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### Funding repairs

Residents to vote soon on 10-year, \$33 million facilities tax for Twin Falls schools.

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While some markets remain strong, retailers say business is slowing.

BUSINESS

## T.F. school land may be for sale

By Andrea Gates  
Times-News writer

Twin Falls school officials this week took the first step toward the sale of 11 acres of prime real estate around the new Canyon Ridge High School site.

Dale Thornsbury, the district's facilities manager, said proceeds from a sale would offset construction costs at Canyon Ridge High School.

"That's the intent," Thornsbury said. "All money from the sale of land would go into the building fund to handle some of the costs we face with construction."

District officials have said the new high school construction project is running millions over budget. A recent estimate from the district put it at around \$10 million over the budgeted \$37.6 million it was supposed to cost.

The land, which Thornsbury said is not yet on the market, includes two parcels the district has declared excess property.

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A view Friday afternoon of some of the 11 acres adjacent to the new Canyon Ridge High School that could soon be sold.

# 'A small sacrifice'



St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center employee Paula Craig, right, on Friday hands her bone marrow sample to Mark Allen, who coordinates the donor program. Craig gave four swab samples from her mouth, which will be tested for a match in a national database.

## Health providers, others sign up for marrow donor registry

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

It's the next step up for Paula Craig. A blood donor for years, Craig had to stop when her iron levels fell too low. So on Friday, she offered a different part of her body, adding her name to a national registry of blood marrow donors.

For Craig, an electrocardiogram technician for St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center who has also tried to

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Study: Robots and Rover equally effective in fighting loneliness.

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give a kidney to a friend in need, the move just came naturally. "God's just given me a heart to share what I have," she said. Craig was among several prospective donors who dotted the waiting

room of the Twin Falls St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute office Friday afternoon, filling out the paperwork for the tissue test that would register them with the National Marrow Donor Program. The donor drive, which lasted from 3 until 8 p.m., was the first held on the site in several years, said Mark Allen, marrow donor coordinator for MSTI. The national list contains more

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### Learn more

About 70 percent of people needing a bone marrow transplant rely on a national network of donors. Bone marrow donors must be between the ages of 18 and 60 and meet health guidelines. For more information: Mark Allen at (800) 845-4624 or <http://www.marrows.org>.

"We all have a responsibility (to help others), I think."

by Haskins, who works in radiation oncology at St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center

## Scientists solve the mystery of Maya Blue

By Thomas H. Maugh II  
Los Angeles Times

Archaeologists have solved the mystery of how the Maya produced Maya Blue, a brilliant blue pigment.

Chichen Itza into which more than 100 victims were thrown after their hearts were cut out on a ritual altar. The pigment, which mimics the brilliant blue of the sky, was produced by heating a mixture of indigo and pyrogallols but traces not clear how the Maya produced it.

other clay has long interior channels. They have recreated the pigment by slowly heating a mixture of indigo and pyrogallols but traces not clear how the Maya produced it.

other substances. Scanning electron microscopy showed one of them was pyrogallite.

Combined with other evidence, they concluded that Maya Blue was produced by heating a mixture of indigo and pyrogallols.

## Judge denies bid to back out of sage grouse agreement

By Todd Dvork  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — A federal judge is holding the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to a deal reached with environmentalists that sets a timeline and other conditions on whether to grant threatened or endangered status to the sage grouse.

The wildlife agency sought to back out of a stipulation filed with the court in January that set a May 2009 deadline to determine whether to list the bird under the Endangered Species Act. The deal also required the agency to consider a new and critical scientific report on the bird due out in November and give the public 60 days to comment on the report's findings.

Across the West, decisions about the sage grouse are considered critical to the future of gas and oil drilling, agriculture and urban growth.

Last month, government attorneys sought to back out of the deal, saying top Fish and Wildlife officials never signed off on it. The agreement was approved by Department of Justice lawyers, who negotiated the timeline and other details with the Idaho-based Western Watershed Project.

In U.S. District Court Friday, Robert Williams, the Justice Department lawyer

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS		
Today	Tonight	Sunday
Clouds followed by showers	Showers coming to an end	Steady clearing and mostly dry
High 46	Low 30	43 / 28

**MINI-CASSIA**  
 Today: An increasing threat of rain and, or snow. Highs middle 40s.  
 Tonight: Mostly cloudy and chilly. Precipitation chances fading away. Lows upper 20s.  
 Tomorrow: Breezy and cool with cloudy periods. Highs near 40.  
**Complete weather report: See page C8**

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

**ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**  
 "A Year with Frog and Toad," presented by Oakley Valley Arts Council, 2 p.m. matinee, Howells Opera House, Oakley, \$8 ticket, 677-2787.  
 "Music in Harmony," presented by Snake River Flats Barbershop Chapter of Barbershop Harmony Society, 2 and 7:30 p.m., King Fine Arts Center, 2100 Parke Ave., Burley, \$6 for general admission, \$5 for seniors and \$3 for students, 878-5464.  
 Magic Valley Youth Orchestra Winter Concert, with orchestra director Diane Davis and chamber ensemble director Carson Wong leading young musicians in selections from classical works to movie themes, 3 p.m., College of Southern Idaho Fine Arts Center auditorium, Twin Falls, public invited, suggested \$2 donation, 423-9086.  
 William Shakespeare's "The Comedy of Errors," presented by College of Southern Idaho Theater Department, 8 p.m., C.S.I. Fine Arts Theater, Twin Falls, \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and students, 732-6781 or tickets.csi.edu.

**BENEFITS AND FUNDRAISERS**  
 Bingo, Grand Bethel Project for Bethel No. 43 Job's Daughters, also includes silent craft auction, 3 to 6 p.m., Twin Falls Masonic Temple, corner of Blue Lakes and Falls Avenue, 326-4266.  
 Cub Scout Pack and Boy Scout Troop No. 65 and Girl Scout Troop No. 640 35th annual Pancake Supper, also includes eggs, sausage, hash browns and beverages, 3 to 8 p.m., First Christian Church, 601 Shoshone St. N., Twin Falls, \$5 single and \$14 family, 734-7393.  
 The 6th annual Magic Valley Chapter Rally for "Wildlife" banquet and fundraiser, featuring Dutch-oven meal, silent and live auctions and raffles, 5:30 p.m. doors open, Furniture Now building, Kimberly Road, Twin Falls, (208) 313-3633 or (208) 420-1233.  
 Blue Lakes Rotary Club Bunko fundraiser, includes door prizes, raffles, game prizes and a hot-beer and wine bar, 6 p.m., Pandora's Restaurant, 116 Hansen St., Twin Falls, proceeds to support the club's community projects, \$20 per person, 734-2097.  
 Flir High School Rodeo Club 2nd annual dinner and auction, featuring barbecue beef, baked beans and Dutch-oven cobbler, 6 p.m. dinner with auction to follow, Flir High School cafeteria, 731-4257.

**CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**  
 Magic Valley Iris Society annual meeting, with bingo iris party to follow, 11:30 a.m., Riley Creek Restaurant, 611 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, visitors and new members welcome, 734-3613, 308-7054 or 324-8489.

**EXHIBITS**  
 Sally Machlis "Books of a Taiwan Autumn," 1 to 9 p.m., Jean B. King Gallery, Herrett Center for Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, no cost, 732-6655.

**MUSEUMS**  
 Faulkner Planetarium "Planet Patrol: Solar System" "Stakeout" at 2 p.m.; "WSKY: Radio Station of the Stars" at 4 p.m.; "Icy Worlds/Saving the Night/Live Sky Tour" at 7 p.m.; and "Pink Floyd: The Wall" at 8:15 p.m., Herrett Center for Arts and Science, north end of the College of Southern Idaho campus, Twin Falls, \$4 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and \$9 for families, 732-6655.

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

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@magicalvalley.com; by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the event.

NOTABLE QUOTE

"It's nice just to be here with all the guys and just mucking in as one of the lads."  
 — Britain's Prince Harry on his assignment in Helmand Province, where most of the 7,800 British soldiers in Afghanistan are based.

**Snowpack level**

Watershed	% of Avg.	% season peak**	Oakley Salmon Falls	100%	88%
Salmon	110%	87%	102%	102%	84%
Big Wood	103%	84%			
Little Wood	101%	81%			
Big Lost	101%	77%			
Little Lost	113%	83%			
Henrys Fork/Teton	105%	84%			
Upper Snake Basin	96%	70%			

\* A comparison of basin snowpack on the day with a 30-year average.  
 \*\* An indicator of basin snowpack for the entire snow season, which peaks in spring.

MORNING BRIEFING

AROUND THE WORLD

CHILDREN'S DEATHS SPARK PROTESTS



A Palestinian boy chants slogans while holding a shield during a protest against the killing of Palestinian children in Israeli air strikes, in Gaza City, Friday. Since Wednesday, 32 Palestinians have been killed by Israeli missile strikes, including 15 civilians, among them eight children, according to Palestinian officials. The boy's bandana reads 'save my childhood.'

**TEXAS**  
**Obama says Clinton ad scares voters, asks wrong question about national security**

HOUSTON — Democrat Barack Obama accused rival Hillary Rodham Clinton on Friday of trying to "play on people's fears to scare up votes" with a television ad showing sleeping children and asking who would be more qualified to answer a national security emergency call at 3 a.m.

"The question is not about picking up the phone. The question is: What kind of judgment will you make when you answer?" Obama said as he campaigned in Texas ahead of crucial contests here and in Ohio on Tuesday.  
 "We've had a red phone moment. It was the decision to invade Iraq. And Senator Clinton gave the wrong answer. George Bush gave the wrong answer. John McCain gave the wrong answer," Obama said.

Obama's response to his Democratic rival's ad — which began airing in Texas on Friday morning — was a double-barreled swipe at both Clinton and the likely Republican presidential nominee.

Falls show a tight race between Obama and Clinton in both states. Military issues play well in Texas, home to 16 active-duty military bases, including Fort Hood, the nation's largest Army post.

**OKLAHOMA**

**Jury convicts man in slaying of 10-year-old**

NORMAN, Okla. — A jury found a man guilty of first-degree murder Friday in the killing of a 10-year-old girl, reaching its decision within minutes the day after hearing his macabre videotaped confession.

Kevin Underwood, a former grocery stocker who claimed Internet pornography stoked his cannibalistic fantasies, showed no emotion as the verdict was announced. Family members of the victim, Jamie Rose Bolin, patted each other and shook hands.

The girl's body was found in a plastic tub in Underwood's apartment in April 2006. Jurors had heard his detailed videotaped confession in court Thursday. Judge Candace Blalock told jurors to return to court Monday morning for the penalty phase. Prosecutors have said they intend to seek the death penalty, while the defense has said it will seek to

spare his life. Deputies led Underwood, 28, away in handcuffs once jurors had left the courtroom.

Rose Fox, Jamie's grandmother, said after the verdict that she was originally against the death penalty in the case, but has now changed her mind.

**BRITAIN**

**Amy Winehouse cleared of tampering with witnesses in case involving her husband**

LONDON — Police are no longer investigating Amy Winehouse on suspicion of attempting to interfere with a court case involving her husband, her spokesman said Friday. The 24-year-old singer is no longer required to return to a police station for further questioning, her spokesman, Chris Goodman, said in a statement.

"Amy is pleased to be discounted from the investigation and thanks the police for their professionalism in their dealings with her," the statement said.

Winehouse was arrested in December after being called to a police station. At the time, she was released on police bail and had been asked to return at a later date for questioning.

Police said they cannot identify former suspects by name, but they did confirm that prosecutors planned to take no further action against a 24-year-old arrested in December on suspicion of trying to pervert the course of justice.

Meanwhile, Winehouse's husband, Blake Fielder-Civil, appeared in a London court Friday on charges of attacking a pub landlord and then later conspiring with him to withdraw as a witness at the trial.

Fielder-Civil spoke only to

confirm his name and plead not guilty. He is due to appear again in April.

**FRANCE**

**Body of Katoucha Niane, former model, found in the Seine**

PARIS — The body of Katoucha Niane, one of the first African women to attain international stardom as a model and a vocal opponent of female genital mutilation, was found in the Seine River, police said Friday.

Known simply as Katoucha, the former top model for Yves Saint Laurent and other top designers was found Thursday near the Garigliano bridge in Paris, judicial police in Paris said.

An autopsy showed no signs of foul play pointing to the possibility that the 47-year-old may have fallen accidentally into the river, they said.

She had been missing since January and was last seen returning home from a party. She lived in a houseboat near Paris' Alexandre III bridge, and her handbag was later found on the boat.

The Guinean-born model told The Associated Press in 1994 that she ran away to Europe at 17 aiming to be a model. Her big break came when Jules-Francoise Crayau, the designer at Lanvin, spotted her in a line-up. The label hired her as a fitting model. Her first catwalk modeling was for Thierry Mugler at the start of the 1990s.

After quitting the runway, she turned to speaking out actively against female circumcision, describing her own experience at age 9 in a book, "Katoucha, In My World," which was published last year.

"I will never get the incomparable pain out of my head," she wrote in the book, which

she dedicated to her three children. In the book, she also detailed wild nights of partying, alcohol and drugs.

Vanity Fair's fashion and style director, Michael Roberts, said Katoucha was "one those girls who used her fame to spotlight the misfortunes of others."

**WISCONSIN**

**Leap Year baby, 96, celebrating 24th birthday with family**

CHIPPEWA FALLS — Tillie Iverson is observing her 24th birthday Friday — at the age of 96.

Family members from as far away as Florida, Ohio, Nevada and North Carolina are helping her celebrate her Leap Year birthday.

Iverson was born in 1912 on Feb. 29, a date that only comes around every four years. Like others born on that date, she has sometimes marked her birthday on Feb. 28 and sometimes on March 1.

"It depended on what day of the week it was and what fit the best," Iverson said. "Someone might have been too busy one day, so we'd do it another day."

But she still feels a little cheated as a Leap Day baby. "I didn't enjoy it at all," she said. "The day before, that's not my birthday. And the day after, that's not my birthday either. I've been shorted on birthdays."

Iverson, whose husband died in 1993, helped deliver 42 babies over the years as a midwife. She kept a scrapbook with information on the infants.

"We'd get up in the morning and she'd be boiling her instruments on the kitchen stove, and she'd tell us about the babies," she said. Evelyn Maloney, one of four surviving siblings, says they others have died.

Iverson lives in an apartment in Chippewa Falls where she still handles many of the daily chores of life, with help from Maloney, who visits often.

— The Associated Press

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# Lawmakers try to revive bill for energy-efficient Idaho buildings

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Just hours after a plan to require major new state-funded buildings to meet new energy-efficiency standards died in the Senate State Affairs Committee on Friday, lawmakers were working to revive a less-stringent alternative.

The measure was dumped on a 5-4 vote, after passing 55-11 in the House.

Later in the day, however, an agreement appeared likely to temper some mandates within the bill and make it more palatable to opponents. A renewed hearing is planned for Monday, said Sen. Kate Kelly, R-Boise and one of the sponsors.

Republican Sens. Brad Little, of Emmett; Bob Geddes, of Soda Springs; Joe Stegner, of Lewiston; Denton Darrington, of Declo; and Mike Jorgensen, of Hayden, voted against the bill.

They listened to concerns of the Idaho Division of Public Works, whose administrator, Tim Mason, told them design work meant to determine a proposed state building's energy savings could add to unnecessary upfront construction costs. The agency is already trying to save energy, but the bills' requirements go too far, Mason said.

"I can't see too much difference between what the bill requires public works to do, and what public works is already doing."

— Sen. Denton Darrington, R-Declo

"This is for the most part taking place," said Darrington, who said he would have backed the bill had it been just a nonbinding resolution. "I can't see too much difference between what the bill requires public works to do, and what public works is already doing."

A similar bill failed in 2007. The bill—that was voted down Friday would have required future large projects to be built to energy-efficiency standards 30 percent higher than required by existing Idaho law. The results were to be reported to the governor and Legislature, to make sure the program was working.

The bill would have allowed projects to get a waiver from the standard in instances where Idaho's Permanent Building Fund Advisory Council, which oversees state construction, deems it impractical to meet efficiency measures needed to achieve the 30 percent standard.

Mason told the panel his agency is already doing its best to achieve energy-efficiency standards that exceed

state requirements. Still, he said, making it a requirement would at the very least add to the steps his agency must take in designing its buildings.

After the bill died Friday, Rep. George Eskridge, R-Dover and head of the Joint Energy, Environment & Technology Interim Committee that unanimously backed the plan, said the vote shows a shortsighted view that places a premium on initial construction, without considering that taxpayers will be on the hook to pay for buildings decades into the future.

Had such a policy already been in place, Eskridge said, the 14,000-square-foot Aqueduct Research Institute built by the University of Idaho in Hagerman in 2005 might have gotten an energy-efficient heating and cooling system that taps into the region's natural geothermal springs.

Instead, it has a propane system that cost the institute more than \$42,000 in its first year.

# Marrow

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than 19 million volunteers, about 14,000 of who are registered with St. Luke's, Allen said. But it can be tough to find a match. Of an estimated 10,000 patients in need last year, only 4,000 found donors. And only 10 donors from the Magic Valley were called upon. No hospitals in the area have the facilities to perform the transplants.

"You never know who's going to be the match," Allen said. "One in 200 might be called."

And complicating the search is the fact that patients are more likely to match someone of their own race or ethnicity. Many minority groups are under-represented on the national list, Allen said.

That's why Twin Falls resident Erma Weigt made time to stop by. After reading about the drive in the *Times-News*, Weigt said she felt the need to

add to the ranks of Latino donors.

"And if it helps somebody, great," she said.

Those interviewed acknowledged the painful reputation marrow donation has. But donors now have another option where blood-forming cells are simply filtered out of the body, Allen said. And even the normal surgical procedure — in which doctors use special, hollow needles to take liquid marrow out of someone's pelvic bones — wasn't enough to spook the donors.

"It's not life-threatening to me," Weigt said.

Many donors wore St. Luke's Magic Valley nametags. Becky Iaskins, who works in radiation oncology, said hospital workers may have been drawn to donate because of what draws them to the medical field.

"Everyone has a part to play

in this," she said. "We all have a responsibility (to help others), I think."

"That included the hospital's Magic Valley Health Foundation, which covered the \$52-per-donor cost of the testing kits and registrations. Though Allen hadn't set up shop at the cancer center in some time, he usually does at least one sponsored drive in the Twin Falls area each year, he said, and had another scheduled for the College of Idaho campus in Caldwell today.

The turnout often varies due to weather, time of year and other factors. But if Friday was any indication, the drives attract a passionate crowd.

"It's a small sacrifice to help somebody live," Craig said.

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# Sale

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One of the parcels is about 4.2 acres, zoned for commercial development, and the other is 6.8 acres, zoned for residential use, he said.

Both are in the district's Riverhawk Subdivision, named for the future high school's mascot.

Thornberry said. The residential land, which was last appraised for about \$493,000, is west of the high school site. The commercial parcel, which

was last appraised for \$2.4 million, is at Washington Street and what will become Cheney Drive, said Thornberry.

By law, public land must have been appraised within one year of a sale. The property was last appraised in February 2007, so a new one is needed.

The school board unanimously authorized a \$5,000 payment to Western Appraisal and Investment Co., which also did the prior

appraisal, but did not set a date for the work or for a sale.

It's not known if the land will appraise for more money than it did last year, but nearby development like a hospital and a Wal-Mart, along with the addition of street infrastructure, could push up its value, said Thornberry.

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# Grouse

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representing the wildlife service, said the agreement is technically not binding because the government opted to back out before the judge signed it.

Williams also said that holding to arbitrary deadlines would keep agency officials from making a listing decision before 2009, and he argued that it's customary for agency heads to consent to

agreements before steps are taken to make them legally binding.

"Unfortunately, that didn't happen here," Williams said.

Judge B. Lynn Winnill rejected those claims, saying the deal, which was filed with the court, should be treated and honored like any other legally binding contract.

The ruling is another setback for the agency since it ruled in January 2005 that the

sage grouse did not merit threatened or endangered status.

In 2006, Western Watershed Projects and other groups challenged the agency's decision in federal court, claiming the decision not to list the species was flawed and unfairly influenced by political agendas.

In December, Winnill scolded the service for failing to use the best available sci-

ence in its decision to deny listing.

He also harshly criticized what he said was the "inexcusable conduct" of former Deputy Assistant Interior Secretary Julie MacDonald, who had oversight of the agency. MacDonald, who resigned last year, intimidated agency staffers, edited scientific conclusions and gathered evidence in the listing process "to ensure that

the 'best science' supported a decision not to list the species," Winnill said.

Environmentalists and wildlife managers say the bird's population and habitat has been diminishing for decades due to wildfires, grazing, energy development and drought. Researchers say the bird now occupies about half of its original, year-round habitat, which stretches across 11 Western states from

California to Colorado and North Dakota.

Population estimates vary, but more exact numbers and other fresh, critical data on sage grouse will be included in the comprehensive study due in November by the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, an organization representing 23 states and Canadian provinces stretching from Alaska to Texas.



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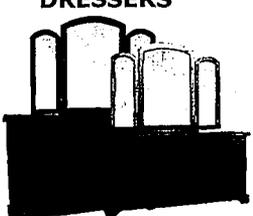
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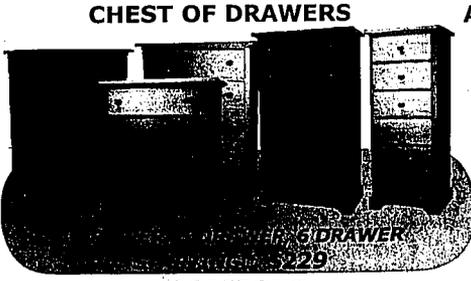
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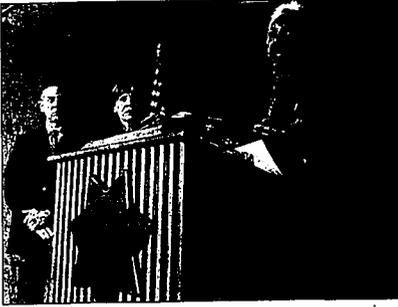
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# Two weeks after man seriously sickened, Las Vegas police find deadly toxin in his hotel room

By Ken Ritter  
Associated Press Writer

LAS VEGAS — Authorities on Friday confirmed that the deadly toxin ricin was found in a motel room most recently occupied by a man who has been in critical condition with breathing problems at a hospital for more than two weeks. Las Vegas police said there was no apparent link to terrorist activity, and no indication of any spread of the deadly substance beyond the several vials of powder found in a plastic bag in the man's room on Thursday. But what the ricin was doing there remained a mystery.

A pinprick of ricin is enough to kill. "Six to eight hours, you're going to start showing symptoms," said Greg Evans, director of the Institute for Biodefense at Saint Louis University in Missouri. A friend or relative of the sick man found the vials after going to the Extended Stay America motel, several blocks west of the Las Vegas Strip, to



Lawrence Sands, right, of the Southern Nevada Health District, speaks during a news conference, Friday in Las Vegas. Police said Friday they found a substance that tests indicate is the deadly toxin ricin at a motel where a man had been living before he was hospitalized earlier this month. At left are Capt. Joseph Lombardo and Deputy Kathy Sney of Homeland Security.

retrieve his belongings, police Deputy Chief Kathy Sney said. Tests by police homeland security officers, the Nevada National Guard and a laboratory in Las Vegas came back positive for ricin, she said. A cleanup of the motel has been completed, she added.

Seven people, including the man who found the ricin, the manager, two other motel

employees and three police officers, were decontaminated at the scene and taken to hospitals for examination, but none have shown any signs of being affected by ricin, Sney said. All were released overnight.

"There is no information to lead us to believe that this is the result of any terrorist activity or related to any possible terrorist activity," Sney said. "We don't have any reason to believe any of it left the property."

"Police cordoned off the hotel and told residents to stay in their rooms. The cord was lifted early Friday morning, and the motel has been open since then."

Sney said the manufacture of ricin is a crime, but it was

not clear the substance found belonged to the man, who was hospitalized in critical condition Feb. 14 after suffering an ambulance to the motel and complaining of respiratory distress.

The man, believed to be in his 40s or 50s, was unconscious and unable to speak, Sney said, adding that he was not currently a suspect.

"We don't know an awful lot about him," Sney said. "We don't even know that it was him that was in possession of the ricin." She said she could not say how much ricin was in the vials.

Cancer research is the only legitimate reason for anyone to have ricin, Evans said.

Ricin is made from processing castor beans, and can be extremely lethal. As little as 500 micrograms, or about the size of the head of a pin, can kill a human, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

Castor beans also were found in the man's room, officials said.

An American Medical

Response paramedic crew that took the man to the hospital about 11 a.m. Feb. 14 had no indication of ricin poisoning, AMR general manager John Wilson said.

Wilson would not say whether the two paramedics who handled the call entered the man's room, but said neither have shown symptoms of exposure.

Naomi Jones, spokeswoman for Spring Valley Hospital, said the patient was in critical condition when he arrived at the hospital. She said Las Vegas police contacted the hospital Wednesday about a possible ricin exposure investigation.

"The investigation started two days ago, that's when we began cooperating," Jones said. "The patient who has been exposed is not contagious to anyone else, as ricin has to be injected, ingested or inhaled."

Police refused to comment on whether the hospital was contacted Wednesday, a day before police said the ricin was found.

# Mukasey refuses to order grand jury probe of Bush chief of staff, ex-White House counsel

By Laurie Kellman  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Michael Mukasey on Friday refused to refer the House's contempt citations against two of President Bush's top aides to a federal grand jury, Mukasey says they committed no crime.

Mukasey said White House Chief of Staff Josh Bolten and former presidential counsel Harriet Miers were right to refuse to provide Congress with White House documents or testify about the firings of federal prosecutors.

"The department will not bring the congressional contempt citations before a grand jury or take any other action against two of President Bush's top aides to a federal grand jury, Mukasey says they committed no crime."

Mukasey wrote House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. "The House voted two weeks ago to cite Bolten and Mukasey for contempt of Congress and seek a grand jury investigation. Most



Miers

Bolten

Republicans boycotted the vote. Pelosi requested the grand jury investigation on Thursday and gave Mukasey a week to reply. She said, the House would file a civil suit seeking enforcement of the contempt citations if federal prosecutors declined to seek misdemeanor charges against Bolten and Miers.

Mukasey took only a day to get back to her. But he had earlier joined his predecessor, Alberto Gonzales, in telling lawmakers they would refuse to refer any contempt citations to prosecutors because Bolten and Miers were acting at Bush's instruction.

A civil suit would drag out a slow-motion crawl to a constitutional struggle between a Democratic-run Congress and a Republican White House that has been simmering for more than a year. Any court showdown might not occur until Bush is out of office in 14 months.

Democrats say Bush's instructions to Miers and Bolten to ignore the House Judiciary Committee's subpoenas was an abuse of power and an effort to block an effort to find out whether the White House directed the firing of political reasons.

Republicans call the whole affair a political game and walked out of the House vote

on the contempt citations in protest. The 223-32 House vote on a resolution approving the contempt citations Feb. 14 was the first of its type in 25 years. The White House pointed out that it was the first time that such action had been taken against top White House officials who had been instructed by the president to remain silent to preserve executive privilege.

In his letter, received by the House early Friday evening, Mukasey pointed out that not only was Miers directed not to testify, she also was immune from congressional subpoenas and was right to not show up to the hearing to which she had been summoned.

"The contempt of Congress statute was not intended to apply and could not constitutionally be applied to an executive branch official who asserts the president's claim of executive privilege," Mukasey wrote, quoting Justice policy.

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# White House official resigns after admitting plagiarism

WASHINGTON (AP) — A White House official who served as President Bush's middleman with conservatives and Christian groups resigned Friday after admitting to plagiarism. Twenty columns he wrote for an Indiana newspaper were determined to have material copied from other sources without attribution.

Timothy Goeglein, who has worked for Bush since 2001, acknowledged that he lifted material from a Dartmouth College publication and presented it as his own work in a column about education for The News-Sentinel in Fort Wayne, Ind. The newspaper took a closer look at his other columns and found many more instances of plagiarism.

"The president was disappointed to learn of the matter and he was saddened for Tim and his family," White House press secretary Dana Perino said in a statement.

She said Goeglein had accepted responsibility and "has apologized for not upholding the standards expected by the president."

The White House sought deal with the embarrassing situation quickly, the same day the plagiarism was reported by a blogger, Nancy Nall, a former News-Sentinel columnist.

The News-Sentinel said an internal investigation found

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State ed trustees' 'It's-not-my-job' alibi doesn't wash

JEERS: To the six members of the State Board of Education who appeared before the Senate Education Committee on Thursday to discuss the meltdown in management of the agency they supervise...

We heard a lot of scapegoating in their testimony, but not much responsibility. The six — including Laird Stone of Twin Falls — blamed staff errors, struggles to attract qualified employees and poor communication for problems, including last year's \$1.4 million deficit.

Most of the trustees said it wasn't their responsibility to manage staff. Last year's financial woes were remedied only by leaving key posts empty to save money and by cancelling Standards

Achievement Tests for second- and ninth-grade students. Separately, the board has been forced to plead for millions from private foundations in order to save an \$10 million federal grant meant to help low-income kids go to college.

By the trustees' accounts, much of the fault lies with former directors Karen McGee and Dwight Johnson, and ex-staff member Karen Echeverria. Fair enough, but why wasn't the board paying attention?

We agree with Sen. Mike Jorgensen, R-Hayden, who observed "The documents show there were members of the board who had full and complete knowledge of what was going on, and did nothing to stop it. Just to say it's a



staffer's fault, I think that's disingenuous."

We expected better from the stewards of Idaho public education.

CHEERS: To environmentalists, grass farmers and state officials, who struck a landmark deal that will allow field burning to resume. Public health advocates and producers have been at odds for years over the practice that helps grass farmers eliminate crop residue. Last fall, a federal judge stopped it.

The new agreement, endorsed by the House Environment, Energy and Technology Committee on Thursday, will restore the process with special protection for schools and asthma sufferers.

The accord shows that entrenched interests can resolve intractable issues. We hope Magic Valley surface water users and pumpers were paying attention.

CHEERS: To the Idaho Prosecuting Attorneys Association, for trying to put some teeth in the no-contact orders issued by judges

in domestic violence cases. No-contact orders prohibit appearing in person, by telephone or through the mail. They're often ignored even though violating a no-contact order is a misdemeanor under Idaho law.

The IPA bill, approved by the House Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee on Thursday, would make more than one violation of a no-contact order within five years a felony, punishable by up to five years in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

The Legislature should approve it. Battered women would be little safer and prosecutors would have some much-needed leverage in protecting them.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Raising registration fees isn't the right move

I have a suggestion for Gov. Otter to consider concerning his proposal to raise vehicle registration fees to \$150; also introduce legislation to bring Idaho wages up to "the middle of the pack" so that an average Idaho citizen can still afford to live in the state we grew up in.

Not all of us are multi-millionaires like our governor. Most of us would be selling vehicles or parking them instead of paying this fee. I have two vehicles for the governor to buy if this bill passes. I will have to keep one for the winter. Gotta buy some new shoes!

GARY DEESON Twin Falls

are seeking office talk, if they get elected they will provide everything we desire free. History tells us of a great Roman Empire that gave the citizen what they wanted but the citizens wanted more.

They wanted the empire to provide entertainment, they wanted the circus provided to everyone and the great Roman Empire fell. Let us not be taken in by "apple pie in the sky" promises.

Someone sooner or later has to pay; there is no such thing as a free lunch. Conservatives put their trust in God, liberals put their trust in government. Where are you going to put your trust?

HYRUM V. BELL Burley

Cheers to Xavier Charter School discipline

Here is something for your Jeers and Cheers columns: Jeers to the Times-News for giving a public forum to what appears to be a "confident" misbehaving seventh-grader, Justice Garcia, and his too-tolerant mother.

Cheers to Xavier Charter School for its attempt to enforce order and discipline at its school. TERESA SMITH Twin Falls

You can learn more by watching than by words

"You think —" "You can't tell me what I think. You can't know what I think. I will tell you what I think. You tell me what you think."

The second speaker was obviously correct, but he was, in fact, wrong. The two had been exchanging opinions for sometime, and even if they were hypocrites, they would certainly be able to discern something of the other's thinking. Minds can be read.

When we worked with cattle, I tried to teach my children to watch the cows so they could tell what any cow was thinking and be able to anticipate what the cow would do. At the same time, they needed to watch the other herders so they could coordinate with each other. They also needed to be aware of what physical constraints they faced, such as the cattle's movement. It was a lot to ask, but the human mind can process a lot of information in less than a second.

Words are the first means of obtaining information, but they are not the only and not the most important. Silent language (expression, gestures, actions) provides important, if inexact, information. All the physical senses provide important, inexact information. However, the most important source is the imagination.

By use of the imagination, a person can free himself from the confines of self-interest and place himself in the position of the observer. He does not, even there, that vantage see the motives, impulses and instincts that drive actions. He can foresee the consequences of those actions and understand how others will react. In short, he will be a mind reader and a prophet. The prophecy is not perfect. It will be approximate and contain errors. The cow might surprise you. You might get trampled. TED QUIGLEY Burley

Next political needs more than good rhetoric

After listening to the "Great Beraque Obama" and the pickled an Hillary Clinton, it was said by some radio talk show hosts that Obama, in their opinion, made the greatest impression. Not so much by what he said but by the way he said it.

He has a way of captivating his audience even when what he says has little substance. Adolf Hitler had a talent of captivating his audiences with his campaign promises, one of which was "A full lunch paid for every worker."

I'm not saying Obama is another Adolf Hitler, but we must be careful of what we might be lulled into believing.

For example, the Al Gore fantasy that the preacher of global-warming, I'll world paralyze or eliminate the industry here in the United States and give it all to India or China. Now our president tells the car manufacturers that they must not manufacture any vehicles that will go at least 35 miles per gallon. Why not make it 50 or 100? The environmentalists are against us drilling for more oil in Anwar or the Gulf of Mexico or building refineries so that we could be self-sufficient and not be so dependent on foreign countries. Maybe we should go back to the horse and buggy days or to the Stone Age. One would think that is what the environmentalists would take us.

To hear the politicians who



THAT 70'S SHOW

What's stagflation, and why is it haunting us?

WASHINGTON — "Stagflation" is back in the headlines — but the term is being misused. We're told by eminent commentators that stagflation is the messy mixture of both high inflation and high unemployment. It isn't.



ROBERT J. SAMUELSON

Stagflation, at least as the concept was initially understood in the 1970s, meant something different. Yes, it signified the simultaneous occurrence of high inflation, high unemployment and slow economic growth; but its defining feature was the persistence of this poisonous combination over long periods of time.

Let's see why this is a distinction with a difference. The existence of high (or rising) inflation with high (or rising) unemployment is not an abnormal event. But it's usually temporary, because the higher unemployment — stemming from an economic slowdown or recession — helps control inflation. Companies can't pass along price increases; they're stung by wage increases. It's only when this restraining process is not allowed to work that inflationary psychology and practices take root, creating a self-fueling wage-price spiral. Higher wages push up prices, which then push up wages. Then we get stagflation: a semipermanent fusion of high joblessness and inflation.

Naturally, no politician acknowledges the self-evident implication that recessions, though unwanted

Postwar recessions and inflation

Table with 2 columns: RECESSION (Date) and INFLATION RATE (Percentage). Rows include November 1948-October 1949, July 1953-May 1954, August 1957-April 1958, April 1960-February 1961, December 1969-November 1970, November 1973-March 1974, January 1980-July 1980, July 1982-November 1982, July 1990-March 1991, March 2001-November 2001.

now. Politicians are clamoring for the Fed to prevent a recession. Banks and other financial institutions want cheaper credit to enable them to offset losses on subprime mortgages. There is fear of a wider economic crisis if large losses erode confidence and, by depleting the capital of banks and other financial institutions, undermine their ability and willingness to lend and invest.

and harmful to many, are not just inevitable; sometimes they're also necessary to prevent the larger and longer-lasting harm that would result from resurgent inflation.

Interestingly, many academic and business economists who have more freedom to speak their minds suffer the same deficiency. They treat every potential recession as a policy failure when it is often simply part of the business cycle. They thus contribute to a political climate that, focused on avoiding or minimizing any recession, may perversely aggravate inflation and lead to much harsher recessions later. The stagflation that began in the late 1960s and resulted from this attitude was indeed deadfall: from 1969 to 1982, inflation averaged 7.5 percent annually and unemployment 6.4 percent.

What's renewed interest in stagflation is the latest consumer price index (CPI), the government's main inflation indicator. For the year ending in January, all prices were up 4.3 percent. Excluding the temporary, surges after Katrina, inflation hasn't been higher since July 1991. Even eliminating food and energy prices (about a quarter of the index), January's year-to-year increase was 2.5 percent.

All these figures exceed the Federal Reserve's informal inflation target of 1 percent to 2 percent a year; a range deemed so low that it constitutes effective price stability. And these aren't the truly disturbing numbers. The more upsetting figures are those for the last three months. In this period, the full CPI rose at a 6.8 percent annual rate.

Without food and energy, the increase was still 3.1 percent. Medical services were up 5.1 percent, women's and girls' apparel 7.3 percent (again, at annual rates). Inflation is accelerating.

Price increases of individual items can have many immediate causes: poor harvests for food; OPEC for energy; uncompetitive markets for health care; corporate market power for drugs. But persistent inflation — the general rise of most prices — has only one cause: too much money chasing too few goods. It's not a random accident. The Federal Reserve regulates the nation's supply of money and credit. The Fed creates inflation and can control it.

Since August, the Fed has been under enormous pressure to ease money and credit. It has. The overnight Fed funds rate has fallen from 5.25 percent in early September to 3 percent

Unfortunately, the Fed shows signs of reacting to these pressures and repeating the great blunder of the 1970s.

Undershaunting inflation then, the Fed repeatedly shovled out too much money and credit in a vain effort to keep the economy near "full employment." Now, switch to the present. Again, the Fed has underestimated inflation. It expected the economic slowdown to suppress inflation spontaneously.

But so far, the lower-inflation hasn't materialized in part because, outside of housing, there hasn't been much of an economic slowdown.

It's true that the Fed is treading the proverbial tightrope. No one wants a financial crisis; but no one should want the return of stagflation either. The American economy — a marvelous but flawed engine of wealth — periodically goes to speculative or inflationary excesses. If most of those excesses aren't given the time to self-correct, we may be trading modest pain today for much greater pain tomorrow. Trying to prevent a recession at all costs is a fool's errand that could ultimately backfire on us all.

Newsweek columnist Robert Samuelson writes about economics.

Election letters deadline

The deadline to submit letters about the March 11 Twin Falls School District levy election is Wednesday at 5 p.m.

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**BUSINESS**

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**Stocks plunge** Disappointing quarterly reports stir concerns about economy

By Tim Paradis  
Associated Press writer

**NEW YORK** — Stocks plunged Friday as dismal economic and corporate reports combined with rising oil prices painted a bleak picture as to what lay ahead in the economy. The major stock indexes fell more than 2.5 percent and the Dow Jones Industrials lost 315 points.

Investors were unmoved by disappointing quarterly results from American International Group Inc. and Dell Inc. And an index of regional business activity that Wall Street regards as a good indicator of a broader

report set to arrive next week had its weakest showing in more than six years.

Oil prices continued to stir concern about inflation after pushing past \$100 per barrel for the first time.

While stocks made sharp gains in the first three days this week even amid somewhat lackluster economic readings, the flurry of concerns investors succumbed to Friday reflected the undercurrent of uncertainty that has kept Wall Street on edge for months.

"We really had to face a plethora of negative news," said Art Hogan, chief market



Greg Rosso of Dente & Bomba LLC talks on his headset on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange, Friday. Stocks fell sharply after a series of economic and earnings reports and a further rise in oil prices stoked concerns about the health of the economy.

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**Still bucking the jobs trend**

Employment in south-central Idaho remains strong

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Employment remains high in south-central Idaho despite seasonal layoffs and a steep decline in the housing market.

All counties in south-central Idaho—with the exception of Camas County—experienced a decline in unemployment, according to figures for January.

Labor officials attribute the decline to a strong manufacturing sector and job growth in recreation and accommodation industries.

The unemployment rate in Twin Falls County declined four-tenths of a percentage point to 2.2 percent. That means 138 fewer people receiving unemployment benefits.

Similarly, Jerome, Cassia, Blaine and Gooding counties experienced a decline of less than five-tenths of a percentage point.

Most of Idaho, however, saw seasonally adjusted

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**It was wheat's week**

Wheat futures soar after Kazakhstan moves to restrict grain exports

By Stevenson Jacobs  
Associated Press writer

**NEW YORK** — Wheat futures shot up 60 cents a bushel this week after Kazakhstan said it would slow grain exports by imposing customs duties, adding to concerns over tightening global supplies.

When prices have surged to historic highs as bad weather has battered crop after crop around the globe, most recently in India and Canada, foreign buyers scrambling to lock in supplies have increasingly turned to other wheat-growing countries like the United States and Kazakhstan, which are exporting the grain at record pace.

Kazakhstan's Agriculture Ministry said Sunday the country has sold about 75 percent of its wheat and will impose customs duties on what's left — about 110 million bushels.

In a normal year, 110 million bushels wouldn't be a big deal, but with tight supplies like you have, it's a chunk of wheat," said Jason Ward, analyst with Northstar Commodities in Minneapolis.

However, the benefit to farmers may come at a cost to consumers as analysts predict that higher commodity prices will increase food prices — another blow to consumers who are already struggling with higher fuel costs.

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"The demand for wheat is still there. The only change I've seen thus far is that some restaurants have stopped giving out bread or are charging for it."

— Jason Ward, analyst with Northstar Commodities



**Pricey pizza**

Surging wheat and cheese prices have led the more than \$30 billion pizza industry to pass along some of the cost to consumers.



**Block cheese, daily**



Loaves of fresh bread are displayed at Amy's Bread in New York. Analysts say consumers should expect that higher wheat prices eventually will work their way into higher food costs.

SOURCE: AP

**Electrical rates to increase**

Public Utilities Commission approves Idaho Power rate rise

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Idaho Power customers will pay more for power starting today.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission adopted a settlement proposed by several parties in the Idaho Power Company rate case, which will result in an average 4.7 percent rate increase for residential customers and 5.2 percent for non-residential customers effective March 1.

Idaho Power had requested an overall 10.35 percent increase.

Idaho Power filed the case in June, saying the increase was necessary to pay for an additional \$300 million investment to upgrade transmission and distribution facilities, equipment upgrades, environmental protection measures and for relicensing and equipment investment related to its hydroelectric projects.

Idaho statute requires that regulated utilities be able to recover incurred expenses. When the commission denies cost recovery to a

**How the rate increase will affect you...**

Residential non-summer rates will increase in March from 5.4 cents per kWh to 5.7 cents. The summer rate for use beyond 300 kWh will increase from 6.1 cents per kWh to 6.4 cents.

For an average residential customer using 1,050 kWh per month, an average non-summer monthly bill would increase from \$69.60 to \$66.36.

An average summer bill (June through August) increases from \$68.61 to \$74.73.

utility, it must be able to legally demonstrate why the utility's costs were not prudently incurred or in the best interests of customers.

"We believe this was a fair and equitable resolution to our general rate case," said

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— Ric Gale, vice-president for regulatory affairs with Idaho Power

**INL awards construction contract** \$5 million construction project will consolidate facilities

By Joshua Palmer  
Times-News writer

Idaho National Laboratory announced Thursday that it has awarded a contract to Idaho Falls-based Eagle Rock Timber to build a new radiochemistry laboratory at the Materials and Fuels Complex on the INL desert site.

Groundbreaking is scheduled for the spring with the facility slated to open in Feb. 2009.

The laboratory is estimated to cost \$5 million and will consolidate activities from existing laboratories. The new lab's ongoing research will support INL program areas including Advanced Fuel Cycle development, homeland security, and

research in partnership with industry, other laboratories, university and international organizations.

"The new radiochemistry laboratory is part of the U.S. Department of Energy's and INL's effort to continue meeting our ongoing missions," said Terry Todd, director of the Fuel Cycle Science and

Technology Division. "The laboratory will provide our scientists with the modern facilities to support our advanced research and to provide the working environment expected at a preeminent national laboratory."

He said the laboratory will consolidate research activities now performed in a number of older build-

ings at the site — most will be demolished this year as part of the Idaho Cleanup Project.

Among the functions to be relocated at the site are chemical and laboratory-scale testing of advanced fuel recycle technologies. The RCL will consolidate the fuel cycle division activities at one location.

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**COMMODITIES**

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Mar. gold	972.10	▲ 7.60	Mar. Silver	1980.8	▲ 17.8

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# Study: Robots and Rover equally effective in fighting loneliness

By Cheryl Wiltsemer  
Associated Press writer

ST. LOUIS — Dogs may have a hard time wrapping their paws around this one: Robotic competition is nipping at their heels in the man's-best-friend department.

A study by Saint Louis University found that a lovable pooch named Sparky and a robotic dog, AIBO, were about equally effective at relieving the loneliness of nursing home residents and fostering attachments.

The study, which appears in the March issue of the Journal of the American Medical Directors Association, builds on previous findings by the researchers that frequent dog visits decreased loneliness of nursing home residents.

Andrew Ng, who leads Stanford University's team in building a home-assistance robot and was not involved in the study, said the strength of the research is very encouraging.

"Humans can feel an emotional bond with robots, even fairly simple ones, some day they could 'not just be our assistants, but also our companions,'" he said.



Marian Banks sits with her dog, Sparky, at her home in St. Louis in January 2006. Sparky was part of a study by Saint Louis University that found the lovable pooch and the interactive dog robot, AIBO, were about equally effective at relieving the loneliness of nursing home residents, and fostering attachments.

To test whether residents responded better to Sparky, a trained therapy dog, or the Sony-made robot dog, researchers divided 38 nursing home residents into three groups: a trio of long-term care facilities in St. Louis.

One group had weekly, 30-minute one-on-one visits with Sparky; another group

had similar visits with AIBO; a control group did not visit with either dog. Their level of loneliness — determined by residents' answers to several questions — was tested at the beginning and near the end of eight weeks of visits.

Investigator Marian Banks delivered the dogs, but did not interact with the residents. In the end, both groups

were less lonely and more "attached."

"Most of the elderly used Sparky, a 9-year-old, reddish-brown mutt with a white muzzle and floppy ears, as a confidant, telling him "their life story," Marian Banks said. "He listened attentively, wagged his tail, and allowed them to pet him," said Banks, who adopted and trained Sparky after finding him in an alley behind her home seven years ago.

Those who visited with AIBO took a little longer — about a week — to warm up to the metallic creature. Over time, they grew more comfortable with AIBO, and petted and talked to him. He responded by wagging his tail, vocalizing and blinking his lights.

"AIBO is charismatic if you start to interact with him," said the study's author, Dr. William Banks, a professor of geriatric medicine at Saint Louis University. "It's an engaging sort of guy."

The research could mean that a world is possible where robots could substitute for living dogs and help people. William Banks said.

"They could be personal,

not an intrusive crazy inanimate object," he said.

Sara Kiebler, professor of computer science and human-computer interaction at Carnegie Mellon University who was not involved in the study, said the results of the study are encouraging but not completely convincing.

The problem is inferring it was the robotic dog that reduced the loneliness, and not the human who brought him into the room, she said. She said another study could compare a visit from AIBO with someone stopping by with a stuffed animal or even just a candy bar.

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## Former ISP officer to run for Jerome sheriff

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

When Sgt. Doug McFall ended a 24-year career with the Idaho State Police on Friday, he promised to run for Jerome County Sheriff — a move he's been promising to make for years.

"I am not going to turn the Jerome Sheriff's Office into the State Police but I am certainly going to bring about some important changes," said McFall.

Jerome County Sheriff Jim Weaver, who, like McFall, is a Republican, has not announced whether he'll run for re-election. All candidates must file by March 21.

McFall, a 50-year-old law enforcement veteran, promised to professionalize a department that in 2006 was investigated by the state Attorney General for questionable practices in its investigations and for possible off-duty misbehavior by deputies. No criminal charges were filed but investigators said "bad acts" were rampant.

"There will be no breaking the law," McFall said. "If you're getting drunk and getting into bar fights, you're gone; if you're stealing gas from the county, you're gone."

McFall, who lives in Jerome County and graduated from Jerome High School, said he would enforce tighter accountability and heal a schism between the county sheriff's office and Jerome Police that he says has interfered with law enforcement. He said the department is struggling with a good-ol'-boy system that promotes yes-men at the expense of the public.

"I feel that rank has been given out for some wrong reasons," he said. McFall said he would redirect deputies from their 20,000 hours a week in ISP enforcement, to county roads, businesses and farms, which are being neglected.

Deputies need to stop and talk to farmers to learn about the county's problems, he said. The top-heavy department often winks at deputies to hear angry complaints, he added.

"Law enforcement works for citizens and I think sometimes cops forget that," he said.

For deputies, McFall would concentrate on reducing turnover by increasing pay and giving the department "a more positive work atmosphere."

## Senate votes down Luna's teacher pay plan

By John Miller  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — The Senate voted 19-16 Friday to kill public schools' chief Tom Luna's \$21 million pay-for-performance plan for teachers, a victory for the Idaho Education Association, the teachers' union that had fought the measure.

After the vote, Luna said this indicates teachers care more about how their pay is divided up than how much



they can earn. The vote concludes the latest effort by the Legislature to come up with a plan to reward teachers based on their performance, not their years in the classroom. Since at least the early

1990s, Republican lawmakers have sought to break up the existing compensation system, on the argument it rewards good teachers the same as the bad.

Opponents of the bill contended this wasn't the way to do it, in part because bonuses would be based largely on how students perform on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test. Sen. Gary Schroeder told the committee that merit pay should reward

teachers for their positive influence on a child's critical thinking and problem-solving abilities, not mastery of a standardized test required by the No Child Left Behind Act.

"I don't think life is a multiple choice question," said Schroeder, R-Moscow. Under Luna's Idaho State Teacher Advancement and Recognition System plan, teachers would have been eligible for annual bonuses ranging from \$600 to \$1,200

at schools that demonstrate improvement or overall student excellence on the ISAT. School districts could also direct an additional \$1,200 in pay to help fill teaching posts in high-demand subjects.

In addition, districts could designate up to 25 percent of their teachers to be eligible for \$1,200 leadership bonuses for exceptional work, including mentoring younger teachers or helping develop curriculum.

### RUNNIN' WITH THE DONKEYS



Kindee Wilson of Filer tries to get back on her mount while holding a basketball during a donkey basketball game Friday night at Filer High School. The Filer FFA played Castelford, with the proceeds from admission fees going to support the Filer FFA Chapter.

## Day care denies charge of hurting child

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

A licensed childcare center in Buhl has been forced to close, its owner charged with felony injury to a child after a baby left her care with a fractured femur.

Betty Bridwell of Betty's Baby Care has run a widely known business providing professional care for children for more than 10 years. But in the wake of the criminal charges state health officials took her license on Feb. 21.

"The people that know me and have done business with me for 10 years — they know I wouldn't do something like that," Bridwell said, with tears breaking up her words. "Everybody I talk to who has heard about it calls me and says I just know that's not true. They have taken my business. They have ruined my character. They have taken my integrity. But they won't take any of

it without a fight, she said. Bridwell will have to wait until March 21 to appear in court for a preliminary hearing to determine if there is probable cause to believe she committed a felony.

With no clear explanation of what fractured the baby's leg, that hearing may pit her word against that of investigators.

The only indication of what might have happened, in court records, comes from a doctor who said the baby's injuries are inconsistent with Bridwell's statements. Bridwell said she is outraged that without clear evidence she is being accused of "intentionally" hurting the baby and lying — crucial elements to the charge against her.

Bridwell, in court papers and in an interview with the Times-News, gives the following account:

At 9 a.m. on Jan. 24, Alicia Murillo dropped off her four-month-old baby, Domnykh work first — fussing, with dirty diapers.

While changing his diapers, Bridwell said she lifted his left leg and rotated it to be able to clean him, a police affidavit says. Bridwell said she heard "a really low pop."

Police say she told them that the baby started crying. Later, she said the baby only whimpered.

She said that before she had finished dressing the baby she was on the phone with the baby's mom.

Murillo, who could not be reached for comment, later had her baby checked at St. Luke's Magic Valley Medical Center. Doctors found the

baby had suffered a spiral fracture of his left femur.

Dr. Mitchell Moffitt examined the child and told police, "there would have to have been great force for a spiral fracture to have happened."

Moffitt said the injury could not have happened by accident during a diaper change.

Murillo told police that she had heard of other problems at the childcare center. According to court records, police then interviewed Kathy Owen, the aunt of another child who had been in Bridwell's care. She told police she had pulled her nephew from the center a year ago, after he suffered bruises on five separate occasions.

Karen Trent, a Buhl Police officer, informed Bridwell the doctor said "just lifting the baby up could not cause this," the officer wrote in the affidavit.



By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer

BOISE — After listening to State Board of Education trustees answer questions about financial problems Thursday, Sen. Gary Schroeder, R-Moscow, questioned the only board member not chosen by a governor — Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna.

"I don't know whether you understand you were going down a path in which money was contracted for, obligated for and it was not in compliance with state law," he said. "I want to give you the opportunity to explain your involvement in the process."

Schroeder said his information, which includes e-mails, shows that Luna supported pushing for money that was unavailable. He asked if Luna was aware of the roadblocks. The questions came during the more than two hours of grilling by the Senate Education Committee of the other board members, who attributed mistakes to staff errors, high turnover and miscommunication among employees and agencies.

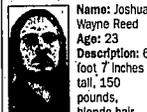
Last month, senators demanded that trustees explain how \$14 million was missing in 2007, an affidavit balancing the budget by filling top-tier positions. The deficit led to cancellation of the Idaho Standards Achievement Test for second- and ninth-graders for this spring and next year. It also forced Gov. Butch Otter to launch a federal grant matching program that helps low-income kids attend college, to rely on private-sector donors.

Central to Schroeder's inquiries Luna attended where there was discussion of a contract that was signed and despite a lack of funding for it. One meeting was in December 2006 — after Luna's election but before he took office — with former staffers Karen McGee and Dwight Johnson. Luna said he could not recall whether he attended the meeting.

"I attended a lot of meetings in transition with the governor-elect; with some members of the board; with transition teams and committees," he said. "I'm not saying I wasn't at a meeting where this could've been discussed, but I will tell you that I've always been an advocate of second- and ninth-grade

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### WANTED in the Magic Valley



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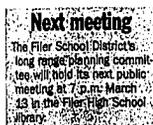
## Filer school bond levy election set for May 2

By John E. Swarze  
Times-News correspondent

FILER — The Filer School District is preparing to bring a bond levy back for a second try on May 2.

Members of the district's long range planning committee met Thursday evening to set a date and discuss ways to encourage voter turnout and the passage of a proposed \$16.4 million bond, up from last year's failed \$15.7 million proposal.

In October, voters rejected a \$14.9 million and \$800,000 double-bond levy. The funds would have been used to construct an intermediate school for the district's fourth- through sixth-grade students, additional class-



rooms at the high school, roof repairs at both Filer and Hollister Elementary Schools, parking lot resurfacing at the middle school and an athletic field house with bleachers and night lighting. "These facilities' needs are based on a projected 3 percent increase in student population growth in a district that is already dealing with overcrowding. Last time we failed to get

the 66 percent supermajority needed for this thing to pass by only 47 votes and now we're dealing with about a 5 percent increase in the bond amount," committee Chairman Jim Hughes said. "If this would have passed the first time, we could be breaking ground right now."

This time around, the committee plans to follow a strategy used by surrounding school districts such as Kimberly.

The previous bond-levy amounts will be combined into one lump sum and voters will be asked to cast one vote. The committee plans to go door-to-door and hit the telephones to inform community residents about levy details.

"We need to go for what

we need and not tiptoe around worrying that someone isn't going to like this or that," Hughes said. "This May date is the same night as the Filer Elementary and Hollister Elementary carnivals and that'll hopefully bring more people out."

One of the primary issues concerning voters is property taxes. District Superintendent John Graham pointed out that passage of the bond would cost taxpayers about \$3 each month for a \$100,000 home.

The district will also offer voters the option of casting their vote by absentee ballot. Those who decide to use this approach can either have a ballot mailed to them or fill one out at the district office.

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### Dr. Duane Edwin Cutright

BLISS — Dr. Duane Edwin Cutright, D.D.S., Ph.D., F.A.C.C.D., our beloved husband, father and grandfather passed peacefully from this life on February 27, 2008, after a long and courageous battle with cancer.



Duane was born Oct. 1, 1926, to Jay and Lennie Cutright in Bliss, Idaho. The youngest of four brothers, he attended primary school in Bliss, Idaho, and graduated from high school in Westwood, Calif., where he met and married his beloved wife, Carole V. Mankins, in 1945. They had two children, Steven J. Cutright born in 1948 and Rhonda Cutright born in 1953.

Duane was devoted to his family, his country and his church. He served his country when drafted into the U.S. Army in 1944 where he received his basic training in parachute school and the advanced airborne school. He also completed a course in night communication as one of the last Pigeoners trained by the Army and was discharged in 1949.

He attended the St. Louis University School of Dentistry from 1952 to 1956 where he received his D.D.S. He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1955 as a commissioned officer and upon completing dental school in 1956 was appointed to the Dental Corps, USAR under the Army Dental Intern Program.

He was assigned military duty in Bad Wolf, Germany, Seattle, Washington and finally at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., where he remained until retiring in 1980.

While stationed at Walter Reed AMC, he attended Georgetown University where he received his Ph.D. in Pathology. He was appointed as Commander of the United States Army Institute of Dental Research (USAIDR) and Chief of the Division of Pathology Research at Walter Reed Army Medical Center from 1985 to 1990.

He was a Diplomat of both the American Board of Oral Pathology and the American Board of Oral Medicine.

Following his retirement from the U.S. Army in 1980, Duane fulfilled his lifelong dream of returning to Idaho. He and his wife Carole moved to Gooding, Idaho, where they built a home. Duane became the Director of the Gooding County Memorial Hospital from 1983 to 1985. He was a member of the Rotary Club of Gooding from 1983 to present and the Gooding Branch of the American Legion from 1980 to present.

In 1985 they sold their farm in Gooding and moved to Bliss, Idaho, where their son, Steve Cutright, built their new home on the same farm that Duane's parents, Jay and Lennie Cutright, had farmed. Duane and Carole were active members of the

Gooding Methodist Church, the Hagerman Historical Society and the Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation. They met and developed good and lasting friendships with so many people during his lives in Idaho. These friendships have sustained and enriched their lives in so many ways.

Duane and Carole especially enjoyed the time they spent with their family. The memories of the special holiday dinners and traditions will be cherished by their kids and grandkids. Grandpa Duane always made time for fishing trips and quests for the little bit of nowhere to hunt for treasure with his grandkids. Each adventure was always filled with facts and knowledge of the world around them because Duane believed that education and knowledge was the key to their future.

Duane also found time to pursue many varied hobbies. He enjoyed woodworking and making furniture. He donated a project each year to the Gooding County Memorial Hospital Foundation's Festival of Trees. He also loved to do stained glass and made and installed many stained glass windows to the Gooding United Methodist Church.

His favorite hobby was fishing, whether alone with friends or with family. His fishing pole was always with him! Duane enjoyed spending his time in service to the Lord through his church and anywhere he was needed. He was an avid reader and lover of things of learning or trying new things. His passion and love for life was unparalleled.

"Into thy hand I commit my spirit, thou hast redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God," Psalms 31:5

Duane is survived by Carole, his sweetheart and best friend of 62 years; his daughter and husband, Rhonda (Ron) Fuller of Twin Falls; three grandchildren, Patrick Fuller, Andrea (Matt) Ostrand, and Ian Fuller, all of Twin Falls; one grandchild, Lena Ostrand of Twin Falls; one brother, Wilbur (Pauline) Cutright of Lynn Haven, Florida.

His parents, his son, Steven Jay Cutright, and two daughters, Janet and Frank Cutright preceded him in death.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 4, at the United Methodist Church, 805 Main St. in Gooding, Idaho. Interment will follow in the Hagerman Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

Duane's family would like to express a very warm and special thanks to all the many wonderful people who sent and shared cards, flowers and shared calls, texts, visits and other expressions of concern and love. We are truly blessed!

Memorial donations may be designated to: United Methodist Church, 805 Main St., Gooding, ID 83301, First Choice Home Care and Hospice, 147 Main Ave. E., Twin Falls, ID 83301.

### Sherman Joseph Higley

RUPERT — Sherman Joseph Higley, a 67-year-old Rupert resident, died Feb. 27, 2008, at his home. He was born Dec. 6, 1940, in Salt Lake City to Valerie and Irene Moss Higley. He retired from the J.R. Simplot Co. and enjoyed hunting, fishing, and spending time with the boys.



Sherman is survived by his wife, Irene Higley; sons, Randy (Karen) Higley, Dwight (Karla) Higley, and Mark (Rhonda Okelberry) Higley; grandchildren, Travis Higley and Dana Higley; and siblings, Carol (Bill) Bishop of Gooding, Idaho, Joyce Folks of Kimberly, Idaho, Monte Higley of Shoshone, Idaho, Dixie (John) Melton of Eden, Idaho, DeAnn (Jack) Koenig of Shoshone, Idaho, Ellis Higley of Gooding, Idaho, and Crystal (Jeff) Gill of Sparks, Nev. He was preceded in death by his parents.

The funeral will be held 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 6th St. Burial will follow at the Paul Cemetery. A viewing for family and friends will be one hour prior to the service at the mortuary.

### DEATH NOTICES

#### Dale Jensen

GLENN'S FERRY — Dale Jensen, 62, of Glenns Ferry, died Friday, Feb. 29, 2008, at his home.

Arrangements will be managed by First Funeral Home, McMurtry Chapel in Mountain Home.

#### Valma M. Wilson

Valma M. Wilson, 91, of Twin Falls, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, in Twin Falls.

Arrangements will be announced by Farnsworth Mortuary in Jerome.

#### Agatha Cockrun

BUHL — Agatha "Aggie" Dove Cockrun, 79, of Buhl, died Thursday, Feb. 28, 2008, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, March 6, at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Buhl; recitation of the rosary at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, at Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl.

### SERVICES

Olen Paul Clark "Swede" of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Valley Christian Church, 35 Main St. in Hazelton (Ilove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome).

Mary Evelyn Wilmot of Jerome, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Valley Magic Valley; 425 Nez Perce (100 S. 25 E.) in Jerome; visitation one hour before the service today at the church.

Eldred Earl "Yogi" Bair of Heyburn, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Life Church of Magic Valley; 425 Nez Perce (100 S. 25 E.) in Jerome; visitation one hour before the service today at the church.

Warren Nell Ackerman of Rigby, funeral at 1 p.m. today at the Paul LDS Memorial Chapel, 101 W. Main St. in Rigby; visitation from 11:30 to 12:45 p.m. today at the mortuary.

William "Bill" E. Hone Jr. of Centralia, Wash., and formerly of Twin Falls, graveside service at 2 p.m. today at the Twin Falls Cemetery (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Rachel Elizabeth Harper Rich of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. today at White Mortuary, 136 1/2 4th Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Jeanne Davidson of Ketchum, gathering of family and friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today at the Wood River Chapel in Halley.

Mary Evelyn Vistrel of Twin Falls, celebration of life

at 11 a.m. today at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Richard Eugene "Dick" Cristobal of Twin Falls, memorial service at 11 a.m. today at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2551 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls.

Ronald Scott Thuemert of Bellevue, a memorial service at 11 a.m. today at the Peace Lutheran Church, 500 Stevens St. in Filer (Wood River Chapel in Halley).

Clytie Irene Freeman of Burley, a memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Beckie Fairchild of Burley, a memorial service at 3 p.m. Monday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Herschel Blaine Barnes of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at the Rupert LDS 1st Ward Church, 806 G St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at the Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel, 710 6th St., and one hour before the service Monday at the church.

Mary Nichols of Filer, graveside service at 4:15 p.m. Monday at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls (Serenity Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Frank L. Jinkins of Bliss, funeral at 11 a.m. Monday at Demaray's Gooding Chapel.

### LEGISLATIVE BRIEFS

#### House committee

#### OKs field-burning law

BOISE — A House committee approved a new statewide field burning law, moving Idaho a step closer to resolving a conflict between public health advocates and grass growers who have been at odds for years.

The House Environment Committee backed the plan crafted after months of talks between environmentalists and farmers and state officials.

It would restore the long-standing practice of field burning, albeit with strict new standards that afford schools, hospitals and asthma sufferers special protection.

Last fall, field burning that helps Idaho grass farmers eliminate crop residue was halted after a federal court ruling.

Patti Gora, director of Safe Air For Everyone, which has fought to toughen burning restrictions, says the new law will allow the practice to resume — without negatively affecting people with respiratory ailments.

#### Committee considers early education plan

The Senate Education Committee, Wednesday considered a plan to spend state money on early childhood education.

The measure, initially to cost \$4 million over four years, would create 10 pilot

programs across Idaho to offer voluntary classes for children younger than 5.

The committee chose to wait until later to vote.

Idaho now doesn't spend state money for pre-kindergarten programs, though some districts have used federal funding for programs of their own.

School officials and educators from across Idaho favor the measure, sponsored by Boise Democratic Sen. Mike Burkett.

#### Bill promotes school restriction of firearms

Idaho universities and colleges can still restrict firearms on campus under a bill headed to the full Senate.

A bill passed by the Senate State Affairs Committee on Wednesday no longer has a provision that would require the boards of regents at the University of Idaho and the State Board of Education to set rules allowing concealed weapons on campuses across the state.

The measure does prevent local governments from regulating most aspects of firearms, but not officials at community colleges, state colleges and universities.

Officials at the University of Idaho, where campus policy restricts loaded weapons other than at shooting ranges and those for law enforcement, welcomed the news.

— from staff and wire reports

### COMMUNITY NEWS

#### Library to celebrate Teen Tech Month

The Twin Falls Public Library will hold several events to celebrate Teen Tech Month.

An Album Cover Contest will be held March 3-4, will be held March 3-4, teens can stop by the Youth Services Desk at the library to pick up a contest sheet for a chance to win a \$15 gift card for correctly naming the artist and album for the 10 CD covers on the sheet.

Teens can notify a Youth Services Librarian if they check out and listen to an audio book any time from March 10-15 or sign up for Net Library to download audiobooks to an MP3 player and be entered into a drawing to win a \$25 gift card.

Capturing the Moment Photography Contest will be held March 17-24. Photos

(taken or altered by teens) can be submitted all month long, but the last day to get pictures in is March 24. The winners in each category will receive a digital photo keychain.

For information about submitting photos: 733-2954, ext. 110. All programs are free and open to the public.

#### Summit dedication ceremony is Monday

JEROME — A dedication ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at Summit Elementary School, 200 10th Ave. W., Jerome. Keynote speaker will be Tom Luna, superintendent of Public Instruction. The community is invited to attend.

For more information: Shelley Sturgeon at 324-3396.

### Day care

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Bridwell told the Times-News she never claimed that changing the diapers caused the injury.

"Duh," Bridwell said. "Of course it cannot happen by changing a diaper, if his leg was healthy and he did not have any previous injury. Of course it happened before."

Bridwell said she never accused anyone else of hurting the baby.

"I am not here to blame anybody, because what you know what happened to that baby," Bridwell said.

"But what I am saying is that I could not have caused that to happen."

The Idaho Department of Health and Welfare has already taken action. Six days after the incident, her license was suspended.

Last week, they revoked her license because of "the seriousness of the injuries" and "the seriousness of the charges," said spokesman Tom Shanahan. Bridwell is prohibited from "watching the kids until the investigation is complete," he added.

## O'Leary Junior High School announces top honor roll students

O'Leary Junior High School Honor Roll:

### 4.0 Seventh grade

- Aaron Dobbs
- Alexandra Johns
- Annamarie Jayo
- Antonio Trejo
- Ashlyn Anderson
- Aubrie Schmidt
- Austin Dobbs
- Blake Otis
- Carina Lutz
- Chelsea Bonnett
- Chelsea Stevens
- Claire Goss
- Damon Jones
- David King
- Derek Withers
- Dolores Kroese
- Eise Allan
- Evans Joy Rondina

- Gloria Rivera
- Grant Peter
- Hailey Williams
- Holly Hartigan
- Harrison Gomez
- Henley Blick
- James Gray
- Jasmine Egbert
- John Byce
- Jennifer Jackson
- Jordan Clark
- Junming Wu
- Katelyn Fischer
- Kaycee Bammer
- Kurt Poye
- Kyle Miley
- Lacey Mitchell
- Laura Mills
- Lauren Casdorff
- Lindsey Mitchell
- Mark Sneddon
- Morgan Stanger
- Nichole Kraut
- Page Warren
- Peter Seppi

- Rachel Custer
- Riley Bywater
- Rygh Glascock
- Sarah Ajaji
- Sarah Johnston
- Sydney Gomez
- Taylor Cornell
- Taylor Koonce
- Taylor Long
- Thomas Corral
- Tyler Bornhisel
- Vincent Tietjen

### Eighth grade

- Abbie Hansen
- Alex Wirz
- Allison Johnson
- Amanda Hobson
- Anastasia Baird
- Angelica Price
- Anna McKinley
- Ashley Bangs
- Ashley Johnston
- Ashley McBride
- Avery Strong

- Brandon Michael
- Cailey Neville
- Christopher Butler
- Coby Carter
- Idon Downing
- Elise Reeser
- Elizabeth Hegstrom
- Eric Harr
- Erik Harris
- Halla Blair
- Heather Phillips
- Hinzo Haracic
- Hop Bradley
- Jade Byce
- Jazmin Orozco
- John Loebbs
- Jonah Leavitt
- Josie Jordan
- Kaitlyn Quinn
- Kaleb Churchman
- Katherine Wongman
- Klitkan
- Katherine Reed
- Kayla Ash
- Kyfa Rogers

- Kylee Denney
- Markus Liu
- Mckenzi Baggett-Jenco
- Melissa Hawkes
- Michelle Keyes
- Morgan McCoy
- Natalie White
- Parke Goodell
- Quinten Meador
- Roman Terry
- Rudy Bowman
- Ryan Algate
- Sara Nutsch
- Savannah Davis
- Tiana Campbell

### Ninth grade

- Ahmad Zaki Abdul Rahman
- Alexandria Webb
- Andrea Ward
- Andrea Ballesterro
- Ashley Geist
- Ashton Meeks
- Audrey Eltsovold

- Madison Worst
- Matthew Keith
- Mckenzie Johnson
- Mikaela McMurtry
- Natalie Harman
- Nathaniel Goss
- Ryan Bowyer
- Ryan Fuchs
- Sabrina Wood
- Salma Miramontes
- Samuel Behm
- Sarah Sheen
- Stephanie Filas
- Taylor Barton
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- Whitney Ward

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# 5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

**Twin Falls city driving under the influence sentencing**

Frank L. Southern, 51, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Lisa L. Baumgardner, 44, Twin Falls; one count driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count open container.

Joseph D. Sellick, 31, Filer; one count driving without privileges: \$1,000 fine with \$900 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; one count driving under the influence: \$1,000 fine with \$600 suspended; 180 days in jail with 150 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 24 months probation; concurrent, no alcohol.

David L. Bradley, 44, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 120 suspended, credit for one day served; 59 days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 18 months probation; concurrent, no alcohol.

Corey J. Williams, 20, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: second offense; \$1,000 fine with \$600 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 120 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; no alcohol.

Richard A. Norris, 34, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: second offense; \$1,000 fine with \$700 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 365 days in jail with 355 suspended, credit for eight days served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; concurrent, no alcohol.

Tyler J. Barlog, 19, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served; nine days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Tieler A. Jay, 20, Twin Falls; driving under the influence, under age 21: \$600 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Matthew B. Kilfoyle, 25, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served; nine days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Stephanie M. Wilkin, 22, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served; nine days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Anthony Plerros, 31, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 87 suspended, credit for time served; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 18 months probation; no alcohol.

Tiffany J. Stenvall, 25, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 85 suspended, credit for one day served; nine days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Jonathan S. Nagel, 19, Twin Falls; driving under the influence: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 85 suspended, credit for one day served; four days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

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Charles I. Winkler, 22, Kimberly; driving without privileges, second offense; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 365 days in jail with 355 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 770 days; 24 months probation.

Douglas K. Carter, 63, Burley; one count driving without privileges: second offense; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 180 days in jail with 355 suspended, credit for one day served; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 24 months probation; concurrent, no alcohol.

with 160 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 365 days; 12 months probation; one count no insurance; \$119.50 costs.

Timothy W. Campbell, 24, Twin Falls; driving without privileges: \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended; two days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation.

Juan E. Ponce-Brannila, 24, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$90.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 87 suspended, three days work detail; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; one count no insurance; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation; concurrent.

Shawn A. Cochran, 18, Jerome; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 170 suspended, credit for two days served; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; one count minor consumption; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; driving privileges suspended for 90 days; one day work detail; 12 months probation.

Jessica M. Honea, 25, Twin Falls; one count driving without privileges; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$90.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 160 suspended, 20 days house arrest; driving privileges suspended for 180 days; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count possession of a controlled substance; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; 180 days in jail with 160 days suspended, 20 days house arrest; 12 months probation; concurrent.

Joanna S. Ibarra, 16, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$25 fine, \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee.

Kevin A. Nebeker, 29, Kimberly; driving under the influence; amended to inattentive/careless driving; \$100 fine; \$75.50 costs.

Judy R. Wood, 55, Twin Falls; petit theft: \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 160 suspended, 20 days house arrest; 12 months probation.

Kristin D. Gerber, 32, Twin Falls; domestic battery; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; one day work detail; 90 days in jail with 85 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

David L. Bradley, 44, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 60 suspended, credit for one day served, 29 days house arrest; 18 months probation; no alcohol.

Glenda R. Drake, 47, Twin Falls; possession of drug paraphernalia; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; three days work detail; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Karyn R. Evans, 39, Mountain Home; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; amended to frequenting a place where a controlled substance is used; \$1,144.50 fine; \$82.50 costs; credit for time served; one count possession of a controlled substance; dismissed.

Rosendo Hinojosa, 29, Buhi; unlawful entry; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 180 days in jail with 175 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; no alcohol; no contact with victim.

Bryant D. Zamarripa, 20, Twin Falls; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; costs waived; 30 days in jail, credit for 19 days served; one count unlawful entry; 30 days in jail, credit for 19 days served; concurrent.

Brandyn E. Skogsberg, 19, Twin Falls; petit theft; \$1,000 fine with \$700 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 180 days in jail with

160 suspended; 24 months probation.

Amanda J. Balus, 20, Rogerson; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; two days in jail with two suspended; two months probation.

Jennifer R. Gastelum, 20, Burley; petit theft; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; two days work detail; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Ronald B. Schwartz, 42, Hazzard; no insurance; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; one day work detail; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Marcus V. Vargas, 48, Twin Falls; no insurance; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; one day work detail; 30 days in jail with 30 suspended; 12 months probation.

Mauricio Perez, 51, Castelford; one count failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; one count failure to appear; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; 30 days in jail with 29 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation; concurrent.

Darwin E. Wheeler, 54, Burley; failure to stop/leave the scene of a damage accident; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; 90 days in jail with 89 suspended; 12 months probation; one day work detail.

Teresa C. Webb, 37, Twin Falls; resisting/obstructing an officer; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; \$75 public defender fee; one day work detail; 90 days in jail with

89 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Richard Trujillo, 43, Acquia; one count possession of drug paraphernalia; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served, nine days house arrest; 12 months probation; no alcohol; one count resisting/obstructing an officer; \$300 fine with \$300 suspended; 90 days in jail with 80 suspended, credit for one day served, nine days house arrest; 12 months probation; concurrent; one count open container dismissed.

Barbara J. Lewis, 47, Twin Falls; failure to purchase/invalid driver's license; \$300 fine with \$200 suspended; \$75.50 costs; two days in jail with two suspended; two months probation.

Cynthia A. Dwyer, 38, Hetchum; petit theft; amended to willful concealment; withheld judgment granted; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for one day served; two days work detail; 90 days in jail with 90 suspended; 12 months probation.

Fred Delacruz, 25, Twin Falls; possession of a controlled substance; \$700 fine with \$400 suspended; \$85.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 88 suspended, credit for one day served; 29 days work detail; 12 months probation; no alcohol.

Eugenio Nafarín Jr., 33, Heyburn; provide false information to an officer; \$500 fine with \$300 suspended; \$75.50 costs; 90 days in jail with 86 suspended, credit for time served; 12 months probation.

Douglas K. Carter, 43, Burley; inattentive/careless driving; \$100 fine; \$75.50 costs.

MIDSEASON DISMISSALS

Trenton Ranger, 18, Twin Falls; disturbing the peace/disorderly conduct; dismissed by prosecutor.

## Ed board

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testing... and hope we can find the funding in future years to restore those tests."

At another meeting, in spring 2007, Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter was supportive of a \$1.4 million supplemental appropriation to retain the second- and ninth-graders, Luna said. A testing contract was signed, but the supplemental was not approved by the Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee.

"There was never a discussion in our meeting with the governor that we should move forward and spend money that had not yet been appropriated through JFAC," Luna said. He said that he subsequently had talked with JFAC Chairman Steve Dean Cameron, who wasn't supportive.

But Luna said that when he voted against eliminating the testing in December 2007, he was aware of the "financial predicament" and voted to "protect" the cuts.

Asked Friday to comment on Luna's involvement, Schroeder said, "It looks like Superintendent Luna was

right in the middle of the whole mess."

But Sen. Tom Gannon, R-Buhl, said Luna is not directly responsible for any problems.

"It didn't happen under his watch, but he inherited it," he said.

Schroeder added he was not satisfied with the testimony offered by the trustees, and was surprised they told senators the Legislature could take away some board duties. Schroeder said they had lobbied lawmakers for the cuts.

"The state board has some serious systemic problems and when you combine that with a culture of arrogance, that merits close monitoring by this Legislature and there's probably a new members who would not resign," he said.

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# Grocery tax relief bill will get a full hearing

By Stan Strick  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter says he can "live with" a bill introduced Friday to ease the 6 percent tax burden Idaho residents face on food. The proposal is nearly identical to one that the House Revenue and Taxation Committee killed last month, but lawmakers on the committee said they wanted to give it another chance since it appeared to be the last hope for six relief this year. "If we don't pass this bill, we may do nothing," said Rep. JoAnn Wood, R-Flyg. "I don't want to do nothing. I think it's about time that we take that first step."

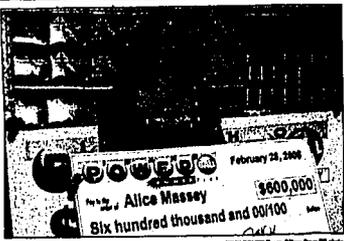
Currently, almost every Idaho resident gets a \$20 credit annually for the amount they pay in taxes on groceries at the register, with

seniors getting \$35. The proposal that advanced in the committee on Friday would give \$50 to each member of a family of four earning less than about \$25,000, while members of families earning more would each get \$30. The rebates for each resident would rise by \$10 each year to a maximum of \$100, and \$120 for seniors. Such an approach would cost about \$22 million this year, but that would rise to about \$122 million a year by 2015. Through a spokesman, Otter said about the bill, "I can live with it, but I'm not endorsing it."

Otter has favored a graduated plan that would give \$30 to each member of a family of four that earns less than \$25,000. People who earn more than \$50,000 would get nothing. That plan would cost about \$24 million in the

first year. Last year, lawmakers criticized the proposal as "social engineering," that takes tax relief from most people who get it now and gives it instead to the poor. On Friday, the governor's

spokesman, Mark Warbis, said that Otter has no plans to introduce a bill this session but has been talking with lawmakers and hoping they will follow his recommendation to provide relief.



Alice Massey holds a check that represents the \$600,000 she won Thursday with a Powerball ticket she purchased at Super 1 Foods in Rathdrum more than two months ago.

## Rathdrum woman claims winning Powerball ticket — two months later

By Brian Walker  
Coeur d'Alene Press

RATHDRUM — Turns out the winning \$600,000 Powerball ticket sold in Rathdrum on Dec. 15 wasn't lost.

It was in Alice Massey's plastic lottery pouch among some other tickets and cards all along.

Despite hearing more than two months of rumors and news reports that the ticket hadn't been claimed, Massey never checked her tickets.

Until Tuesday night. The 51-year-old Rathdrum woman thought she may as well check them at Super 1 Foods where she bought the ticket and was getting groceries with her son, Jim Jr.

"I had three winners — \$3, \$21 and \$600,000," she said, heavily emphasizing the latter figure. "I handed a bunch of (tickets) to the store clerk to check and the next thing I knew, she and the store manager were just staring at me and looking at my ticket."

The manager told Massey

they didn't have a checkbook big enough to pay the claim and she would have to go to Boise to get the money.

"Are you pulling my leg?" Massey said she asked, certain it was a joke.

It wasn't. The clerk, the manager and my son all had to hold me up," she said.

Massey said she never had an inkling the past two months that she may have the winner.

"I just went along with everybody else," she said. "The rumor was that it was thrown away near Wolf Lodge. I read all the news stories and heard all about the ticket and always wondered who that dumb person was who hadn't checked their ticket to find the winner. ... It turned out to be me."

The ticket would have expired on June 12. The ticket matched all five numbers but not the Powerball multiplier of 3, turning a \$200,000 winner into a \$600,000 winning ticket.

## Man convicted in sword attack also pleads guilty in '06 stabbing

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An eastern Idaho man convicted earlier this year for assaulting a roommate with a sword has also pleaded guilty to stabbing an elderly man nearly two years ago.

Ruben Diaz, 25, pleaded guilty Thursday to felony aggravated battery for attacking a 66-year-old man in March 2006 during an encounter at an Idaho Falls park.

In court, Diaz told the judge he was not taking medication for mental illness at the time of the attack.

"That's why I did that," Diaz said.

Prosecutors say the victim, Alfred Kemp, was walking near Kate Curley Park when the attack occurred. Kemp was stabbed in the back and suffered cuts on his leg, ear and throat before he was able to fend off the attacker, according to police reports.

In interviews with investigators, Kemp was never able to identify his attacker. But new evidence enabled prosecutors to charge Diaz in the case last month.

Kemp said it's unfortunate his crime couldn't have been solved sooner to prevent the

violent attack involving Diaz and his roommate last fall. The attorney, Diaz, pleaded guilty to one count of aggravated battery with a weapon, a felony, stemming from the Sept. 4 attack on 24-year-old Duc Do. Diaz admitted assaulting Do with a 3-foot-long sword.

During the sword attack, Diaz argued that his Bonneville County apartment. Do lost a finger during the attack and suffered minor wounds to the head, arm and stomach.

The plea in the 2006 stabbing is a component of a deal that allows Diaz to serve prison time concurrently for both crimes. Sentencing is scheduled for April 3.

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## 3 teams make title games



Burley senior point guard Colton Moon is fouled by a Pocatello defender Friday during their Class 4A state semifinal game at the College of Idaho's J.A. Albertson Activities Center in Caldwell.

## Burley returns to 4A title tilt

Hosteen, Hepworth dominate Pocatello

By Zach Klye  
For the Times-News

CALDWELL — It all comes down to this. By holding off the pesky Pocatello Indians 68-55 in the Class 4A state semifinals, the Burley Bobcats earned a return trip to the championship game today.

Everything the Bobcats have worked for — the championship trophy last year, extending their undefeated season into the state tournament, winning 45 straight dating back to December of 2006 — all boils down to one game to finish what they started. Just one more game to play together wearing those green Burley uniforms.

Still, the Bobcats aren't getting too excited. "We had expectations of being here all along," senior guard Ben Searle said. "It kind of feels like we're supposed to be here in a way. Nothing too special, I guess."

Burley point guard Colton Moon said today's game is a chance to realize a long-standing dream.

"Since fifth or fourth grade, we had a goal of winning two state championships,"

Moon said. "That is what we're shooting for." As in Burley's first-round win over Emmett, forwards Jordan Hosteen and Kyle Hepworth controlled the low block, scoring 18 and 12 points, respectively. Searle said their post-up play opens up the game for Burley's other scorers.

"We give them the ball down low, and they pass it out if they get double teamed or take it up," Searle said. "They just make great decisions, which is why we're so successful." Moon said the two open-court dunks Hosteen threw down helped quell Pocatello's runs and renew Burley's energy.

"I hadn't dunked in a while," Hosteen said. "It felt pretty good, a feeling I can't really explain." Four Indians scored in double figures, led by Alex Drechsel and Kirk Thiemann with 12 points each. Jordan Steel scored 11, and Justin Sands added 10.

Burley guard Brad Caresia didn't miss a shot, hitting all four field goal attempts, including a 3-pointer to score 10 points.

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Kimberly guard Lael Schoessler goes for the layup against Snake River Friday during a Class 3A semifinal game at Meridian High School.

## Bulldogs rampage to Class 3A state finals

Senior Jerke leads Kimberly past Snake River

By David Bashore  
Times-News writer

MERIDIAN — One more game for all the marbles.

That's what awaits the Kimberly Bulldogs boys basketball team after being nothing short of dominant in a 65-46 win over Snake River in the Class 3A Real Dairy Shootout semifinals at Meridian High School on Friday evening.

One more game to finally claim the state championship that eluded members of this bunch during football season. And by the look of that Kimberly defense flying

around the court and running the Panthers ragged, the players know they've got one hand on the trophy and just have to wrest it from their opponents.

One more game in the Bulldogs career of the team's lone senior, Ivan Jerke, who led all scorers with 13 points by way of his unrelenting tenacity in driving to the basket and collecting rebounds. "We're just rolling right now," Jerke said. "Everyone's come out and done a great job when they go into the game. We're just feeling really comfortable out there on the

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## Hagerman beats defending champ

By John Derr  
Times-News writer

CALDWELL — Before Friday's Class 1A semifinal game, Hagerman coach Kevin Gate said he wanted his team to compete. It did more than that.

Facing the defending state champion Genesee Bulldogs, the Pirates pulled the upset of the tournament, earning a spot in the boys state basketball championship game with a 44-37 victory at the 2008 Real Dairy Shootout. "Nobody expected us as a No. 5 seed to go this far, we just wanted to prove everyone wrong," said Dylan Brooks, who nailed four 3-pointers including two in the final period. "We came out with intensity and played hard."

Hagerman will play Troy for the championship at 11:30 a.m. at The Idaho Center in Nampa.

Down by one at the start of the fourth quarter, Hagerman went inside to the man who led them all night.

Six-foot-five junior post Tanner Owen, who tossed in 16 points, converted in the paint to keep the Pirates close.

"I had to come out and do what I do to help the team," said Owen, who also grabbed six rebounds and blocked a shot.

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Hagerman wing Thomas Owsley goes for a 3-point Friday night during the Pirates' Class 1A semifinal victory over Genesee at Vallivue High School in Caldwell.

## No. 3 Golden Eagles men stymie Colorado NW

Times-News

Art Parakhouski scored 19, Kevin Galloway added 14 and Juan Pattillo clipped in 12. Then Friday's game went to halftime.

The No. 3 College of Southern Idaho decimated host Colorado Northwestern Community College, topping



the 3-22 Spartans 130-84 Friday night in Rangelco, Colo. The 28-1 Golden Eagles led 66-35 after one half of track-meet play before pouring it on to improve to 13-1 in Scenic

West Athletic Conference play. Parakhouski finished with a game-high 28 points, Pattillo added 26 and Galloway 18 as CSI outclassed a Spartans team led by sophomore guard Centorrio Bennett's 27-point night.

"I thought the guys did a good job," CSI head coach Barret Peery told 1270 AM

KTFI. "With the circumstances being what they were, I thought we really executed the game plan." CSI is one win away from securing its

first undisputed SWAC title in three seasons and locking up the top seed in next week's Region 18 Tournament in Twin Falls. That top seed would not only give CSI a first-round bye, but a Friday game against the winner of Thursday's game between North Idaho College and Snow College.

"We've got to win one more tomorrow and we'll have a league title all to our own," Peery said.

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Assault charges dropped against Rockets' Alston

NEW YORK — Assault charges were dropped against Houston Rockets guard Rafer Alston, who was accused of a slashing a man with a knife in a nightclub.

Defense lawyer Alberto Etkand did not immediately return a call. The charges were dropped because, "while the victim suffered serious knife wounds, there are questions about where the victim was injured," said Barbara Thompson, a spokeswoman for the district attorney.

Etkand said in August that witnesses had told him Alston did not appear to be injured when he left the club and did not alert police officers who were in the area.

The 6-foot-2 guard out of Fresno State signed with the Rockets in 2004. He's averaged 12.2 points and 5.7 assists in 54 games this season.

SOCCER Donovan officially US scoring leader

NEW YORK — Landon Donovan became the U.S. career scoring leader Friday, one month after scoring the goal that broke a tie with Eric Wynalda.

FIFA, soccer's governing body, said Friday it had recognized the United States' 3-0 victory over Denmark on Jan. 20, 2007, as a full "A" international game. Donovan converted a penalty kick in the 44th minute of the Denmark match 13 months ago, but before Friday FIFA had not counted that game — or the goal.

Donovan went on to score nine goals in all 2007 — tying the American record for a young player — and set his 35th career goal on Jan. 19 this year in a 2-0 victory over Sweden.

When initially contacted by The Associated Press about the Denmark game in August, FIFA responded, "The Danish FA confirmed in January that this match was not played by their official 'A' team. Therefore we did not register it."

MAGIC VALLEY Flier rodeo club holds dinner

FILER — The Flier High School Rodeo Club will hold its second annual dinner and auction at 6 p.m. tonight at the school cafeteria. Dinner includes barbecue beef, baked beans and dessert.

The auction





# Samuel signing, Jets trades make biggest splashes

The Associated Press

The Philadelphia Eagles handed what was considered the biggest prize in this year's NFL free-agent sweepstakes.

The New York Jets traded an unhappy defensive player to New Orleans and traded for one from Carolina.

Those were the big moves as the NFL's free agent period began Friday, a day marked by trades that were more interesting than free-agent signings.

The Eagles made the splash by signing Asante Samuel, the former Patriots cornerback who led for the league lead in interceptions with 10 last season. Philadelphia had only had 11 interceptions all year.

But how much that will help the Eagles in the NFL East remains to be seen. They finished last at 8-8 in the NFC's best division, which includes the Super Bowl champion Giants and the Dallas Cowboys, whose 13-3 record was the best in the conference.

Sinard had been protected last season as the Patriots' franchise player, but was allowed to go this year. He was one of the defensive keys last season to New England's run to 18-0 before its Super Bowl loss to the New York Giants. He had an interception that sealed a three-point win over Philadelphia during that unbeaten run.

But he was less than perfect in the Giants' 17-14 upset win in the Super Bowl, allowing David Tyree to get loose for a touchdown and muffing a potential winning interception with less than 2 minutes left during the Giants' winning touchdown drive.

The Jets, meanwhile, traded for defensive tackle Kris Jenkins from Carolina and dealt linebacker Jonathan Vilma, the 2004 defensive rookie of the year to New Orleans. Vilma's problem: a 4-3 middle linebacker, he didn't fit in well to Eric Mangini's 3-4 defense.

In another major trade, Detroit sent inconsistent defensive tackle Shaun Rogers from Detroit to Cincinnati. The Lions got third and fifth round picks in return.

Vilma, who missed the last nine games of the 2007 season with a knee injury, had 118 tackles as a rookie after being the No. 12 overall draft pick in 2004. He led the NFL the following season with 187 tackles and made the Pro Bowl.

That changed in 2006, when the Jets awarded defenses and Vilma had just 116 tackles. He played in seven games last season before injuring his knee and had 39 tackles. The Jets eventually gave him permission to shop for a new home and he found it on Friday.

"I enjoyed my four seasons with the Jets and thank them for the opportunities they gave me," Vilma said. "But this represents a new chapter in my football career and in my life and I am truly excited and fortunate to be joining a team that just a little over a year ago was one win away from appearing in the Super Bowl."

Jenkins, whose play fell off the past two years, was



obtained for third and fifth-round draft picks. The 349-pounder is expected to move to nose tackle after signing a new five-year contract worth \$35 million, including \$20 million in guaranteed money.

"Kris is extremely excited to be going to New York," said Jenkins' agent, Tony Paige. "He leaves Carolina with no malice or anything like that and he's grateful that they drafted him and gave him a chance to play. He had a lot of great memories there."

Detroit had been fielding offers for Rogers. The Lions settled on the Bengals' offer of two picks in the middle of the NFL draft in April. Rogers is often among the most dominant defensive players in the league. But he failed to live up to expectations at times because of weight and off-the-field problems.

Meanwhile, quarterback Todd Collins stayed put in Washington. The 36-year-old Collins, who took the Redskins to the playoffs after taking over for an injured Jason Campbell agreed to a three-year, \$9 million contract to stay put. Coach Jim Zorn already has said that he will remain Campbell's backup next season.

In other deals Friday: Linebacker Kawika Mitchell signed with Buffalo after having a career season in his only year with the Giants. He finished with 3 1/2 sacks and an interception returned for a touchdown and had two more sacks in the playoffs, including one in the Super Bowl.

Denver released discounted wide receiver Jovan Walker and linebacker Ian Gold. Walker spent two seasons in Denver after being acquired in a trade from Green Bay and had 95 receptions for 1,771 yards and eight touchdowns.

Minnesota signed safety Madiue Williams and fullback Thomas Japich. Williams, who played his first four seasons in Cincinnati, replaces Dwight Smith, who was cut and signed with Detroit. Japich, a former Eagle, will replace free-agent Tony Richardson, a Pro Bowl player in 2007.

Jacksonville formally completed a trade with Minnesota for former first-round draft pick Troy Williamson and signed another wide receiver, former Butler Jerry Porter. They also signed former Dolphin Cle Leonas as their backup quarterback.

Kick returner Allen Ernest signed with the San Francisco 49ers, his fifth NFL team. Rossium, who played by Pittsburgh last season also played for Philadelphia and Green Bay.

Miami signed former Jacksonville wide receiver Ernest Wilford and defensive end Sean Ryan from the Jets and traded for nose tackle Jason Ferguson from Dallas.

Atlanta re-signed quarterback Chris Redman. Houston re-signed receiver and return man Andre Davis of the NFL. Upshaw has frequently cited the low pensions for many retirees on the fact that many take



Brian Davis hits his tee-shot from the ninth during the Honda Classic golf tournament Friday in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. Davis finished eight-under par to take a one-stroke lead heading into Saturday's round.

# Brian Davis takes one-stroke lead over Jones at Honda Classic

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Dudley Hart spent some of Friday afternoon poised to turn the Honda Classic into a runaway. Later in the day, it was Brian Davis' turn to take what seemed like a huge lead.

But PGA National eventually caught up with them. And by nightfall, the Honda leaderboard was muddled again.

Davis shot a 3-under 67 to finish the day at 8 under, one shot better than Matt Jones (67) and two shots ahead of Hart — a former South Florida resident whose last victory was at the 2000 Honda, and who peeled off six straight birdies in a 66.

After a bogey-free opening round, Davis started his second round just as precisely getting to 10 under at one point and four shots clear of the field.

Then this diabolical course — as it typically does — began to fight back.

Davis made a double bogey at the par-3 seventh, his 16th of the day, then missed the green to the right and slid a 10-foot par try just past the cup on his final hole.

John Mallinger (67) and Ben Crane

(66) were tied for fourth, three shots off the lead. Ernie Els shot a 70 and was in a group of six players, including Mark Calcavecchia and Robert Allenby, five shots back of Davis.

First-round leader Luke Donald shot a 74, including a quadruple bogey on the 14th, to fall six shots back. Hart played in the afternoon, when the wind picked up and the course, theoretically, was significantly harder than in the morning session. But he went out in 29, and only a double bogey at the par-3 17th kept him from finishing the day with a share of the lead.

## Ochoa dominating at HSBC tournament

SINGAPORE — Top-ranked Lorena Ochoa took a seven-stroke lead in the inaugural HSBC Women's Champions, following her season-opening 66 with a 65.

The Mexican star, an eight-time winner last year, is making her first start of the year after skipping the World Cup and the LPGA Tour's opening events in Hawaii.

Amika Sorenstam (67) and Paula Creamer (71), the winners in Hawaii, were tied for second at 6 under with South Korea's In-Kyung Kim.

Stacy Prammanasudh (69), Karrie Webb (70) and Linda Wessberg (71) were 5 under, and Natalie Golbis (68) and Jee Young Lee (72) were another stroke back.

## Kapur, Park share Johnnie Walker Classic lead

GURGAON, India — India's Shiv Kapur shot a 7-under 65 for a share of the second-round lead with Australia's Unho Park in the Johnnie Walker Classic.

Park had a 66 to match Kapur at 10 under 134 on the DLF Golf and Country Club.

India's Jyoti Randhawa (65) and Japan's Taichiro Kiyota (67) had a stroke back, and Australia's Adam Scott (68) topped a group at 8 under. The tournament is sanctioned by the European, Asian and Australasian tours.

— The Associated Press

# NFL Anderson agrees to 3-year deal with Browns

CLEVELAND — Derek Anderson ran a reverse on the Cleveland Browns.

Only a few hours after the quarterback hit the free-agent market, Anderson agreed to terms on a three-year contract with the Browns, who were prepared to move on without the Pro Bowl alternate.

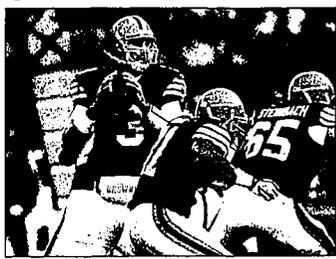
The deal is reportedly worth \$24 million and includes over \$13 million in guaranteed money.

Anderson officially became a restricted free agent at 12:01 a.m. Friday, when other teams were allowed to make contract offers for the 24-year-old. But by 5 a.m., his agents had worked out a deal with general manager Phil Savage for him to stay in Cleveland. The sides had been working on a three-year, \$20 million deal and had been negotiating for weeks.

"This is where I want to be," Anderson said. "I told my agent, 'Let's do the right things to get that taken care of.' In my heart, I knew I was going to get back."

If Anderson had signed with another team, Cleveland would have received first- and third-round draft picks as compensation. The Browns also would have turned their high-powered offense over to Brady Quinn, their QB in waiting.

"Honestly, I wasn't interested in late ones and late thirds," Savage said. "I'm interested in keeping the



Cleveland Browns quarterback Derek Anderson (3) drops back to pass against the Seattle Seahawks in this Nov. 4, 2007 file photo in Cleveland. Anderson and the Browns agreed to a new contract Friday.

player, keeping our offense in tact with Chad at the controls and bringing our playmakers back, having them at full strength, keeping the offensive line in place and seeing how far this particular group of players can go."

In addition to getting a deal done with Anderson on the opening day of free agency, the Browns acquired defensive tackle Corey Williams from Green Bay for a second-round draft pick in April.

The Browns then signed Williams to a six-year deal. Financial terms were not immediately available.

The 6-foot-4, 313-pound Williams, who tied a career high with seven sacks last season, was designated as the Packers' franchise player

quarterbacks as long as we can keep them. Then we're going to pick one of them," Savage said. "The Cleveland Browns are going to be quarterbacked by one or the other, either D.A. or Brady Quinn, for a long time."

Anderson threw 29 TD passes last season and led the Browns to 10 wins. He'll enter training camp as the prohibitive favorite to win the starter's job, but Anderson will be pushed hard by Quinn, a fan favorite whom the Browns fret can become a star.

Cleveland gave up a first-round pick in this year's draft to select Quinn.

Despite having a much stronger arm and his bigger release, Anderson failed to beat out Chad in training camp last summer. However, after Frye played poorly in a 34-7 loss to Pittsburgh in the season opener, the Browns traded him two days later to Seattle and elevated Anderson to their starter.

The former sixth-round pick of Baltimore in 2005 (three five TDs in his first start against Cincinnati) and had the Browns' best QB until he hurt himself last December. But Anderson had his worst game the second time he faced the Bengals, throwing four interceptions in a loss that cost Cleveland a postseason spot.

Anderson's 29 TDs were one shy of Brian Sipe's club record set in 1990. "We're going to have both

# NFL players union streamline programs, benefits for retirees

WASHINGTON (AP) — The NFL and its players union, which agreed to a new policy toward retired players, have modified their disability program and doubled the benefits in one part of it.

The changes were made Thursday by the NFL Alliance, a newly formed group that includes commissioner Roger Goodell, Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association, and representatives of the Pro Football Hall of Fame and NFL

Alumni Association. They include doubling the payment for non-football "total and permanent" disability for retired players from \$20,000 a year to \$40,000. If a player's pension is more than \$40,000, he will receive that.

In addition, players who took an early pension will have a chance to apply for Social Security can now have their NFL cases appealed.

These voluntary improvements are consistent with our commitment to address post-

them early after retirement.

The new program also changes the rules so that players who have established total disability under Social Security will not need to establish it separately, another subject that had been a sore spot with retired players. Those who were denied disability under the NFL plan but were qualified by Social Security can now have their NFL cases appealed.

These voluntary improvements are consistent with our commitment to address post-

career issues and improve the benefits of retired players," said Harold Henderson, the league's vice president for labor relations.

Ten former players attended the meeting, including some, such as Harry Carson and Daryl Johnston, who have been critical of the union and league's efforts to help retired players. Other retired players who attended included Steve Largent, Willie Lanier, Andre Collins, Jean Fucet, Leonard Marshall, Bridg Owens, Troy Vincent and John Wooden.

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

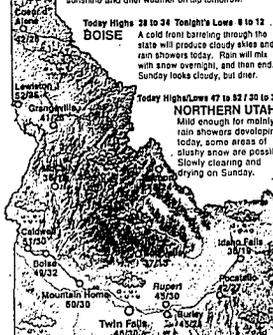
Today: Clouds followed by developing rain and snow showers. Highs middle to upper 40s.
Tonight: Snow activity ending by an end. Lows near 30.
Tomorrow: Steady clearing and drying. Highs low to middle 40s.

BURLEV/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: An increasing threat of rain and/or snow. Highs middle 40s.
Tonight: Mostly cloudy and chilly. Precipitation chances fading away. Lows upper 20s.
Tomorrow: Breezy and cool with cloudy periods. Highs near 40.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.
Periods of rain and snow likely for overnight through today. Shows activity will taper off overnight with patchy sunshine and end weather on top tomorrow.



TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

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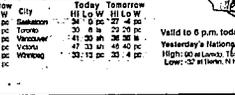
Yesterday's State Extremes: 66 at Powell, Low: 8 at Starley.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY. Think Big! Expand your thinking first and your action will soon follow!

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table with columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, High, Low.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP



Busch brings hot streak home to Las Vegas with pole-winning run

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Kyle Busch carried his hot start to the season into his hometown Friday winning the pole at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.
Busch ran a fast lap of 102.352 mph in his Toyota Camry to take the top starting spot for Sunday's race.

Although — Allmendinger missed the race for the third time this season, Toyota still placed 10 cars in the field, the most the manufacturer has qualified since entering the Cup Series.
Also failing to qualify was Johnny Sauter, who was behind the wheel of the Wood Brothers' No. 21 Ford because of the pressure of getting his family's car into the field. Sauter wrecked on his qualifying lap.



Kyle Busch prepares to drive his car Friday for a qualifying run for Sunday's NASCAR UAW-Dodge 400 auto race at Las Vegas Motor Speedway in Las Vegas. Busch won the pole position.

While Busch is enjoying the perks of being on top of his sport, he's downplaying his hold on the standings. Busch has a six-point advantage over Ryan Newman.
'It's cool, it's fun and it's great and all, but we're two weeks in. We need it two weeks to go,' Busch said.
'There's a lot of stuff, a lot of laps and a lot of corners, so go through and a lot of pit stops and everything else.
'Hopefully we can keep it and ride this wave for however long it lasts. I'm a pretty good surfer, so I shouldn't be too hard.'
Carl Edwards, winner of Monday's rain-postponed race in California, qualified second with a lap of 101.506 in his Ford. Mark Martin qualified third in a Chevrolet, followed by Jeff Gordon in a Chevy and Mike Skinner, who has finished second to Stewart in both Nationwide races, and was second in the season-opening Daytona truck race before finally scoring his first win of the season with a truck victory in California.
Now he wants a Cup win.

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# Lutherans and learning



Photo by MEGAN THOMPSON/Times-News

Ella Hardesty, 5, prays with her classmates before they eat a snack Wednesday afternoon at Immanuel Lutheran School in Twin Falls. Monday starts National Lutheran Schools Week.

## Two local schools celebrate national schools week



Taylorn Anderson, 4, tries to eat with chopsticks as Aiden Ward, 5, investigates a piece of Chinese candy Wednesday afternoon during a lesson on China at Immanuel Lutheran School in Twin Falls.

By Loretta Burkhart  
Times-News correspondent

With preparations signed, sealed and delivered, students at Immanuel Lutheran School in Twin Falls and Clover Trinity Lutheran School west of Filer are more than ready to begin their annual celebration of National Lutheran Schools Week.

The yearly event is part of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod's recognition of Christian-based involvement in schooling dating back to the mid-1830s. This year, some 2,569 schools nationwide have set aside the week of March 3-7 to honor their long-established commitment to education.

With the community in mind, daily themes are aimed at incorporating joy with learning as the two area schools set into motion their separate, week-long agendas.

### Celebrate with Lutherans

Information about local celebrations: Immanuel Lutheran School principal Michelle Jund, 733-7820, or Clover Trinity school administrator Yvonne Reinke, 326-5198.

National information: [Etc.org/lutheranpartners/archives/060304\\_06.html](http://Etc.org/lutheranpartners/archives/060304_06.html)

packed with activities. Both kickoff ceremonies are scheduled to begin Monday morning at regular school hours. And at Immanuel Lutheran, 6-year-old Trajan Holtzen is ready. Day one is "Bring your favorite stuffed animal to school day." And on that day, Buddy will be dressed appropriately. Please see LUTHERAN, Page D2

## Fighting addiction through God

## Churches join faith-based coalition against drugs

By Ariel Hansen  
Times-News writer

Crystal Russell is a success story. She was 23 years old when, on Halloween 2002, she and her boyfriend first smoked methamphetamine out of a broken light bulb. From that moment, she was hooked: In a year, she lost her day care business, custody of her daughter, and eventually her freedom when she was sent to jail for writing bad checks to Costco Wholesale.

Behind bars, women in the prison ministry came to her, reminding her that Jesus could help her if she would accept him as her savior — so she did.

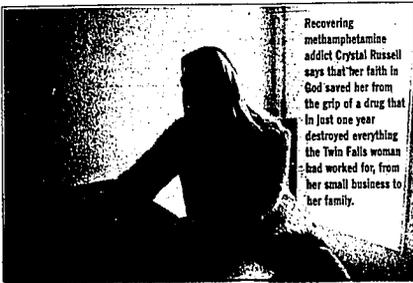
**Join the fight**  
Southern Idaho Partners Against  
Drug-Addiction Coalition  
Contact Jerry Costello, senior pastor,  
at the First Church of the Nazarene,  
1223 Washington St., Twin Falls,  
733-8610. [Joinus@fncn.com](mailto:Joinus@fncn.com)

"He used those ladies to tell me I could be set free from that past," Russell said last week, sitting in her small but comfortable Twin Falls home. Once out of jail, she entered inpatient recovery at Walker Center, then began attending faith-based outpatient recovery groups. She believes that without that faith, she might not still be sober and separated from the

drug-using community. "There's something in the power of the Holy Spirit that makes it work, that gives me the strength," she said. "I know it was all God. Every person he put in my path since I got clean was supposed to be there."

Today, Russell attends the First Church of the Nazarene twice a week, including its chemical dependency recovery groups. The church is part of a coalition of south-central Idaho faith-based groups that are coming together to spread the word about substance abuse — especially meth addiction — and provide religious contexts to

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Recovering methamphetamine addict Crystal Russell says that her faith in God saved her from the grip of a drug that in just one year destroyed everything the Twin Falls woman had worked for, from her small business to her family.

# CHURCH NEWS

## Presbyterian women offer cookbook

The First Presbyterian Church of Jerome will have a Cookbook Extravaganza after worship Sunday at the church, 262 E. Ave. A.

The Presbyterian Women have put together a cookbook with recipes from church members from the last 100 years. Dishes from the cookbook will be available for tasting, and cookbooks will be for sale.

Everyone is welcome. Information: 324-2972 or stop by the church.

## Presbyterians elect church deacon

A congregational meeting will be held after the 10 a.m. worship Sunday at the First Presbyterian Church, 209 Fifth Ave. N. in Twin Falls. A deacon for the church will be elected.

The Mission Committee is sponsoring a drive to collect used sleeping bags and new and good used blankets for the South Central Partnership. Action pajamas or pajamas in all sizes for children are appreciated. The drive continues through March. A donations box is at the church.

Information: 733-7023.

## Rupert Methodists hold Lenten luncheons

The Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 11 St., is hosting a series of Lenten luncheons and programs at noon Tuesdays, March 4, 11 and 18.

This year's theme is "New Life, New Spirit."

The programs will be the St. Nicholas Mime Group on Tuesday, Pam Harris of the Mini-Cassia Women's Shelter on March 11 and Pastor Al Fry of the Rupert Presbyterian Church on March 18.

Free-will donations will be accepted for the United Methodist Church on Relief fund and the local church

## Meth

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fight it. The coalition is connected to Southern Idaho Partners Against Drugs and hopes eventually to involve more than 50 area churches. Representatives of various denominations — it's not clear exactly how many — have come to initial meetings, "to educate congregations, darkness, you can't just say, 'Ain't it awful we have a methamphetamine problem in our community,'" said Jerry Kester, senior pastor at the First Church of the Nazarene, which is leading the charge.

"If you do it rather poorly at first, we have a responsibility to say more than that it's bad. We have some obligation if we even pretend to be followers of Jesus to do what he would do, which is offer a solution."

## Offering Jesus

The coalition has distributed folders with materials that church leaders can use to educate congregations, including a DVD, a PowerPoint presentation and a thick packet on preventing drug use aimed at faith communities' youth leaders. At a minimum, the coalition hopes participating churches will reach out to congregations about the problem and the available solutions, and it encourages churches to host recovery meetings and provide other services to individuals and families struggling with drug addiction.

"We want first of all to make sure the congregations are aware that there is support in that area so that in the event that a family does have that, they have a place to go," said Terry McCurdy, executive Idaho public affairs director for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. The LDS wards in the area are part of the faith-based coalition.

"We've found people working in the area are much more effective than people working alone. It's a very important group and there's a serious need, and we want to do whatever we can to unify together for the benefit of

food pantry. Information: 436-3354.

## Three churches host Jews for Jesus programs

Jews for Jesus will present a "Christ in the Passover" program at three area churches this week:

- First Presbyterian Church, 262 E. Ave. A in Jerome, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Information: 321-2972.
- First Christian Praise Chapel, 1110 Eighth St. in Rupert, 7 p.m. Wednesday. Information: 436-0449.
- Calvary Chapel North Valley, 900 N. Lincoln in Jerome, 7 p.m. Thursday. Information: 614-9709.

Susan Mendelsohn works with Jews for Jesus as a "musical missionary," ministering in song at churches and congregations throughout the United States. She graduated from the Crane School of Music at the State University of New York and pursued a career in country music. She says that in 1990, she came to faith in Jesus as her messiah and, in 1992, joined the Jews for Jesus traveling music team, the Liberated Walling Wall.

Everyone is welcome at any of the programs.

Information: 436-0449.

## Burley church continues Lenten series

The Burley First Presbyterian Church is continuing its Lenten Luncheon series, "Symbols of Cross," from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday with the topic "The Crown of Thorns" by Linda Kieckhefer. The Rev. Al Fry will give the meditation. Homemade soup and sandwiches will be served.

Free-will offerings will be accepted for youth to attend Camp Sawtooth this summer. Information: 678-5131.

## John Nilson presents four local concerts

Well-known pianist and recording artist John Nilson will present concerts at four

area churches this month.



Nilson

• United Methodist Church, 908 Maple St., 7 p.m. Friday. 543-5498

• Castleford United Methodist Church, 303 Elm St., 4 p.m. March 3. 543-5498

• Rupert United Methodist Church, 605 H St., 7 p.m. March 3. 436-3354.

• Crossroads United Methodist Church, 205 Madison Ave. E. in Kimberly, 2 p.m. March 9. 423-4311.

Nilson is one of the most successful contemporary Christian recording artists in the Northwest. He can be seen performing his original instrumental pieces of jazz, classical, folk and rock throughout the United States and elsewhere in the world. He attended Southern Oregon College and graduated in 1979 with a bachelor's degree in English. He was honored in 1995 with the Distinguished Alumnus Award, the top award for the college's graduates. He founded the Magic Wing recording label in 1987; the label currently has 13 successful titles with international distribution.

The public is invited to any of all concerts. Free-will donations will be accepted.

## Centering Prayer workshop offered

An Introduction to Centering Prayer workshop will be held March 14 and 15 at the Ascension Episcopal Church, 371 Eastlaid Drive N.

Centering Prayer is a meditation practice that is the subject of the five-hour non-denominational workshop. It is open to anyone interested in learning this form of prayer.

The workshop will be 7-9 p.m. March 14 and 9 a.m. to noon March 15. Cost is \$30. Pre-registered by Friday or

536 at the door. To register, call Joyce Idara, 733-8081 or visit [dawnjo@yahoo.com](http://dawnjo@yahoo.com); or Jamie Kelley at 734-9499.

## FamilySearch announces new research tool

FamilySearch announced the release of a free new research tool that will help those with Finnish roots find their ancestors.

The research guide, "Finding Records of Your ancestors, Finland," features easy-to-follow, step-by-step instructions, colorful graphics and tear-out worksheets. It explains different types of records in Finland and instructs the user when and how to use specific records. Tips on how to use the Family History Library Catalog are included. Also in the guide are maps, key dates in Finnish history and pointers on reading Finnish genealogical records.

Additional guides in the "Finding Records of Your Ancestors" series previously published include African American, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Jewish, Mexico, Norway and Sweden.

"Finding Records of Your Ancestors, Finland" can be searched and printed for free online at [FamilySearch.org](http://FamilySearch.org). FamilySearch is a nonprofit organization that maintains the world's largest repository of genealogical resources. Patrons may access resources online at FamilySearch.org or through the Family History Library in Salt Lake City, Utah, and local family history centers in the area and around the world.

The Times-News welcomes news of church events. Send information to Ellen Thompson at [ellen@magieville.com](mailto:ellen@magieville.com) or in the Mini-Cassia area, Trona Tegan at [trona@magieville.com](mailto:trona@magieville.com). Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday. Photos are due by the Saturday religion page.

# YOUNG WOMANHOOD AWARDS

Two young women have earned their Young Womanhood Recognition awards through the Young Women's program of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

To earn the award, girls ages 16 to 18 set goals in six value areas — faith, divine nature, individual worth, knowledge, choice and accountability — and strive to achieve them through church and community service and self-improvement projects.

Calle Hall received her award during a New Beginnings program for the "Young Women in January" Her projects included learning about the wilderness in an overnight backpacking trip, refashioning the deck of her boat, making a quilt, volunteering to serve with children and creating a book about faith that included poems, hymns and pictures about faith.

Calle, 16, is the daughter of Wes and Lisa Hall of Jerome and is a sophomore at Jerome High School. She is in the Jerome 1st Ward, and her leader is Lisa Hall. She says she enjoys drawing, soccer, playing the trumpet,

xylophone and piano and is crazy about polka dots. Her favorite activity is boogie boarding at the beach with her dad and brothers.

Jessica Thompson

received her award for setting goals in her value areas. She is a sophomore at Jerome High School and is in the Jerome 1st Ward. She is a member of the Young Women's program and is a member of the Young Women's program.

Jessica, 17, is the daughter of Ber and Laree Hollibaugh of Twin Falls and is in the Twin Falls 13th Ward. She is a junior at Twin Falls High School, where she participates in art and works in the kitchen at the Buh Restaurant. She enjoys art, crocheting and writing in her journal.

The Times-News welcomes news of Young Women Recognition awards. Ellen Thompson at [ellen@magieville.com](mailto:ellen@magieville.com) or in the Mini-Cassia area, Trona Tegan at [trona@magieville.com](mailto:trona@magieville.com). Deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday for publication on the Saturday religion page.

# RELIGION LETTER

## Bible may not have complete history

The Christian Bible gives us some history, mostly of the Hebrew people centering around the 12 tribes of Israel. It leaves out 400 of the most important years between the Old and New Testaments. But in this old world, there are other Bibles and many other people like the Chinese, Indians, Egyptians and many more different people.

China and Egypt have written history that dates back for thousands of years. Scientists also have evidence that there were Indians in North America 15,000 years ago.

The Indians also have a

religion which was not lost, for, for as deceivers like the Bibles tell us that Abraham, Isaac and Jacob all had three toleds.

It appears that there have been the most beautiful stories that little children like and many adults cling to.

WILLIAM HAFNER  
Twin Falls

The Times-News welcomes letters on religious topics of 200 words or less from readers. Letters should include the writer's signature, mailing address and telephone number. Letters considered libelous, obscene or in bad taste will be rejected, and the Times-News reserves the right to edit all letters.

# Lutheran

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"I'll dress him up like a vet. That's similar like a doctor. But he's going to be a vet," Holzen explained.

With diversity in mind, Tuesday is "Color your hair day," said principal Michelle Lund. "Regardless of color, we're all the same in God's eyes."

7-year-old Madison Ford agreed and can hardly wait.

"I'll probably color my hair gold and black — cause that's our school colors," said Ford, smiling.

Wednesday's theme will give students the opportunity to bring a friend or a family member to school, and on Thursday, the planned activity will shed new light on learning for all 208 students.

Through a We the People Picturing America grant, a special instructor will introduce the art and the history of making stained glass windows, Friday said.

On Friday students will look to the future by thinking about their prospective occupations; students will dress according to their chosen professions. For 7-year-old Kelton Turner, such decisions are still under serious consideration. But when pressed he thinks he might dress like a doctor.

Eleven-year-old Lesley Nærboen's decision is set in (rhinestone): "I'm dressing like a fashion designer," she said.

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Crystal Russell laughs as she and others participate in a Bible study Feb. 20 in the coffee shop at the First Church of the Nazarene in Twin Falls. Russell says her faith in God brought her back from the drug world and an addiction to methamphetamine.

individuals and the community as a whole."

The coalition doesn't advise people against recovery groups that are not faith-based, and members note that intensive programs like the Walker Center and St. Luke's Canyon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services — which receive government funds and cannot provide faith-based treatment — can be vital in helping addicts. However, many members believe that addressing the spiritual life of an addict is as important as addressing the emotional and physical addiction.

"A faith-based approach is essential because loss of times the things were addicted to ultimately result in a problem of identity," Kester said. "The answer for us is that we really do believe that there is a great power for life change in Jesus. The biggest thing we have to offer is unashamedly specifically Jesus."

## Coming together

It isn't just church leaders who believe addicts need their spiritual sides addressed.

Blossom Johnston, a Meridian consultant who was former Gov. Dirk Kempthorne's liaison to the White House for faith-based and community initiatives, has facilitated SIPAD meet-

ings in Twin Falls in recent years.

"As it deals with substance abuse, and meth in particular, one of the things that most state agencies can't explore with those that are in need is that area of their spiritual side," she said. "The churches and the faith-based organizations can address a person's need much more holistically than state agencies."

Johnston is encouraged that southern Idaho churches are coming together to help meet these needs.

"One church can't be the end-all, because you need a wide menu of services in order to have people stay accountable to their recovery," she said. She encourages all community members to support the churches' mission. "Anything people can do to help them, the community's going to benefit as a whole."

By offering the same message and supporting each other, the individual churches become an addiction-fighting force greater than they could be alone. As Kester noted, a single church can't hold daily recovery meetings, which may be how often a recovering addict needs help.

"My church can't provide something every night a week. Sometimes what the person needs is people who say 'I'm with you tonight to stop you from drinking or

drugging right now."

## What God can be

Crystal Russell believes that without God and the faith-based services that have helped keep her clean through her February 2007 relapse from recovery, she would be dead, in prison or still shooting up. Citing a figure for how few IV drug users stay clean for a year after going sober, she smiles now at a thought she had in recovery: "If I better have a God of miracles instead of statistics."

A program like Alcoholics Anonymous wouldn't have been as helpful as the faith-based program she chose, she believes, because she needed to change her views of the Almighty as much as her views of herself.

"That's what didn't work about AA," she said. "I knew my perception of everything else was so messed up, I didn't have my perception of what God could be either." And going to church meetings provided her with drug-free models to emulate. "I needed some normal family examples, things that were beyond-the-addict mentality and to the hope on the other side of it."

Like others who have found a path to sobriety, Russell has used her reordered life to give that hope to other addicts. She now owns a cleaning service that employs former methamphetamine users who are at least two years sober — she has had to fire one one employee, and the business is so successful she can't take on any new clients. Russell is married to a former recovered addict, and they have two children together, but even with this busy life, she still regularly takes time to thank God for bringing her out of meth addiction.

"I know today I trust him to meet all my needs, whatever they are. I can love other people with his love," she said.

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# Pope trying to convert Jewish 'elder brothers'

**WEST PALM BEACH, Fla.** — The pope could easily lose the respect his office deserves by the divisive decisions he has recently made. He offended the Jewish community directly and, indirectly, insulted every thoughtful person.

Save that such actions are tragic for the church and the world, they would be quickly dismissed in any rational consideration of the church's Catholic. Quite appropriately, Benedict XVI seeks the respect of the world as leader of more than a billion Catholics. He behaves, however, as if he were running an exclusive club with no need to consider the sensibilities or intelligence of that world.

The pope approved a revision of a prayer for the Good Friday liturgy that asks God to enlighten the hearts of Jews "so that they may acknowledge Jesus Christ, the savior of all men."

That is such an affront to the Jewish community that the International Assembly of Conservative Rabbis meeting this week is considering a resolution to condemn the prayer for endangering the mutual respect engendered in recent years.

The pope's revised prayer would undo much of the good will that his predecessor, John Paul II, did for Jewish relations. John Paul called Jews his "elder brothers" in the faith, and he sought to convert them.

He seems intent to undo the remarkable work of the Second Vatican Council in



STEVE GUSHEE

the 1960s to engage the contemporary world. He declared a plenary indulgence for anyone who visits the French shrine at Lourdes during its 150th anniversary this year.

That kind of spiritual abuse triggered the 16th-century Protestant reformation. Luther objected to indulgences offered by Pope Leo X in exchange for money to rebuild St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. A plenary indulgence allows the faithful to bypass purgatory, escape God's judgment and proceed directly to heaven.

Playing games with the souls of the faithful worked for a while in the Middle Ages, but since Luther it has been seen for what it is: A fund-raising marketing tool that mocks the mission of the church, the theology of Scripture and the justice of God.

The pope needs to choose the role he wants to play. He can act the cult leader catering to the emotional needs of his followers and the power lust of his institution. He can take a responsible place in the world's religious community, embrace his "elder brothers" and give up the indulgence fantasies. He can't do both.

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# Overblown?

## Interfaith leaders say Jewish groups may be overestimating impact of revised Catholic prayer

By Rachel Zoll  
Associated Press religion writer

**NEW YORK** — The Anti-Defamation League was "deeply troubled" by the prayer.

Conservative Jewish rabbis said they were "dismayed and deeply disturbed" by its language.

"But so many interfaith leaders — Jewish and Roman Catholic — say there's no evidence that a revised Good Friday liturgy approved this month by Pope Benedict XVI is as threatening as some Jewish groups fear."

"Rather than overreact, we need to look to the future of the Jewish community and this pope," said Rabbi Gary Greenbaum, U.S. director for interreligious affairs for the American Jewish Committee, a leader in building Jewish ties with the Vatican.

The prayer fueling the tension is infamous among Jewish leaders, but little known by the overwhelming majority of Catholics and Jews worldwide. It had historically been used as an excuse for violence and discrimination against Jews.

local languages. Benedict last year relaxed the rules on the old Latin rite, partly to mend ties with traditionalists and Catholic schismatics who had objected to the council's reforms.

But the old Latin rite contains a Good Friday prayer that asks God to "lift the veil" from Jewish hearts and deliver them from "blindness" and "darkness" so they might accept Christ.

Earlier this month, Benedict answered Jewish concerns about the prayer. In a reformulation, he eliminated the most offending language, while still asking God "to enlighten their hearts" so that Jews — and all humanity — can be saved through the church.

Many Jewish leaders reacted angrily. They feared it signaled a rollback in the church's commitment to *Nostra Aetate*, the 1965 document that revolutionized Catholic-Jewish ties.

Philip Cunningham, a member of the U.S. bishops' Advisory Committee on Catholic-Jewish Relations, said he understands why Jews are upset. In his many talks with Jewish audiences, he is almost always asked whether the "improvements" in the church's relationship with Jews are temporary.

"My response is that there's a body of teaching there that's difficult to reverse," he said. Regarding the revised Good

Friday prayer, Cunningham said that "99 percent of the Catholic world" uses the New Mass, which has "no mention of Jews coming to faith in Jesus the Savior. There's not even a hint of it."

Rabbi Irwin Kula, president of CLAL, The National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership, a training institute and think tank based in New York, was more blunt.

"The Catholic Church, unlike some religions in the world, has come through its murderous period and is not violent nor dangerous, so Jews should chill out," he said.

Some of the anxiety stems from the fact that Benedict is a relatively new pope.

He was elected three years ago and Jewish leaders are only at the start of their relationship with him. His predecessor, John Paul II, did more than any other pope to build Catholic-Jewish ties during his 26-year pontificate, including praying at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, Judaism's holiest site.

Benedict has made his own significant gestures. He became only the second pope, after John Paul, to enter a synagogue, visiting a Cologne, Germany, synagogue in 2005 during his first trip abroad as pontiff. He also visited Auschwitz the next year, although some Jewish leaders said they were disappointed that Benedict, a German who lived through World War II,

didn't make a more explicit reference to German responsibility for the genocide.

Greenbaum said Jewish groups need to consider Benedict's broader goals in reviving the old Latin rite: helping restore a strong sense of Catholic identity and promoting Catholic unity.

"I think the Jewish community needs to always keep things in context," Greenbaum said. "This is a pope who has a very strong sense of his own beliefs and his own philosophy and I know that he has made positive statements about Jews."

Jewish leaders will have a chance to air their concerns directly to Benedict, when he meets with them during his April visit to the United States, his first as pope.

Meanwhile, Auxiliary Bishop Richard Skiba of Milwaukee, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, is trying to reassure the Jewish community.

"Central to the concerns of the Holy Father is the clear articulation that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ and his Church," Skiba said in a statement. "It is a faith that must never be imposed but always freely chosen."

"The Catholic Church in the United States remains steadfastly committed to deepening its bonds of friendship and mutual understanding with the Jewish community."

# 44 percent of Americans moving away from religious affiliation

By Jacqueline L. Salmon and Michelle Borstein  
The Washington Post

**WASHINGTON** — Forty-four percent of Americans have either switched their religious affiliation since 2002 or dropped out of any formal religious group, according to the largest recent survey on American religious identification.

The survey, released Monday by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, found that Americans' faith identity fluctuates during their lives, with vast numbers moving away from the faith tradition of their childhood to embrace other religious traditions — or no faith at all. The survey interviewed 35,000 people.

Among other findings, the survey indicated that members of Protestant denominations now make up only a slight majority — 51.3 percent — of the adult population.

The 44 percent figure includes people who switch affiliations within one of the major faith traditions, such as a Protestant who goes from Baptist to Methodist. Counting only people who switch traditions altogether — say, from Catholic to Orthodox, or Protestant to Muslim — the number drops to 28 percent.

"Constant movement characterizes the American religious marketplace, as every major religious group is simultaneously gaining and losing adherents," the U.S. Religious Landscape Survey said.

The survey also concluded that 18 percent of American adults are not affiliated with any faith today. About 4 percent describe themselves as atheist or agnostic. Young adults ages 18 to 29 are much more likely than people 70 and older to say they are unaffiliated with any particular religion, Pew found.

"America has always been very diverse (religiously) but it is diverse in a very different way now because we have

more different religious traditions," said John Green, senior fellow in religion and American politics for the Pew Forum. "Somebody raised in 1900 could be a Catholic or various kinds of Protestants — today, of course, one has available Islam and Buddhism and Hinduism as well as all those differences between Protestants that used to exist, and maybe a few different ones that didn't exist around 1900."

- Among other findings:
  - Among the smaller faith groups in the United States, Muslims account for about 0.6 percent of the American adult population. Mormons account for 1.7 percent. Hindus make up 0.4 percent.
  - Muslims and Mormons have the largest families of any faith group.
  - Catholics, claimed by 24 percent of Americans, has experienced the greatest net loss as a result of people switching to a different faith tradition, such as a Protestant denomination. But that loss has been offset by the number of Catholic immigrants. Nearly half of immigrants are Catholics.

# New study: Mormons have biggest families

**SALT LAKE CITY** (AP) — Mormons have the biggest families of any religious group in the country, according to a new study.

The Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life's report says one in five Mormon households has at least three children at home. Muslim families are second in size. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Hindus are most likely to be married, followed by LDS church members.

The report also indicates that Protestant religions are on the verge of losing majority status in the country. Right now, 51 percent of people call themselves Protestant — and that number is falling.

The survey says Mormons account for 56 percent of Utah's population. The next largest group is the unaffiliated, at 16 percent, followed by Catholics at 10 percent.

However, the survey was conducted only among adults 18 and older, and many LDS families have children under 18, meaning the percentage of the Utah population given for Mormons could be understated.

Among other findings:
 

- More LDS members live in the West than in the rest of the country combined, with 76 percent of the Utah population given for Mormons calling the region home. Utah has the highest percentage of

Mormons, with Idaho following at 23 percent, Nevada, 11 percent; Oregon, 5 percent; Montana-Wyoming (the

states are combined), 5 percent; and Arizona, 4 percent. Nearly 70 percent of those surveyed said they had no

children. But among Mormons, the figure was 5 percent, the smallest proportion of any group surveyed.

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# Turkish troops end offensive against Kurds in Iraq

By Christopher Torchia  
Associated Press writer

ISTANBUL, Turkey — Truckloads of weary and unshaven Turkish troops returned Friday from Iraq as Turkey ended an eight-day cross-border offensive against Kurdish rebels, meeting U.S. demands for a quick campaign.

Washington and Baghdad welcomed the move, but

Turkey warned that the forces would return if necessary.

A key test of the effectiveness of Turkey's ground incursion came in the weeks ahead with the arrival of spring, the traditional start of the fighting season of the rebel Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK. In the past, guerrillas have taken advantage of the melting snows and infiltrated Turkey from bases in Iraq, and any surge in PKK

attacks could trigger another tough response from the Turkish military.

"It is very clear that an established group like the PKK will not be eliminated with one or two more cross-border operations. Turkey needs pinpoint operations against the group's leadership, like Israel's operations against Palestinian groups," said Sinan Ogan, head of the Turkish Center for

International Relations and Strategic Analysis in Ankara.

Moreover, the discrimination and poverty that triggered the Kurdish insurgency in Turkey in 1984 persist, although the government has taken steps in recent years to ease restrictions on Kurds as part of its bid to join the European Union. The PKK's power has dwindled since its 1990s heyday, and Europe and the United States consider it a

terrorist group, but it still enjoys support in the country's predominantly Kurdish southeast and some urban centers.

The PKK has tempered its demands over the years, initially calling for an independent state and later for autonomy in the southeast and cultural rights. The conflict has killed up to 40,000 people.

Turkey's first major incursion into Iraq for about a

decade reflected the sensitive nature of its alliance with the United States, which provided intelligence to the Turkish military but sought a short campaign to preserve the relative calm of the mostly Kurdish region of northern Iraq. The troop withdrawal came a day after President Bush and Defense Secretary Robert Gates told Turkish leaders they should end the offensive as soon as possible.

## Execution of 'Chemical Ali' given go-ahead

By John Affleck  
Associated Press writer

BAGHDAD — The Saddam Hussein henchman known as "Chemical Ali" for gassing thousands of Kurds is scheduled to hang within the month, following the end of a review of his death sentence Friday by Iraq's presidential council.

But even survivors were notably subdued about the news in a nation weary of violence and suffering.

The agreement among Iraq's three-member presidential council — President Jalal Talabani, a Kurd, along with the Sunni and Shiite vice presidents — eliminated the last barrier before Ali Hassan al-Majid can be executed.

The presidential council spared the lives of two other Saddam aides, in what was seen as a possible attempt to appease minority Sunnis.

The two men — Hussein Hashid Mohamed, former deputy director of operations for the Iraqi armed forces, and former defense minister Sultan Hashim al-Tai — are in U.S. custody, as is al-Majid.

The date of the execution will be determined by the Iraqi government.

A cousin of Saddam who once was an army motorcycle messenger, al-Majid rose to become a general and served as defense minister from 1991-95. He was among the most important figures in the former regime's inner circle, and was known as one of the most merciless.

Al-Majid, al-Tai and Mohammed were sentenced to death in June after being convicted of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity for their part in Operation Anfal — a 1987-88 crackdown on the Kurdish region that killed nearly 200,000 civilians and guerrillas.

Witnesses testified that Iraqi government forces attacked women and children, burned crops, killed livestock and forced civilians into detention camps.



In this image made available in London, Thursday, Britain's Prince Harry mans a .50 caliber machine gun, at an observation post close to Forward Operating Base Delhi, in Afghanistan, on Jan. 2.

## Prince recalled from Afghan service amid criticism of media disclosure

By Kevin Sullivan  
The Washington Post

LONDON, Feb. 29 — British military officials announced Friday that Prince Harry would be recalled home involuntarily from Afghanistan, amid widespread praise for the British news media for keeping secret and anger at a U.S. Web site for disclosing it.

Stories about Harry, 23, who is third in line to the British throne, dominated headlines and airwaves Friday as his 10-week tour of duty in Afghanistan came to an abrupt end.

No one was more excited than the Sun, Britain's best-selling newspaper, which ran a dozen stories about Harry across the first nine pages of its Friday edition — even dropping its signature topless Page 3 Girl. The paper published a full-color, pinup style poster of Harry on patrol in Afghanistan in full combat gear.

Some bloggers and callers to talk-radio shows criticized the British media for the unprecedented deal they struck with the Ministry of Defense to maintain a news blackout about Harry's presence in Afghanistan, where his unit has been fighting resurgent Taliban forces in the southern province of Helmand.

"I'm appalled by the complicity of the Guardian and other media outlets," said one posting on the newspaper's Web site. "Of course Harry's presence endangers others. That's a reason for him to stay at home, not a justification for a huge conspiracy of silence."

But far more postings praised the deal and said edi-

tors and news executives had helped protect the life of the second son of Prince Charles and Princess Diana, as well as the lives of soldiers serving alongside Harry, who described himself as a "bullet magnet."

"I'm just impressed that they managed to keep it quiet for 10 weeks," said Janet Balfour, 70, a London resident. "Good for the British press, because usually they can't keep anything quiet."

British news media tore up their deal with the military Thursday, after the U.S. Drudge Report Web site posted what it called a "world exclusive" on Harry's Afghan tour. Although references to the possibility of Harry being in Afghanistan had appeared earlier in magazines in Australia and Germany, it wasn't until blogger Matt Drudge trumpeted the story that the British news media followed.

Drudge was a central topic of conversation across Britain on Friday. The Telegraph newspaper published a profile and described him as "arguably the most powerful journalist in the world." But mostly he was vilified.

"That stupid American," said a barber in north London. "If anything happens, he'll have blood on his hands."

Catherine Watts, 80, a London writer, said she was "very cross."

"It's an American, isn't it?" she said. "I wish they would follow principles and be able to shut up, basically."

Drudge did not respond to requests for comment Friday.

Ned Wallis, executive editor of the News of the World, who helped broker the deal with the military, accused

Drudge of a "cheap hit." Wallis told reporters he wondered if Drudge "would have done the same if it were George Bush's children or Hillary Clinton's child who was risking his life in Afghanistan."

The criticism from Wallis was noteworthy because his newspaper, a tabloid that favors screaming headlines, normally reports with unbridled gusto about the royal family. While it honored the blackout, in Friday editions it ran a prominent ad seeking photos and stories about Harry that read: "Have you served in the Army with Prince Harry? Call us in strictest confidence."

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## Thriving Taliban drug trade is grim sign how far Afghanistan has slid since U.S. invaded

By Anne Gearan  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Taliban have built a huge and profitable drug operation in Afghanistan while provincial governors look the other way, the latest grim sign of backsliding in a country the U.S. has spent six years and billions of dollars trying to salvage.

A report Friday on drugs — it said Afghanistan now produces 93 percent of the world's opium poppy — comes hand in hand with the resurgence of Taliban militants despite U.S. anti-insurgent efforts. Also on the rise: terrorist violence such as roadside bombs, suicide bombings, and attacks on police.

The problems have worsened rather than diminished under the watch of the U.S.-backed government in Kabul and the relatively small number of American forces stationed in the nation while larger numbers are deployed to Iraq.

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chaired by retired Marine Corps Gen. James Jones and former U.N. Ambassador Thomas Pickering.

Just this week the top U.S. intelligence official told Congress that President Hamid Karzai's government controls only 30 percent of the country.

The resurgent Taliban control some 10 or 11 percent, while local tribes control the rest, National Intelligence Director Michael McConnell said.

That's despite the \$140 billion Congress has appropriated for Afghanistan since the Sept. 11 attacks that were the original reason given for U.S. involvement. Afghan leaders Osama bin Laden is still at large, thought to have fled through Afghanistan's tribal lands to a hideout on the Pakistan border. The U.S. money has gone for military operations, base security reconstruction, foreign aid, embassy costs and veterans' health care.

Afghanistan's Defense Ministry has rejected McConnell's discouraging assessment, insisting the government controls the vast majority of the country.

However, the State Department's account of the drug problem on Friday was in line with McConnell's view. Afghan farmers grew more poppies for opium in 2007 than ever before, the report said, the second straight year of record production in the nation the United States invaded.

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**1103 WILLIS ORJILL** 420-0630, 420-2685

**TIDY, CUTE COTTAGE**  
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**Just Like New**

120 Van Buren, Twin Falls

TIME: 11AM-12:30PM  
New siding, windows, electrical, plumbing,  
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Address: Ave to Van Buren, South, second  
house on the right.  
MLS# 9834339 \$99,900  
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**Better Than New**

910 Arrowwood, Twin Falls

TIME: 12-2:30PM  
Large 3 BR 2 Bath home with living room &  
family room. Directions: Grandview to Arrow  
Wood  
MLS# 9834107 \$159,900  
Host: Troy Henson 308-8964

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Road, turn South on Blake Street  
MLS# 9832679  
Host: Sam Salgado 420-9317

**Reduced Price!**

1875 Talus Loop, Twin Falls

TIME: 4-3 PM  
Great floor plan with tremendous curb appeal. A must see! Directions: West Pedersen,  
S on Canyon Trail Way, S on Talus Loop,  
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MLS# 9833767 \$289,500  
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Cute bungalow

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Spacious inside & out

Well maintained home on 1 acre lot with views to the West. 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, over 3000 sq ft. RV parking. Fruit trees & beautiful country setting. Gentle north-south with updates throughout. \$240,000 MLS#98301658

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Horse Property!

2 bed, 1 bath home. Surrounded by a wrap around deck. Great views. Shop in a Quonset Hut. \$185,000 MLS #98349102

Call Johnny U  
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Tranquil and Secluded Setting

Countryside living in a 4 bed 2 1/2 bath on 2.8 acres & only 10 minutes from Twin Falls or Jerome. Family room and the bonus lot is a feature you'll appreciate. Custom steel horse barn has extra pasture very attractive. \$338,000 MLS #98305648

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On 1.5 acres with water storage. 3 bed, 2 bath. This home also has a big shop with 220 volts, separate heat - a man's dream! Come see this home. \$235,000 MLS #98314927

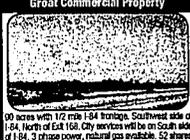
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Nice & Affordable

2 bedroom, 2 bath home w/attached 2 car garage, dock & patio area in front. Call today to find out more about this great home. \$105,000 MLS#98326712

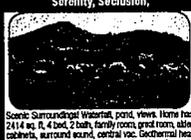
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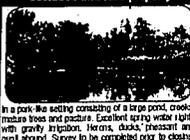
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Come pick colors today.

Great to be built! 1500 sqft. 3 bed 2 bath home, all contractor work in place, double sinks in master bath, sprinkler system in front & 1/2 on each side. RV space. This is a great location. Come for new house, school & new store. \$172,000 MLS#98347645

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Secluded and rare property

In a park-like setting consisting of a large pond, crows, meadow trees and pasture. Excellent for water rights with greatly irrigated. Varns, ducks, geese and great all around. Survey to be completed prior to closing. Owner is a licensed agent in Idaho. \$248,000 MLS #98302025

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Wonderful

Large family home on over an acre in Pleasant View Subd. 6 bedrooms, 3.5 baths with great room, family room, porch, 2 car garage, fireplace & much more. A great buy at \$340,000. MLS# 98320206

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By an even greater neighborhood. 6 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2343 sqft. A wonderful family home in Jerome! \$224,000 MLS #98302224

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Excellent horse property!

Shop, views, large home. Can be 4 bedroom plus a bonus room! 3 car garage. Formal dining room and family room. \$205,000 MLS #98341233

Call Louisa Harris 280-0822



6.839 acres.

Room for all types of commercial. Large building on property. Has lots of potential. Call information today. \$1,000,000 MLS#98341388

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Well maintained

3 bed 2 bath home in Hagerman Village Ranches. 5441 sqft. 2 car garage. \$149,000 MLS#98341670

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New high school & St. Luke with nearby walking distance! 3 bedrooms, 2 bathroom, corner lot, professional landscaping with kaurun & low maintenance vinyl fence. \$174,500 MLS#98345267

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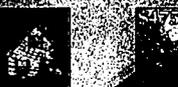
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Price Sale	# of Homes For Sale	Price Sale	# of Homes For Sale
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\$70,000-\$89,000	24	\$70,000-\$89,000	10
\$90,000-\$99,999	22	\$90,000-\$99,999	4
\$100,000-\$119,999	53	\$100,000-\$119,999	11
\$120,000-\$159,999	180	\$120,000-\$159,999	46
\$160,000-\$199,999	186	\$160,000-\$199,999	24
\$200,000-\$249,000	119	\$200,000-\$249,000	31
\$250,000-\$299,999	63	\$250,000-\$299,999	24
\$300,000-\$399,999	75	\$300,000-\$399,999	28
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FREE Chocolate Lab puppy, out to a good home. Call 208-260-2699

LOST Black Lab puppy, female, 12 weeks, has chain collar, lost on Green Tree Way in Twin Falls. Call 208-539-2992 or 208-320-2144

LOST Black Lab, small, white, offering reward. Lost around 107 West, 600 South S. Rupert. 208-300-5537

LOST Golden Retriever male, out by the Eden area. "Boss". \$100 REWARD. 208-0325.

LOST Mini Punscher, red & stag, female. Lost on 3500 N 4 in Twin Falls. Call 208-316-3300.

LOST Yellow Suzuki motorcycle gear bag. With books, helmet, goggles, etc. Lost between 400 S & 200 N on the 300 W near Jerome. REWARD. 539-7008 or m/s/g

LOST Yorkie, Blonde roddish/black hair female, 1 year old, misses her. Reward \$734-6080 or 734-4996

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

City of Hansen Planning & Zoning will hold a public hearing to hear a request from Ward to modify the plan for the South Hills Estates subdivision. The hearing will be held Monday, March 10, 2008 at 6:30 pm at Hansen City Hall located at 308 Main Street. The hearing is available at City Hall during regular office hours.

PUBLISH: March 1, 2008

**ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE**

Snake River Storage will sell the personal property belonging to: Charles Powell, 1608 8th Avenue East, Twin Falls, ID 83401. This sale will take place at a future date, by a local auction company. This sale is made to enforce the lien rights of a self service storage facility.

PUBLISH: February 23 and March 1, 2008

**SOUTH CENTRAL COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP WEATHERIZATION**

**LEGAL AD**

South Central Community Action Partnership (SCCAP) will be accepting sealed material bids to install 550 Washington St. blow-in insulation; batt fiberglass and duct insulation and vinyl windows. Specifications for material will be available at 550 Washington St. South, Twin Falls, ID. Contact: Ken Robinson, (208) 733-9354. All bids must be mailed to P.O. Box 531, Twin Falls, ID 83403 by March 21, 2008, 4:00 p.m. MST. Bids received after 4:00 p.m. MST will not be accepted. No bidder may withdraw bids after the hour set for the opening, which will be March 24, 2008, 10:00 a.m. MST at 550 Washington St. South, Twin Falls, ID. SCCAP reserves the right to split or reject any or all bids or to accept the bid deemed best for the SCCAP.

PUBLISH: February 28, 29, March 1, 2008

**NOTICE OF MEETING TO NOMINATE TWO GROWER MEMBERS OF THE IDAHO POTATO COMMISSION**

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, March 5, 2008 at 12:00 Noon in the Twin Falls Ballroom of the Idaho Inn, 1500 Blue Ridge Blvd., Twin Falls, Idaho, nominations for one grower member of the Idaho Potato Commission may be made by qualified potato growers residing in District No. 2A, which includes Twin Falls, Jerome, Lincoln, Camas, Elmore, Boleo, Valley and Gooding counties, and nominations for one grower member of the Idaho Potato Commission may be made by qualified potato growers residing in District No. 2B, which includes Cassia, Minidoka, Blaine, Buhl and Lemhi counties. Said growers may nominate three qualified growers for each vacancy from whom one will be appointed to the Commission by Governor Butch Otter. Dated: February 14, 2008. /s/ Frank W. Muir, Executive Director, Idaho Potato Commission

PUBLISH: February 16 and March 1, 2008

**101 Lost and Found**

FOUND Australian Shepherd, Friday 2/28 in Twin Falls. Call 293-4784.

50 Legal  
101 Lost & Found  
102 Cans of Hank's  
104 Persons  
106 Happy Ads  
106 Special Notices  
107 Pregnancy Alternatives  
108 Professional Services  
109 Health & Wellness  
110 Homebased Care  
111 Entertainment Services  
113 Child Care Services  
114 Miscellaneous Services  
115 Community Events

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HARD # 28

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. That's all there is to it. There's no math involved. The grid has numbers, but nothing has to add up to anything else. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic. Find the answers for today's puzzle on page E-16.

**EMPLOYMENT**

201 Employment  
201 Accounting  
202 Dental  
202 Construction  
204 Customer Service  
205 Dryer  
206 Drivers  
207 Education  
208 Farm  
209 General

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204 Customer Service

CUSTOMER SERVICE Budget Rent A Car is now hiring... All Shifts must be in A 18 wheel drive... Call 733-6599 or Apply in person at: Budget Rent A Car Twin Falls Airport Drug Free Workplace

205 Dairy

DAIRY Exp. Hard Person needed on Dairy south of Jerome. Must be exp. in A 1 brooding and herd health. Must be BI-Lingual Contact 208-280-1440

206 Drivers

Delivery Driver The North Side News has an opening for a part-time newspaper bundle Delivery Driver. This position is one day a week, usually on Wednesday, but occasionally will be on Tuesday. Starting time is 9:30 a.m. and finish time is between 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. Requires use of personal vehicle that is capable of hauling a good load. Route is approximately 168 miles. Pay is hourly with plus mileage. Applications can be picked up at the North Side News, 133 East Main, Jerome; the Gooding County Leader, 438 Idaho Street, Gooding; or the Lincoln County Journal, 110 North Rail Street West, Shoshone, EOE

DRIVER

Driver Manager/Dispatcher for long haul trucking company. Monday day shift with weekend and night on call rotation. Dispatch experience preferred. Must have good computer and telephone skills. 401K, CDL, PD vacation. Fax resume with references & wage requirements to Idaho Milk Transport Attn: Robert Beck 208-318-5001

DRIVER

New Hiring Data Drivers Paid Training Western States Bus Call 208-733-8003

DRIVER

Transport Driver needed for Wonder Bread driving an established route delivering product. Will load and unload racks off truck. Must be 21 with 2 years exp. and have class A license. Varied shifts required. Apply at 211 Freightway Twin Falls

DRIVERS

Ag Express Inc Paid ID Class A CDL drivers with tank endorsement needed full & part-time year round local & interstate hauling. Benefits include medical, dental, vision, 401k & vacation. Minimum age 21 Call 435-8895 or Milo at 431-4041

DRIVERS

Hiring over the road Drivers, 2 years experience preferred. Medical insurance and 401k offered, vacation after 1 year. \$3.25 per mile. Apply at: 45 S. 200 E. Jerome, Idaho 208-224-3515 Giltner Milk Transportation

DRIVERS

Real-Mix Drivers wanted. CDL required. Pay DOE. Full benefits. Apply at Idaho Concrete Co., 1224 Addison Ave., W. Twin Falls, ID or online at www.idahooncrete.com Drug Free Workplace EOE

DRIVERS

Semi Truck Driver needed. Class A CDL. Experience with hauling potatoes and 2 years driving. Full-time, year round. MCM Trucking Call Joe 731-6460

209 General

GENERAL Milwright/Maintenance position, long term new plant project, excellent starting pay. Must have positive attitude, work ethic and ability to learn. New Plant set up/construction a plus. Email resume to kevyn@clp.com

LANDSCAPING

Temporary position with Landscaping Unlimited LLC Sun Valley, ID (04/15/08 to 11/01/08) Manual unskilled labor: mow, cut, water, edge lawns, rake and blow lawns, dig holes and trenches, pull and chop weeds, prune and haul topsoil and mulch. \$6.50/hour OT \$9.87/hr 40hrs/wk, 5 to 10hrs OT, 8a-5p. No exp. Job Order #1305003. Apply for the job listing number at the nearest Idaho Department of Labor office or Send a resume with the job listing number to Idaho Department of Labor, 317 W. Main St., Field Support, Boise, ID 83725-0810.

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Sports Mfg Co. is a very stable employer and is accepting applications for the following full-time positions: \*Packaging \*Warehouse \*Plastic Fabrication \*Machinist \*Material Handlers \$9-\$12/hour (depending on position) Company benefits, employee health, dental, life insurance, vacation, paid holidays, & 401k plan. Applications avail. at Sports Mfg Plant Security Office 2152 S. Lincoln Jerome, Idaho Sports is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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See us online at www.magicvalley.com and read about our parent company at www.lee.net.

If you have these qualifications please submit a cover letter, references and resume to Christy.Haszler@lee.net or mail to Classified Manager, 132 Fairfield St. W., Twin Falls, ID 83301

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209 General

COOKS Excellence Cooks needed No rights/ Sun. Pay DOE Call 423-4777 before 3:00

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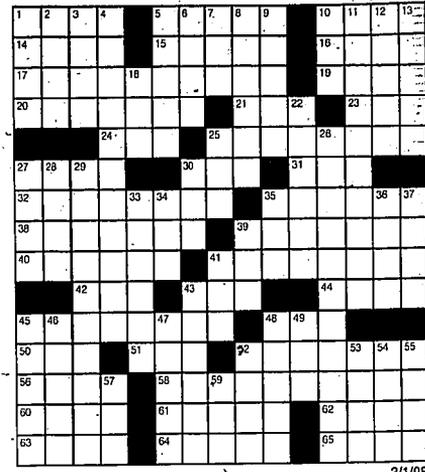
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ACROSS

- 1 Type of pear
5 Neutral vowel sound
10 Word locator?
14 Melville novel
15 Braid
16 Was a passenger
17 Serving dishes
19 Actor Sharif
20 Tied
21 Teachers' org.
23 Woods' org.
24 Unreturnable serve
25 Vegetable color?
27 Domestic worker
30 Standard on the links
31 Biddy
32 Beholden
35 Hussein of Iraq
38 Astral
39 Part of ICBM
40 Detection device
41 Flipped out
42 As well
43 Cub quarters
44 Writer Oz
45 Maternity confinement
48 Once around the track
50 One with two left feet
51 Actor Brynner
52 Primitive wind instrument
56 Melange
58 So they say
60 Hammer part
61 Belle or Bart
62 Buit
63 Newbie
64 Cantankerous
65 Surfeit



Friday's Puzzle Solved



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- 5 Spending frenzy
6 Earth lump
7 Actor Linden
8 Stadium snack
9 Bewildered
10 Sellout letters
11 Complete summary
12 Proverb
13 Played again
18 & so on & so forth
22 Struck by shock
25 Tablet
26 Gulf of Mexico food fish
27 Not hit
28 First of the pot
29 Spotter
30 Part of mph
33 "Sunday, Sunday"
34 Pipe buildup
35 Commandment breakage
36 Chorus voice
37 Jumble
49 Social insect
52 Left aboard ship
53 Notion
54 Assessor's map
55 "Jane \_\_\_"
57 Lennon's love
59 Faux \_\_\_

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By Johnny Hart

Baby Blues

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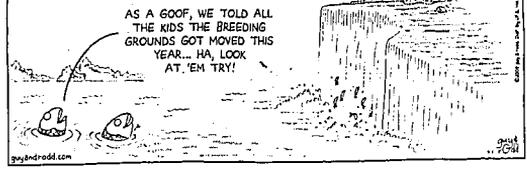


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By Guy & Rodd

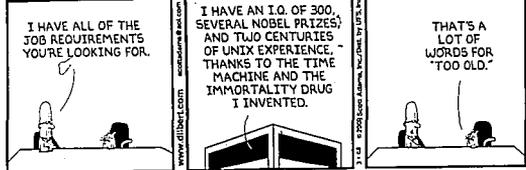


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Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau



The Elderberries

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For Better or For Worse

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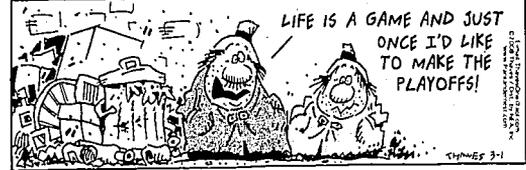


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By Bob Thaves

Luann

By Greg Evans



Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tinsley

Pearls Before Swine

By Stephan Pastis



Pickles

By Brian Crane

Rose Is Rose

By Pat Brady



Zits

By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

Avoid dangerous sports today, Aries



**Horoscope**  
Jerlatine Saunders

IF MARCH 1 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY, April is a month to take your enthusiasms to a new level and reach for the stars. You will have plenty of extra energy to set important new ideas or projects into motion and will benefit from the good wishes and advice of others. Accept any opportunity that knocks on your door in April, no matter how insignificant it seems, for it might change your life for the better.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19):** Brush off the chip that is trying to grow on your shoulder. Be seen in public places or at events where your amiable social instincts can take control. Avoid dangerous sports or feats of daring early in the day.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20):** The problem might be that the target of your affections has set his or her heart on receiving instant gratification. Avoid confrontations. You can explain your side of the equation with charm.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20):** A new love interest may be much like a melody that you can't get out of your head. You may have a revealing heart-to-heart discussion that proves that your trust is well placed.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22):** Allow a certain someone the freedom to run the show. Put your trust in others and you won't be disappointed. Organizing an impromptu gathering of friends and family could be the best way to enjoy this day.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):** A delightful partner gains your trust and admiration. The stars smile on social outings, spontaneous drop-in visits or romantic hours spent with a loved one.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):** Ask pertinent questions and show a sincere interest in others. Focus on networking, as new friendships may spark your creative genius. Be agreeable to accepting a spur of the moment invitation.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):** Now that everyone is wild about you, a significant other is looking at you through new eyes. If you keep your social commitments there is no cause for alarm.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):** You might be somewhat of a show off around family and close friends. Use your home as a center for social gatherings and explore romantic delights later this evening.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):** Significant others could rouse your creative juices or offer insights that force you to examine facts more closely. Welcome social invitations but avoid being coerced into a competitive situation.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):** Bring entrepreneurial skills to the table. You've got a head for business and an imagination that enables you to explore limitless possibilities. A new romantic connection might change your luck.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):** You are more popular than usual and an admirer must fight off the competition. A fleeting flair for fashion can lead you to buy flattering clothing.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20):** Extend pitch perfect hospitality to your valued friends. This gives you more time to spend at home with your latest love. Deal tactfully with irrational anger, such as unprovoked road rage, early in the day.

Non Sequitur

By Wiley

Strange Brew

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Blondie

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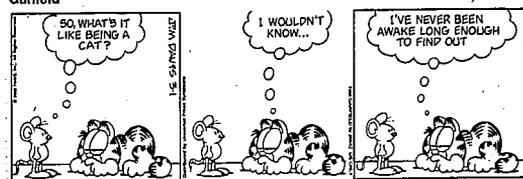
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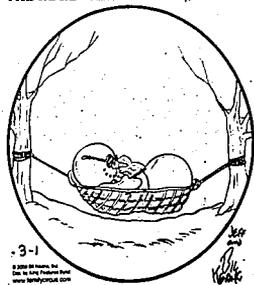
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keene



Mom advises teen to trade old friends in for new ones

DEAR ABBY: I'm 16 and in high school. I would say I have a lot of friends, but very few do I consider real friends.



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

number, and second, not to walk away from the machine until they're certain the fax is going through.

Before this all started, I was fine with my appearance and thought I was a normal size. Now I look in the mirror and I find myself not eating as much as I used to and thinking negative thoughts.

meet new people, and once you do, I'm sure you will find friends. Almost anything would be better than those who are putting you down.

DEAR FRUSTRATED: I'm printing your letter, but there is no guarantee it will resolve your problems. Of course it makes sense to check the number one is calling or faxing, but from what I have observed, people are trying so hard these days to ace through their work assignments, that mistakes keep piling up to the point where efficiency suffers.

— FEELING FAT IN CALI

DEAR FEELING FAT: The people you describe do not sound like "friends" to me. Friends don't ridicule each other, particularly when they are told it is hurtful.

DEAR ABBY: You ask your readers to share their pet peeves with you. Well, here's mine: I cannot overemphasize how annoying it is when people try to send a fax and enter the number of the phone line.

DEAR ABBY: At a business lunch or dinner, if one member at the table bows his or her head to say grace silently, what is the proper thing for the others at the table to do? Join in, wait silently or ignore the behavior?

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Saturday, March 1, the 61st day of 2008. There are 305 days left in the year.

In 1872, President Grant signed a measure creating Yellowstone National Park.

Five years ago: Suspected 9/11 mastermind Khalid Shaikh Mohammed was captured by CIA and Pakistani agents.

Today's highlight:

On March 1, 1932, Charles A. Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh, was kidnapped from the family home near Hopewell, N.J.

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, back from the Yalta Conference, proclaimed the meeting a success as he addressed a joint session of Congress.

DEAR CHRISTY IN DENISON, IOWA: DEAR CHRISTY: The polite thing to do would be to wait the proper time to finish. You are under no obligation to join in if you prefer not to.

On this date:

In 1781, the Continental Congress declared the Articles of Confederation to be in force, following ratification by Maryland.

In 1954, Puerto Rican nationalists opened fire from the gallery of the U.S. House of Representatives, wounding five congressmen.

DEAR ABBY: I am an assistant in a busy office. At least three times a week someone will try to send a fax and dial our main office number by mistake. I answer the phone and hear the high-pitched BEEP. Once wouldn't be that big a deal, but often the sender has walked away from his or her fax machine and it redials again and again. It is annoying and a waste of my time.

In 1790, President Washington signed a measure authorizing the first U.S. Census.

In 1961, President Kennedy established the Peace Corps.

In 1967, U.S. Representative Adam Clayton Powell of New York, accused of misconduct, was denied his seat in the 90th Congress.

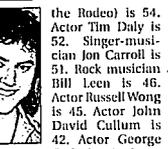
In 1864, Rebecca Lee Crumpler became the first black woman to receive an American medical degree, from the New England Female Medical College in Boston.

In 1991, Irish Republican Army member Bobby Sands began a hunger strike at the Maze Prison in Northern Ireland; he died 65 days later.

One year ago: Tornadoes killed 20 people in the Midwest and Southeast, including eight students at Emerspride High School in Alabama. The Army general in charge of Walter Reed Army Medical Center was relieved of command after disclosures about dilapidated buildings and inadequate treatment of wounded soldiers. An independent commission concluded the National Guard and Reserves weren't getting enough money or equipment.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS

Actor Robert Clary is 82. Singer Harry Belafonte is 81. Former U.S. Solicitor General Robert H. Bork is 81. Actor Robert Conrad is 73. Rock singer Mike D'Antino (Manfred Mann) is 64. Former Sen. John Branca, D-La., is 64. Rock singer Roger Daltrey is 64. Actor Dirk Benedict is 63. Actor Alan Thicke is 61. Actor-director Tom Hovland is 60. Actress Catherine Bach is 54. Country singer Janis Gill (AKA Janis Oliver Cummins) (Sweethearts of the Rodeo) is 54. Actor Tim Daly is 52. Singer-musician Jon Carroll is 51. Rock musician Bill Leen is 46. Actor Russell Wong is 45. Actor John David Callum is 42. Actor George Eads is 41. Actor Javier Bardem is 39. Rock musician Ryan Peake (Nickelback) is 35. Actor Mark-Paul Gosselaar is 34. Actor Jensen Ackles is 30. TV host Donovon Patton is 30. Rock musician Sean Woolstenhulme is 27. Rhythm-and-blues singer Sainnie is 21.



THOUGHT

"If you are able to state a problem, it can be solved."

— Edwin H. Land, American inventor (born 1909, died this date in 1991)

Is Victoria's Secret too sexy?

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Victoria's Secret, the lingerie company that introduced the Very Sexy bra, the Fantasy Bra, and the Internet server-crashing fashion show, has become "too sexy" for its own good, its top executive said.

"I feel so strongly about us getting back to our heritage and really thinking in terms of ultra feminine and not just the word sexy and becoming much more relevant to our customer," Turney said Thursday.

on product quality," she said. "Our assortment will return to an ultra feminine lingerie brand to meet her needs and expectation."

"We've so much gotten off our heritage ... too sexy, and we use the word sexy a lot and really have forgotten the ultra feminine," said Sharon Turney, Victoria's Secret's chief executive, in a call with industry analysts.

Turney said Victoria's Secret has gotten younger with a strong focus on its successful Pink line of lingerie and lounge wear created for college-age women, and has tried to chase those customers.

Sales at Victoria's Secret, like many clothing retailers, have been slipping.

Victoria's Secret was launched with the idea that Victoria was a manor-born and lived in London, Turney said.

Turney said Victoria's Secret wants to increase its level of sophistication.

Victoria's Secret's parent, Limited Brands, said Wednesday that its fourth quarter profits fell 12 percent and that its first quarter earnings would come in below Wall Street expectations.

Same-store sales at Victoria's Secret fell 2 percent in 2007, with sales in the fourth quarter dropping 8 percent.

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Dear TFSD #411 Parents, Students, Patrons and Staff:

The TFSD #411 is seeking renewal of the 10-year plant facilities levy that has been in existence in the district for the past 50 years. This proposed levy will not increase the current tax rate for property owners, a tax rate that ranks 60<sup>th</sup> out of Idaho's 115 districts. The plant facilities levy is a means for a school district to fund facility maintenance, technology upgrades, remodeling and additions. Over the years our patrons have seen the wisdom in supporting the maintenance and upkeep of our buildings. That effort has resulted in our ability to utilize our buildings effectively for longer periods of time when compared to other school districts. The TFSD is known around the state for having some of the best-kept facilities in Idaho.

This edition of the *District Focus* is dedicated to the effort to provide the information our patrons will need to cast an informed ballot. Thank you for taking the time to read it. On March 11, 2008 registered voters residing in the Twin Falls School District will have the opportunity to participate in this decision. On-site voter registration and absentee voting are available. Voting will be held at all schools except the Bridge Academy from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., and a 60% voter approval is required for passage. If you would like additional information or a presentation to a group, please contact members of the TFSD Team or visit the following web site: <http://www.tfsd.k12.id.us/tfsd/PFLVideo.html>.

Did you know?



- **Bickel Elementary** was first built in 1906 and parts of the building are over 100 years old. After a fire in the 1930's it was rebuilt and opened in 1938.
- **The District Office Building** was built around 1918 and originally served as the post office for Twin Falls. The district purchased the building from the federal government for \$1 in the early 1960's.
- **Lincoln Elementary** was originally built in 1909. No part of the original building remains, but the major portions of the current buildings are over 75 years old. The newer part was added in 1975. The pre-1960 Twin Falls High School football teams played their games on the current Lincoln play field.
- **Harrison and Morningside Elementary Schools** turned 50 last year. Both received additions in 1975.
- **Twin Falls High School** opened in 1953 and celebrates its 55<sup>th</sup> birthday this year. The high school has had additional construction in 1956, 1963, 1974, 1989, and 1993.
- **Robert Stuart Junior High School** opened for business in 1963. RSJH had major additions in 1970, 1975, 1981, and 1993.
- **O'Leary Junior High School** is fast approaching 30 years of age.
- **Sawtooth Elementary School** opened the doors to students in 1975, and is now over 30 years old.
- **Magic Valley High School** started in a wing of the Twin Falls County Hospital in the late 1980's. The school was moved to the Presbyterian Church, then to the Seventh Day Adventist Church, before moving to the current location in the former Safeway building on Main Street. Major remodeling was required to transform the former grocery store into a school in 1997.
- **Perrine Elementary School** is nearly 25 years old, and Oregon Trall is pushing 15 years of age.
- **Bridge Academy** started in a 4-room modular unit in front of MVHS on Main Street in the late 1990's. It was relocated to its current site on the corner of Elizabeth Blvd. and Eastland Drive in 2006.
- **Canyon Ridge High School** will open its doors in the fall of 2009 and add over 200,000 square feet of space to the district facilities bringing the total to well over 1 million square feet of maintenance responsibilities in the entire district.

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Sincerely,

*Dr. Wiley Dobbs,*  
Superintendent of Schools

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| 11    | Plant Facilities Levy Voting  | 3-4 | No school for all grades<br>Senior and Junior High registration<br>Elementary and Secondary<br>Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences | 26 | Memorial Day - No school  |
| 14    | Early dismissal at 1:15<br>No school for 1/2 day Kindergarten<br>End of 3rd quarter |     |   | 29 | MVHS Graduation<br>TFHS Baccalaureate   |
| 17-21 | No School - Spring Break  |     |   | 30 | Last day of school - early dismissal at 1:15<br>No school 1/2 day Kindergarten<br>TFHS Graduation<br>End of School Year |
| 24    | School resumes  |     |   |    |   |

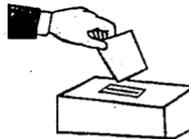


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