuit

BOISE — A federal judge las ordered attorneys for the government and an American citizen to take part in settlement talks that could bring an end to a wrongful imprisonment lawsult. Abdullah al-Xidd filed the lawsult against the United States, then-U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales and several other officials in

March 2005, claiming his civil rights were violated when the year violated when the war violated when the war violated with the violated with violated

cated "that's settlement con-ference would be beneficial." Williams also ordered both sides to fill out a question-naire assessing the strengths and weaknesses of the case and declaring the amount of money they feel would make a fair settlement."

Al-Kidd, a former University of Idaho student who played football for the Vandals under the name former Vandals under the name Lavoni Kidd, filed the lawsuit

-us-a-material-witness-in-the-government's case against a fellow student, Sami Omar Al-Hussayen.

fellow student, Sami Omar Al-Hussayen. Al-Kidd and Al-Hussayen. both worked on behalf of the Islamic Assembly of North America, a Michigan-based charitable organization this federal investigators alleged funneled money to activities supporting terrorism and published material advocat-ing suicide attacks on the United States.

'Three Cups of Tea' author to speak at CSI Thursday

Greg Mortenson, co-author of the hest-selling book "Three Cups of Tea," will speak at 7 p.m. Thursday, in the College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Auditorium.

Mortenson's story springs from injuries he sustained while scaling K2,

the world's second tallest mountain and his subsequent hospitalization and association with the impoverished people of Afghanistan and Pakistan. He set a goal of helping those people by establishing schools designed espe-cially to educate the girls in those

countries, a goal that is becoming reality through his Central Asia Institute.
Admittance is free. The presentation is being sponsored by CSI's Honors Program, Diversity Council, and Instructional Technology Center. For more information: 732-6779.

CSI HAPPENINGS

Learn about the Civil War at CSI

BURLEY — The College of Southern Idaho Mini-Cassia enrichment program has scheduled an eight-week opportunity to step back in time and learn about the Civil

Classes will be 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursdays, Feb. 7 to April

3.
Joe Colliesh designed this course to take students back in time to learn about the common citizens experience during the American Civil

War. Participants will look at the clothing, medicine, diet, weapons and war gaming including museum quality replicas and original items from the era.

from the cra.
Genealogy buffs will enjoy learning about searching for ancestors and the dllemmas of in the 1860s.
Civil War and fronter reenactment buffs will develop understanding of the connection between the Mini-Cassia area and the Civil War. Cost is \$50.

For more information or to register: 678-1400.

Student organization

The Asian Student Organization at the College of Southern Idaho has

Coeur d'Alene are approaching the \$1,250 annual tuition cap that was set into state law in 1994.

celebrated by most Asians worldwide and is one of the most important traditional Asian holidays. The occasion is usually marked by feasts, cultural dances and music. Tickets are available at the door the evening of the event. General admission will be \$14. Children ages 9 and under can ear free. CSI students with current activi-ty cards will be admitted free. All proceeds will be used for ASO educational activities.

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holding lunar event

Organization at the College of Southern Idaho has scheduled lis fourth annual Lunar New Year event at 6 p.m. Friday. The CSI event will begin with the Lunar New Year dinner catered by the Wok N' Grill Restaurant, 1188 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls. Entertalment will include Japanese Talko Drummers and other acts.

—Lunar—New—Year,—also-known as Spring Festival, is

activities. ---For-more-information: Dr. John Boling, 732-6580.

Rep. Branden Durst, D-

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therm, said Russell Qualls, an
associate professor and state
climatologist
University of Idaho.
Qualls used three models
— wet, dry, and a midweather one — and applied
each one to the two time
periods. And although the
"dry" models each showed
water losses, the amount
was less in 2080, which,
Qualls said, indicates that
the state will receive more
rumoff.

But while the amount of water increases, storage as well as the amount appro-priated, would not increase as much, he said during a presentation. "Some of the water is being release and just let go

funds and is now relying on

funds and is now relying on private-sector donors. Meanwhile, second- and ninth-grade ISAT testing was cut due to a lack of money for the two grades. But board officials said that

the survey was planned months ago and is not a reac-tion to the financial prob-lems or reaction from the

lems or reaction from the public — it's just a coinci-

"The timing is very good, said Healy.

The ninth grade ISAT, which was planned for spring, was cut due to budget problems at the state board and the board didn't include Irin its 2009 budget proposal. The Idaho Legislature could

The timing is very good,"

ISAT

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into the stream," he said.

He said that the impact of climate change on water poses a unique challenge to Idaho since there are not only physical variables but also the state's prior appropriation doctrine.

House Committee passes bill to increase college tuition cap

House Education
Committee approved a
measure that would allow
idaho's community colleges
to double their tuition limit
to \$2,500 a year to cover the
rising cost of education.
Both the College of
Southern Idaho in Twin Falls
and North Idaho College in

Intervene and approve fund-ing even for this spring—but lawmakers have said such a move is unlikely.

Sherri Wood, president of

Association, the state's teacher's union, said the sur-

Jared S. Hopkins may be reached at 631-793-5717 or Jhopkins@magicvalley.com.

Idaho :

Rep. Branden Durst, D-Bolse, voted against the measure because he feels that colleges need to provide more assistance, and wasn's sure they'd keep the cost down as they promise. "It's give à dog a bone, and they're going to chew on it," he said. in 1994.
College officials say the bill won't increase costs immediately because state law prevents the colleges from raising tuition more than 10 percent annually.

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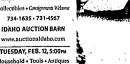
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teacher's union, said the survey was first proposed by the union over the summer at a meeting with State Board members and Superintendent of Schools Tom Luna. She said everyone agreed it'd be a good idea. "We said we cannot go into a school and not hear about how much testing is done," she said. Times-News Ad: 2-21 MASTERS AUCTION

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U.S. service sector shrinks for the first time in 5 years, heightening recession fears

By Vinnee Tong
Associated Press writer

NEW YORK — Lingering hopes that the U.S. economy might avert a recession withered Tuesday after the hadions-revice-sector—tue banks, travel companies, among others — shrank for many investors, who were beginning to believe that the first time in five years. It was unwelcome news for many investors, who were beginning to believe that the Federal Reserve might engineer a way out of the worst economic slowdown since 1991. Stocks tumbled, with the Dow Jones industrial average losing 370 points, its biggest point drop since August.

Much of the talk was not about whether there would be a recession, but about how bad it might be.

"The number's ot errible it's almost beyond belief, especially among the optimists," said Scott Anderson, senior economists at Wells Fargo & Co. 'I think the writing's on, the wall. More and more economists are talking about recession, and whether till be a severe or mild one."

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The January reading from the Institute of Supply Management "was about as big a shock as you can probably get," said Joel Naroff, chief economist at Commerce Bancorn.

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Anderson said he believes fanuary may end up being the official start of a recession. Many businesses already suspect as much. Moving company Allied Van Lines filed for bankrupt-cy on Tuesday, saying it had fallen victim to the downturn in the housing market and its own heavy debt load. Charming Shoppes Inc. — which runs the Petite Sophisticate and Lane Bryant clothing stores — said it would cut 2001 jobs and close 150 stores.

50 stores.
Stocks of rental car compa-Stocks of rental car companies plunged Monday after Dollar Thrifty Automotive Group the. slashed its 2007 earnings guidance. The company said it sees weak demand in the travel market and soft used-car sales. Ryan Kaminski, who runs a Mexican restaurant in State of the State of

Byan Kaminski, who runs a Mexican restaurant in Sarasota, Fla., said the squeeze has felt as both a business owner and a consumer since last summer is growing worse. The restaurant's traffic started thinning out last summer, pulling 2007 sales down 10 percent from a year earlier, and so far this year sales are down 15 percent from a year garden, and so far this year sales are down 15 percent from a year agent appear and so far this year sales are down 15 percent from a year agent. cent from a year ago.
"I used to be able to find a

person from any trade — car-penters, electricians, plumbers — in the restaurant

Service sector slows



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every day," he said. "Since the housing market crashed, its just dried up. Those type of customers are just gone."

Kaminsd, 31, said he and his wife don't spend much anymore either. "We've cut out eating out and we dldn't good on vacation last year," he said. "41, getting bad."

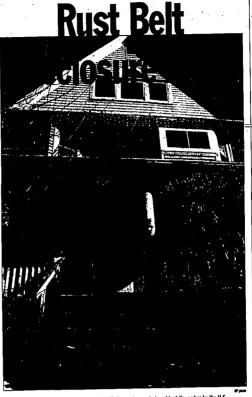
In the tourism sector, water park operator Great Wolf Resorts Inc. is seeing a drop in business at its resorts in Traverse City. Mich., and Sandusky, Ohio — two areas where jobs are dependent on the sagging auto industry, said the company's chier company's chier cutter, both Emery.

Business is up slightly overall for the Madison, Wisbased operator of 10 resorts. But at the Rust Belt parks, families are cutting their spending by 2 percent to 4 percent. "Those are tough markets for familles for right now." Emery said.

Executives surveyed for the service sector report by the Institute for Supply Management fretted over the competition and shaggish sales, said Anthony Neves, chairman of the trade group's non-manufacturing business survey committee.

The ISM's new composite index measuring the health of 50 that indicates expansion.

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Cities fight glut of abandoned houses

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CLEVELAND — Judge Raymond Planka views be scourtroom as the emer-gency room of the foreclo-sure crisis. Weary of lenders and wholesalers who don't show up to answer to housing code violations like unse-cuted doors and windows cured doors and windows on foreclosed properties, he began holding trials with-out them.

out them.

He's put 12 companies on trial in absentia and has fined most, leaving each unable to sell any properties in the area until it pays

up. Rust Belt cities, already Rust Beit Cities, already beaten down by a miserable economy before foreclo-sures began spiraling nationally, are moving to cut the number of houses left vacant when the mort-gage can't be paid. At stake are valuable tax dollars and the survival of neighbor-County treasurers and

mayors-are-filing-lawsuits, and developing land banks to buy distressed properties and either demolish them or repair and sell them. Buffalo, N.Y., brings proper-ty owners and lenders together in court on month-ly "Bank Days" to find solu-tions for cleaning up vacant

tions for detaining up vacant homes.

"It's not a matter of if we do it, it's a matter of when we do it, 'City Councibran Tony Brancatelli said of the land bank planned in Cleveland.

"We can't afford to miss this opportunity. The countywide land bank is going to be a great opportunity for us to seize real estate. We have to stop the cycle of abandonment," he said.

A record-setting number of foreclosures nationally

has helped drive down the U.S. economy. A report commissioned last November by the U.S. Conference of Mayors, projected that 361 metropolitan areas would take an economic hit of \$166 billion in 2008.

Cayahoga County, which includes Cleveland, has about 17,000 vacant foreclosed properties — roughly 4 percent of its 395,000 houses. Baltimore has 16,000, up from 12,300 in 2000.

"The homeowner fundamental commissions of the commission of the

"The homeowner just assumes, well the bank's going to take my house, but he bank an make the economic decision not to take the house," said Cindy Cooper, a Housing Court prosecutor in Buffalo. Then that leaves two parties walking away, each one thinking that the other is

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Airline delays in 2007 were second

By Dan Caterinicchia Associated Press writer

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WASHINGTON — A quarter of domestic flights failed
roattrive on time in 2007
the industry's second poorest performance on record
— and analysis say it is likely to get worse.

More than 26 percent of
commercial flights in the
U.S. arrived late or were
canceled last year as rising
passenger demand and an
industry preference for
smaller planes intensified
congestion in the skies and
on runways. The alst-travel
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growing number of air trafment age — a trend the controllers' union says will
magnify the problem.

The only time passengers
had more difficulty getting
to their destinations on
time was in 2000, when
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in 2007, when carriers operated nearly 7.5 million oneway trips.
Excluding cancellations,
however, 2007 was the worst
or record for flight delays,
with 24.2 percent arriving
late, compared with 23.9
percent in 2000, according
to government statistics
that date back to 1995. The
worst month of the year for
the nations 20 largest airlines was December, when
more than a third of all
flights were late or canceled,
mostly because of the
weather.

There is no sign of
improvement on the hordzon, analysts said, because
airlines continue to replace
larger aircraft with smaller
ones. The practice is intended to maximize profit margins by flying with fewer
empty seats, but it also
means more flights and
more congestion and
delays.

The use of smaller planes

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The use of smaller planes also increases airlines' exposure to rising fuel prices, since it costs them more money per seat to operate, said Robert Mann, operate, said Robert Mann, an airline consultant in Port Washington, N.Y. The Industry has said that rising fuel prices are expected to again cut into profits this year and some airlines have

year and some airlines have raised their fuel surcharges to compensate.

President Bush has demanded action to avoid another summer of record delays, but there is little consensus among airlines, airport operators, Congress and the administration on what should be done.

The Federal Aviation Administration has been locked in a contract dispute with the union representing air traffic controllers since 2006. While the agency insists staffing has no impact on flight delays, the union says congestion problems will worsen unless the government hires more air traffic controllers and pays them better.

"A smaller, less experienced work force will have an adverse impact on system efficiency," said Paul Rinald, executive vice president of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association.

concession to the U.S. auto industry to preserve jobs.

"The added flexibility makes the whole program less burdensome for industry, and it's good for the automakers who are dependent on the big SUVs," said Deron Lovas, who worked on behalf of the bill for the Natural Resources Defense Council, an environmental group.

Other concessions to Deiroit include a provision that returns to

Fuel efficiency law still lets SUVs be big, just a little more efficient This aspect of the law — the first time Congress increased fuel-effi-ciency standards in more than three decades — was seen as a necessary concession to the U.S. auto industry

With gas prices headed for record highs, Roy Berkeridge thought about swapping his pickup for a more fuel efficient car. But instead, the 52-year-old Halethorpe, Md., resident recently decided to lease a Ford Edge—an SUV that gets slightly better gas mileage than a truck but is still roomy and hefty.

"I like the nice sturdy, heavy vehicles," Berkeridge sald. "I don't really like small compact cars. I just don't feel secure in them. I like to feel armor around me for protection."

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A new federal fuel-efficiency law is

designed to make sure that motorists erkeridge can continue to buy the SUVs they prefer — and that Detroit can continue to make them.

Detroit can continue to make them.
The law, passed by Congress and signed by President Bush last month, will require new vehicles sold in the U.S. to get better mileage starting in 2011 and, by 2020, to be 40 percent more efficient than today on average. But even though smaller, lighter vehicles get better gas mileage, the legislation doesn't require reductions in size. Big vehicles will become more efficient mostly through the installation of more fugal engines, rather than any loss of size or weight. And big trucks won't have to meet

the same miles-per-gallon limit as smaller vehicles. The law creates a silding scale of fuel efficiency requirements, with big SUVs having easier targets than smaller SUVs and big cars having lower standards than small cars. American carmakers tend Because American carmakers tend

Becaust American carmakers tend to make larger and heavier vehicles. Detroit's Big Three of General Motors, Ford and Chrysler will have to meet an average of 33 mpg by 2020 under the new law, while their foreign competitors will be held to an average of 38 mpg, according to an analysis by the University of Michigan Transportation Research Justine.

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going to take care of the
house."

Planka still lives in the
neighborhood where he
grew up and knows firsthand the blight of houses
with boarded-up windows.
"The scrappers are taking
the jewelry off the corpses
that are left," he sald from
his 13th-floor office which
overlooks forzen Lake Eric.
He's well regarded among
members of the Warsaw
Neighborhood Block Wateh
(Lub, who have spent time
in his courtroom, determined to see something
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Village neighborhood.

Vacant houses, some stripped bare of aluminum siding, dot the streets, casting a gloom on their well-natinatined neighbors.

"It scares people," said Joyce Porozynski, a block watch member who has lived in the neighborhood most of her life, "Many people have given up."

Across the street from Charles Gilha's cozy 120-year-old home stand three vacant houses, including one with the first-floor windows broken out. Another is being repaired, and a sign in the window warns would-be thieves that there are no

copper pipes inside,
Gilha, a woodworker, has
not given up hope and has
no plans to leave the home
where he grew up.
"People are the critical
resource and as long as we
have good people like loyce,
we'll be fine," he said. "We
may be in better shape in 20
years than the suburbs
because we've got a culture
in this neighborhood that
outer ring suburbs don't."
Cleveland, among cities
hardest hit by the forecles
sure crisis, is modeling is
land bank after a program
in Genesee County, Mich.,
home to Flint, which made
tax delinquent properties

available for redevelop-

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ment.

About 6,300 residential,
commercial and industrial
properties have been
obtained since the Genesee
County Land Bank started
the program in 2002. About
2,300 parcels have been
passed to new owners.
The goal of Cleveland's
program, which must be
authorized by legislation,
would be to spend \$6 million to \$10 million a year.
The Genesee County
Land Bank also is serving as

The Genesee County Land Bank also is serving as a model for Baltimore where abandoned proper-tles are as symbolic of the city.

Efficiency

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manufacturers some of the fines paid by carmakers that don't comply with the law to help improve their plants, Lovass said.

Scott Gerber, Spokesman for Sen. Dlanne Feinstein. a California Democrat who co-sponsored the legislation, said the bill was a good compromise. People will still have their choice of vehicles, but they will all have better fuel economy," he said.

Experts predict that gas prices in urban areas could approach \$4 a gallon this year, largely because of a shortage of an additive called alkylate.

"Clean cars" laws recently passed by more than a dozen states to cut greenhouse gas pollution would require greater fuel efficiency than the new federal standards and are less protective of large subves and trucks. But these

state laws have been blocked by the Bush administration's Environmental Protection Agency, leading the states to file lawsuits.

Brad Heavner, director of Environment Maryland, an advocacy group, said the federal law's more lenient approach to gas guzzlers is a good reason to allow the states to act on their own. "What you don't want is an incentive to make and market larger vehicles," Heavner said.

Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta praised big vehicles as good for the economy and "our way of life" during a speech. "Our new standards will encourage automakers to use cutting-edge fucl-saving technology instead of making weaker, lighter vehicles that put passengers at risk during crashes." Mineta said, echoling an argument made by the auto industry.

Economy

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The group's measure of non-manufacturing business activity fell to 41.9 in January from a revised reading of 54.4 in Degember — its Jargest fron, ever. Economists Surveyed by Thomson 'Financial/FiFi had expected a slight slowdown but had still forecast growth, with a median estimate of 53.

The last time the ISM reported that the service secro shrank — that is, registered less than 50 — was March 2003.

"I think it will be tipping plenty of people over the edge in convincing economists that the U.S. is in a

recession, sald Nigel Gault, chief U.S. economist at Global Insight.
Gault said that in March 2001, the beginning of the last recession, the index had a break-even reading of 50. And during that recession, the index hung around 40 or 49— several points higher than January's reading.
This is an absolute collapse of this index, the said.
Two measures that fell were those for new orders and employment, and that could signal more trouble ahead. New orders fell to 43.5, while employment file to 43.9. The drop in employment is especially troubling.

because the service sector has been the overall econo-my's engine of job growth for

my's engine of job growth for months.

Factories eliminated 28,000 jobs in January and have cut 269,000 jobs over the past 12 months, the government reported last week. The economy as whole lost 17,000 jobs last month, which was the first nation-wide loss of jobs since August 2003.

The financial services industry, part of the wider service economy, has been especially hard hit by falling home prices, mortgage defaults, and the devaluation of mortgage-

After writing down their porfolios and putting money in reserve to prepare for further losses, banks, mortgage lenders and brokerages are now strapped for cash and have pared their payrolls to cut costs.

Challenger, Gray & Christmas Inc., a placement consulting firm, said companies announced 69 percent more job cuts in January than in December, and about 21 percent of those were in the linancial sector. According to the firm, the financial sector. According to the firm, the financial sector climinated more than 153,000 jobs in 2007, a record eliminated more than 153,000 jobs in 2007, a record

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IRAO

U.S. raid north of Baghdad kills 3 civilians

BAGHADA D. U.S. troops BIAGHADA D. U.S. troops killed at least three Inaqi civil-lans and Injured a child dur-ing a maid north of Baghdad Tuesday, U.S. and Iraqi offi-cials said. The attack carne a day after the U.S. milliary said it had inadvertently killed nine civilians in an airstike in Iskandariyah, south of Baghdad. In a statement, the U.S. mil-

Baghdad. In a statement, the U.S. mil-ltary said two men and a woman were killed during an assault on "a suspected terror-ist cell." Insurgents, the state-ment sald, fired upon U.S. soldlers, who then returned fire. The child was injured in the leg and taken to a hospital, the military said. Iraqi police and witnesses

provided a different account They said the soldiers entered a tiny house in the village of Dour, 21 miles south of Tikrit, and opened fire on a family in heir beds. Ali Hamad, 51, hls wife, Naema Ali, 46, and their 19-year-old son, Dhia Ali, were all killed. Two daughters were also injured, including an 11-year-old who dled at the hospital, witnesses said. Dhia Ali, witnesses said, was a member of a U.S.-backed Sunni paramilitary inovement called Sahwa, or Yawakening, "which is fighting the Sunni insurgent group al-Qalda in Iraq. "When the American forces came, they opened fire immediately on my father's, my mother's and brother's lueads and necks," said Nawai, 17, Dhia's sister, who was not injuried. Afterward, she said, the soldlers 'took my wounded sisters immediately to their base to treat them." a tiny house in the village of Dour, 21 miles south of Tikrit,

base to treat them."
Iraqi police arrived three
hours later and took the bodies away, said Capt. Mohamed
al-Douri, a police spokesman.
The U.S. military said the incident was under investigation.

CHAD

Soldiers block flight from capital; France ready to intervene

N'DIAMENA — Hundreds of civilians have died in fierce fighting between rebels and government forces in Chad's capital, Red Cross officials said Tuesday, as the Insur-gents agreed to a cease-fire and their momentum faded, Former colonial power France threatened to enter the fight

threatened to enter the flatt to support the government. Chad's government told the French military it still was fighting rebels using "air power" outside of power outside or N'Djamena, the capital, according to French military spokesman Cmdr. Christophe

Chief rebel leader Mahamat Nouri charged they were being bombarded by French Mirage jets — but France said it had not yet gone on the attack. French intervention in the past helped stave off a major rebel attack in this olirich country on President idriss Deby, accused by the insurgents of corruption and emberging millions in oil rev.

enue.
Tuesday, bodies lay rotting under a tropical sun in N'Djamena, according to a local reporter who left his home Tuesday for the first home Tuesday for the first time since the rebels entered

on Saturday.

Corpses of more than 10 military and civillan victims were sprawled across Avenue Mobutu, a main thorough-fare. The charred hulks of two tanks and several pickup trucks, used by both sides in the fighting, littered the

the lighting, interest income streets.

Most downtown shops and buildings have been loated. Further from the center, the state broadcasting station and the parliament building were stripped by rampaging loaters.

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The Presidential Palace, which backs onto the Charl River, was off limits, the entrance blocked by tanks and tree limbs. Presidential Guards patrolled outside.

GAZA STRIP

Israel kills 8 Hamas militants in Gaza

GAZA CITY - Israel killed eight Hamas militants Tuesday, firing missiles into the sandy control of a Hamas police station as the riamis ponce station as the Islamic militant group claimed responsibility for a bold strike inside Israel, the first suicide mission in over a

year.
The latest round of violence followed two weeks of anar-chy on the Gaza-Egypt border that has heightened Israeli concerns that Islamic mili-tants could use the chaos to infiltrate into Israel to carry

infilitate into israet to carry out attacks.

The last three weeks have seen a succession of violent events — starting with a Hams rocket barrage on Israel, then a dightened Israel continue blockade of the territory, and finally a Hamsangineered border breach with Egypt on Jan. 23 that enabled hundreds of thou-route of Corners to broke or the careful of Corners to the careful of Corners to broke or sands of Gazans to break out

Israeli security chiefs had warned that Palesthian mili-tants used the breach to slip out of Gaza and sought to

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Monday's suicide bombing in the Israeli town of Dimona, some 35 miles from the bor-der, set off speculation the assailants used just that assailants used just that method to slip into Israel.

NETHERLANDS

Maharishi Mahesh Yogi. who taught Beatles, dies

THE HAGUE — Maharishi Mahesh-Yogi, a guru to the Beatles who introduced the

tation, died Tuesday at his home in the Dutch town of Vlodrop, a spokesman said. He was thought to be 91 years

"He died peacefully at about 7 p.m.," said Bob Roth,

about 7 p.m., said Bob Roth, a spokesman for the Transcendental Meditation movement that the Maharishi founded. He said his death appeared to be due to 'natural causes, his age.' Once dismissed as hippie mysticism, the Hindu practice of mind control that Maharishi taught, called transcendental meditation, gradually gained medical respectability. ually gair respectability.

He began teaching TM in 1955 and brought the tech-nique to the United States in 1959.

But the movement really took off after the Beatles visited his ashram in India in 1968, although he had a famous milling out with the rock stars when he discovered them using drugs at his Himalayan retreat.

retreat.
With the help of celebrity endorsements, Maharlshi—a Hindi-language title for Great Seer—parlayed his interpretations of ancient scripture into a multi-million-dollar global empire.

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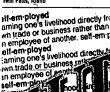
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Whother it was bravely stepping out on "Dancing With the Stars" or getting fired for romancing a subordinate, understanding the six do's and don'te below can help you move your career forward

DO leverage your strengths. Matt Damen has long been known as a widely talented actor. This year, he built on the strength of his previous two "Bourne" films with his performance in the hugely successful "Bourne Uffinatum," belstering his status as one of the most successful action-film

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ring in your salety zone year after year can make you stagnant and, avenport, a master professional mentor and career counselor. "It you'n g amalier challenges. Then, expand your horizone as you grow more ou might even start your own business or embark on an entirely new a

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1. Be Clear About Your Intentions

Terry Wilson-Malam, a Certified Professional Co-Active Coach (CPCC), believes that all resolutions must be born out of clarity if people are going to stay the course. She counsels clients to be as honest as possible about what they want. If you're not sure of what your intent is, Wilson-Malam suggests, 'Start a log of your accomplishments, small and gree over the past few years. Those things will tell you where you are and where you are go next.'

Also, ask yourself what you want more and less of. Do you want more flexibility? Less stress? More responsibility? Fewer meetings? Keep a list of your intentions, as they will inform the action you need to take.

2. Make a Plan with Actionable Steps

"An action plan is absolutely imperative," says Wilson-Malam, owner of Wilson Malam Coaching and Consulting. Create a plan that works toward your goal, whether it's growing your network or looking for now work. Then, she actives breaking the plan down into actionable steps. "Focus on small steps that are realistic. If your plan is to network, choose events that you'll go to, but choose them carefully to make sure they are in line with your overall intentions."

The executive coach adds, "Getting promoted is a bit harder to be actionable about as compared to finding a new job. But you can learn to be in the right frame of mind --think and act like a manager in certain situations at work to help you move toward your goal."

3. Measure Your Results

Results motivate changers to stick to their plans, so it's very important that you see mea-surable results as you adhere to your resolution. However, Wilson-Matam, says, "You have to be very clear as to what those results will be." This stems from having a straightforward plan of action and clarity on what you want to accomplish.

Being able to tick off things from your action list can even be a result," she adds.

4. Stay Focused

it's easy to start the year with the best of intentions only to lose your nerve as your goal is within sight. Wilson-Malam says, "It you've been in a job for a long time, it's really easy to hate it but love what you know about it. A new search and a new job often mean more work and more time and going out of your comfort zone."

Fo muster courage, she urges job-changers to go back to their list of intentions. "If you look at that list and it reminds you that you're stagnating, that will make you less afraid of changing now."

She also suggests enlisting the help of a trusted confidante, a mentor, or a coach who can cheer you on and remind you why you undertook this challenge in the first place.

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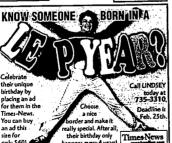
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pass. How annuquated, you may say!

Nevertheless, I thought you might be interested in the way that bridge at the top is sometimes played. Today's deal from the 2007 NEC Invitation Teams is more about the bidding than the play and demonstrates that one rarely is allowed an uncontested auction anymore.

At one table, paradoxically where North-South had a complex relay system and were left alone in the auction, South played a quiet four-heart game.

By contrast, at the table shown here, the Dutch East had an open-

here, the Dutch East had an opennere, the Dutch East had an open-ing bid of two clubs to show a weak hand with diamonds, or a very strong hand — and that made his Russian opponents'

However, Andrei Gromov (South did well to suggest a good hand, then to remove three no-trump to four hearts. Alexei Du-

binin could now envisage short di-immonds opposite. His five-heart call focused on diamonds, and Gromov bid on, of course, because of his singleton in that suit. Well-done; now all Gromov had to do was to make it.

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WEST ♦ 9876 ♥ 1095 ♦ QJ ♣ J543 SOUTH A A Q 5 ♥ A Q J 8 6 ♦ 3 ♣ A K 10 8

Vulnerable: Both Dealer: North

The bidding:

West North East Pass 2 ♣\* 2 ♦ Pass Pass Pass Dbl. 3 ♦ 4 ♥ 6 ♥ •We 2 ♠ 3 NT 5 ♥ Pass Pass Pass All pass
 Weak with diamonds or very

Opening lead: Diamond queen

BID WITH THE ACES

West North East

South Pass , 2 ♣ 2 ♦ 2 ♥

ANSWER: Your partner has four hearts, but almost surely six clubs, not five. (With a balanced or semibalanced hand, partner would have rebid one no-trump, not two clubs, and with either three spades or three dia-monds, he would have taken a differ-ent action earlier on.) Accordingly, go back to three clubs — it will surely

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You don't think of going to a spa and eating more than you ever have. But that's exactly what happened to me in December at Rancho La Puerta, a fitness ranch just south of San Diego in Tecate. Mexico, I was invited to teach some healthy cooking classes, but ended up learning more than I could have imagined from the ranch's chef. Jesus Gonzalez, His dishes demonstrate that good food and healthy food aren't mutually exclusive. You can experience his mole sauce and hot chocolate on page 10.

Ning Simonds domonsomers this as well with her healthy Asian dishes featuring tofu. On page 17 we show how to make Simonds' barbecued tofu that will make a tofu convert out of anyone. And on page 8 we sneak silken tofu into chocolate tarts. perfect for Valentine's Day We're also celebrating mustard with a hearty corned beef and cabbage salad with a mustard vinaigrette, perfect for St. Patrick's day around the corner.

By the way if you want to see my Rancho La Puerta cooking class menu, which included salmon with chimichum stuce and a gratin of potatoes, go to relidenageons nuclea





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#### Perfect Mole

MOH-lav is a rich, dark, reddish-brown sauce that starts with toasted almonds, peanuts, chiles, cinnamon, sesame seeds and com tortillas blended with Mexican chocolate and tomato sauce. It's perfect with chicken, enchiladas or just chips. There are as many variations of this Mexican sauce as there are cooks, and recipes are generally passed down from generation to generation. For our recipe, see page 28.

The latest food to undergo an extreme makenuer is orunes. In attempts to bolster their image marketers changed their name from prunes to dried plums, which is, in fact, what they are Wa're not sure what effect this had on onine sales but if it had anything to do with the new nlum juice that came across our desks, it's a good thing. Marketed as PlumSmart, it's worlds different from the oruge juice of our youth It tastes and looks more like cranberry or cherry juice than thick, dark prune juice and is actually a mix of plum juice and grape juice. It also has some fiber added for 3 grams per 8 ounces, Look for it at

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## LOVE IN THE CRACKER AISLE:

## THE FORBIDDEN ROMANCE BETWEEN GARLIC AND MOZZARELLA



This is the story of how Garlic got caught up in a crazy little thing called love with, of all things, Mozzarella. Two ends of the spectrum

spectrum
coming
together
with unabashed passion.

it all started when Garlic saw Mozzarella out with Tomato. Of course, Garlic was crushed. Mozzarella with boring, old, safe Tomato—how predictable. Little did Garlic know that Mozzarella felt the same way. Sure, Tomato and Mozzarella got along, but there was no spark, no electricity—besides, Tomato was Mozzarella was smitten. Nobody thought it would work! But work It did. This curious little affair

> biossomed into something magical. Cheesy, silky Mozzarella and flavorful Garlic became one.

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Not in a slow cooker All that cullinary ingenuity is put to work without your having to lift a finger once the lid's on. And don't lift the lid either. Every time you do the temperature drops in the cooker and you lose precious moisture.

Or to put it blantly, lift the lid and add an hour to the cooking time I by Bruce Weinstein and Mark Scateringle, food writers in Colebrook. Com.

Lamb Shanks with Sun-Dried Tomatoes and White Beans
Serve in pasta bowls over Parmesan polenta or mashed potatoes.

- (32-ounce) package reduced-sodium beef broth
- large fennel bulb, trimmed and chopped
- small leek, white and pale green parts only, halved lengthwise, washed, and thinly sliced
- 6 garlic cloves, slivered
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
- 2 teaspoons finely grated lemon zest 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground black pepper
  - 4 (12-ounce) lamb shanks 4 cup halved sun-dried tomatoes (not oil-packed)
  - 2 (15-ounce) cans white beans, drained and rinsed
    Sprig of rosemary or ½ teaspoon dried
    - Sprig of rosemary or 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
  - 3 tablespoons temon juice
- Mix broth, fennel, leek, garlic, mustard, zest, salt and pepper in a 5- or 6-quart slow cooker. Add shanks in two layers (some will not be covered by liquid); cover and cook on high 4 hours.
- 2. Reverse shanks top to bottom. Cover and cook 2 hours, Add sun-dried tomatoes, beans and rosemary. Cover and cook until shanks are fork-tender, about 1 hour.
- Remove shanks; skim fat from sauce. Stir and add lemon juice. Remove meat from bones and return meat to cooker; keep warm until ready to serve, up to 2 hours. Serves 6.

Per serving: 430 calories, 17g fat, 44g prot., 26g carbs., 6g fiber, 610mg sodium.

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- Stir in noodles and chicken. Reduce hear to medium. Cook for 10 min, or until moodles are tender.

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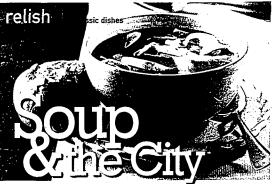
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When the infamous Soup Nazi appeared on TV's Seinfeld more than a decade ago, the world came to understand New Yorkers' obsession with soup, And it's not Manhattan Claim Chowder, but chicken soup that seems to be the root of this obsession.

While classic chicken-based Matzo Ball Soup appears regularly at delis across town, trendy versions of the soun dubbed "penicillin in a bowl" can be found readily as well. Near Union Square, Pepi Di Giacomo. co-owner of Tarallacci e Vino, prepares the dish according to an old family recipe, mingling rich hen broth with the light Parmesan cheese-laced crepes known as scrippelle inbusse, or "wet crepes." The restaurant received New York Manutine's 2006 "Best Chicken Soup" award for Di Giacomo's creation. In Chinatown, black-skin chickens known as "silkies" are the base of a deeply flavored, aromatic, amber-colored soup. Because the chicken's color can be jolting at first, this Chinese immigrant favorite may take a while to enter the mainstream. And at Cubana Café in Soho, diners applaud the chicken soup with avocado. tomato, cilantro and vucca.

If you shy away from trendy, try the recipes below. Our classic version starts with a whole chicken in the pot and finishes with plump marzo balls. If you're pressed for time, try our weeknight version using rotisserie chicken and good packaged stock, two staples of the contemporary American kitchen. I

By Marco Rudman Gold, a freelance food writer based in Chappaqua, N.Y.

#### Weeknight Chicken Vegetable Soup

Canned chicken broth is enhanced with garlic, onions, ginger and parsnips for a guick flavorful soup. Add rotisserie chicken, and dinner is done.

- tablespoon olive oil garlic cloves, chopped
- medium onions, chopped
- (2-inch) piece of ginger, peeled
- and chopped carrols, peeled and sliced
- parsnips, pecled and sliced
- cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
- teaspoons salt
- teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- (3-pound) rotisserie chicken, shredded
- 2 cups cooked eag noodles

 Heat olive oil in a large heavy pot over low heat. Add garlic, onions and ginger, sauté until soft and golden, about 10 minutes, stirring frequently. Add carrots and parsnips; cook, covered, until vegetables are tender, about 10 minutes.

2. Add broth, salt and pepper. Bring to a boil over high heat; reduce heat and simmer 20 minutes. 3. Add shredded chicken and noodles; simmer until thoroughly heated. Serves 10.

Per serving: 240 calories, 8g fat, 21g prot., 21g carbs., 3g fiber, 1150mg sodium.

#### Classic Chicken Soup with Matzo Balls

#### Soun

- (4- to 5-pound) chicken, giblets removed
- stalks celery with leaves, halved medium onion, quartered
- carrots, peeled and halved
- narsnip, peeled and halved
- sprins of flat-leaf parsley
  - spring of fresh dill

  - tablespoon salt
- teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

#### Matzo Balls:

- eggs
- tablespoons vegetable oil
- teaspoon salt
- tablespoons unflavored seltzer or club soda
- cup unsalted matzo meal
- To prepare the soup, place chicken in an 8-quart stock pot. Add cold water to cover chicken completely. Add remaining ingredients. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low: simmer 2 hours.
- 2. Remove chicken and vegetables and strain broth. (Save chicken for another use.) Refrigerate broth several hours or overnight.
- 3. To prepare the matzo balls, beat eggs with a whisk until lemon-colored. Add oil, salt and seltzer: beat well. Mix in matzo meal: do not overmix. Let stand a few minutes.
- 4. Fill stockpot halfway with water; bring to a boil. Wet hands and form matzo mixture into 8 balls. Reduce heat to low and drop balls into water. Cover not and simmer 45 to 60 minutes. Matzo balls are done when white and fluffy in the center. If vellow, cook 10 more minutes.
- 5. To serve, scrape off the layer of fat from the top of broth: reheat. Add cooked matzo balls. Serves 8.

Per serving: 100 calories, 5g fat, 4g prot., 8g carbs., 0g fiber, 1510mg sodium.









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cocoa, sour cream, tofu, vanilla, egg substitute and salt in a food processor. Pulse until completely smooth, pausing to scrape down sides of processor. Spoon into tart shells.

2. Cover with waxed paper, then tightly with plastic wrap. Chill at least 4 hours, preferably overnight.

3. Top with whipped cream and chocolate curls if using, Serves 12. Recipe by Crescent Dragonwagon.

Per serving: 280 calories, 12a fat, 5a prot., 41g carbs., 1g fiber, 180mg sodium

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# Hearts

"The recipe starts with the seed in the garden," says Chef Jesús González as he roasts butternut squash for his Mayan Flot Chocolate. He is referring to most all of the food served at Rancho La Puerta, a fitness spa an hour and a half south of San Diego, in Tecate, Mexico. Jesus is the chef at the ranch and its new cooking school, La Cocina Que Canta, "the kitchen that sings."

"The ranch," as it's lovingly called by repeat guests (who outnumber first-timers). serves food with ingredients gleaned almost exclusively from its six-acre organic garden. This "food less traveled" is the start for many of Jesus' inventive dishes, low in fat and brimming



with flavor and freshness. Jesus has a Midas touch with lighter healthy foods He reduces grocery store balsamic vinegar with spices to create a luxurious syrup that mimics extravagant aged balsamic vinegar. He purées leeks, garlic. basil and broccoli for Creamy Broccoli Soup without the cream. And he enhances hot chocolate with roasted butternut squash, a technique that's sheer genius, Jesús spent 15 years in the kitchen of The Golden Door Spa. and it shows. His food is eclectic, fresh, wholesome and healthy, perfect for hearts at the spa and yours this Valentine's Day. I -Jill Melton

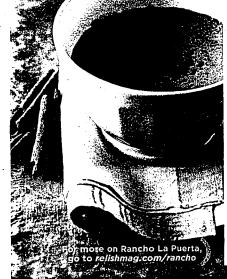
#### Mayan Hot Chocolate

- 1 small butternut squash 21/2 cups 1% low-fat milk, divided
- 6 ounces semi-sweet chocolate
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon Large pinch nutmeg Large pinch cardamom

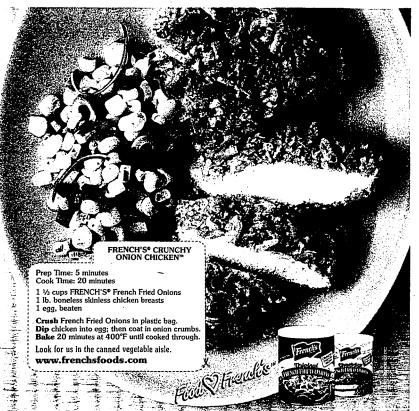
 Preheat oven to 375F. Cut squash in half, place halves, cut sides down, in a roasting pan, Fill with water up to 1 inch. Bake 30 minutes or until squash is tender. Discard seeds, and scoop out pulp to measure 1/2 cup. Purée squash with 1/2 cup milk in a food processor until smooth. 2. In a large saucepan, mix remaining 2 cups milk, chocolate and spices. Heat over a double boiler or in a heavy-bottomed pan, stirring constantly until chocolate is melted and creamy. Remove from heat and whisk in puréed squash, Reheat, Serves 4.

Per serving: 300 calories, 14g fat, 9g prot., 39g carbs., 4g fiber, 80mg sodium

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#### INSPIRED BY FIELDS OF WILD MUSTARD. NAPA CELEBRATES THIS VERSATILE CONDIMENT.

Interspersed with grapevines throughout Napa Valley, a carpet of vibrant vellow mustard blooms from February through March. As the legend is told. Spanish missionary Father Junipero Serra, with Indians as his guides, ventured from Mexico north into California in the late 18th century. Along the way, he scattered the mustard seeds he had brought from his homeland of Spain. A year later, when he returned to the region, "a ribbon of gold" led him from San Diego to Sonoma

This blooming mustard is celebrated throughout Napa Valley during a festival that involves a multitude of restaurants, caterers, wineries and artists who raise money for arts, culture, historic, educational and service organizations Events during the 2008 festival, Feb. 2 through March 29, include food, music. wine and dancing at the Culinary Institute of America at Greystone in St. Helena, a mustard marketplace at COPIA. The American Center for Wine. Food and the Arts in Napa, and gourmet dinners - at Meadowood Napa Valley and Etoile Restaurant. One of the most popular events is The Awards this year slated for March 14 at the Black Stallion Winery--where revelers taste and vote for the most creative mustard recipe of the year prepared by area chefs. Below are two of our favorites from years past. i

By Charlene Peters, a food writer based in Marblehead, Mass.

For information on the Napa Valley Mustard Festival, visit relishmag.com/mustard

#### Corned Beef & Cabbage Salad

We're always looking for something new to do with corned beef. Here it teams up with cabbage and mustard for a hearty main dish salad. Executive Chef Vincent Nattress of Meadowood Napa Valley won the 2007 People's Choice Chef of the Year award for this recipe.

#### Salad

- 1 pound corned beef, trimmed of fat, cut into 3-inch lengths across the grain, and shredded or pulled into threads
- 2 cups cooked Yukon Gold potatoes, peeted and cut into bite-size pieces
- 1 cup halved green beans or haricots verts, blanched
- 1 cup green cabbage, sliced

- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon chopped chives
- Mustard Vinalgrette:

Goddess, by Jessel Miller,

- cup Dijon mustard 14 cup whole grain mustard
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- tablespoon molasses
- 14 cup apple cider vinegar garlic clove, crushed
  - teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1. To prepare the vinalgrette, combine all ingredients and mix well. 2. To prepare the salad, combine all ingredients, except chives, in a bowl. Add 1/s
- cup mustard vingigrette. (You'll have some dressing left over.) Toss gently. Garnish with chives, Serves 6.

Per serving: 110 calories, 3.5g fat, 3g prot., 17g carbs., 2g fiber, 200mg sodium.



#### Pancetta-Wrapped Pork & Diion Mashed Polatnes

Richard Dickson, executive chef at the Harvest Café, walked away with the People's Choice award in 2001 for this flavorful pork dinner

#### Chutney:

cun sugar cup rice vinegar

- tablespoon diced fresh ginger
- tablespoon mustard seed cup diced red onion
- large tomatoes, peeled, seeded and diced

#### Potatoes-

- cup 2% reduced-fat milk
- tablespoons butter
- tablespoons Dijon mustard
- large russet potatoes, peeled and quartered
- teaspoon salt Freshly ground black peoper

- 1/4 pound thinly sliced pancetta pork tenderloin, fat and silver skin removed (about 1 pound)
- teaspoon olive oil
- radicchio leaves

1. To prepare chutney, place a heavy saucepan over medium heat. Add sugar and cook, stirring occasionally until golden, about 10 minutes. Stir in vinegar: add ginger, mustard seed, red onion and tomatoes. Cook over low heat until liquid is absorbed Cool

2. To prepare potatoes, combine milk butter and mustard in a small saucepan. Heat until warm.

3. Bring 3 quarts of salted water to a boil. Add potatoes; cook until tender. Drain and return to pan. Add milk mixture. Mash potatoes with a potato masher. Add salt and pepper, Keep warm.

- 4. To prepare pork, wrap pancetta slices around tenderloin from one end to the other. Slice into 1-inch thick medallions. Use toothpicks to secure pancetta, if necessary. Heat oil in a large skillet or grill pan; add pork and cook over mediumhigh heat 4 to 5 minutes per side.
- 5. To serve, place a radicchio leaf in center of each plate. Scoop potatoes into it. Place tenderloin next to potatoes. Spoon chutney next to pork. Serves 4.

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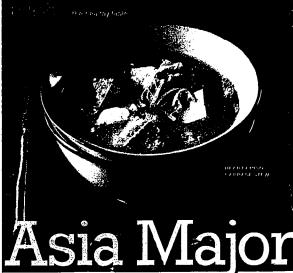


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introduced a generation of Americans to ginger, tofu and miso. Through her articles in Gournet magazine, the New York Times and numerous Asian cookbooks, she showed us how to make Miso Soup

and Cashew Chicken. Now on her cutting-edge videoblog (spicesoflife.com), she's teaching us about the health-giving properties of Asian food.

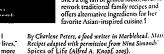
Simonds includes easy, delicious healthful recipes that reflect the holistic E beliefs of Asian culture, in which spices and ingredients have therapeutic properties. For example, ginger aids digestion and prevents nausea, tofu strengthens the immune system, and garlic protects against infections.

"I try to show people how to integrate what I learned while living in Asia into their everyday lives." says Simonds. To her, these lessons were much more than recipes and cooking techniques. They were also

Simonds plans simple meals in advance--such as main-dish salads, soups and stir-fried meals

exercises and meditates regularly, and takes a daily decaf, herbal teatime break to recharge. She frequents farmers' markets and uses only organic produce.

As a working mother, she has shifted her authentic-Asian mindset to one in which she can pull together quick meals made with ingredients from local grocery stores. Her down-to-earth approach is reflected in Spices of Life (2005) and A Spoonful of Ginger (1999) She's a big fan of grilled foods, loves to rework traditional family recipes and offers alternative ingredients for her favorite Asian-inspired cuisine.



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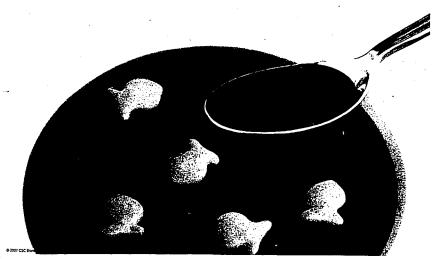
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#### Five-Spice Soba Noodles

"I like to make this hearty and flavorful soup as a filling meal during cool weather." says Nina Simonds. The sobe noodles, which are made with buckwheet, add a slightly nutty flavor. In a plnch, you can substitute other noodles, such as Japanese udon or spaghettin!"

- Five-Spice Hoisin Tofu: (7-ounce) lar hoisin sauce
- % cup rice wine or sake 3 tablespoons reduced-sodium
- soy sauce 1½ tablespoons minced partic
- 1 tablespoons minced gartic 1 teaspoon five-spice powder
- 1 teaspoon toasted sesame oil
- (14-ounce) packages extra-firm tofu. drained and cut in half horizontally
- Broth and Noodles: 4 cups vegetable broth
- 2 cups water 15 cup rice wine or sake
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger 3 tablespoons reduced-sodium sov sauce
- 1½ cups diagonally sliced green onions (mainly green part)
  - 14 pound baby spinach 14 pound soba noodles

- To prepare tofu, mix holsin sauce, rice wine, soy sauce, garlic, five-spice powder and sesame oil together. Add tofu and carefully toss to coat. Let stand 1 hour at room temperature.
- 2. Preheat oven to 375F.
- 3. Arrange tofu on a baking sheet lined with aluminum foil. Pour marinade on top, Bake 35 minutes. Remove from oven and cool slightly. Cut into ¼-linch thick pleces, making sure slices are still coated with marinade.
- 4. To prepare broth, combiné vegetable broth, water, fice wine, ginger and soy sauce in a large saucepan. Heat until very hot. Cook lo minutes to blend flavors. Add tofu sifess and green onion; cook until liquid comes back to a boil. Add spinach and sife carefully. Cook until spinach is ging the wine of the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties.
- 5. To prepare noodles, bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add noodles and stir to separate. When water returns to a boil, reduce heat to medium and cook 37½ to 4 minutes, until al denta. Drain noodles, rinse under warm water, and divide among serving bowls. Spoon broth, tofu and spinach over noodles. Serves 6 to 8.

Per serving: 470 calories, 13g fat, 24g prot., 58g carbs., 8g fiber, 1460mg sodium.



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#### Hearty Miso Cabbage Stew

Barbecued Tofu:

- tablespoons oyster sauce
- tablespoons reduced-sodium sov sauce tablespoons ketchup
- tablespoons light brown sugar tablespoons minced partic
- tablespoons minced fresh ginger tablespoons hot chile paste or
  - I teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes (14-ounce) packages extra-firm tofu. cut into 1-inch thick slices

#### Vegetables:

- head napa (Chinese) cabbage, chopped
- tablespoon olive oil
- nartic cloves, sliced slices fresh ginger, coarsely chopped
- cup rice wine or sake
- cups water cup light-colored ("white") miso paste
- tablespoons reduced-sodium soy sauce
- 1. To prepare tofu, combine oyster sauce, soy sauce, ketchup, brown sugar, garlic, ginger and chile paste in a large bowl. Add tofu and toss carefully to coat. Cover and let marinate I hour at room temperature.

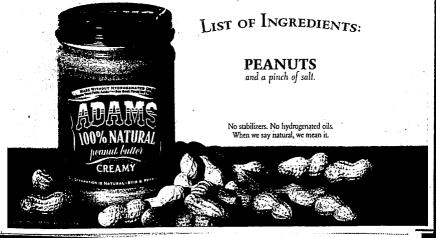
- 2. Preheat broiler, Arrange tofu slices on a baking sheet lined with aluminum foil. Broil 8 to 9 minutes on each side, until the edges are brown and slightly criso. (Or bake in a 425F oven 15 minutes per side.) Dice into V2-inch pieces.
- 3. To prepare vegetables, rinse cabbage and drain. Cut away core section. Separate leaves and cut into 2-inch squares.
- 4. Heat a large pot over medium-high heat. Add olive oil and heat. Drop garlic and ginger into oil: stir briefly. Add cabbage pieces; stir, cover and cook 2 or 3 minutes. Add rice wine; cover and cook 8 to 10 minutes. Add water, Cover and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low: simmer, uncovered. 15 to 20 minutes. Add tofu: stir and cook 5 minutes.
- 5. Put miso paste in a small bowl. Slowly add 1/2 to 1/4 cup cooking liquid, stirring until smooth.
- Add miso mixture and sov sauce to stew; stir well. Serves 6.

Per serving: 290 calories, 14g fat, 20g prot., 18g carbs., 3g fiber, 1270mg sodium.

For more of Simonds' recipes. go to relishmag.com/asian



This barbecued tofu will make a tofu lover out of anyone. Marinate tofu in e fragrant, pungent mixture made with. oyster sauce, soy sauce, ginger, brown sugar, chile paste and gartic. Bake for 30 minutes for a meaty, flavorful tofuthat's great on its own, tossed in pasta or soups, or in our Hearty Miso Cabbage Stew. Be sure to use the water-packed. extra-firm tofu that comes in a tub.





#### Mu Shu Steak and Apple Wraps

This recipe is from Tanner Kohn of Simpsonville, S.C., who competed with his mom, Shannon.

- teaspoon ground cinnamon
- teaspoon pepper
- beef tri-tip steaks, cut 1-inch thick (about 4 ounces each)
- ¼ cup hoisin sauce
- tablespoon honey
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- cups tri-color coleslaw mix (green cabbage,
- red cabbage and carrots)
- Granny Smith apple, thinly sliced
- (8- to 10-inch) whole-wheat flour tortillas, warmed

1. Combine cinnamon and pepper. Press evenly onto steaks. Heat a large nonstick skillet over medium heat. Place steaks in skillet; cook 9 to 12 minutes, turning occasionally,

2. Combine hoisin sauce and honey in a large bowl. Cut steaks into thin silces; season with salt. Add steak slices, colesiaw mix and apple to hoisin mixture: toss to coat.

3. Place equal amounts of beef mixture down center of each tortilla. leaving a 11/2-inch border on both sides. Fold bottom edge up over filling. Fold sides to center, overlapping edges; secure with wooden picks if necessary. Serves 4.

Per serving: 390 calories, 8g fat, 30g prot., 62g carbs., 6g fiber, 1090mg sodium.

Lights, Camera

Just as adults are increasingly savvy about what they cat, so are kids Nowhere was this more evident than at the 2007 National Beef Cook-off. held in Chicago in September 2007.

For the first time ever kids could enter the contest. The only stipulations: they must be between 8 and 12 years old and be accompanied by a parent or guardian. That was the easy part. The challenging part was the recipe, which could include no more than eight ingredients (not including water, salt or pepper). In addition, their "fun" recipe had to "promote nutritional balance, be loved by kids and have all-family appeal,"



Ohio, works with her mother, Teresa, to prepare a dish during the cook-off.

The 128 young contestants were narrowed down to five finalists, who flew to Chicago to compete against each other and 21 adult contestants. Although none of the kids took the big \$50,000 prize, they were perfect ambassadors for budding chefs everywhere. Here are two of our favorite kids' recipes from the cook-off, 1 -- Jill Melton

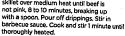
Recipes courtesy of Cattlemen's Beef Board and American National CattleWomen, Inc.

#### **Buffalo-Style Beef Tacos**

This recipe is from Morgan Hanrahan of Olympia, Wash., who competed with her dad, John. We thought this also would be good with ranch dressing in place of the blue cheese.

- pound extra-lean ground beef
- cup Buffalo-style barbecue sauce laco shells
- cup thinly sliced lettuce
- cup bottled reduced-fat blue cheese dressing
- 1/2 cup shredded carrot
- cup chopped celery
- tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

 Brown ground beef in a large nonstick skillet over medium heat until beef is



2. Heat taco shells according to package directions.

3. Spoon beef mixture into taco shells. Add lettuce; drizzle with dressing. Top with carrot, celery and cliantro. Serves 4.

Par serving: 270 calories, 10g fat, 19g prot., 25g carbs., 3g fiber, 510mg sodium.





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By Gretchen Roberts, a food writer based in Knoxville, Tenn.

#### Curried Popcom

Give your popcom international intrigue with a quick cury topping. If you're used to tossing a beg in the microwave, rediscover how easy and goodfor-you stovetop popcom really is. Serve immediately after making with a lightly sweet bubbly like Asti Spumant, India pale ale or ginger-lemon vodka martinis.

- 3 tablespoons olive oil, divided
- 11/2 teaspoons curry powder
- ½ teaspoon salt ¼ teaspoon cayenne (or up
- to ¼ teaspoon)

  ½ cup popcorn kernels
- Pour popcorn into a large bowl. Drizzle with curry mixture and toss well. Serve immediately. Serves 8.

steam to escape.

 Stir 1 tablespoon oil, curry powder, salt and cayenne in a

2. Coat the bottom of a heavy

tablespoons oil. Add a couple

of popcorn kernels and cover

When the first kernel pops, add

frequently until popping slows to 3 to 5 seconds between

pops. Remove pan from burner

and uncover carefully to allow

pan. Turn heat to medium.

remaining popcom kernels,

Cook, covered, shaking pan

4-quart saucepan with 2

small bowl.

Per serving: 80 calories, 6g fat, 1g prot., 6g carbs., 1g fiber, 150mg sodium.

#### Rosemary Parmesan Twists

Puff pastry is a magic ingredient for busy cooks: it's elegant, delicious and deceptively easy to work with. Serve with Chianti, yeasty wheat beer or Bloody Marys.

- sheet (from 17.25-ounce package) frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1 tablespoon water
- 14 "cup shredded Parmesan
- 1½ tablespoons chopped fresh rosemary (or 1 tablespoon dried)
- ½ teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
- 1. Preheat oven to 400F. Line two baking sheets with parchment paper.
- Roll puff pastry into a 10-by-14-inch rectangle. Whisk egg and water together and brush on pastry. Sprinkle with Parmesan, rosemary, and pepper, pressing lightly into pastry with your fingers.

3. Cut pastry into 24 strips, each slightly more than 1/1-inch wide. Twist each strip and place on baking sheets. Bake 10 to 12 minutes, until golden. Serve warm or at room temperature. Serves 12.

Per (2-stick) serving: 30 calories, 2g fat, 1g prot., 1g carbs., 0g fiber, 50mg sodium.

Tip: Double the recipe and freeze the second batch, unbaked, on cookie sheets. Then seal in a plastic bag and keep frozen up to a month. Bake frozen twists 10 to 15 minutes, until golden.





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#### Dashi (DA-shoo)

If you've ever eaten miso soup or other Japanese food, chances are you've had dashi. Described by some as "the secret ingredient" in Japanese cooking, dashi is a simple stock made of dried bonito tuna flakes, kombu (dried kelp) and water. The Japanese say it "tastes like the sea"; most of us would think it's slightly salty and somewhat smoky. In Japan, dashi is used for simmering meats and vegetables and as a base for soups and noodle dishes.

In Japan, many home cooks use instant dashi, called "hon-dashi," a granulated form of this stock, which is reconstituted in water.

But making dashi from scratch takes only minutes: kombu is put into water, the water is brought to a boil, the bonito is added, and the pot is taken off the heat. When the bonito sinks to the bottom, it's done its job, and the stock is strained. Frugal Japanese cooks reuse the bonito for a "second dashi," an only slightly less precious kitchen staple.

The ingredients for dashi can be found in well-stocked grocery and natural food stores, instant dashi can be found in Asian markets, and all of the above can be purchased online. You shouldn't suffer guilt pangs if using instant dashi--many highly respected Japanese restaurants use it to make their miso soup .- Jo Marshall



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Chipotle Brisket with Sweet Potatoes

For the leanest brisket, ask for the "first" or "flat" cut, without an overly fatty flap lying on top. Trim off any surface fat; there's plenty left in the fibers to keep the meat moist. Pure chile powder is made with just ground chiles-no oregano or cumin in the mix. Look for it in the spice aisle or near the Southwestern foods.

- cup beer
- tablespoons yellow cornmeal
- teaspoons ground cumin teaspoons dried oregano
- teaspoon ground cinnamon
- teaspoon salt
- chinotte canned in adobo sauce. seeded and minced
- garlic cloves, minced tablespoon pure ancho chile powder
- (4-pound) beef brisket, trimmed of surface fat
- pounds sweet potatoes, peeted and cut into 3-inch pieces

1. Mix beer, comméal, cumin, oregano. cinnamon, salt, chipotle and garlic in a 5- or 6-quart slow cooker.

- 2. Rub chile powder into brisket; place in slow cooker and turn to coat. Cover and cook on high 6 hours.
- 3. Add potatoes: cook 3 hours, or until meat is fork-tender.
- 4. Remove meat and potatoes; skim fat from sauce. Slice meat and return with potatoes to the sauce; cover and keep warm up to 2 hours. Serves 10. Per serving: 430 calories, 9g fat, 48g prot., 35g carbs., 6g fiber, 510mg sodium.

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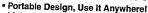


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(Continued from page 10) Three Sisters' Mole Use this Mexican sauce in enchiladas or on baked chicken.

11/2 ounces dried mulatto chile or pasilla, seeded

ounce dried quajillo chile, seeded cup skinless peanuls

CUD whole almonds cinnamon stick

cup sesame seeds (6-inch) corn tortilla, torn

tablespoons olive oil large white onion, diced garlic cloves, minced

ounces Mexican chocolate (Ibarra or Abuelita)

cup tomato sauce teaspoons sea salt teaspoon black pepper

cups vegetable stock

1. Preheat oven to 350F

2. Cut chiles into big chunks. Place chiles, peanuts, almonds, cinnamon, sesame seeds and tortilla wedges on a baking sheet. Toast in oven 10 minutes.

3. Heat olive oil in a saucepan. Add onion and garlic; saute 5 minutes. Add toasted nut mixture; sauté 5 minutes. Add chocolate, tomato sauce, salt and pepper; sauté 3 minutes. Add stock: cook 20 minutes over low heat. Purée mixture in blender in three batches 3 to 4 minutes per batch. Return mole to saucepan and simmer until thickened, about 15 minutes. Serves 8.

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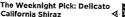
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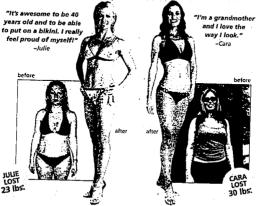
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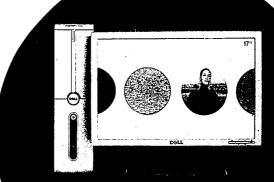
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