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## Fed cuts rates in most aggressive action in 25 years

### Wall Street surges on news

By Martin Crutsinger  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve slashed a key interest rate by three-quarters of a point Tuesday, capping its most aggressive two months of action in a quarter-century in a battle to halt a spreading credit crisis. Wall Street loved it, bursting to its biggest gain in five years.

The strong Fed action seemed to convince

investors, at least for now, that the central bank will do whatever it can to keep the country out of a steep recession. The Dow Jones industrial average finished the day up 420.41 points at 12,392.66.

The latest Fed move brought the federal funds rate — the interest that banks charge each other — down to 2.25 percent, the lowest since late 2004.

That's important far beyond bank boardrooms.

### In Business

Fed's bold moves of late have their risks.

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The reduction triggered announcements from commercial banks that they were cutting their prime lending rate to 5.25 percent from 6 percent. This rate is the benchmark for millions of business and consumer loans.

The Fed action was designed to lower borrowing costs and boost spending by

consumers and businesses and thus increase economic activity. Economic growth slowed to a near standstill in the final three months of last year as the nation was hit by a series of blows including the credit crunch, a prolonged housing slump, rising unemployment and surging energy prices.

The Federal Reserve has now cut its rate by three-fourths of a percentage point twice this year. The first occurred at an emergency meeting on Jan. 22 and was

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Trader Vincent Quinones, foreground right, gathers with other traders on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange Tuesday.

## Burley man's death in Vegas was homicide

Ryan Rich was Tasered by state police officer

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

The Clark County (Nev.) Coroner's Office confirmed Tuesday that it has ruled the death of Dr. Ryan Rich, who died Jan. 4 after a Nevada Highway Patrol officer Tasered him on a Las Vegas freeway, a homicide.

Rich died from a "seizure disorder," his manner of death was homicide, said Samantha Charles, spokeswoman for the coroner.



Rich

"The coroner has called an inquest (into the death)," she said. "After listening to all the information surrounding the incident the jurors have to decide whether the officer's actions were excusable, justifiable, or of a criminal nature."

Rich, 32, was a Minico High School graduate finishing his residency at a Las Vegas hospital, and he planned to return to the Magic Valley to practice medicine. He had been injured in an auto crash prior to his death and had

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# Five down



During a brief rain shower, people shield themselves with their anti-war signs as they listen to speakers during the Tuesday night gathering at Twin Falls City Park that recognized the five-year anniversary of the U.S. invasion of Iraq.

## Group commemorates fifth anniversary of Iraq War

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer



Watch speakers from Tuesday night's vigil.

The rain was cold. But for some of the 30-strong crowd huddled on Twin Falls City Park, it was the furthest thing from their minds.

Five years after their first vigil on the eve of the war in Iraq, they had returned, pleading once again with man and God for peace.

Their numbers have thinned from the 100 who gathered that first evening, organizer Jeff Ruprecht said. But no matter the numbers, he said, the vigils have to take place.

"I've got to do it," he said shortly before the vigil began.

The meeting was marked by a sense of quiet desperation. With no end in sight to the war, Ruprecht tallied the costs: 3,990 American servicemen killed. At least 100,000 Iraqi civilians killed. Some \$500 billion spent on a war that grows by \$3 billion a week.

"I'm not offering a lot of hope," he

said. "I'm not offering inspiration. Maybe our speakers will."

But those addressing the crowd seemed as weighed down as Ruprecht. National Guard Spc. Randy Johnson, who served for one year in Iraq, spoke of what equipment shortages and what he said was a broken support system for veterans were doing to soldiers.

While serving in 2004 and 2005, he wasn't issued a holster for his pistol — the only option was to pay \$120 for one from the post exchange on base.

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— Vigil organizer Jeff Ruprecht

## YMCA director to leave Twin Falls

Sharpnack accepts out-of-state Y job

By Nate Poppino  
Times-News writer

Karen Jachimiowski Sharpnack, executive director of the Twin Falls YMCA, has accepted a CEO position at another YMCA and will leave Twin Falls in a few weeks, YMCA officials announced Tuesday.

Sharpnack, brought in five years ago to help save an ailing YMCA, said she was approached by the other YMCA just a couple of weeks ago through networking consultants the groups work with. Though she declined to say where she was going, she said it was out of state, a larger association encompassing more facilities and in the middle of a capital campaign raising millions of dollars to help with growth.

"This is a great opportunity that I was sought out for this position," she said.

As director, Sharpnack faced criticism from city officials and others last year over a harsh management style three YMCA employees cited as their reason for resigning in June. But the incident, she said, wasn't a factor in her decision to leave, something YMCA board members reiterated.

"If that was a decision, I would have left over the summer," she said.

Mike Preece, president of the Twin Falls association's board of directors, said the YMCA expected to have

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Dick Anthony Heller, 65, outside the Supreme Court in Washington, Tuesday after the court heard arguments in an attempt to overturn the District of Columbia's firearms ban. Heller, an armed security guard, sued the District after it rejected his application to keep a handgun at his home for protection.



# You can keep your guns

Supreme Court seems to favor citizens' right to bear arms outside of militias

By Mark Sherman  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — Americans have a right to own guns. Supreme Court justices declared Tuesday in a historic and lively debate that could lead to the

most significant interpretation of the Second Amendment since its ratification two centuries ago.

Governments have a right to regulate those firearms, a majority of justices seemed to agree. But there was less apparent agreement on the case they were argu-

ing: whether Washington D.C.'s ban on handguns goes too far.

The justices dug deeply into arguments on one of the Constitution's most hotly debated provisions as demonstrators shouted slogans outside. "Guns are an American right," argued one side. "Guns kill," responded the other.

Inside the court, at the end of a

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TODAY'S FORECAST

TWIN FALLS Today Tonight Thursday
Today: Breezy with rain
Tonight: Lingering lighter showers
Thursday: More clouds than precipitation
High 52 Low 36 44 / 32

Today: Rain showers expected during the day. Highs, lower 50s.
Tonight: Rain mixing with snow at times. Lows, lower 30s.
Tomorrow: Mostly cloudy and a bit cooler. Highs, 40s.
Complete weather report: See page B6

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

- CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
Twin Falls Lions Club meeting and no-host lunch...
FAMILY
Candlelight Tales, 30-minute, "end of day" presentation...
EXHIBITS
Sally Macchills "Books of a Taiwan Autumn"...
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MORNING BRIEFING AROUND THE WORLD

BRITAIN Judge in McCartney divorce says Mills was 'explosive and volatile'

LONDON — A judge's ruling in the bitter Paul McCartney-Heather Mills divorce case shed new light Tuesday on a miserable marriage...



Mills

'The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency' Spokesman Jonathan Rutter said Minghella died early Tuesday at London's Charing Cross Hospital.



Minghella

British arts community reacted with shock to the loss of one of its best-known and best-liked figures. Tributes poured in from people as diverse as movie star Judge Law, former British Prime Minister Tony Blair and the president of Botswana.

of them a death sentence on Tuesday. The National Marine Fisheries Service authorized Oregon and Washington officials to first attempt to catch the sea lions that arrive at the base of the Bonneville Dam and hold them 48 hours to see whether an aquarium zoo or similar facility will take them.

That 60 of the California sea lions, identified by branding scars or other markings, were deemed the worst offenders and qualify for "immediate removal."

PENNSYLVANIA Vicki Van Meter, who as pilot piloted plane across Atlantic, dies at 26

PITTSBURGH — Vicki Van Meter, who made headlines in the 1990s for piloting a plane across the country at age 11 and from the U.S. to Europe at age 12, has died, an apparent suicide. She was 26.



Van Meter, in 1993

CALIFORNIA Marine charged with murder in death of detainee in Fallujah

SAN DIEGO — A Marine was charged Tuesday with murder and dereliction of duty in the death of a detainee in Fallujah, Iraq, after authorities say his involvement came to light during a lie-detector test for a job with the Secret Service.

Van Meter died Saturday of an apparently self-inflicted gunshot wound, the Crawford County coroner said. Her body was found in her Meadowlark home on Sunday.

"I'll brother said she battled depression, but her family thought she had been dealing with her problems. "She was unhappy, but it was not for her to open up about that and we all thought that she was coping," Daniel Van Meter said. He said she had asked taking medication. Van Meter was celebrated in 1993 and 1994 when she made her cross-country and trans-Atlantic flights accompanied only by a flight instructor. Her instructors said she was at the controls during the entirety of both trips. "If you put your mind to it, you can accomplish anything," Van Meter said before her second trip. — The Associated Press

OREGON Feds pronounce death sentence on some sea lions that eat salmon

PORTLAND — Traps, pyrotechnics and beanbags shot at sea lions have failed to deter the annual springtime feast of threatened salmon at a Columbia River dam, so federal authorities gave some

'English Patient' director Anthony Minghella dies at 54

LONDON — Anthony Minghella, a screenwriter, opera director and the Oscar-winning filmmaker of "The English Patient," died of a hemorrhage Tuesday at age 54.

THREE DAY PLANNER

- CHARITIES AND FUNDRAISERS
March 21 — The 32nd annual Lost Wages Night, hosted by The Optimist Club of Twin Falls...
CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
March 20 — Mini-Cassia Service Providers Community Resource meeting and no-host lunch...
HOLIDAY EVENTS
March 21 — Chaparral House 2nd annual Easter Egg Hunt...
MUSEUMS
March 22 — Saturday Program, "Loopin' Lizards," learn about the lizards of Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument...
VETERANS
March 20 — Veterans Outreach, with Steve Teague, State Service Officer with the Idaho Division of Veterans Services...

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is Wednesday, March 19, the 78th day of 2008. There are 287 days left in the year. This is the date the swallows traditionally return to the San Juan Capistrano Mission in California.
Five years ago: Tobacco farmer Dwight Ware Watson, who claimed to be carrying bombs in a tractor and trailer that he'd driven into a pond on Washington's National Mall, surrendered after disrupting traffic for two days; there were no explosives. Six men hijacked a Cuban airliner at knifepoint to the Florida Keys to seek asylum in the United States.
One year ago: President Bush marked the fourth anniversary of the start of the Iraq war with a plea for patience to let his revised battle plan work; Congress' new Democratic leaders retorted that no patience remained. A methane gas explosion in a Silicon Valley mine killed 11 workers. Death claimed rhythm-and-blues singer-songwriter Luther Ingram at age 69 and TV performer Calvert DeForest, aka "Larry 'Bud' Melman," at age 65.

CORRECTION

Flier beat Buhl 9-7 in first game of twin bill
The Flier High School softball team beat rival Buhl in the first half of a doubleheader on March 13. Flier won Game 1 9-7, while Buhl led 0-4 when Game 2 was called after three innings due to darkness. Results were inaccurate, reports in Friday's edition. The Times-News regrets the error.

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# Rich

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 stopped taking medication to control seizures in preparation for a medical examination. He was declared dead less than an hour after the officer shocked him. At the coroner's inquest scheduled to last a full day on April 18, two district attorneys, a judge and an eight-person jury will hear the circumstances surrounding Rich's death. Representatives of the police Protective Association make witnesses questions on behalf of law enforcement. Rich's family will also be allowed to ask witnesses questions at the public hearing. Rich's family will find no trouble coming up with questions. "Until this inquest happens everything is speculation," said Rich's father, Randy Rich.

"I've got a lot of unanswered questions." At the top of Rich's list is why there is no video from the patrol car—a fact that detectives relayed to him. Ever since his son's death, he figured a video of the incident would answer his questions. "That was probably one of the most frustrating things (thinking) it's going to help my son—when we sit down and watch a video of this," he said. "The detectives told me they didn't have video cameras. I don't know that there was no video. But that's what I am told." Randy Rich has also heard conflicting reports of the so-called "rampage" down the freeway that unfolded before his son, according to a police report, entered the median, resisted the officer and ran into oncoming traffic—all before he was "tasered."

The police version depicts a hostile driver. But Randy Rich wonders if the officer didn't overreact. "We think he had a seizure coming on, hit a couple of cars trying to get off the road, and came to rest in the median," Randy Rich said. "The toxicology report, when it comes out, I am very convinced is going to be negative. He is not going to have anything in his body that shouldn't be there. I am confident that that's what it will be." An autopsy report, including a toxicology report, will become unsealed only after the jury reaches its verdict, Charles said. In 2007, the Clark County coroner called 11 inquests for officers involved in shootings. Two cases were ruled suicides; three were ruled excusable; and five were found to have been justifiable.

# Rate

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 followed by a half-point cut at a regular meeting on Jan. 30. The three rate cuts over the course of two months represent the most aggressive Fed rate cuts since 1982 when the Paul Volcker-led Fed was working to get the country out of a deep recession. Fed Chairman Ben Bernanke and his colleagues have now cut the funds rate six times since last September, with the reductions becoming more aggressive since January as the central bank has faced growing turmoil in global financial markets.

# Iraq

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 The floor of his Humvee had a softball-sized hole and a plywood and canvas roof. And at least one study he said, has estimated 60 percent of the nation's homeless are veterans. When his squad tried to work with locals to find insurgents behind mortar attacks, he said, they were told they were doing too much. "Our job is not to connect with people," Johnson said. "I'm a superior told him, 'Our job is to go outside of the wire for three hours, don't get killed and come back.'" Gooding resident Diana Rowe Pauls spoke of the pain of losing a loved one in combat and criticized military recruitment tactics that she said target the poorer and the less-educated. "They're trying to get these people in that are desperate,

and we're letting them," she said. Steve Mercado, president of the College of Southern Idaho College Democrats, called for political change and said the debt for officers involved in shootings. Two cases were ruled suicides; three were ruled excusable; and five were found to have been justifiable. "That's where some of us are getting it all wrong," he said. Father Brian Thom of the Assumption Episcopal Church closed the vigil with a prayer, and sporting protest signs, the group walked the perimeter of the park. It's a walk Ruprecht said he doesn't want to have to repeat. "I'm hoping we won't be here for the 10th anniversary,"

# Rate

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 pushing it down to 2.5 percent. That cut, which followed a quarter-point reduction on Sunday, was seen as a clear signal that the Fed is ready to supply significant amounts of credit in direct loans to banks and other institutions through its discount window in an effort to stabilize financial markets rolled by the collapse over the weekend of Bear Stearns, the nation's fifth largest investment bank. "We had been on the brink of the biggest financial meltdown this country had ever seen, but I think the Fed has now turned the psychology around," said David Jones, chief economist at DMI Advisors. "The Fed is saying it is ready to supply all the emergency credit banks need to get us out of this crisis." Many analysts said they believed the Fed may cut rates only once more, perhaps by a more ordinary quarter-point, and then sit back and see if economic stimulus checks, along with the rate cuts, will jump-start the economy.

# Guns

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 session extended long past the normal one hour, a majority of justices appeared ready to say that Americans have a "right to keep and bear arms" that goes beyond the amendment's reference to service in a militia. Several justices were openly skeptical that the District of Columbia 32-year-old handgun ban, perhaps the strictest in the nation, could survive under that reading of the Constitution. Walter Dellinger, representing the district, replied that Washington residents could own rifles and shotguns and could use them for protection at home. "What is reasonable about a total ban on possession is that it's a ban only on the possession of one kind of weapon, of handguns, that's considered especially dangerous," Dellinger said. Justice Stephen Breyer appeared reluctant to second-guess local officials. Is it "unreasonable for a city with a very high crime rate...to

say no handguns here?" Breyer asked. Alan Gura, representing a Washington resident who challenged the ban, said, "It's unreasonable and it falls any standard of review." The court has not conclusively interpreted the Second Amendment since its ratification in 1791. The amendment reads: "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed." The basic issue for the justices is whether the amendment protects an individual's right to own guns no matter what, or whether that right is somehow tied to service in a state militia. A key justice, Anthony Kennedy, seemed to settle that question early on when he said the Second Amendment gives "a general right to bear arms." It is likely to be joined by Roberts and Justices Samuel Alito, Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas—a majority of the nine-member court.

# YMCA

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 Sharpnack for only three to five years when she was originally hired, enough time to turn the organization's finances around. She will be missed, he said. But the national organization has a dedicated system to search for new CEOs, and he said he expects a new CEO to be hired within three to six months. Chris Talkington, previously Twin Falls County's juvenile services administrator and the past Twin Falls mayor, will serve as interim CEO. Sharpnack will stay for at least a couple of weeks to help ease the transition, she said, and will be available to consult for three months after.

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### SRI LANKA Science fiction writer Arthur C. Clarke dies at 90, aide says

COLOMBO — Arthur C. Clarke, a visionary science fiction writer who won worldwide acclaim with more than 100 books on space, science and the future, died Wednesday in his adopted home of Sri Lanka, an aide said. He was 90.

Clarke, who had battled debilitating post-polio syndrome since the 1960s and sometimes used a wheelchair, died at 1:30 a.m. after suffering breathing problems, aide Rohan De Silva said.

Co-author with Stanley Kubrick of Kubrick's film "2001: A Space Odyssey," Clarke was regarded as far more than a science fiction writer.

He was credited with the concept of communications satellites in 1945, decades before they became a reality. Geosynchronous orbits, which keep satellites in a fixed position relative to the ground, are called Clarke orbits.

He joined American broadcaster Walter Cronkite as commentator on the U.S. Apollo moonshots in the late 1960s.

Clarke's non-fiction volumes on space travel and his explorations of the Great Barrier Reef and Indian Ocean earned him respect in the world of science, and in 1976 he became an honorary fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

But it was his writing that shored him to his greatest fame and that gave him the greatest fulfillment. "Sometimes I am asked how I would like to be remembered," Clarke said recently. "I have had a diverse career as a writer, underwater explorer and space promoter.

Of all these I would like to be remembered as a writer."

From 1950, he began a prolific output of both fiction and non-fiction, sometimes publishing three books in a year. He published his best-selling "3001: The Final Odyssey" when he was 79.

Some of his best-known books are "Childhood's End," 1953; "The City and the Stars," 1956; "The Nine Billion Names of God," 1967; "Rendezvous with Rama," 1973; "Imperial Earth," 1975; and "The Songs of Distant Earth," 1986.

### WASHINGTON Poll: For many college students, stress hurts motivation, attention

WASHINGTON — College kids are so frazzled they can't sleep or eat. Or study. Good grief, they're even anxious about spring break.

Most students in U.S. colleges are just plain stressed out, from everyday worries about grades and relationships to darker thoughts of suicide, according to a poll of undergraduates from coast to coast. The survey was conducted for The Associated Press and mVU, a television network available at many colleges and universities.

Four in 10 students say they endure stress often. Nearly one in five say they feel it all or most of the time.

But most are bearing it. Nearly two-thirds in the survey say they enjoy life.

Majorities cite classic stress symptoms including trouble concentrating, sleeping and finding motivation. Most say they have also been agitated, worried, too tired to work.

"Everything is being piled on at once," said Chris Curran, a junior at the Albany College of Pharmacy in Albany, N.Y. He said he has learned to cope better since starting school. "Now just get really agitated and anxious. Then you start procrastinating, and it all piles up."

Many cite eating problems and say they have felt lonely, depressed, like they are failures. Substantial numbers are

even concerned about spring break, chiefly not having enough money or being in good physical shape.

### NEW YORK New governor admits affairs years ago, but says no laws broken

ALBANY — A day after his predecessor's sex scandal propelled him into office, Gov. David Paterson revealed Tuesday that he had affairs with a "number of women," including a state employee, but said that does not affect his ability to lead.

Paterson had admitted one affair in a newspaper interview hours after taking office Monday, but gave a fuller accounting at a news conference with his wife at his side.

"Several years ago, there were a number of women," Paterson said. "The public wants to know who its elected officials are and sometimes, even though you are human, and you are someone who just has feelings and has faults, there comes a time, perhaps, when you have to tell the public."

Paterson said that the affairs happened during a rough patch in his marriage, and that the employee did not work for him. He insisted that he did not advance her career, and that no campaign or state money was spent on the affairs.

The admissions dampened the mood in the Capitol, where legislators had chanted Paterson's name and cheered after he was sworn in Monday. But there were many significant differences between Paterson's infidelity and the scandal that took down former Gov. Eliot Spitzer.

Spitzer, like Paterson a Democrat, has been accused of spending tens of thousands of dollars on high-priced call girls, including one last month. Federal prosecutors are deciding whether to pursue charges against Spitzer, who went after prostitution rings when he served as attorney general.

### NORTH DAKOTA International team painstakingly uncovers mummified dinosaur

BISMARCK — Using tiny brushes and chisels, workers picking at a big greenish-black rock in the basement of North Dakota's state museum are meticulously uncovering something amazing: a nearly complete dinosaur, skin and all.

Unlike almost every other dinosaur fossil ever found, the Edmontosaurus named Dakota, a duckbilled dinosaur unearthed in southwestern North Dakota in 2004, is covered by fossilized skin that is hard as iron. It's among just a few mummified dinosaurs in the world, say the researchers who are slowly freeing it from a 65-million-year-old rock tomb.

"This is the closest many people will ever get to seeing what large parts of a dinosaur actually looked like, in the flesh," said Phillip Manning, a paleontologist at Manchester University in England, a member of the international team researching Dakota.

"This is not the usual disjointed sentence or fragment of a word that the fossil records offer up as evidence of past life. This is a full chapter."

Animal tissue typically decomposes quickly after death. Researchers say Dakota must have been buried rapidly and in just the right environment for the texture of the skin to be preserved.

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# Obama tries to halt damage from pastor's comments

## Nation urged to break 'racial stalemate'

By Nedra Pickler and Matt Azzoo  
Associated Press writers

PHILADELPHIA — Barack Obama confronted the nation's racial divide head-on Tuesday, urging both black and white residents to join in a bold effort to quiet a campaign uproar over race and his former pastor's incendiary statements.

Standing before a row of eight American flags near the building where the Declaration of Independence was adopted, Obama urged the nation to break "a racial stalemate we've been stuck in for years."

"The anger is real," he said. "It is powerful, and to simply wish it away, to condemn it without understanding its roots, only serves to widen the chasm of misunderstanding that exists between the races."

The speech, at the National Constitution Center, was by far the most prominent airing of racial issues in Obama's 13-month campaign to become the first black president. It was prompted by the wider notice his former pastor's racial statements have been receiving in the past week or so.

He said he recognized his race has been a major issue in a campaign that has taken a "particularly divisive turn." Many people have been turning to the Internet to view statements by his longtime pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, who suggested in one sermon that the United States brought the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on itself and in another said blacks should damn America for continuing to mistreat them.

Obama rejected Wright's divisive statements but still embraced the man who brought him to Christianity, officiated at his wedding, baptized his two daughters and inspired the title of his book "The Audacity of Hope."

"I can no more disown him than I can disown the black community," Obama said. Obama advisers said he wrote the deeply personal speech himself. They said it was delivered in Philadelphia because of the city's historical significance, not because it is the most populous black city in Pennsylvania, site of the next primary vote on April 22.

Obama said he came to Wright's church, Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago, nearly 20 years ago because he was inspired by the pastor's message of hope and his inspiration to rebuild the black community. He also said black anger persists over injustice in America, and whites shouldn't be surprised that it bursts out in sermons.

"The fact that so many people are surprised to hear that anger in some of Reverend Wright's sermons simply reminds us of the old truism that the most segregated hour in American life occurs on Sunday morning," he said.

"To the white community, the path to a more perfect union means acknowledging that what ails the African-American community does not just exist in the minds of black people; that the legacy of discrimination — and current incidents of discrimination, while less overt than in the past — are real and must be addressed," Obama said.

Obama said it's not just blacks who are angry — some whites are, too, because they feel blacks are often given an unfair advantage through affirmative action.

"When they are told to send their children to a school across town, when they hear that an African-American is getting an advantage in landing a good job or a spot in a

good college because of an injustice that they themselves never committed, when they're told that their fears about crime in urban neighborhoods are somehow prejudice, resentment builds over time," he said.

"If we walk away now, if we

simply retreat into our respective corners, we will never be able to come together and solve challenges like health care or education or the need to find good jobs for every American," Obama said, drawing a rare burst of applause in a somber address.



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EDITORIAL

# Want a big tax break? Idaho's happy to oblige

There isn't a 3-year-old who would grab a hot stove-top burner more than once. The same can't be said for the Idaho Legislature. On Monday, the Senate approved a House-passed bill to give major tax breaks to a French company that may build a \$2 billion uranium enrichment plant near Idaho Falls.

A few minutes earlier, the House Revenue and Taxation Committee voted to introduce legislation that would repeat tax breaks the Legislature gave Albertsons in 2005.

That didn't work out so well. After Idaho granted Albertsons tax concessions, jobs credits and property tax breaks, its new corporate owners moved most of the grocery chain's high-paying jobs to Minnesota.

We can't wait to see how Areva Inc. takes advantage of the basket of goodies the Legislature wants to hand it.

The company, which hasn't even decided whether to build in Idaho, stands to get a sales tax exemption for equipment that handles nuclear fuel. And lawmakers capped property tax valuations at the plant to \$400 million if Areva invests at least \$1 billion in the next seven years.

Together, the tax breaks could save the French company tens of millions of dollars each year.

Meanwhile, Micron Technology Inc., Idaho's largest employer — has a \$800 million cap on its property tax valuations. If Gov. Butch Otter signs these bills, how long do you suppose it will take the Boise company's well-connected lobbyists to demand sweeter Micron incentives?

"How in the world will we look them in the eye and say 'No?'" Sen. Joe Stegner, R-Lewiston, said on the Senate floor.

An excellent question. Tax incentives are — and should be — a useful tool for attracting new businesses and jobs to Idaho. But lawmakers have to learn to pick their shots: Idaho's recent record is dismal.

After Micron got its tax breaks it laid off 1,100 people.

As for Areva, tax concessions don't guarantee a thing. Even with incentives Areva could go elsewhere and leave Idaho with a legacy of failed incentives, said Rep. Brad Little, R-Emmett.

This is not free money. For every dollar in tax concessions big companies receive, another dollar has to come from another source. That source would be the taxpayers.

Idaho needs a coherent strategy — and a consistent policy — for granting tax concessions. These decisions should take into account how corporate incentives affect the rest of the tax structure, and it should involve local governments statewide — not just a single county.

As it stands, any large company that can convince the governor and the chairman of the House Revenue and Taxation Committee that it deserves a tax break has a good chance of getting one. That is no way to run tax policy.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Businesses fly flags for a good cause each holiday

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Lions groups worldwide respond to disasters helping rebuild homes, schools and hospitals. All clubs help with local projects.

Again, thanks to all!

RUEBEN TSCHAEKOFISKE  
Twin Falls  
(Editor's note: Rueben Tschaeckofiske is the president of the Twin Falls Monarchy Lions Club.)

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# The unreal world of George W. Bush

Everyone in Washington is flummoxed about why the president is in such a fine mood. Is the dollar's crumbling, the recession's thundering, the Dow's bungee-jumping and the world's disapproving, yet George Bush has turned into Gene Kelly, tap dancing and singing in a one-man review called "The Most Happy Fella."



MAUREEN DOWD

"I'm coming to you as an optimistic fellow," he told the Economic Club of New York on Friday. In his manner — chortling and jostling — was an indication to the Fed's bailing out the imploding Bear Stearns and his own acknowledgment that "our economy obviously is going through a tough time," that gas prices are spiking, and that folks "are concerned about making their bills."

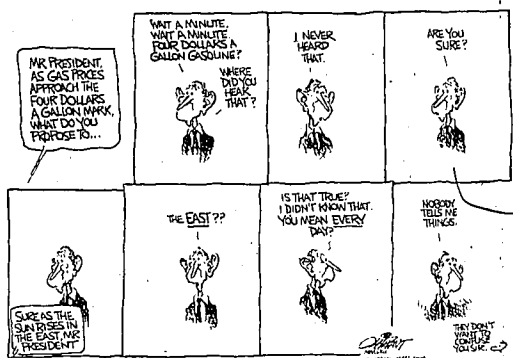
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"You know, I guess the best way to describe government policy is like a person trying to drive a car in a rough patch," he said. "If you ever get stuck in a situation like that, you know full well it's important not to overcorrect, because when you overcorrect you end up in the ditch."

Dude, you're already in the ditch.

Boy George crashed the family station wagon into the globe and now the global economy. Yet the more terrified Americans get, the more bizarrely carefree he seems. The former oilman reacted with cocky ignorance a couple of weeks ago when a reporter informed him that



gas was barreling toward \$4 a gallon.

In on-the-record sessions with reporters — and more candid off-the-record ones — he has seemed goofy prickly no more but strangely liberated and ebullient.

Even though he ordinarily hates being kept waiting, he made light of it while cooling his heels for John McCain, and did a soft show for the White House press. Wearing a cowboy hat, he warbled a comic Western ditty at the Gridiron Dinner a week ago — alluding to Scooter Libby's conviction, Saudis getting richer from our oil-guzzling, Brownie's dismal Katrina performance, and Dick Cheney's winsome habit of withholding documents.

At a dinner on Wednesday, the man who is persons non grata on the campaign trail (except for closed fundraisers) told morose Republican members of Congress that "we can retake the House" and "hold the White House."

"I think 2008 is going to be a fabulous year for the Republican Party," he said, sounding like Rachel Ray sprinkling paprika on goulash. That must have been news to House Republicans, who have no money, just lost the seat held by their former speaker, and

are hemorrhaging incumbents as they head into a campaign recession by an incipient market and an unpopular war.

If only they could see things as the president does. Bush, who used his family connections to avoid Vietnam, told troops serving in Afghanistan on Thursday that their adventure there, saying it was "in some ways romantic."

Afghanistan is still rolling, as is Iraq, but W is serene. "Remember Saddam Hussein was the right decision early in my presidency. It is the right decision now, and it will be the right decision ever," he said, echoing that great American philosopher Dan Quayle, who once told Sammons, "If you campers you are, happy campers you have been and, as far as I am concerned, happy campers you will always be."

We bragged to Republicans about his "considered judgment" in sending more troops to Iraq and again presented himself as an untroubled instrument of divine will. "I believe there's an Almighty," he said, "and I believe a gift of that Almighty to every man, woman and child is freedom."

Although the president belittled the Democrats for their policy of "retreat," his

surge has been a temporary and expensive place-holder for what Americans want a policy to get us out of Iraq.

"It has allowed us to reduce troop levels to below where they were when it started?" Michael Kinsley wrote recently. "The answer is no." Gen. David Petraeus told *The Washington Post* last week that no one in the U.S. and Iraqi governments "feels that there has been sufficient progress by any means in the area of national reconciliation."

Maybe the president is just putting on a good face to keep up American morale, the way Herbet Hoover did after the crash of '29, when he continued to dress in a tuxedo for dinner.

Or maybe the old Andover cheerleader really believes his own cheer, and that prosperity will turn up any time now, just like the WMD in Iraq.

Or perhaps it's a Freudian trip. Now that he's mucked up the world and the country, he can finally stop rebelling against his dad and relax in the certainty that the Bush name will forever be associated with crash-and-burn presidencies.

Whatever the explanation, it's plumb lousy.

Maureen Dowd is a columnist for *The New York Times*.

# U.S. military can't win these wars on its own

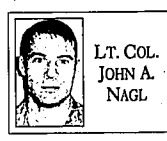
It's now my job to train U.S. military advisers that are embedded in the Iraqi and Afghan security forces — which often get me thinking back to my time fighting in 2004 in Iraq's Anbar province, and the death of Lt. Col. Suleyman.

Suleyman was the best of my Iraqi comrades in arms in Anbar: a fierce fighter, former Republican Guard officer and, like me, a veteran of Operation Desert Storm (although he was on the other side in that one). I called him "Suleyman the Magnificent."

We were like brothers — which is to say, we fought incessantly about how to handle our common mission. Suleyman wanted more trucks and weapons; I wanted sharper intelligence, more patrols and better performance from his soldiers.

Suleyman, whose last name I never knew, commanded a battalion of the Iraqi Civil Defense Corps (now the Iraqi Army) that was based just west of Fallujah, one of Anbar's major cities — no easy job. But his problems exploded in April 2004, when the charred corpses of two Blackwater contractors were hung from a bridge within sight of his headquarters.

Fallujah soon fell under the control of Sunni insurgents, who bribed when Suleyman defied their demands for weapons and money. Then the insurgents kidnapped one of his officers and told



Suleyman to report to a mosque inside the rebel-held city to get his man back. Suleyman bravely did so, and was beaten to death.

We will not necessarily win if we have allies like Suleyman, but we cannot win without them. The hard lesson of this tragedy is clear: Foreign forces cannot win a counterinsurgency campaign on their own. In Anbar, I spent at least as much time training and equipping the country's nascent security forces as I did planning and executing raids against insurgents. This indirect approach is the key to winning the long war against al-Qaida and changing the Middle East for the better.

Iraq has come a long way since Suleyman's death in the summer of 2004. Anbar is now one of the safest provinces in Iraq, scheduled to be handed over to Iraqi control this month.

Marines stationed there now struggle with boredom as much as with car bombs. The extraordinary success of the 2007 "surge" of troops to Iraq — or, more precisely, sending additional forces to Iraq and

using them in a classic counterinsurgency strategy that combined providing security for the population with reaching out to aggrieved parties — will echo in the pages of military history. But it is far too early to take a victory lap, and a focus on Iraq that crowded out the other theaters in which the United States is fighting would be a strategic mistake of the first order.

Al-Qaida in Iraq killed far too many of my soldiers in 2004, but it is not much of a threat today; this scourge has been largely defeated by other groups of Sunnis, including some former insurgents, known as the Awakening Councils or the Concerned Local Citizens, whose rise was one of the most important developments of 2007.

But last year's military successes in Iraq came at a very high price. The "surge" of five brigades and the extension of Army combat tours in Iraq from 12 to 15 months has stretched the Army to the breaking point. Neither the Army nor the Marine Corps has a reserve of ground troops to handle other crises.

Meanwhile, the Taliban is regaining strength in Afghanistan and the lawless border regions of Pakistan and the opium production that funds their insurgency hit record highs last year. The fight is far from won.

For starters, we must shore up Afghanistan. Defense Secretary Robert Gates

recently committed 3,000 more desperately needed Marines to Afghanistan, beginning next month. But it would take an increase of more than 100,000 soldiers and Marines to give NATO commanders in Afghanistan the force ratios that Gen. David Petraeus, the top U.S. commander in Iraq, has enjoyed. We don't have the troops.

The best short-term solution is rapidly expanding the Iraq and Afghan security forces to hold towns cleared by U.S. forces. Local forces, stiffened by foreign advisers, have historically been the keys to success in counterinsurgency warfare. As such, they've been among the serving officers and veterans who've urged the U.S. Army to create a standing adviser corps.

We soldiers need the American people to understand that counterinsurgency is slow, painstaking work that requires serious patience. Lt. Col. Suleyman understood the risks and confronted them head-on. We should do the same, with clear eyes and no illusions. These will be long wars.

Army Lt. Col. John Nagl is commander of the 1st Battalion, 3rd Airbrn, at Fort Riley, Kan. He was on the writing team that produced "The U.S. Army/Marine Corps Counterinsurgency Field Manual." He wrote this for *The Washington Post*.

# Loan rescue in '30s has lessons for today

Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson's proposal Thursday to overhaul the U.S. mortgage system, Sen. Chris Dodd's proposed bill for Homeowners Act and Rep. Barney Frank's mortgage bill are the latest suggestions for government intervention in the current financial crisis. Government responses during downturns may sensibly include temporary actions to avoid self-reinforcing downward spirals or debt deflation — in other words, to "bridge the bust" and then be withdrawn as private market functioning returns. The Home Owners' Loan Corporation (HOLC) was one such successful temporary intervention: its help in the 1930s mortgage crisis holds lessons that are still relevant.

Today's economic situation, while serious, is minor compared with the financial collapse of 1933. That year, about half of mortgage debt was in default. On Dec. 31, 2007, serious delinquencies in the United States were 3.62 percent of all mortgages. In 1933, the unemployment rate had reached about 25 percent (compared with 4.8 percent today). Thousands of banks and savings and loans had failed. The amount of annual mortgage lending had dropped about 80 percent, as had private residential construction. States were enacting moratoriums on foreclosures. The average borrower of the HOLC eventually refinanced was two years' delinquent on the original mortgage and about



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three years behind on property taxes.

The prelude to that national crisis was unfortunately familiar: a period of good times and confident lending and borrowing. The 1920s featured many interest-only loans, balloon payments, frequent second mortgages, the assumption of rising house prices and trust in the easy availability of the next refinancing. Then came the defaults, debt deflation and "frozen" markets.

The Home Owners' Loan Act of 1933 created the HOLC. The agency eventually grew to about 20,000 employees but was designed as a temporary program "to relieve the mortgage strain and then liquidate," as an early description put it.

The Treasury was authorized to invest \$200 million in HOLC stock. In current terms, based on the consumer price index, that's about \$3 billion, but if adjusted based on the change in gross domestic product per capita since 1933, it would be about \$20 billion. The act initially authorized the HOLC to issue \$2 billion in bonds, or 10 times its capital, which relative to GDP per capita

would be about \$200 billion today. The idea was that for three years the agency would acquire defaulted residential mortgages from lenders and investors, give its bonds in exchange, and then refinance the mortgages on more favorable and more sustainable terms. Lenders would have a marketable bond earning interest, although with a lower interest rate than the original mortgage. In place of a frozen, non-earning asset, Lenders would often take a loss on the principal of the original mortgage, receiving less than the mortgage's par value in bonds. This realization of loss of principal by the lender was an essential element of the refinancing program — just as it will be in today's mortgage bust.

The HOLC's investment in any mortgage was limited to 80 percent of the appraised value of the property, with a maximum of \$14,000. That means the maximum house price to be refinanced was \$17,500, equivalent to a \$270,000 house today adjusting by the consumer price index but about \$1 million based on the change in median house prices.

The act set a maximum interest rate of 5 percent on the mortgages the HOLC made to refinance the old ones it acquired. The spread between this mortgage yield and the cost of HOLC bonds was about 2.5 percent.

With today's long-term Treasury rates around 3.5 percent, an equivalent spread would suggest a lend-

ing rate of 6 percent.

While it existed, the HOLC made more than 1 million loans to refinance troubled mortgages; that was about a fifth of all mortgage loans nationwide. By 1937, it owned almost 14 percent of the dollar value of outstanding mortgage loans. Today, a fifth of all mortgages would be about 10 million loans, and 14 percent of outstanding mortgage values is about \$1.4 trillion — approximately the total of all subprime mortgage loans.

The HOLC tried to be as accommodating as possible with borrowers but did end up foreclosing on about 200,000, or one-fifth, of its own loans. Given that all of its loans started out in default and close to foreclosure, another perspective on the HOLC foreclosures is that the agency's loans had an 80 percent success rate.

A key provision of the Home Owners' Loan Act was that the directors "shall proceed to liquidate the Corporation when its purposes have been accomplished, and shall pay any surplus or accumulated funds into the Treasury." In 1951, they did, returning to the Treasury an accumulated surplus of \$14 million.

Those considering government intervention today should keep the successful HOLC principles in mind.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Neglect of proven wildlife threats is unacceptable

In response to Mr. White's letter, it must be made clear that the same old rhetoric and misinformation being spread by letters such as this is not real danger to us.

It has been shown time and again that Idaho's very legitimate cervidae ranches are free of disease, which what Idaho wild herds are not. What I, as a lifelong sports-woman, find unacceptable is neglecting to address the proven threats to our wild herds! When it comes to ethics, well, scare tactics and falsehoods are "ethical." Would it be "ethical" to tell the many special-needs youth and citizens who are given the opportunity to harvest their big game animal through places such as Hunt of a Lifetime at an elk ranch or catching their fish on a farm that this activity is immoral?

No politician in this state has shut down the domestic cervidae and fish farm businesses, and there is reason for that. Many bills were killed on this matter when the truth was presented and statements such as Mr. White's were unfounded and proven so. It's sad that common sense can gain much more of this very political rhetoric.

I, too, encourage everyone to do their research, but most importantly, do that

research in an intelligent manner and know where your information is coming from. There are no private salmon farms in Idaho. Northwest salmon hatcheries are run by Fish and Game and tribes. Some research is needed in what's not being done to address the proven threats and diseases which already infect our wildlife.

To say this issue isn't political is less than appropriate: It is very political, one may as well say the "reintroduction of wolves wasn't political."

ERIN MILLER  
Buhl

**Manager of unhygienic eatery should be ashamed**

In regard to the "Restaurant cook displays shocking lack of hygiene" letter:

Please let other readers know what restaurant this is. I have witnessed several displays like this in many restaurants in town. Things such as hair hanging down in the faces of workers, excessive facial piercings, inappropriate work attire that shows way too much front and back, should have been witnessed on several occasions when using the restroom and employees have not washed their hands.

My family and I have also left restaurants for the same

reasons. These are things that I don't like to see when I take my family out to eat. No, I don't have to take my family out, but we work hard for our money and people should be able to enjoy a treat every once in a while.

Restaurants used to pride themselves on quality and customer service. The manager should be ashamed of herself. That is something that definitely should be addressed in every restaurant!

ROBYN WEATHERFORD  
Twin Falls

**No confidence in Buhl School District leaders**

Congratulations to Jim Harford! Long in time, Jackle Frey! Jim will bring a level head, professionalism and a positive attitude to the Buhl School District. I hope it's contagious!

As a patron, I have a vested interest. I'm a parent, grandparent, volunteer and (former) substitute teacher and school district trustee. Yes, the patrons spoke loudly. It is a message and the children will continue to suffer for a while.

I'm confident that the district needs a supplement but I have no confidence in the district's leadership and priorities at this

time. I'm sorry and wish I felt differently. The district said the bathrooms were a priority, but last year, the Boys and Girls Club was a pretty sure thing, too! The trust factor isn't hitting the mark.

One trustee has resigned, one is in the process of recall and one has openly shed tears. The community is unhappy, too. As for the superintendent, I'm not sure which is worse: "knowing someone's talking smack behind your back or just 'thinking' it. Either way, I'd feel lonely at the top of the heap of negative, divisive and evasive behaviors and publicity. My advice would be to get out into the community, smile, visit and try to get along! Your worst critics could be your best allies if you just play your cards appropriately.

We've got a pretty awesome community! The patrons of the Buhl School District have and will support maintenance and operation and supplemental levies. Passage requires a cohesive plan. Bathrooms and safety issues are high on the list!

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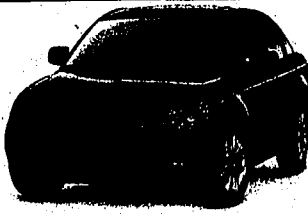
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## NJCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

# CSI WOMEN ADVANCE IN KANSAS

### Squad draws athletic foe in tonight's quarterfinals

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

If Walters State Community College's athleticism and dribble penetration worried College of Southern Idaho head women's coach Randy Rogers, those same qualities likely kept him up Tuesday night as he pondered today's foe, the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith women.

"If we can't handle their pressure, we can't win the game," Rogers said after Tuesday's 62-53 opening-round win over Walters State, led by potential NJCAA Division I Player of the Year Tanisha Smith, and sophomore Elisa Shoate, the Lions roared past North Dakota's Lake Region State College 87-63 in Tuesday's opening round. Playing a style of ball eerily similar to that of the CSI men, Arkansas-Fort Smith won with a swarming defense that stole 19 Lake Region possessions on the way to forcing 20 turnovers.

The Lions have posted a 32-1 season record on the strength of their wing play, while 6-foot-2 post Katorra Lewis adds nimble footwork and a soft touch in the post. The Lions are fairly similar to the 2004-05 squad CSI beat 74-65 to reach the program's only national championship game.

Tuesday afternoon, Shoate paced the Lions with 19 points while Lewis added 18 and Smith 14. Arkansas-Fort Smith won despite being out-rebounded 48-44 and allowing Lake Region's Elinor Avny to hit five 3-pointers on the way to a game-high 21 points.

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College of Southern Idaho center Maddy Plunkett, left, shoots over Walters State's Chastel Johnson during the first half Tuesday afternoon at the NJCAA Division I Women's National Championship tournament at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kan. CSI defeated Walters State 62-53.

### Golden Eagles hold on for 9-point win

By Eric Larsen  
Times-News writer

At the very least, the Golden Eagles' stay in Kansas won't be brief.

The seventh-seeded College of Southern Idaho women's basketball team ensured it would play into at least Thursday's round of games with a 62-53 win over 10th-seeded Walters State Community College (Tenn.) Tuesday afternoon in Salina, Kan. The Golden Eagles locked up a victory in their first NJCAA Division I National Championship appearance in three years with a solid work ethic, along with heady runs at the start and finish of Tuesday's game.

"One thing tonight, I thought we played hard," CSI head coach Randy Rogers said. "I was happy with our effort."

Effort player Amy Higuee scored all six of her points in the game's final 4 minutes and 15 seconds. After the 29-5 Senators crawled to within three points on Alyssia Bailey's pull-up jumper, Tera Tremayne found Higuee unguarded near the basket for that sparked a 10-4 game-ending CSI spurt. Higuee attacked the basket to earn three trips to the free-throw line, where she finished 4-for-6.

"I'm not the greatest shooter," Higuee said. "I don't really score a lot from the perimeter, so sometimes I feel that the best thing I can do for my team is drive to the hoop."

The 31-2 Golden Eagles' aggressiveness around the basket paid off, as CSI made 21 of 25 free-throw attempts on the game. Freshman post Seana Lucco led the charge, hitting 11 of 12 tries en route to a game-high 21 points to go with eight rebounds. Sophomore Anita Burdick got the start in place of an ill Maddy Plunkett, and responded with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

"She did a good job on the glass, did a good job defensively," Rogers said of Burdick. "She was able to put some second shots in for us."

The Golden Eagles outbounded the Senators 52-41, as an improved effort on the glass in the game's later stages helped negate Walters State's first-half advantage in second-chance points.

While Rogers said his team looked tired at times, the Golden Eagles were able to work through some early tournament jitters, and most importantly get the win.

"I think we were ready to play," Higuee said. "It seems like we've been here forever, having a couple days of practice here."

The Senators were led by athletic guard Dana Garrett's 16 points, though no other Walters State player scored more than Jasmin Coleman's seven. The Golden Eagles will take on the second-seeded-

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## BSU hopes uptempo game will crack Cards

By Keith Ridler  
Associated Press writer

BOISE — For five seasons, Boise State coach Greg Graham has been cobbling and juggling and finagling to get a team into the NCAA tournament while grumbling fans accustomed to football success wonder why the delay.

This year he succeeded, and his reward is a first-round game against perennial contender Louisville and its larger-than-the-game coach, Rick Pitino.

"It would not be my first choice of a guy to challenge in the tournament," Graham said.

The Broncos (25-8), champions of the Western Athletic Conference, received the 14th seed in the East Regional and play Louisville (24-8), the third seed, on Friday in Birmingham, Ala.

"They're a veteran ball club," said Pitino. "It's as tough a first-round matchup as I've had since I've been a coach."

Seven of Pitino's 22 years as a coach have been with Louisville. He won the 1996 NCAA Championship with Kentucky and made it to the Final Four with Louisville in 2005.

Pitino also had stints in the NBA with the New York Knicks (1987-1989) and Boston Celtics (1997-2001).

The last time Boise State and Louisville met was the opening round of the 1994 NCAA Tournament. Louisville won 67-58.

"Louisville has a very good team, very athletic," Graham said, "and they're big. We're going to have to battle



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### Vandals axe men's hoops coach Pfeifer

MOSCOW (AP) — Idaho fired men's basketball coach George Pfeifer after two seasons and a 12-48 record.

"While Pfeifer improved the competitiveness of the program, it was time for a change, athletic director Rob Spear said Tuesday.

"The Vandals were 8-21 this season and lost in the quarterfinals of the Western Athletic Conference tournament," Pfeifer will be paid \$170,000 for the final year of his contract.

them inside and try and control the paint."  
Center David Padgett, a 6-11, 250-pound senior, leads Louisville with

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## CSI batters pummel Chukars

Times-News

Almost everything the College of Southern Idaho baseball team hit in its game against Treasure Valley Community College (Ontario, Ore.) was scorched, from the very onset. Despite that, the Golden Eagles only scratched across three runs in the first four innings.

Then the fifth inning happened.

Matt Deacon, Garrett Wolff, Tyler Chism and Judd Jensen knocked four straight one-out singles, and Andy Fox followed with a two-out, two-run single as part of a six-run frame to put CSI in total control of a game the Golden Eagles went on to win 9-3 at Skip Walker Field.

The run bunge really lifted starting pitcher Sam Armstrong, and left head coach Boomer Walker feeling pretty good about his club's performance.

"In the first inning, when they made some errors, we were hitting the ball hard," Walker told 1270 AM KTFI. "Even on our end we were hitting the ball hard. Anytime you're consistently making hard contact you have to feel pretty good about your offense."

Armstrong pitched six innings of no-hit ball, conceding a double with one out in the seventh. It was his final pitch of the game, but did little to tarnish a truly sparkling outing: from the CSI (15-13) starter.

Typically Armstrong is expected to give three to four good innings,



College of Southern Idaho pitcher Sam Armstrong (22) throws to a Treasure Valley batter during their game Tuesday afternoon in Twin Falls.

Utah, starting on Friday.

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Central Florida football players die after voluntary conditioning drills

ORLANDO, Fla. — A Central Florida wide receiver died Tuesday after voluntary strength and conditioning drills, the day before spring practice was set to begin.
The death of the 20-year-old player was not a foul play or obvious cause for redshirt freshman Erick Plancher's late morning collapse. UCF athletic director Keith Tribble said the players had been lifting weights, then ran for about 10 minutes.

lapsed while lifting weights at the school's athletic facility. The autopsy pointed to an undiagnosed genetic heart disorder, but DNA tests couldn't confirm it.
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# Mount St. Mary's wins play-in matchup

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — The Mount finally got the Win. Jeremy Goode scored 21 points Tuesday night, and Mount St. Mary's got its first NCAA tournament victory, beating Coppin State 69-60 in an opening-round game with two teams that know a lot about losing.

The Mountaineers (19-14) won their last five games to shed their losing record and make the tournament, then got the one victory that's always been well out of reach. In its two other NCAA appearances, Mount St. Mary's lost to Kentucky by 46 points in 1995 and to Michigan State by 23 in 1999.

No time to savor this one. Tournament reality hits on Friday, when the Mount plays top-seeded North Carolina in Raleigh — virtually the far leech's backyard. Fans in the crowd of 8,464 at University of Dayton Arena held up signs

calling on the play-in winner to "Bury N. Carolina."

Tough chance for that. A 16th seed has never taken down a No. 1.

But, that's a challenge for later. For a few sweet minutes on Tuesday night, Mount St. Mary's got to savor a breakthrough win over another Maryland school separated by about 60 miles.

Coppin State (16-21) became the first team to reach the tournament with 20 losses, and the Eagles looked out of place in the closing minutes. They went five minutes without scoring, and that allowed Mount St. Mary's to break it open.

Goode, a 5-foot-9 sophomore guard who knows a little about Carolina blue because he grew up in Charlotte, was the spark for Mount St. Mary's up-tempo offense. He did it all, driving to the basket and hitting fadeaway jumpers over

much taller players.

He also supplied the final touches, hitting four free throws in the last 27 seconds.

Tywan McKee led Coppin State with 15 points.

Perhaps no other opening-game winner enjoyed it so much and complained so little. Unlike previous years, there was no groaning about having to open the tournament in Dayton.

Not from Mount St. Mary's, the Northeast Conference champ which had a losing record before it ran off five straight double-digit wins to close the season and reach the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1999.

Coppin State? No way.

Marooned at 4-19 in early February, the Eagles sneaked into the tournament for the first time since 1997 by winning the Mid-Eastern Athletic title.



Mount St. Mary's guard Jeremy Goode, front, goes up for a basket during the second half of the opening-round game against Coppin State in the NCAA men's basketball tournament Tuesday in Dayton, Ohio. Mount St. Mary's beat Coppin State, 69-60.

## NIT ROUNDUP

# Syracuse withstands Robert Morris

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Freshman forward Dante Greene scored a season-high 27 points, and underranked Syracuse survived 16 3-pointers by Robert Morris in an 87-81 victory on Tuesday night in the first round of the NIT.

Paul Harris had 19 points and 10 rebounds, Scoop Jardine had 15 points, Kristof Ongenaet 13, and Arinze Onuaku added seven points and 10 rebounds for Syracuse (20-13). The Orange, who gave coach Jim Boeheim his 30th 20-win season in 32 years, will play either Minnesota or Maryland in the second round.

Robert Morris (26-0) ended its first NIT appearance with a second straight loss after 14 wins in a row.

A.J. Jackson led the Colonials with 19 points, Jimmy Langhurst and Jeremy Campbell each had 15. Bateaux Francisco and Mezie Nwagwe each had eight, and Tony Lee had 10 points and seven assists.



Syracuse's Dante Greene dunks against Robert Morris during the second half of an NIT first-round basketball game in Syracuse, N.Y., Tuesday. Syracuse won 87-81.

12 rebounds for fourth-seeded Minnesota (20-14).

Johnson also had four blocks and Lawrence Westbrook added 11 points, but the Gophers were outmuscled in the paint and outlasted in transition in the final game of Tubby Smith's first season as coach here.

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CARBONDALE, Ill. — Matt Shaw scored 21 points and nine rebounds to lead southern Illinois.

The Salukis (10-14) advanced to the second round behind an active defense that held the Cowboys (17-16) to 35 percent shooting, including just 4-of-25 on 3-pointers.

Randal Falke had 15 points and nine rebounds for Southern Illinois.

Keith Harris scored 20 points and James Anderson added 13 for Oklahoma State.

# Houston tops Nevada in first round of CBI

RENO, Nev. — Robert McKiver scored 22 points and Marcus Cousins made the winning free throw with 26.5 seconds left to lead Houston past Nevada 80-79 Tuesday night in the opening round of the inaugural College Basketball Invitational.

Dion Dowell added 19 points and 14 rebounds for the Cougars, whose 23-9 record is their best since the 1991-92 season. They advance to the second round March 24 against the winner of Wednesday's game between Washington and Valparaiso.

Amnon Johnson missed a 3-point attempt at the buzzer for Nevada, which had trailed by as much as 10 points the second half and closed its sixth consecutive year of postseason play at 21-12.

Marcus Kemp led Nevada with 24 points. Johnson had 16 and Brandon Fields 15.

Tied at 71, Dowell followed a pair of free throws with a tip-in to put Houston ahead 75-71 with 3:10 left. The Cougars went up 79-75 on Kelvin Lewis' flourish in the lane at 1:50.

JaVale McGeer, who scored Nevada's first 6 points of the game on three slam dunks but fouled out with 12 points total, scored inside but missed the free throw when he was fouled at 1:33. After McKiver missed a 3-pointer, Kemp scored inside to make it 79-79 with 58 seconds left.



Nevada's JaVale McGeer attempts to break through Houston defenders Robert McKiver, left, and Tafari Toney during the College Basketball Invitational at Lawlor Events Center in Reno, Nev., on Tuesday.

## OHIO ST. 84, UNC-ASHEVILLE 66

COLUMBIAS, Ohio — Lamar Butler scored 20 points and added 10 assists to lead Ohio State.

During one span in the second half, the senior point guard scored or assisted on 15 consecutive points for the Buckeyes (20-13), who were passed over by the NCAA tournament a year ago.

Ohnell Butler had 16 points, Kosta Koufos 15 and David Lighty 13 for Ohio State, which shot 56 percent from the field while making their eighth NIT appearance. The Buckeyes will face either New Mexico or California in the second round.

Dante Green had 20 points and Bryan Simonson 17 for the Bulldogs (23-10).

## MARYLAND 68, MINNESOTA 58

MINNEAPOLIS — Gretvis Vasquez had 16 points and six rebounds and made sure Maryland didn't lose another big lead.

Bambale Oslay added 14 points and six rebounds for the fifth-seeded Terrapins (19-14), who advance to play top-seeded Syracuse at the Carrier Dome in the second round.

Damian Johnson had 14 points and

## AKRON 65, FLORIDA STATE 60

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Nick Dials scored 13 of his 21 points in overtime, leading Akron to three consecutive 3-pointers, to lead Akron.

The Zips (24-10) got first win over an Atlantic Coast Conference team despite being decisively outrebounced and making only 10 of 19 free throws. It was Akron's second postseason victory in school history.

Uche Ezeonu had 20 points and 10 rebounds for his sixth double double of the season for Florida State (19-15).

## VIENNA 66, RICHMOND 64

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Sean Singletary scored 18 points, including a go-ahead jumper with 1:16 to play, and Virginia held on to beat Richmond 66-64 Tuesday night in an opening-round game of the inaugural College Basketball Invitational tournament.

Mamadji Diane had 15 points and Jimmy Tucker added 10 to help Virginia (16-15) advance to a quarterfinals matchup against Old Dominion.

Dan Geriot scored 22

## OHIO DOMINION 68, RIDER 65

NORFOLK, Va. — Frank Hassell scored 14 points and Old Dominion held off Rider.

Brandon Johnson had 10 points and was the only other player in double figures for the Monarchs (18-15).

Rider (23-11) pulled to 66-63 on a 3-pointer by Harris Mansell with 43 seconds to play but could get no closer.

Byn Whitson led Rider with 24 points, and his brother Jason had 15 points and 17 rebounds.

# March Madness is a welcome gladness

By Johnette Howard Newsday

The best thing about the arrival of the NCAA basketball tournament this year is if you listen closely — do you hear that? — nothing! No controversies, no subplots, no disgraced stars flanked by attorneys reading prepared statements. Nothing.

Reasonable people can debate whether March Madness is the best event in sports, but can we at least agree that the tournament is exactly what American sports — and especially New York hoops fans — need right now? More games, more excitement, more surprises, and more drama, but back to members of Congress, and still no good reason to watch the Knicks.

For the next three weeks, basketball will matter again in New York, if only to scout for the Knicks' next pick, but UCLA center Kevin Love can sleep easy, Kansas State phenom Michael Beasley shouldn't be scared of turning pro, either. The Knicks, chasing Miami for the NBA's most important — not even a lawsuit.

The NCAA Tournament will be a welcome respite from that. March Madness never fails to deliver. Everything the tournament provides, and then some, is back. The grumpy story lines and buzzer-beaters, the under-the-radar teams that are just happy to get in, and the scrubs who become household names for one

late-game free throw or Hall March's.

No one is shilling anything here — unless you count ESPN's Dick Vitale shamelessly stumping twice on live TV for Bob Knight to be rehired by Indiana while Knight sat there statically, never moving his lips, let alone telling Vitale to shut up. It was as if Knight was performing some virtuosic act of ventriloquism. Given that Indiana already has an interim coach, Dan Dakich, Knight and Vitale have been criticized for the stunt since.

But for once, the tournament selection committee didn't take a beating. The four top seeds — North Carolina, UCLA, Kansas and Kentucky — were everyone's picks. Some upstarts in the field are likely to cause havoc. But for a change, none of them is named Gonzaga. This year's Cinderellas could be Georgia Drake or Davidson, which has won 22 straight.

For another measure of just how scrambled the college game has become, consider Harvard is being investigated for recruiting violations — and not for its chemistry faculty — but for its basketball team, dear Lab Geeks.

There is no Goliath this year, just six or eight good teams that could win it all. Second-seeded Duke could lead the way, or lose in the second round to the West Virginia-Arizona survivor. George Mason could upset Notre Dame, and little St. Mary's could knock off 22-win Miami (Fla.). Don't be

surprised if Arkansas beats a more talented but slumping Indiana in the first round, which will only increase catering for Knight. And don't overlook Keefe.

The best free-good story has to be Baylor, a bubble team that didn't exist in until CBS revealed the 65th and last pick. Just five years ago, the Bears were involved in one of the sleaziest and saddest stories in college sports. One player, Patrick Dennehy, was murdered. A teammate, Carlton Dotson, eventually pleaded guilty to the crime — but before former Baylor coach Dave Bliss tried to run a cover-up that included smearing the late Dennehy as a drug dealer.

The best first-round game should be USC and freshman guard O.J. Mayo against Beasley's K-State team. As good as that game looks — pay attention to whom you're rooting for. Knicks fans — a better matchup would have been Beasley against Tyler Hansbrough and North Carolina, just to settle the Player of the Year debate.

Still need more reasons to watch? UConn's 7-3 shot-blocker Hashem Thabet could announce himself as the next dominant college big man.

I'm taking Texas to get past Miami in the South Regional and set up a First Four match against UCLA, the survivor in the West. I like Georgetown over Kansas in the Midwest, and North Carolina in the East.

I've got UCLA beating

North Carolina for the championship, mostly because of UCLA's superior defense.

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# Garnett, Celtics end Rockets' streak

HOUSTON — The shots stopped falling, Boston's stars took over and just like that, the Houston Rockets' 22-game winning streak was history.

Kevin Garnett scored 22 points and Paul Pierce added 20 as the Celtics beat the Rockets 94-74 on Tuesday night, stopping Houston's remarkable victory run.

The Rockets hadn't lost since a 97-89 defeat to Utah on Jan. 27 and put together the NBA's second-longest winning streak. It ended 11 victories shy of the 1971-72 Los Angeles Lakers, who won 33 in a row.

It was only Houston's second loss in 28 games and its fourth since a 97-93 loss in Boston on Jan. 2, a game Tracy McGrady sat out with a knee injury. The Rockets also lost for the first time in 11 games since Yao Ming went out with a season-ending foot injury on Feb. 26.

Luis Scola scored 15 for Houston, which had a 15-game home streak snapped. Only the 1985-86 Rockets, who won 20 straight at The Summit, had a longer home-court streak in franchise history. McGrady had eight assists and seven rebounds, but only eight points on 4-for-11 shooting.

Reserve Leon Powe added 21 points for the Celtics, who've won 13 of their last 14 games, the last three without All-Star guard Ray Allen, who's out with a sore ankle.

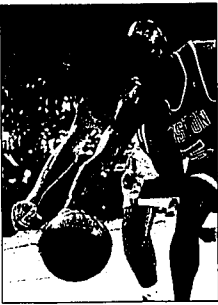
The Rockets still have one more streak to protect — they'll go-for their 13th straight road win in New Orleans on Wednesday night.

Houston beat the Lakers on Sunday to take over sole possession of first place in the Western Conference and set up Tuesday's showdown between conference leaders.

They were tied at 40 at halftime, but Boston took control in the third quarter, led by its All-Star duo.

Garnett swished a jumper from the top of the key 15 seconds out of the break and Pierce sank a 3-pointer on the next trip down, the start of an 18-5 spurt.

The Rockets missed eight of their first 10 shots out of the break and stopped getting the bounces that had



Houston Rockets forward Luis Scola, left, of Argentina, battles Boston Celtics forward Kevin Garnett for a loose ball during the first quarter of a basketball game Tuesday in Houston.

always gone their way throughout the streak.

### PISTONS 136, NUGGETS 120

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Richard Hamilton scored 24 points, Rashad Wallace added 21, and Detroit beat Denver.

The Nuggets were coming off a record-setting 168-116 victory over Seattle, but it was Detroit's offense that took over Tuesday night. The Pistons hadn't scored 130 points in regulation since beating Denver 130-116 on March 8, 2006.

The Pistons scored a season-high 73 points in the first half, getting at least four points from 10 different players. Carmelo Anthony led all scorers with 27 points, while Ivenkov scored 20 points and 11 assists. Denver also had seven players in double figures.

### LAKERS 102, MAVERICKS 100

DALLAS — Kobe Bryant scored 29 points and Vladimir Radmanovic scored 10 of his 21 in the final quarter,

giving Los Angeles just enough to hold off Dallas.

The Lakers led by 25 points midway through the third quarter, but were up only 101-100 with 4.8 seconds left. Derek Fisher made one of two foul shots after that, then Dirk Nowitzki had a chance to win it for Dallas but missed a 3-pointer as time expired.

Nowitzki had 35 points, 11 rebounds and a season-high five blocks, but the Mavericks' five-game winning streak was snapped. Dallas fell to 0-6 against teams with winning records since adding Jason Kidd.

### BULLS 112, NETS 96

CHICAGO — Luol Deng scored 20 points, and Drew Gooden had 19 points and 11 rebounds as Chicago built a big halftime lead, survived a sluggish third quarter and pulled away to beat New Jersey.

New Jersey whittled a 24-point halftime deficit to nine early in the fourth quarter, but the Bulls didn't falter. In his previous two games, Chicago squandered final-period leads and lost to the 76ers and Hornets.

Ben Gordon scored 10 of his 17 points in the fourth quarter and Larry Hughes added 16 in Chicago's balanced attack. New Jersey played the second half without starting point guard Devin Harris, who sprained his right ankle and limped off the court with 1:56 to go in the second quarter. Vince Carter led the Nets with 22 points and Richard Jefferson finished with 21.

### HEAT 112, BUCKS 106

MILWAUKEE — Jason Williams and Ricky Davis had double-doubles. Chris Quinn hit three crucial 3-pointers in the fourth quarter, and Miami snapped an 0-for-March skid by beating Milwaukee.

Miami had lost eight in a row. Quinn scored 17 points, including 11 in the fourth quarter, and the Heat rallied from a 14-point, second-half deficit to hand the Bucks their sixth straight loss.

Williams finished with 21 points and 10 assists, while Davis had 14 points and 10 assists.

— The Associated Press

# Federer, Sharapova win at Indian Wells

INDIAN WELLS, Calif. (AP) — Roger Federer needed only 53 minutes to get through the third round, and Maria Sharapova extended her perfect start to the year by winning her 17th consecutive match on Tuesday in the Pacific Life Open.

Three-time Indian Wells champion Federer, continuing to show strong signs that he's completely recovered from the mononucleosis that hindered him earlier in the season, breezed to a 6-1, 6-1 victory over Nicolas Mahut in their third-round match.

Sharapova, whose streak includes triumphs in the Australian Open and at the Doha, outlasted Alona Bondarenko 6-2, 7-5, 6-4 to move into the women's quarterfinals. The 2006 tournament champion, Sharapova seemed to put added zip on her serves and groundstrokes as she beat Bondarenko went 4-3 in the third set.

Sharapova won the final three games, losing just one point in each of the last two.

Mardy Fish upset Nikolay Davydenko 6-3, 6-2 to join James Blake as the lone U.S. player to make the fourth round. Fish, ranked 99th, dictated the pace of the match with accurate groundstrokes on his way to beating his Russian opponent, who is No. 4.

Federer, No. 1 for the fifth consecutive year, seemed to be losing his aura of invincibility earlier this season, losing to Novak Djokovic in the Australian Open semifinals, then to Andy Murray in the opening round at Dubai. It's the first time in eight



Maria Sharapova celebrates winning a game against Alona Bondarenko, of Ukraine, in a Pacific Life Open tennis tournament match in Indian Wells, Calif., Tuesday.

years that the 26-year-old Swiss star has gone as long as two months into the season without winning an ATP title.

It opened at Indian Wells with an efficient 6-3, 6-2 victory over Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, then seemed to shift his game into high gear as he overwhelmed Mahut.

Federer had nine aces and won 96 percent of his first serves. Federer hit 25 winners to the Frenchman's seven.

"It was a perfect match, really, for me," Federer said. "Just overall excited being back, happy to be playing well."

"I'm more sure I'm over the sickness."

# Yankees honor victims with game vs. Hokies

The Associated Press

Before putting on their pinstripes Tuesday, the New York Yankees arrived at Virginia Tech in suits and sunglasses. First stop, the moving memorial to victims of last year's campus massacre.

Deck letter posed for a picture with a woman in front of the stone that commemorated her fiancé. The shortstop's only request to her was that she smile, which she did.

"It's part of the reason that we're here," later said. "People always ask, well, what can you do? How does this help? I really don't know. If it just makes people smile or enjoy themselves for the three hours that we're here, it's all worthwhile."

The Yankees brought Alex Rodriguez, Jason Giambi and other stars to Blacksburg, Va., for an exhibition game against college kids that was more about healing than baseball.

The final score didn't matter. The message certainly did.

"There are certain things that happen that are so dev-

astating that time stops," Rodriguez said, comparing the Virginia Tech shootings to the terrorist attacks in 2001. "For me, this is one of them. This is probably the proudest day I've ever (had) to wear a Yankee uniform."

Clearing that, Hokies coach Pete Hughes said, "knocks you on your heels."

From beginning to end, the visit Yankees owner George Steinbrenner promised moments after seeing the tragedy unfolding on television last April 15 was to remember.

The Yankees made a \$1 million contribution last year to the Hokie Spirit Memorial Fund, created to cover grief counseling, memorials and other costs for the victims and their families after Virginia Tech student Seung-Hui Cho killed 32 people in two campus buildings before committing suicide.

The Yankees presented the donation to school president Charles Steger last May in New York, but the visit to Blacksburg was a key part of the assistance.

# Union will investigate lack of offers to Bonds

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — The lack of offers to Barry Bonds will be examined by the baseball players' association as part of its annual review of the free-agent market.

Less than two weeks before opening day, the 43-year-old home run king remains unsigned.

"He's in playing shape right now. He just hasn't hit off live pitching," Bonds' agent, Jeff Borris, said Tuesday. "I've had conversations with Barry. It would probably take him about two weeks to get ready."

Bonds was indicted in November on four counts of perjury and one count of obstruction of justice, charges stemming from 2003 grand jury testimony in which he denied knowingly using illegal performance-enhancing drugs. The seven-time NL MVP pleaded not guilty.

Tampa Bay acknowledged last month that it had internal discussions about the

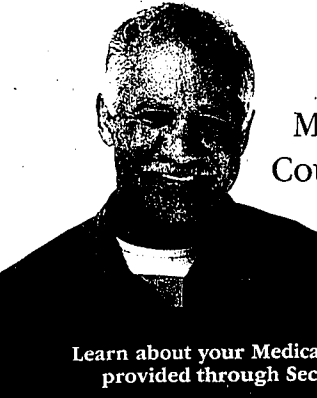
prospect of pursuing Bonds. Sports manager Tony La Russa had interest in Bonds but Cardinals management decided against opening talks.

Borris said Bonds was working out in the Los Angeles area. He wouldn't comment on the status of any negotiations.

"He wants to play," Borris said.

After speaking with the Los Angeles Angels during his annual tour of spring-training camps, union head Donald Fehr said his staff will examine possible collusion against Bonds and others.

"We always look at the free-agent markets every year and make judgments about them, and if we come to the conclusion with respect to any player that there's a matter worth pursuing, we'll pursue it," he said. "But I'm not going to make any suggestions or accusations unless and until we come to that conclusion."



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VIPs asked to boycott Beijing Olympics' opening ceremony

PARIS (AP) -- Moves to punish China over its handling of violence in Tibet gained momentum Tuesday, with a novel suggestion for a mini-boycott of the Beijing Olympics by VIPs at the opening ceremony.

Tibet, the most serious challenge in almost two decades to China's rule in the region, are forcing governments and human rights campaigners to re-examine their approach to the Aug. 8-24 games.

whether they want to see alongside China's leadership, she said in a telephone interview. Their presence at the games is going to be represented and reported by the Chinese government as a sign of approval," she added.

to the opening and closing ceremonies, saying China had not done enough to halt the bloodshed in Darfur, China buys much of Sudan's oil and supplies many of the weapons used in the Darfur conflict.

boycott movement from gathering steam. In the government's highest-level comment on the protests in Tibet and neighboring provinces, Premier Wen Jiabao accused the Dalai Lama and his supporters of orchestrating the violence to taint the Olympics.

"The Beijing Olympics will be a grand gathering for people from around the world," Wen said. "We need to respect the principles of the Olympics and the Olympic Charter and we should not politicize the games."

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# Appetizing Eight emerge

One of these tacos is Magic Valley's best, and our 2008 championship will sort it out from the crowd. Our readers' votes back in January determined the Savory Sixteen lineup, unveiled last week. But now the contest is in the hands of our culinary referees.

Today, we present the first results of our taco testing. We dispatched employees from various areas of the newsroom (reporters, editors and a photographer) — each one tasting tacos at a pair of south-central Idaho restaurants. The testers remained as anonymous as possible, trying to ensure they'd get the same service and quality that any taco aficionado would.

One favorite from each matchup now advances to the second round, to be evaluated by another journalist. Watch for results next week in Food & Home.

## Have your say

Register for free on [Magicvalley.com](http://Magicvalley.com) and let us know what you think of these tacos — or any worthy tacos that you think our readers' voting overlooked.



## Magic Valley's

## Appetizing Eight

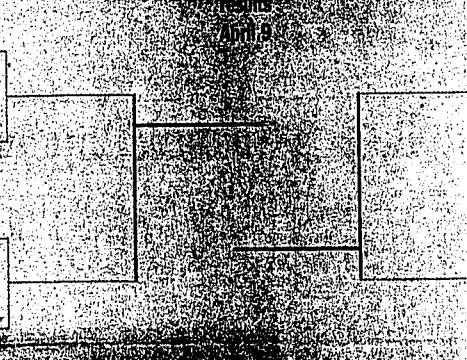
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2 El Sombrero, Jerome	3 El Taco Loco bus, Wendell
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1 Tacos el Korita, Buhl	1 Tacos el Korita, Buhl
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2 Roberto's Mexican Food, Twin Falls	3 Mi Pueblo Mexican Bakery, Twin Falls
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## El Sombrero vs. El Taco Loco bus



## El Sombrero wins on flavor

Both El Sombrero restaurant in Jerome and El Taco Loco bus in Wendell provided pleasant and efficient customer service. I encountered confusion at El Taco Loco, where I thought I was ordering a spicy pork taco but it turned out to be what's called a carnita. It's of the taco variety, but different than I expected. (So much for my knowledge about Mexican foods.)

The phrase "a little dab will do ya" came to mind once I received the order, which was no larger than my palm and explained the dollar-something I paid for it. I could have gulped it down in three bites, if I had

wanted to. But careful eater that I am, I finished it off in five bites. The best part was the cilantro and a slice of avocado, which made up for the food's lack of spice.

The shredded beef taco I ordered at El Sombrero was better — more meat, more flavor. But with the addition of only lettuce, cheese and a rather oil-laden shell, it was still not a favorite. I enjoyed more the restaurant's beef enchilada and rice, which I ordered with the taco as a lunch combination, and its plentiful serving of chips and salsa. Not bad for \$5.95.

— Andrew Weeks, assistant city editor

## El Tapatio vs. El Toro taco bus



## El Tapatio takes the game

OK, I'll admit my tastes in tacos skew toward americanized versions. That said, tacos des pescado on offer at El Toro taco bus in Gooding are a pleasant surprise.

Still, they couldn't go one-on-one with the carne asada served down Idaho Highway 46 at El Tapatio in Wendell.

It's hard to believe anyone in these parts doesn't know what carne asada is, but here goes: It's a northern dish from northern Mexico that consists of grilled, marinated meat (flank steak in El Tapatio's case) rubbed with salt, pepper and spices and served on a warm tortilla,

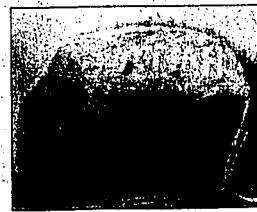
with variety of sides.

The key is the tenderness of the meat. If it's tough, it's like trying to eat the sole of an old Air Jordan sneaker wrapped in a gym sock. El Tapatio's carne asada is tender, though, and you can actually taste the meat through the spices.

Authentic fish tacos consist of fried fish, tomatoes, onions and cilantro, wrapped in a tortilla. In terms of quality, it's a whole different experience than American fast-food fish tacos. I'm likely to make another visit to El Toro.

— Steve Crump, opinion editor

## Rolberto's vs. Mi Pueblo



## Rolberto's claims hard fight

I had the good fortune of marrying a beautiful woman from Arizona who knows what pleante sauce should taste like. Tacos, too. So I brought her along for a taste bud tussle between first-round foes Rolberto's and Mi Pueblo.

And we found ourselves in agreement after eating and comparing our pair of tasty tacos — the asada taco from Mi Pueblo (priced right at just \$1 apiece) and the carne asada taco combination from Rolberto's.

If this flavor fray were determined solely by the meat in each taco, the nod would have to go to Mi Pueblo. Its tasty beef is tender with a great amount of flavor.

But tacos are about more than meat. And that's where Rolberto's comes through with shining colors. From the tasty tortilla shells (just the right amount of salt) to the additional fillings (guacamole, pico de gallo and more), Rolberto's is a slam dunk to be savored.

And that's what puts Rolberto's carne asada taco through to Round 2 in a hard-fought contest.

Taco lovers won't go wrong with either place. Both are tasty options worthy of a return trip. But check your order and your bill. At Mi Pueblo we ordered a side of rice but instead found three extra pork tacos in the final take-out box. And Rolberto's overcharged our debit card by \$1.23.

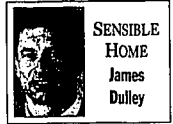
An important note: While the Rolberto's combo comes fully loaded, Mi Pueblo serves up just the meat and tortilla, but offers a toppings bar near the ordering counter. Don't overlook it.

— Mike Christensen, sports editor

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# Let central controls handle lighting

**DEAR JIM:** My electricity bills are high, probably much of it due to lighting. I thought some type of central lighting control might allow me to use fewer lights. Would this save electricity or cost more to operate the controls? — Andre F.



**SENSIBLE HOME**  
James Sulley

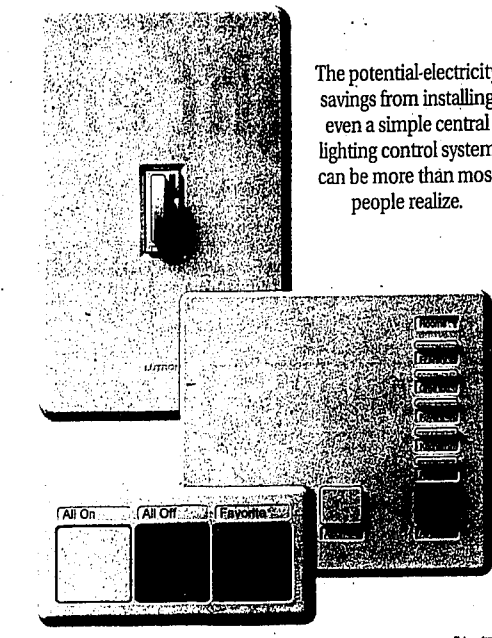
**DEAR ANDRE:** Using electric lights can account for a substantial portion of your monthly electric bills, not to mention the cost to periodically replace light bulbs. In most homes, the total lighting wattage in just the kitchen can be greater than the electricity used by a microwave oven. During summer, the air conditioner has to run harder to remove the excess heat from lights.

The potential electricity savings from installing even a simple central lighting control system can be more than most people realize. Just control up all the lights in a typical home. If a lighting control system can allow you to conveniently switch them on only when actually needed, the total on-time is greatly reduced. The light control units use very little electricity themselves.

In addition to the electricity savings, the livability, safety and security at your home can be improved with a central light control system. For example, a system can allow you to switch on exterior and interior lights from your car just as you pull into your driveway.

You can even select which indoor lights come on to light your usual path when you walk indoors. With this feature, there is no need to keep several interior lights on when you leave home during the day and don't plan to return until nighttime. Keeping several interior lights on for hours while you are gone is not a great deterrent to break-ins anyway. A potential thief will notice no changes in the lighting and no movement indoors.

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Central lighting control system provides settings for various rooms in the house. A small remote allows you to turn all the lights on or off.

and electricity-saving feature of a central system is grouping various lights and brightness settings. All control systems include light dimming features. For reading in the evening, you can program a "reading" button on the control to provide brightness where are you sitting and perhaps for someone else.

If you later plan to watch a movie on the DVD player, program a "movie" button. This turns off and dims other lights for the best view of your television. Built-in timer controls allow you to program the timing of the lighting changes, or you can make them manually. For example, you may want to have the lights slowly brighten in the

morning at a certain time instead of being awakened by a loud alarm.

Many of the do-it-yourself central lighting controls use Z-Wave technology to communicate among the central control and the various individual lighting control modules throughout your house. The central control often runs on batteries. The lighting modules plug into a standard wall outlet and the lamp is plugged into the module. Z-Wave wall switch modules replace a standard wall switch.

**DEAR JIM:** I know that a mirror reflects light, so I assume it also reflects heat. I am planning to put some mirrors on a wall in my office. Should I locate them on an

exterior wall to save energy? — Carol L.

**DEAR CAROL:** Standard glass mirrors do reflect light energy, but not much heat energy. Reflective Mylar and some other reflective materials will reflect heat energy in addition to light. Highly polished aluminum is one. You will gain some energy advantage, though, by putting the mirrors on an outside wall. The mirrors will create another layer of materials between indoors and outdoors, slightly slowing the heat transfer through the entire wall.

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# Find energy alternatives

Newsday

As people are worrying about rising oil prices as well as the environment, some homeowners have chosen to disconnect from their local power supply and turn to alternatives. In "Off the Grid Homes: Case Studies for Sustainable Living" (Gibbs Smith, \$21.95, 128 pp.), architect Lori Ryker looks at homeowners, mostly in the U.S., who are using solar power, reusing bath water, putting up wind turbines and using a variety of other techniques to replace municipal utilities and reduce their own environmental impact.

step-by-step reference looks at everything from choosing a contractor to picking materials and a design that will fit the environment; It also debunks some green building myths. It's a good introduction to what to think about before starting a project.

# Learn how to 'green build'

Newsday

"Green Building & Remodeling for Dummies" by Eric Corey Freed (Wiley, \$21.99, 304 pp.) provides a broad overview of issues for consumers interested in taking an environmental approach to building or rehabbing a home. Freed's

reference looks at everything from choosing a contractor to picking materials and a design that will fit the environment; It also debunks some green building myths. It's a good introduction to what to think about before starting a project.

## Pretty for prom

What are the choices when families want modest prom gowns?

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# Clearing the air with HEPA filters

By Janet Crowley  
Los Angeles Times

Those snazzy HEPA — "high efficiency particulate air" — filters designed for home use may actually do a body good. Danish researchers have found.

Just two days of exposure to HEPA filters in the home resulted in a significant, positive effect on a key measure of cardiovascular health among 21 nonsmoking couples ages 60 to 75, says Dr. Steffen Loft, professor of environmental health at the University of Copenhagen's Institute of Public Health and lead author of the study, which appeared in the American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care

Medicine.

Using a finger sensor to measure the function of small blood vessels in participants, the researchers found that reducing airborne particles resulted in an 8 percent improvement in microvascular function, the ability of small arteries to relax when blood is flowing through them.

Poor function is associated with increased risk of heart attacks. The HEPA filters removed about 60 percent of the measurable air particles in the homes.

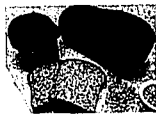
Although the results are promising, "there's quite a way to go with a lot more studies before we can recommend HEPA filters in homes," Loft says.

## New! Big Wood Bread from Sun Valley

Take a big bite out of Vinagran. Big Wood's long fermentation allows all the flavors of multiple grains to develop, complemented by honey and roasted sunflower seeds.

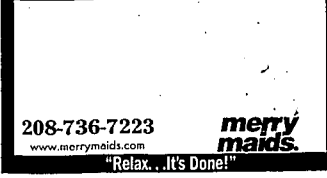
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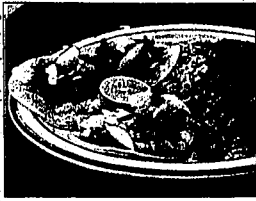
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### La Plaza vs. Fiesta Ole



## La Plaza finds unworthy opponent

La Plaza in Buhl bills itself as "Comida tipica mexicana" — homemade food typical to Mexico served in a clean, well-appointed new dining room by people who care about service.

That should be the standard everywhere. La Plaza offers a different take on the average taco. For \$1 each, a diner can choose from five flavors: beef, chicken, pork, carnitas and tongue. I tried a three-flavor spread (skipping pork and tongue this trip) and was delighted by the taste.

Each taco is relatively small — perhaps five inches in diameter — but each comes with a tasty double-tortilla and ample meat. They're not very deep, though each features ingredients common to the owner's central Mexico native region of Aguascalientes but rarely seen in Mexican foods in the U.S.: fresh cucumber, radish and lime. Add a combination of rice and beans, along with fresh-baked tortillas, chips and a selection of salsas, and you'll have a perfect lunch for less than \$7.

By contrast, Fiesta Ole in Kimberly is ho-hum.

If you're in a hurry and you're willing to grab and go, Fiesta Ole is an inexpensive way to fill up. The burrito is the specialty here. Tacos seem to be an afterthought.

Tacos are served in the usual array — beef and chicken — and on crisp corn or flour tortillas. I had one of each and cannot say much about either. The fare is about what you'll get from any other chain restaurant. The value meal, for just under \$4, includes a drink and later flats.

Dining in doesn't help the experience. The open kitchen is loud — so much so that diners in the small, barren dining room can hear every pot clang, every refill at the all-you-can-drink soda bar and every order from the drive-through window.

Not in presentation much of an issue. Everything comes swaddled in paper or cardboard on a plastic tray. For not much more money, comida tipica Mexicana is a better bet.

— James G. Wright, editor

### La Fiesta vs. Windriders



## Flair puts La Fiesta ahead

Eating tacos al carbon from La Fiesta Mexican Restaurant is a messy task without a fork. They are not finger food, and shouldn't be approached by eager digits without extra napkins.

For \$10.75, you can get three tacos that are a little on the soggy side. The menu says the dish, a "fiesta favorite," consists of corn tortillas, dipped in a special salsa, grilled and stuffed with either chicken or steak. The beef version is quite flavorful with tender chunks of meat, tomato and onion. Topped off by white Cheddar cheese sprinkles, the entree is tasty.

Even with their zesty flavor, though, these tacos could use some more crisp — if only because the menu says they're grilled. But finger-friendly tacos don't necessarily make for a winning dish.

Windriders Pub & Grill offers a \$3.25 appetizer of about a dozen mini tacos, with small plastic tubs of salsa and sour cream. The extras, however, don't mask this dish's freezer-section feel.

With their plain but spicy shredded beef and bean centers, they taste and look a bit like El Charrito Beef Mini Tacos found in most grocery stores.

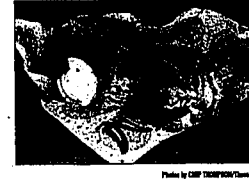
Windriders serves these tiny tacos quickly, affordably and with crunch in a bar where Pearl Jam plays on the jukebox and Harley-Davidson paraphernalia plasters the walls. The atmosphere at La Fiesta, however, can't be beaten by a bar.

Colorful rooms and authentic Mexican music at La Fiesta make for a dining adventure. It's not often that a hostess stops you in front of a table and points with a smile to the night's special wrapped in plastic, before seating you at an oversize booth. Culinary pride and enthusiasm are streamlined by staff at La Fiesta.

Both establishments have clean tables manned by servers who earn their tips, but the tacos al carbon are served with a whole lot more authenticity and flair than Windriders' taco bits.

— Andrea Gates, education reporter

### Agua con el Taco vs. Thunderbird Cafe



## Agua flies past Thunderbird

Burley's Agua con el Taco (eagle with a taco) soared past Hagerman's Thunderbird Cafe in the first bracket match-up.

Despite avian names, I chose beef — my Grande Tacos at Thunderbird, which came with seasoned ground beef, and D.E. Tacos at Agua, which were stuffed with carne asada. The marinated chunks of steak made a big difference in the taste.

The Grandes were more expensive, at \$2.99 each, but substantially bigger — two made a meal. Lettuce, olives, tomato and cheese blended well with the beef, and sour cream and salsa were served on the side. It was a great gringo meal if you're in that mood. But I'm a purist and like my taco's way I get them in Mexico.

The D.E. Tacos — Mexico City-style, the

menu says — rang up at just \$1.25 each. After two I wanted more, but three would have left me full. (At both places, my side of rice was ordered separately.)

The D.E.'s secret is a thin layer of cheese melted between the two corn tortillas. Add chopped onion and cilantro, a squeeze of lime and a choice of red or green salsa and you may as well be on a beach in Baja. They are served with complimentary chips and pico de gallo that's impossible to resist.

Both dining areas were a treat, and service was excellent and quick. For atmosphere and food, both are well worth the drive, but Agua will save you the 14-hour trip to the border.

— Chip Thompson, South Idaho Press managing editor

As the lilies bloom

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Thursday in TNT

## Old Bay Hot Crab Dip a classic recipe

By Julie Rothman  
Special to The Baltimore Sun

Jane Bailey of Lutherville, Md., was looking for a recipe for a crab dip similar to the one she enjoyed so much that was served at the now-closed Jasper's restaurant in Pikesville, Md. She says it was the best crab dip she had ever had.

Harriet Heyman of Baltimore found three different crab-dip recipes in her collection. She says she has made all three numerous times and would recommend any one of them.

I tested the one that sounded the most classic to me. It is a luscious concoction made with fresh lump crab meat and flavored primarily with Old Bay seasoning. If fresh crab meat is not available where you live, pasteurized could be substituted, but I would recommend adding a tablespoon or so of fresh lemon juice.

This dip is best served warm and paired with crackers, chips or raw vegetables.

### OLD BAY HOT CRAB DIP

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 1/2 cups grated cheddar cheese (divided use)
- 1 1/2 teaspoons Old Bay seasoning, plus a dash more (divided use)
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 1 pound fresh lump crab meat

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Combine mayonnaise, 3/4 cup cheese, 1 1/2 teaspoons Old Bay, Worcestershire sauce and mustard. Gently fold mixture into crab meat to combine.

Spoon into a 1-quart greased casserole (cooking spray may be used), top with remaining cheese and sprinkle with a dash of Old Bay.

Bake for 15 minutes or until mixture begins to bubble around the edges. Serve warm.

Serves 8 to 10.  
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## Tacos el Korita vs. Blue Lakes Country Club



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## Spice carries el Korita past Blue Lakes

It was a close match-up between the carne asada taco from Tacos el Korita and the fish taco from Blue Lakes Country Club.

The locations of both were out of the way. The country club is down a winding canyon road that passes the beautiful blue jewels and crosses a golf course. El Korita is so hidden away — behind what appears to be an automobile repair shop and a storage complex — that if you aren't looking for it you might miss it on Buhl's main drag.

Off-the-beaten-path locale is about the only similarity.

I enjoyed the flavor of the fish tacos; they were simple, and the fish was cooked just right. Blue Lakes service was exceptional (two people waited on me) and the food was prepared in a timely manner. I like really hot sauce, but the kind they provided was mild. If you like something that isn't spicy, this taco is the way to go.

But I like spicy. So el Korita's carne asada tacos with the side of rice and beans are the winner in my bracket.

The meat was juicy, and a nice medley of

spices gave it more zest than the fish tacos could drum up. The tortillas were also tasty, fried in just the right amount of oil to have flavor but not be greasy. I love cilantro, but sometimes it can be overpowering; in this case cilantro gave just a hint of flavor.

I really liked the feel of el Korita. The country club was beautiful with comfortable chairs and big-screen TVs in the bar area. But due to the proximity of other tables, I could not help but hear nearby conversation about buying homes and taking extravagant vacations.

At el Korita, there was no music and it was a little cool. But I liked the silence, and it seemed like a neighborhood joint with a father and his children ordering carry-out and a group of teenagers gossiping and giggling in the corner.

I had to get up and get my own food at el Korita, but I am fine with serving myself. The building had an interesting design, but it would be more fun to dine there in the summer on picnic tables that are clustered under the trees, which at this moment are leafless.

—*Megan Thompson, photographer*

## Dos Hermanos vs. La Casita

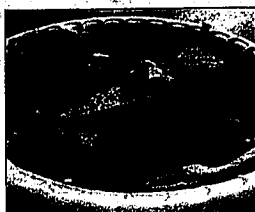


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## Dos Hermanos topples favored La Casita

Placing the Dos Hermanos taco bus against La Casita Mexican Restaurant would be a classic 5 vs. 12 matchup in the NCAA tournament. The thing about a 5 vs. 12 is that a 12 usually upsets a five seed every year. In this case, I would have Dos Hermanos as the 12 seed, and it didn't disappoint in toppling La Casita and moving on to the next round.

The tacos at Dos Hermanos, while small, pack a lot of flavor and are only a dollar each. They didn't come with cheese, lettuce or tomatoes — which I was unsure whether I needed to ask for — but the flavor of the meat made up for the lack of ingredients. I went without cilantro because I

didn't want my acid reflux to flare up, but the wedge of lime was a nice touch. The slices of radish were a little confusing, so I just didn't eat them.

As for La Casita, when it comes to eating out I want something I can't make, and the restaurant's taco was just

a regular hardshell. It tasted good and had the lettuce, cheese and tomatoes I'm accustomed to eating with a taco, but nothing stood out. La Casita can offer you a better overall meal, but Dos Hermanos wins on taste.

—*Bill Wambeke, copy editor*

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# Upgrade your chicken

The Washington Post

Brining the chicken upgrades this classic Sunday supper staple, so allow for at least three hours' brining time. If you're working with a small, apartment-size oven, it's a good idea to test the fit of your rack and roasting pan before you get started. Chef Janis McLean of the Morrison-Clark Inn in Washington also roasted blanched baby turnips and baby carrots in the same 350-degree oven as the chicken.

## ROAST CHICKEN WITH LEMON

6 servings

**For the brine:**

- 1/3 cup salt
- 3 tablespoons sugar
- 1/2 gallon cold water
- 1 (5- to 6-pound) chicken, rinsed

**For the chicken:**

- 2 tablespoons unsalted or salted butter, at room temperature
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 large lemon, rinsed
- 1/2 bunch flat-leaf parsley
- 2 sprigs thyme

**For the brine:** Combine the salt, sugar and water in a

container large enough to hold those ingredients and the chicken; stir until the salt and sugar are dissolved. Add the chicken and make sure it is submerged; for at least 3 hours and refrigerate for at least 2 hours and up to 9 hours.

Position an oven rack in the middle or lower-middle of the oven and preheat to 450 degrees. Place a V-rack inside a large roasting pan; grease it lightly with nonstick cooking oil spray. Discard the brine; rinse the chicken thoroughly and use paper towels to pat it dry thoroughly.

With the drumsticks pointing at you, slip your fingers under the breast skin and wiggle them to open some space between the meat and the skin, being careful not to poke holes in the skin. Do this on both sides of the breast. Spread the softened butter between the skin and the breast meat. Season the chicken inside and out with pepper. Place the lemon, parsley and thyme in the chicken cavity. Cross the ends of the drumsticks and use a piece of kitchen twine to tie them together, wrapping the twine around the stubby tailpiece (known as "the pope's nose") below them as well.

Place the chicken, breast side down, on the V-rack in the roasting pan; tuck in the



Seasonal, simply prepared vegetables upgrade the presentation of Roast Chicken With Lemons.

**Wing tips:** Put the pan in the oven and reduce the heat to 350 degrees. Roast for 20 minutes, then use 2 large forks to invert the chicken so

it is breast side up. Return to the oven and roast for 1 hour or until the internal temperature of the thigh registers 165 degrees on an instant-read

thermometer. If the skin is not crisp by the time the chicken is almost done, increase the temperature to 400 degrees for the final 10 to 20 minutes. Let the chicken rest for 15 minutes before carving. Extract and discard the lemon and herbs before cutting the chicken into serving pieces.

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OKAY.

REALLY? GEE, YOU MUST HAVE SOME HUGE DEFECTS OF YOUR OWN.

I DON'T DESERVE TO BE HAPPY!

**Doonesbury** By Gary Trudeau

SORRY IT TOOK ME SO LONG TO GET TO YOU.

NO PROBLEM. I'VE BEEN HERE FOR A LONG TIME.

WASH, WASH IT SO THAT I BELIEVE YOU HAVE A PARTNER?

I DO HAVE ONE. BUT HE'S NOT HERE.

WHAT? YOU THINK HE'S HAVING AN AFFAIR WITH SOMEONE ELSE? I'M NOT SURE I CAN BELIEVE THAT.

YEAH, BUT I'M NOT SURE I CAN BELIEVE THAT EITHER.

ANDERSON IS A BASTARD! I'M NOT SURE I CAN BELIEVE THAT EITHER.

**The Elderberries** By Phil Frank and Joe Troske

Okay! Here he is!

Oh, I really hope he's a dead man in there!

Ah, see a head!

Ohmygods!

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What?

The head! Someone stole me a chair from the store!

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LET'S FORGET THE FAMILY!

DADDY?

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thaves

HI, MY NAME IS "FORREST."

HE CERTAINLY HAS AN INFLATED PICTURE OF HIMSELF.

**Luann** By Greg Evans

DAD, CAN I LOOK AT YOUR TIE? I WOULD BE STYLIN' FOR THE BALL.

SURE 'CMON.

TAKE YOUR PICK.

HAH, BUSINESS STORIES, PINKS, COLORS, FLORES, GOLF, PINKS, THE BEATLES, I DUNNO, DAD.

WHAT? YOU'RE A DILBERT? YOU TELL ME 'STYLIN'?

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I THOUGHT I COULD CURE IT BY STANDING ON MY HEAD, BUT NO, IT'S STILL BROKEN.

THEY SHOULD HOLD A TELEPHON FOR THIS.

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NELSON, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD NOT ADDRESS ME AS "DUDE."

DO YOU KNOW WHAT MY GRANDFATHER WOULDVE SAID IF I HAD WALKED UP TO HIM AND SAID, "HEY, DUDE?"

WHAT?

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**Rosa Is Rose** By Pat Brady

HOW'S IT GOING, JARRO?

JUST FINISHING UP!

HOLD ON, JARRO. LOOK CLOSELY.

DO YOU SEE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT I DID AND WHAT YOU DID?

DESIDES THE UP SIDE DOWN PART...

**Zits** By Jim Borgman and Jerry Scott

JEREMY, WHAT HAPPENED IN COURT?

IS LOOK.

THE JUDGE DECIDED THAT MY PARENTS HAVE ALREADY PUNISHED ME ENOUGH, SO SHE DIDNT SUSPEND MY PERMIT.

(GASP/GRIFF) WHY DID I SMELL SWEET?

WELL, I INTENDED WITH A PRETTY STEEN LECTURE...

**Non Sequitur** By Wiley

OK... MY FIRST GUESS IS AN INCH AND FILL IT. SO MAKE ME SURE I START WITH A NEWSBINDER.

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Jeraldine Saunders

others that really count. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Switch gears. You may meet more resistance than expected if you try to manipulate people or situations in a pre-determined direction. Social affairs that have no ulterior motives will flourish. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): What seems like a do-or-die situation might not be as crucial as it seems. You need not force your attentions on someone else now. Take it easy. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Treat others with the same consideration and concern that you would like shown in return. Press on behind the scenes but blow over soon, so don't react too quickly to a message. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be a bit more understanding as that person may not have meant to step on quite so forcefully. Get more mileage from your social adeptness. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may feel a bit awkward in public for the next day or two. Although the focus seems to be on achieving recognition, save some time for a developing romance.

IF MARCH 19 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Strive to fulfill present responsibilities, but don't add more to your burden. For the next few months you might be obsessed by something or someone that proves less promising than advertised. Avoid making crucial decisions or agreements and sit tight. The cosmic weather will dramatically improve by November, when you can take important steps that will enrich all facets of your life. Supportive, truly helpful, people will appear who could offer you permanent assistance and lead you to a brighter future. ARIES (March 21-April 19): Although raveling news and intense conversations could keep you focused on business or the world of finance, there should be time for affection, too. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Lighten up. A cheerful disposition and a gentle nature will offset the intensity of your companions. Wave your magic wand over a tense situation and you might win the respect of the boss. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Power struggles can eat up your time. While you might be

selected as the referee, there are better things to do with your time. Surprising intellectual conversations might broaden your social horizons. CANCER (June 21-July 22): There could be pressure to spend or invest, but you could be wise to resist making changes now. Shelve important decisions for the moment and spend time with a hobby. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You might have lofty ambitions, but this isn't the time to bulldoze your way to recognition. Spend quality time charming an adversary for best results. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): The very things that make you feel inadequate can be used to upgrade your existence. Driving an old car might prove you are thrifty, for instance. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Step out of the background and use your charm to influence others. Avoid the trap of thinking that more things will bring you happiness. In the end, it is the joy you bring to

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# Booklet of special columns is most definitely a 'keeper'

DEAR ABBY: When I was in my teens, my mom had a collection of yours that included poems and special columns from the Dear Abby archives. I loved to pick it up from time to time and look at it. Among my favorites of the many varied items inside was the prayer for a family pet. It helped me greatly when our dog, "Blondie," reached the end of her life.

There were also a couple of pieces about the harm done by gossip, which I found especially relevant to my life as a teenager.

I am now a mom, and my daughter is 12. I don't know what became of my family's copy of that booklet, but I would love to have another one to share with my daughter. I think she'd get a kick out of many of the novels and essays - and frankly, I would also enjoy revising some of them myself, this time from an adult perspective. Is that publication still available?

— JENNA IN GAMBRILLS, MD.



**DEAR ABBY**  
Jeanne Phillips

columns have been clipped and saved until they were yellowed with age and falling apart.

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pug nut. She has two ugly dogs, and she lets them sleep with us. The dogs snore and break wind all night, and she thinks it's cute. If I snore or break wind, she tells me it's annoying.

She dresses these dogs in expensive gowns and pearls. Now she expects me to drive them 1,200 miles to our vacation home, while she flies. She also wants to buy a third dog. What do I do?

— NO. 4 IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR NO. 4: People usually get the kind of treatment they're willing to tolerate. In most marriages, the spouse takes precedence over the pets - regardless of how beloved those pets may be.

If I - or my husband - had been in your situation, the pugs would have been slumbering together in their own little bed since the beginning.

However, because you have failed to draw the line, you have given your wife implied consent. Unless you're ready to stand on your hind legs and demand to be treated better than the four-legged members of your household, you'll have to move a little closer to the edge of the bed and have your vehicle checked before you embark on your 1,200-mile trip.

DEAR JENNA: Yes, the booklet is still available. Over the years, readers have requested that I rerun articles that have special meaning for them. Readers told me that some of my

DEAR ABBY: My wife is a

## Nev. sheriff reminds Old West re-enactors they should be sober, guns empty

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev. (AP) — History re-enactors posing as Old West gunslingers here need to follow some modern rules, the sheriff says: Guns and alcohol don't mix.

A Storey County ordinance prohibits alcohol consumption by history re-enactors wearing a gun, but Sheriff Jim Miller said he's going to enforce enforcement of the ordinance because some people have abused it.

"They want to drink and carry a gun and look like cowboys," Miller said. "But you can see how easy that would be for someone drink-

ing to accidentally put a live round in there and hurt someone."

Under a program sponsored by the Virginia City Convention and Tourism Authority volunteers dress in period costumes, including six-guns, and pose for photographs for tourists each summer.

Joe Curtis, a member of the authority board, said stricter enforcement comes after several people with felony convictions showed up in town dressed as gunslingers.

"If you have one of these guns and you have real ammunition, the potential

for accidents is great," Curtis said.

The ordinance in this former mining town about 25 miles south of Reno requires gunfighter performers and other re-enactors to obtain a permit from the sheriff's office that includes a background check.

The weapon must be holstered and must remain empty of all ammunition at all times, unless someone is directly participating in a scheduled event. A group called the Virginia City Outlaws performs gunfights in an outdoor theater during the summer.

## Falling prices may be intergalactic: Tenn. flying-saucer house sells for just \$135K

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (AP) — The sale price for a Chattanooga, Tenn., house shaped like a flying saucer is nothing to phone home about.

The Space House sold at auction Saturday for a down-to-earth bid of \$135,000. Auctioneer Terry Posey says he's surprised bidding didn't go higher. The sale of the 38-year-old, three-bedroom structure perched on six "landing gear" legs attracted worldwide attention.

Posey says Pearl Johnson of Cincinnati bought the mountain-side house but didn't want to discuss the transaction.

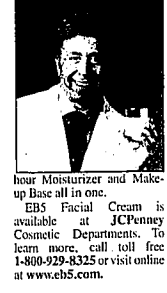
The house has a retractable staircase that lowers to the ground.

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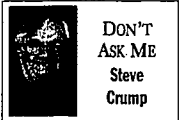


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## Boise in March? It's better than Arco in March

My Uncle Ray served in the state Senate from Power County in the 1950s. He told me a story about a poker game that almost kept the Legislature in session for an extra week.

Four lawmakers — including chairmen of two important committees — got together and played poker every Monday evening. One of the chairmen was a more skilled cardplayer than the other, and over the course of the legislative session took the other man's pocket money home every single time they played.



DON'T ASK ME Steve Crump

So the persistent loser demanded they keep playing so he could get even. "Charlie," he said, "I've got that road bill that benefits your county in my committee. I'll stay there until you quit drawing inside straights."

Danged if he didn't win the next time.

The state Constitution decrees that legislators spend the winter in Boise, but in Uncle Ray's day most of his colleagues were farmers and sessions were shorter. Boise wasn't so special back then, and a lawmaker could sneak in a quick trip to Harold's Club in Reno before he had to get back home and rebuild the combine.

But since the Treasure Valley's retail boom began 20 years ago, more spouses have accompanied lawmakers to Boise. Basically, legislative sessions got longer as the shopping got better.

Plus the fact that Boise is a lot more fun these days than Athol, Arco or Soda Springs. At home, there's still a foot of snow in the driveway and a livestock lagoon waiting to be drained. In Boise, there's poker with the guys, beer with the lobbyists and all-you-can-eat-shrimp at the Red Lobster on Saturday nights.

Back home, it's Hot Pockets for dinner, the local TV news at 10 and bedtime at 10:15. The founding fathers of the West mostly loved capitals away from their state's big cities: Carson City, Santa Fe, Helena, Salem and Olympia, for example. Whether they realized it or not, they were also limiting the length of their legislative sessions because nobody wants to hang around, say, Laramie or Juneau any longer than absolutely necessary.

Idaho had the chance, originally putting the state capital in Lewiston (which is easy to flee to in March) but they changed their minds and moved it to Boise, which for better or worse is pretty much the most interesting city in Idaho.

Today, two-fifths of legislators live close enough to the Statehouse to sleep in their own beds at night. After the Census of 2010 and reapportionment, probably 60 percent will do so because the Treasure Valley is growing much faster than the rest of the state. And after the 2020 Census, the four or five remaining lawmakers who aren't from Ada or Canyon counties will have to stick around as long as the homeboys want them to. That means, probably, a year-round legislative session.

In the classic Frank Capra movie "Mr. Smith Goes to Washington," Mr. Smith (played by James Stewart) worried that because Washington, D.C., was so far away from his isolated Western hometown, folks there would forget what he looked like.

Maybe he was from Athol.

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## Horonzy pleads guilty to murder

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

John Horonzy pleaded guilty to second-degree murder Tuesday afternoon — after originally being charged with first-degree murder — a week before his trial was due to begin. Horonzy's change of plea marks an abrupt end to law enforcement's decade-long chase of their prime suspect in the old Sands Motel murder.

Twin Falls County Prosecutor Grant Loebis agreed to a baseline sentence of 15 years in prison before Horonzy becomes

eligible for parole. Both sides are free to argue at a May 15 sentencing hearing over the indefinite maximum period of his sentencing.

Horonzy's girlfriend, Rose Murphy, was found dead in 1997 near the now-defunct Sands Motel in Twin Falls.

When pleading guilty Tuesday, Horonzy confessed to strangling Murphy. He began stoic as in previous hearings, calmly reading a guilty plea form:

"I, John Eric Horonzy ... willfully killed Rosemary Murphy, a human being"

— he choked up on the last word. He tried to regain his composure but it took a long period of silence before he could complete the statement, "by strangulation by which she died."

This hearing terminated a fusillade of motions Horonzy's attorney, public defender Marilyn Paul, had filed at the court. Most of them included claims that Horonzy's constitu-



Horonzy

"I, John Eric Horonzy ... willfully killed Rosemary Murphy, a human being."

— John Horonzy

lional rights had been violated during the lengthy investigation, including an argument against Horonzy's extradition.

Twin Falls Police Please see HORIZNY, Page D6

## Evidence flaw sets Reimer free

By Kelly Jackson  
For the Times-News

KETCHUM — In a bizarre twist of events, charges against Deborah A. Reimer were dismissed Tuesday. Reimer, 55, was accused of second-degree attempted murder for allegedly firing two shots at her ex-boyfriend, Robert Dreyer, while he was showering in the guest bathroom of his New Meadows home on the morning of July 18, 2007.

Ketchum Police Chief Cory M. Lyman announced in a news release that the dismissal of the case, which has been before the Blaine County Fifth Judicial Court, was due to improper handling of evidence by the Ketchum Police Department. "The high standards of performance for the city police department were clearly not met in this situation," Lyman stated in the release. "When indications of

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## GETTING A VOICE



Maria Rodriguez Salazar asks those in attendance for the League of United Latin American Citizens meeting Tuesday in Twin Falls if she is what they had expected, saying that many people expect her to be much larger in stature. "We have a saying in Spanish — small but fiery," said Salazar, northwestern vice president of the organization.

## Latino advocacy group holds meeting in T.F.

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

When Maria Rodriguez Salazar, the northwestern vice president of a major Latino advocacy group, told other members she was headed to Idaho to open a new chapter, they laughed.

"They told me there are no Latinos in Idaho," she told 16 Latino leaders at a Tuesday evening meeting held at the Idaho Department of Labor on Falls Avenue. How wrong they were, different members of the group told her.

It seemed ironic that Idaho's Latino population will only now, after so many of them were deported to Mexico, garner the awareness of Latinos in states where they are more established. Local realtor Alex Castaneda called in Salazar as

Latinos organized themselves following the arrest by U.S. Border Patrol agents of at least 100 immigrants in early November.

Salazar presented to the crowd the myriad benefits of joining the League of United Latin American Citizens, which boasts being "the oldest and largest Hispanic organization in the U.S." With 700 councils across the U.S. — some including more than 1,000 members — the organization unites Latinos around their common interests, both locally and at the national level.

The nonprofit, which dates back to 1929, concentrates primarily on civil rights, education, economic development, immigration and equal opportunity. "We've got to sign up as many people as we can," Salazar said. "We start talking to each other. We start

doing our underground networking. The real work, it sounds to me like you've already been doing. You just need a little help."

In some cases, a little help is precisely what the organization delivers. The organization commonly advises immigrants how to face the hurdles to citizenship. It teaches Latinos how to initiate change at their local level, such as making public records requests.

At other instances, the organization has leveraged its weight to win battles against segregation in the U.S. Supreme Court. At times, the threat of a discrimination lawsuit is sufficient to correct a wrongful action by an employer, Salazar said. A couple years ago, the organization

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## OSHA cites Utah firm for worker's death

By Cassidy Friedman  
Times-News writer

A Utah-based construction company whose employee was fatally electrocuted Feb. 5 on a Jerome work site will pay a \$4,000 fine and must improve its safety procedures.

The agreement was reached at an informal conference between Allstate Construction and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Its staff has already posted signs to clearly demarcate power lines extending precariously overhead, an OSHA official said.

"They didn't really recognize the hazard of the power line being there," said OSHA Area Director Jerry Hockett.

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## AROUND THE VALLEY

### Loud boom likely from Air Force exercise

Some residents said they heard loud booms Monday night, and a Mountain Home Air Force Base official confirmed it was probably to blame.

The 36th Fighter Wing is practicing deployments and combat missions in an Operational Readiness Inspection that began March 13 and is set to end Friday. "It's most likely attributable to our exercise," said Air Force Maj. Danden Pickart.

The boom sounds that residents said they heard probably came from small controlled explosives that simulate mortar and missile attacks, Pickart said. "This type of inspection usually happens every three years, and Air Force wings are graded on their performance. The last inspection was in 2003 when it got an 'excellent' rating, Pickart said, and it did not occur in 2006 because of 'real

world deployments." Airmen have practiced for months for this inspection, Pickart said. "Our wing is very confident."

### North side counties move ahead on jail plan

Jerome County Commissioners voted unanimously Monday to move forward with plans to build a regional jail.

All three of us voted (Monday) to pursue the next step," said County Commission Chairman Charlie Howell. "And the biggest plus is the cost saving to the taxpayers."

After completing a feasibility study, Rocky Mountain Corrections presented the results — an \$18.9 million jail that could immediately accommodate 250 beds and additional room to grow.

"I think the general consensus is, 'let's move forward,'" Gooding County Sheriff Shaun Gough said. To test whether that's the consensus, commissioners from Jerome,

Gooding, Camas and Lincoln counties will meet at 1 p.m. March 27 at the Gooding Planning and Zoning building.

Howell said if all four counties are on board, the next decision is picking a site for the jail, which could go in any of the four counties. If a county decides to drop out, the next step is discussing moving ahead without that county's participation, Howell said.

But Howell said that shouldn't be a problem. "As far as I know everybody is behind it at this point," he said. "All the commissioners that I have talked to in Lincoln, Gooding, Camas — they are all behind it."

### TFHS grad makes exit from TV's 'Bachelor'

Alyssa Johnson, a 24-year-old Boise State University student and Twin Falls High School alumna, made a quick exit on ABC TV's reality program "The Bachelor: London

Calling" Monday night.

Johnson is a biology major at BSU and a native of Twin Falls. The show follows a single man, Matt Grant of England, as he chooses among 25 single women to find a possible fiancé. Johnson gives those women he wants to meet a rose, which qualifies them for the next round, while the others go home.

In Monday's episode, Johnson was among 10 women who failed to receive a rose. The program is now in its 12th rendition.

— from staff reports



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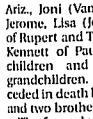
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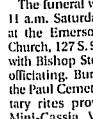
RUPERT — Richard Trel Kennett, an 88-year-old resident of Rupert, passed away Sunday, March 16, 2008, at the Countryside Care and Rehab in Rupert.



He was born Jan. 4, 1920, in Sibley, Okla. the son of Clifford and Nellie Emma (Robbins) Kennett. He completed high school in Sidney and continued his education in the military as a flight officer and glider pilot. He served our country in the Army Air Force during World War II in the European Theater of Operations. He married Donna Beth Eschler on July 31, 1949, in Montpelier. Their marriage was later solemnized in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple.



He worked as a flight instructor, crop duster and, prior to retirement, owned and operated a motel. He loved helping people, aviation and swimming. He was a member of the LDS Church, at the time of his death, was a high priest.



He is survived by his wife, Donna Kennett; his children, Ruthellen (Bill) Humphreys of Kapuleh, Scott (Peggy) J. Kennett of West Jordan, Utah, Kristen Taylor of Yuma,



in 1965. Jim was a proud father of three. He was an avid hunter, fisher and golfer. On April 16, 2001, he suffered a stroke that partially paralyzed his left side. After much physical therapy, Jim was able to pursue his writing. (Using only one finger to type.) Jim achieved his lifetime goal and became a national. In 2007, he published "Tales and Trails of the Early West."

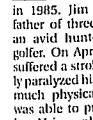


James 'Jim' Todd

YUMA, Ariz. — James "Jim" Todd, husband, father, grandfather and friend, left to be with his Lord and Savior on March 13, 2008.



He was preceded in death by his daughter, Judith; his parents, James "Kin" and Grace Todd; his brother, Robert; and his sisters, Robin and Roselle. Jim was born April 6, 1924, in Rinnie, Tenn. When Jim was still a baby, his family moved from Tennessee to Utah and shortly after left for Buell. In Buell, Jim attended school until he joined the Marine Corps at age 18. There, he served in the Pacific Theater as a field radio operator in both areas and two Jim. In December of 1945, he returned home and used the G.I. Bill to attend the Southern Idaho College of Education. On Dec. 22, 1946, he married the love of his life, Betty Stroud, teacher's daughter, and each graduated with a Bachelor's degree in education in May of 1949. Later in 1959, Jim obtained his master's in education from the University of Idaho in Moscow.



In his 39 years in education, Jim coached basketball, football, golf and track. He served as principal in elementary, middle and high schools and also as superintendent of schools. He retired

things were playing the trumpet in band, collecting rocks, nutcrackers and puppets, working out in his jujitsu class, playing with his siblings and friends, going to movies and just plain out having fun.

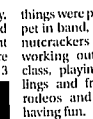
Surviving Kyle are his siblings, Keith Blanc, Katie Blanc, Alicia Blanc, Dana Jacobs, Katie Jacobs, Billy Jacob and Winter "Kaylie" Blanc; his parents, Bill and Tonya Jacob and his natural parents, Rob and Kathy Blanc. He also has numerous grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins in Washington, Arizona, Utah and England.

A celebration of his life will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 21, at the Cornerstone Baptist Church, located at the corner of Shoup and Blake streets in Twin Falls. A viewing will start one hour before the service. A potluck dinner will be held after the service for those who would like to stay and celebrate Kyle's life with us. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to a memorial fund set up in Kyle's name at Washington Federal Savings.

Arrangements are under the direction of Howey-Hoberson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Kyle Lee J. Blanc-Jacob

HERMONE — On Sunday, March 16, 2008, our beloved Kyle Lee J. Blanc-Jacob went to be with Jesus after a severe asthma attack at the age of 13 at St. Luke's Hospital in Boise.



Kyle was born Dec. 16, 1994, in Jerome, to Kathleen and Robin Blanc. Kyle was later adopted by Bill and Tonya Jacob of Jerome and spent most of his schooling and time in Jerome. Kyle was a born-again Christian who truly loved Jesus. He was a soul-winning superhero who loved passing out Bibles and telling others about Christ. Kyle always thought more of other people's needs than his own and was always willing to help others. He suffered his whole life with terrible asthma and never complained but loved life and enjoyed every minute of it. Kyle was one of the happiest and most joyful children one could ever meet, and his joy was so infectious when you were around him. At only 13, Kyle was a man beyond his young years who was not afraid of things. His favorite

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LAYTON, Utah — Beloved husband, father and grandfather, Max Lynn Goates was still a Heavenly Father, surrounded by his family on Sunday, March 16, 2008, due to a short but valiant battle with cancer.



Max was born Dec. 6, 1921, in Payson, Utah, to Catherine Virli Clark and David Goates. He was the second of five children. He graduated from Gunnison High School. Max served honorably in the U.S. Navy in the South Pacific during World War II. On Sept. 20, 1946, he married his love, Burness Catherine Buchanan, in the Salt Lake Temple. They were blessed with five children, Sandra Lynn (Vernon) Freeman of West Valley, Utah, Kathryn Renee (James) Rogerson of Layton, Utah, Diana Jean Goates of West

Valley, Utah, Brent Ray (LeAnn) Goates of Kayville, Utah, and Michael Lynn (Susan) Goates of Herriman, Utah.

Following Burness' death in 1984, Max then married Emma Bernice Dille on May 10, 1985, in the Boise Temple. They made their home in Kimberly for 23 years. Max was a machinist and master mechanic for U & Sugar and Amalgamated Sugar for 49 years. He was a faithful member of the LDS Church, where he willingly served in

many positions. He was a very loving and caring husband and father.

Max is survived by his wife; five children: seven stepchildren: 39 grandchildren; 51 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; one sister, LaBue (Dee) Jarrett, Deon (Lamar) Paxman and Glenda (Elton) Pultsinger; and sister-in-law, Gladys Goates. Max is preceded in death by his parents; and one brother, Earl.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 20, at the Kimberly LDS 2nd

Ward Chapel, 222 Birch St. in Kimberly. A viewing will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 19, at Park's Magic Valley Funeral Home, 2261 Kimberly Road in Twin Falls, and from 10 to 11 a.m. Thursday at the church. A graveside service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 21, at the Lehi City Cemetery in Lehi, Utah. Services are under the direction of Leavitt's Mortuary in Layton, Utah. Online condolences may be sent to the family at www.leavittsmortuary.com.

Susan Ann Pond

Susan Ann Pond, 60, died Saturday, March 15, 2008, at SunBridge Care and Rehabilitation.



She was born April 2, 1947, to J.D. and Shirley (Hamby) Buchanan. She lived and attended schools in Idaho until her junior year, when she moved to Henderson, Nev., where she graduated in 1965. She married Emmett Pond on Oct. 23, 1965, in the Salt Lake Temple. She had three adorable girls, Gale, Misti and Crystal. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Susan's first love was her dog, Sue's Sparkling Misty (Sparkles).

She is survived by her husband, Emmett of Kimberly; daughters, Gale (Brian) Heworth, Misti (Lynn) Reed and Crystal Pond, all of Kimberly; her father, J.D. (Dora) Buchanan of San Diego, Calif.; sisters, Sandy (Richard) Jones, Gale (Richard) Hamby and Carla (Vivian) Buchanan; brother, Mike (Collette) Buchanan; aunts, Barbara Bailey, Gloria Haines and Mae Hamby; grandchildren, Aimee (Steve) Cozad, Marcie Reed, Annamarie Reed, Marc Gallo and Reed and Stuart Heworth; eight great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews; cousins; adopted grandchildren;

Emmett of Kimberly; daughters, Gale (Brian) Heworth, Misti (Lynn) Reed and Crystal Pond, all of Kimberly; her father, J.D. (Dora) Buchanan of San Diego, Calif.; sisters, Sandy (Richard) Jones, Gale (Richard) Hamby and Carla (Vivian) Buchanan; brother, Mike (Collette) Buchanan; aunts, Barbara Bailey, Gloria Haines and Mae Hamby; grandchildren, Aimee (Steve) Cozad, Marcie Reed, Annamarie Reed, Marc Gallo and Reed and Stuart Heworth; eight great-grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews; cousins; adopted grandchildren;

DEATH NOTICES

Mary M. Adams

BURLEY — Mary Martin Adams, 83, of Burley died Monday, March 17, 2008, in Riverton, Utah.

The funeral will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 20, at the Burley LDS 2nd and 4th Ward Chapel, 515 E. 16th Street; visitation from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, March 21, Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Saturday at the church (Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Geessien Lievestro

Geessien "Jean" Lievestro, 78, of Twin Falls, died Sunday, March 16, 2008, at her home.

Rosary will be recited at 7 p.m. Monday, March 24, at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2066 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls; a memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 25, at St. Edward the Confessor Catholic Church, 161 Sixth Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Claude Henderson

GODDING — Claude Henderson, 82, of Godding died Monday, March 17, 2008, at his residence. Arrangements will be announced by Demaray Funeral Service, Godding Chapel.

Paul C. Kunkel

Paul C. Kunkel age 84 of Twin Falls passed away Sunday, March 16, 2008 at St. Luke's in Boise, Idaho. Funeral arrangements will be announced by White Mortuary "Chapel by the Park."

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Pauline Knopp

PAUL — Pauline Knopp, age 86, a longtime resident of Paul, passed away Saturday, March 15, 2008, at the Warren House in Burley.



Mom was born Jan. 14, 1922, in Logan, Colo. LaFare, Colo. She was married to Fred and Katie Heinze. The family then moved to the Teton area, where she attended schools in Teton, Heberburg, and Sugar City, finishing her education at Rupert High School. She met the love of her life, Elmer, at a dance in Rupert. Then on Oct. 3, 1940, they were married in Rupert. Soon after their union, they moved to Idaho Falls, Nev., and then moved back to Paul to call it home.

Mom was an excellent housewife and mother, a spectacular card player and helped dad to be successful in his business endeavors, which included driving the milk truck. Mom worked at Miller Drug for many years and made many loyal friends. Then she decided to take on a career in her passion, which was cooking. She retired from the Mindoka School District as the manager of the high school lunch program in 1984. She could take any food and make it yummy! She kept the cleanest house in the two counties, especially her windows. People would stop to find out how she made them shine.

She enjoyed camping and visiting with family and friends. She always carried a smile on her face and a sincere interest in her family. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Nothing made her happier than having them stop by to visit her.

Pauline is survived by her children, Richard (CleoAnn) Kopp of Rupert, Terry (Peggy) Knopp of Burley, and Jayne (Rod) Runyon of Burley; nine grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. She is also survived by two sisters, Nettie Gould and Frieda Neiverth; and three brothers, Harry, Ruben and Melvin Heinze. She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Katie; four sisters; two sisters; two grandsons; and her dancing partner of 62 years, Elmer.

The family expresses special gratitude to Dr. Klett and his staff, the Warren House staff, especially Rachel; Karen, Carol and Kay; and the compassionate care given by Intermountain Home Health and Hospice. The funeral will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, March 21 (dad's birthday), at the Burley United Methodist Church, 450 E. 27th St., with the Rev. Darcey Gritzinger officiating. Visitation will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, March 20, at the Hansen Mortuary, 1700 S. 10th St., and one hour prior to the service Friday at the church. Burial will be in the Paul Cemetery.

Lawrence Robert Adams

WEWENDELL — Lawrence Robert Adams, 83, of Wendell, passed away with his family at his side at Sunbridge Nursing Home on Tuesday, March 18, 2008.



He was born in Quimby, Iowa, on March 17, 1925, to Walter and Mildred Adams. He was the oldest of four children. He later moved to Idaho with his parents. He ran the Case Implement dealership in Wendell for many years and then worked for Ambrose Farms, where he was the head farm mechanic. Lawrence married Pauline L. Wells, and together they raised seven children. She preceded him in death in 1983. Lawrence then married Emma Thurston Whipple in 1984. Together they enjoyed visiting different campgrounds in Idaho and spending their winters in Yuma, Ariz.

Lawrence was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter; and his sister, Arlene McMaster. Lawrence is survived by his loving wife,

Emma of Wendell; two brothers, Virgil (Helga) of Buhl and Roy (Rowene) of Salt Lake City; his sons, Larry (Diane) Adams and Rodney (Colleen) Adams, both of Wendell, Keith Adams of Salem, Ore., Loren (Marty) Adams of Meridian and Lyle (Pat) Adams of Jerome; his daughters, Linda (Phyllip) Boguslawski of Jerome and Kathy Adams of Meridian; his stepchildren, Robert (Kaylene) Thurston of Calif., Martin Thurston of Jerome and Joyce (Doug) Fraser of Utah. He had 16 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren.

The funeral will be conducted at 1 p.m. Friday, March 21, at the Wendell LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, 605 N. Idaho St. in Wendell, with Bishop Kevin Lancaster officiating. A visitation will be held Thursday, March 20, also at the Wendell LDS 3rd Ward Chapel, where family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m., and again one hour before the service Friday. Interment will follow in the Wendell Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 South Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

Reimer

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these failures came to light, Blaine County Prosecutor Jim Thomas and I reviewed the evidence in question and its impact on the case. Prosecutor Thomas determined there was no way to proceed at this time."

Lyman did not say how the evidence, and what evidence, was mislabeled, but did say the problem pertained to physical evidence in the case and that there are several items in question. Deficiencies in documentation and handling were found in "a substantial amount of evidence collected the day of the event and shortly thereafter," he said. "When we acquire evidence we are accountable to indicate the state of that evidence and where it has been from the time we pick it up."

"The case is not necessarily dead in the water. It is

prerequisite to comment on if she is off the hook. She had charges dismissed based on the current investigation," Lyman said.

He said the case will be reassigned to an outside agency, but did not say which agency would handle the investigation. But he did say it would not be a local agency. Other valley agencies had nothing to do with the mishandling of evidence, he said.

During previous court hearings, Dreyer expressed fear that Reimer might come back to harm him if released, but Lyman said the department would work to protect Dreyer following Reimer's release from prison. An order to release her has already been signed.

"It's disappointing," Lyman said of his department. "All we can do is move forward. We've made some recommendations. We've initiated audits so it can't happen (from) this day forward."

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Each year Twin Falls Christian Academy students raise money to sponsor an outreach for needy children. This year the project was the Dalit caste children of India. Students collected more than \$4,000, which is enough money to support 12 children for an entire year. The money provides food, clothing and education. TCCA students held various activities to collect the money.

Michelle Huppi Young

SHOSHONE — Michelle Huppi Young, 30, of Shoshone, passed away Wednesday, March 13, 2008, in Twin Falls.



Born in Logan, Utah, the daughter of Melvin Charles Huppi and Denise LaDine Johnson Huppi, she grew into a wonderful woman. She loved playing the clarinet and being a wife and mother. Michelle was in her final semester at the College of Southern Idaho and would have graduated with honors. Michelle served an LDS Mission in Washington, D.C. She loved the Young Women in the Shoshone Ward and will miss them greatly.

Michelle will be missed by her husband, Andrew Young; her boys, Caleb and Jackson; her foster daughter, Marisa; her brother-in-law, Allen

Hanberg; and her parents, Mel and Denise Huppi. Michelle was preceded on the other side by her sister, Maya; her brother, Mel; and her Grandpas Huppi, Johnson and Oyler.

A service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 22, at the Shoshone LDS Church, 507 N. Greenwood St. in Shoshone, with Bishop Gale C. Roberts officiating. A visitation will be held Friday, March 21, also at the Shoshone LDS Church, where family and friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. and again Saturday one hour prior to the service. Interment will be held at 4 p.m. at the Wellsville, Utah, Cemetery (friends are welcome). In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Michelle Huppi Young Memorial Fund at any branch of the Wells Fargo bank. Arrangements are under the care of Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln, Jerome, ID 83338.

SERVICES

Damien Dallas Jesse, infant son of Robert and Roxanne Jesse of Twin Falls, funeral at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church, 161 5th Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Florentina Teresa Sabala Laranaga of Twin Falls, funeral Mass at 11 a.m. today at St. Edward's Catholic Church, 161 5th Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

John Ellsworth Goehour of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley.

Bobby Lee White of Malta, funeral at 11 a.m. today at the Meridian Assembly of God Church; service at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Malta LDS Church; visitation at 1 p.m. Thursday at the church (Accent Funeral Home in Meridian, Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Maye Rae Reed of Idaho Falls, funeral at noon today at the Calvary Chapel Church, 4250 S. 25th E. (Hitt Road) in Idaho Falls; visitation from 11 a.m. to noon today at the church (Wood Funeral Home in Idaho Falls).

Val Kent Parke Sr. of Carey, memorial service at 2 p.m. today at the Carey LDS Church (Wood River Chapel in Hailey).

Marvin Herman Freitag of Twin Falls, celebration of life at 2 p.m. today at Reynolds Funeral Chapel, 2466 Addison Ave. E. in Twin Falls.

Lareeda Elizabeth Schenk of Jerome, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Jerome LDS 7th Ward Chapel, 50 E. 100 S.

visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Farnsworth Mortuary, 1343 S. Lincoln in Jerome, and one hour before the funeral Thursday at the church.

Adrienne Russell Mallory of Declo, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Declo LDS Stake Center, 213 W. Main St.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the church.

Arthur "Merle" Lynes of Burley, funeral at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Burley United Methodist Church; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. today at Payne Mortuary, 221 W. Main in Burley (Hansen-Payne Mortuary in Burley).

Willard Laurel Hawkins of Rupert, funeral at 11 a.m. Friday at the Rupert LDS West Stake Center, 36 S. 100 W.; visitation from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, and 10 to 10:45 a.m. Friday at the church.

Darlene Jerry Polndexter, 64, of Rupert, celebration of life from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Rupert Elks Lodge (Hansen Mortuary in Burley).

Sarah Catherine "Cathy" Kuzlik of Filer, memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at Rock Creek Community Church, Fifth Avenue and Idaho Street in Twin Falls (Reynolds Funeral Chapel in Twin Falls).

Erwin W. (Bill) Erickson and Ruth M. Erickson, both of Twin Falls, memorial service at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Buhl; reception follows at the Clear Lake Country Club in Buhl.

Fine

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Ken Lahn, 38, of Jerome, was guiding a crane to move scrap metal at the Jerome city water treatment plant when the crane's cable hit a live power line, according to a Jerome police report. The line sent a 7,000-volt surge, which grounded through Lahn and an outrigger of the crane. Sparks on the outrigger drew the crane operator's attention away from Lahn, who was being shocked.

A company supervisor said both men were wearing appropriate protective gear and had followed standard operating procedures. Owners of Allstate Construction did not return a phone call Tuesday. After compiling an investigation, OSHA issued a proposed fining the company \$6,000. The company discussed the proposed fine at an informal conference. "We came to a settlement on the citation issues,"

Hockett said. "Obviously that was kind of a one time thing. But they have upgraded their safety program to ensure that they do a good job at hazard analysis."

"When working near hot power lines, a company can guard workers from the lines by marking the lines or insulating them," Hockett said.

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Advertisement for 'step into Africa' featuring a photo of a woman and text about a virtual experience at CSI Rec. Center Gym.

Advertisement for Century Stadium 6 & Burley Theatre in Burley, featuring 'Horton Hears A Who', '10,000 BC', 'Penelope', 'Vantage Point', and 'College Roadtrip'.

Wall Street storms higher after rate cut (AP) Wall Street has stormed higher after an interest rate cut and two big earnings reports calmed a very worried market. The Dow Jones Industrials have shot up about 420 points.

Dow Jones Industrials 12,392.86 Nasdaq composite 2,288.26 Standard & Poor's 500 1,330.74 Russell 2000 681.93 For a complete stock listing, go to [MagiValley.com](http://MagiValley.com)

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## FED'S BOLD MOVES HAVE THEIR RISKS

Analysts say problems may arise from aggressive action

By Jeannine Aversa  
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — There's a risk in Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's bold moves of late. If recent history is any guide, the euphoria that met the Fed's three-quarter-point reduction to a key interest rate Tuesday could be short-lived. With a string of urgent and aggressive actions, the Fed itself could end up feeding the paralytic mind-set that it so desperately wants to calm.

Even inside the Fed there was disagreement about just how much the key interest rate — its most potent tool in dealing with economic trouble — should be lowered.

Two Fed members dissented, preferring a smaller cut, while Bernanke and seven others prevailed with a more powerful three-quarter-point one. Cuts of this size are pretty infrequent. Bernanke, in an emergency session in January, ordered one — making for the single-biggest reduction in more than two decades.

Wall Street was ebullient Tuesday — soaring 420 points — even as it had hoped for greater relief — a mere reduction of one percentage point. Yet, one wonders just how long the good feeling will last. Wall Street has been largely unquelled in turmoil since last year — swinging wildly at times between relief and panic.

In a bid to revive a sagging economy, the Fed dropped its key rate to 2.25 percent. In turn, the prime lending rate for millions of consumers and businesses fell by a corresponding amount, to 5.25 percent. Both are the lowest since late 2004. It held the door open to the possibility that rates would fall even lower in the months ahead.

The Fed's action was the latest in a series of extraordinary moves — many in just the past few days and weeks — that the Fed has resorted to as it seeks to prevent a financial catastrophe that could plunge the country into a deep and painful recession.

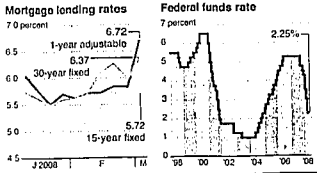
Yet, it raises the question: can the Fed in its very efforts to contain spreading credit



Traders work as a television screen displays the Fed board rate decision announcement in a booth on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Wall Street gave up some of its steep gains Tuesday while investors digested the Federal Reserve's decision to cut interest rates by three-quarters of a percentage point. Many investors had expected a cut of a full percentage point.

### Rate slashed amid credit crisis

In an aggressive move to contain a credit crisis, the Federal Reserve cut a key interest rate by three-quarters of a point. Before the reduction, mortgage rates were sharply higher last week.



SOURCES: Federal Reserve; Mortgage Bankers Association

and financial crises, end up also spreading fear? "I think it is true that Federal Reserve actions coming closely one after the other in the last few weeks — while no doubt are helpful for the economy — they carry with them a risk that people will perceive them as involving some slight desperation," said Marvin Goodfriend, economics professor at the Carnegie Mellon University.

The Fed's words — not just its actions — matter a lot and can color how people view the economy and their own financial fortunes.

On Tuesday, the Fed was blunt in its assessment that the country's economic health has worsened. "The outlook for economic activity has weakened further," the Fed said. "Financial markets remain under considerable stress and the tightening of credit conditions and the deepening of the housing contraction are likely to weigh on economic growth over the next few quarters."

Such words can make people more nervous. The Fed walks a fine line between trying to give the public an accurate picture of what is going on and not spooking them — or investors.

## Non-compete bill passes House

Measure will protect trade secrets

By Jared S. Hopkins  
Times-News writer



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BOISE — The House voted Tuesday in favor of a measure that would tighten non-compete agreements between workers and employers in Idaho.

Supporters said that current non-compete agreements are loosely interpreted and not being enforced in courts when questioned. Companies will often ask employees to sign the contracts, which prevent them from working for competitors or start-up businesses in the same industries.

Having already passed the Senate 25-10, the bill awaits the signature of Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter.

Rep. Jim Patrick, R-Twin Falls, who carried the bill in the House, said that he's worked under a non-compete agreement and he has helped craft them. He said a handshake simply isn't

enough anymore to trust employees, and the bill will create a level playing field.

"If you sign into an agreement, you should live up to your end," he said. "A deal's a deal."

Other supporters said that Idaho is losing prospective businesses who choose to settle and invest outside the state where they can find better non-compete laws.

But the bill — pushed by the Idaho Falls-based Melaleuca Company, which

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## AMI to cut 200 jobs

New owner of E. Idaho company announces jobs cuts

The Associated Press

POCATELLO — The sale of eastern Idaho company AMI Semiconductor Inc. will result in more than 200 jobs being eliminated, a company spokeswoman says.

Tamera Drake said the CEO of Phoenix-based ON Semiconductor Corp., Keith Jackson, told about 800 employees Monday that 60 to 70 jobs will be cut within 90 days, and that another 150 jobs will be eliminated when the production of 5-inch silicon wafers is moved to another part of the plant and to Europe over the next two years.

ON Semiconductor announced in December it had agreed to buy AMIS Holdings Inc., parent of AMI Semiconductor, in a stock deal worth about \$915 million at the time.

Last week, shareholders from both companies approved the acquisition, now worth \$613 million due to a decline in both AMI and ON shares over the last three months.

In Pocatello, ON Semiconductor banners were placed over AMI Semiconductor signs to

mark the completion of the deal, the Idaho State Journal reported.

Jackson said some production of 5-inch wafers will be moved to part of the Pocatello plant that makes 8-inch silicon wafers.

"Pocatello will be an ongoing key part of the company," Jackson said. "It's our goal to sell more of the products and grow over time in Pocatello."

He said that many of the 60 to 70 jobs being cut in Pocatello are jobs already being done by ON Semiconductor employees in other locations.

In a filing Monday with the Securities and Exchange Commission, ON Semiconductor reported that Christine King, former AMIS chief executive officer, has joined its board of directors, and will be paid \$59,000 annually. She also received a severance of \$3.3 million as part of her contract with AMIS.

ON Semiconductor also reported selling about \$3.2 million worth of manufacturing equipment from a subsidiary, Semiconductor Components Industries in Gresham, Ore. Jackson said the money would be used to pay some of the \$270 million debt that ON Semiconductor is now responsible for with its acquisition of AMIS.

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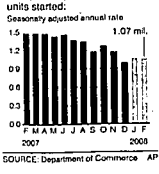
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## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Construction of new homes falls

WASHINGTON — In another sign of troubles in the beleaguered housing industry, construction of new homes fell by a larger-than-expected amount last month, the Commerce Department reported Tuesday that construction of new homes and apartments fell by six-tenths of one percent in February to an annual rate of 1.065 million units. That was a bigger decline than the two-tenths of one percent drop that Wall Street had been expecting, although January

### Housing starts



was revised up to show a stronger gain than originally reported.

And in a worrisome development for the future, appli-

cations for building permits plunged by 7.8 percent in February to an annual rate of 978,000 units, the slowest pace in 16 years.

### Free unemployment insurance seminars

BOISE — Idaho Department of Labor will hold an information seminar on state wages and hour laws, as well as unemployment insurance. The seminar will be held May 28 and 29 from 7 to 8 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. at the Herrett Center at the College of Southern Idaho.

— Staff and wire reports

## Filing for an extension of tax filing deadline can be good planning, not an act of desperation

Here's a small business stereotype: a wild-eyed company owner, frantically filing for an extension of the income tax filing deadline.

Sure, there are many owners panicking as April 15 approaches, but there's another, calmer group out there — owners who routinely and methodically file for extensions as part of their year-round financial planning. Many of these owners use extensions to file themselves more time to fund their employee

### SMALL TALK

Joyce M. Rosenberg

retirement plans. "Most of the extensions we see are for that very reason," said Gordon Spoor, a certified public accountant in St. Petersburg, Fla. "It's a cash flow consideration."

An extension allows taxpayers — including company owners who file business returns along with their 1040s — an extra six months

until Oct. 15 to file their returns. Under the tax law, the owner doesn't have to make a prior-year contribution to a retirement plan until the due date, including an extension, of his or her return. And so many owners this year will take advantage of that extra time to determine how much money they can contribute for 2007. And the size of the contribution, in turn, can affect an owner's tax bill.

Extensions also come in

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## STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Con Agra	21.90	▲ .76	Dell Inc.	20.32	▲ .93	Idacorp	32.52	▲ .44
Lithia Mo.	9.74	▲ .06	Micron	5.99	▼ .03	Supervalu	28.18	▲ .40

## COMMODITIES

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Live cattle	90.95	▲ 1.73	Apr. Oil	109.42	▲ 3.74
Mar. gold	1003.7	▲ 1.8	Mar. Silver	19.89	▼ .33

MUTUAL FUNDS

COMMODITIES

Table with columns for Fund Name, Share Class, and Price. Includes various equity, bond, and specialty funds.

Table with columns for Commodity Name, Price, and Change. Lists various futures contracts like oil, wheat, and metals.

CLOSING FUTURES table showing prices for various commodities and their daily changes.

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BEANS section with information about various bean futures contracts and their prices.

GRAINS section with information about grain futures contracts and their prices.

MARKET SUMMARY

Table showing market summary for NYSE, AMEX, NASDAQ, and INDEXES, including major indices like Dow Jones and S&P 500.

STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST

Table listing local stocks such as Altavest, American Energy, and others, with their current prices and changes.

HOW TO READ THE MARKET REPORT

Explanatory text for the Market Report, detailing how to interpret stock prices, volume, and market indicators.

UNCLAIMED PROPERTY - TWIN FALLS COUNTY

Public notice regarding unclaimed property in Twin Falls County, listing names and amounts of unclaimed funds.

Taxes

Article discussing tax matters, including partnership taxation and the impact of the 100-hour rule on CPA candidates.

Article discussing the '100-hour rule' for CPA candidates and its implications for the profession.

House

Article discussing legislative issues in the Idaho House, including budget matters and education funding.

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# Horonzy

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detectives arrested him at a Missouri prison after touring the country repeatedly in search of evidence and drawing hair and blood samples to test his DNA. Police interviewed his friends and family to build their case. Fifth District Judge John Butler conceded the detectives' tour outside their jurisdiction may have been illegal, but he said the results of their investigation were still

admissible in court. Murphy's family said they knew Horonzy killed Murphy from the start. Corinne Valdes, the adopted mother of Daniel, one of Murphy's children, wrote the *Times-News*. "We brought Daniel to Idaho for Rose's funeral, he was only 15 at the time. (Not all of her children) ever really had much of an opportunity to know their mother, but Daniel and Larissa did. They have been waiting a long time for her killer to be brought to justice."

# Group

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challenged restricting voting zones in Texas that threatened to force a Latino representative from office. The primary goal of the organization is to improve the lot of Latinos.

But Salazar added emphatically, "We also need to make

sure that we are assimilating and working well within our community." To start a Magic Valley council, Salazar said she needed only 11 new names. The crowd, which welcomed her presentation, seemed likely to give her at least that many.

# DAR announces history essay winners

The Twin Falls Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution has announced local winners in its annual American history essay contest.

Kelly Ann Buddecke, a ninth-grader at Robert Stuart Junior High School, won first-place honors in the Christopher Columbus essay contest for students in grades 9 to 12. The topic for this year's contest was, How did the four voyages of Columbus change our perception of geography and alter world economics? This is the fifth consecutive year that Kelly Ann has been named a first-place winner in the DAR-sponsored history essay contest.

Students in grades 5 to 8 were eligible to enter the American History essay contest with the theme, I Spy - Espionage. During the American Revolution,



DAR American History essay winners are, from left, Taryn Skahill, first place, grade six; Kayla Nebeker, first place, grade five; Korbie Jenks, second place, grade five; Hannah Cameron, third place, grade five; and Kady Hartlock, honorable mention, grade five.



Maureen Williams, chairwoman of the DAR's American History Committee, congratulates Kelly Ann Buddecke left, first place Christopher Columbus essay contest, and Sara Buddecke, second place, grade six, American History essay contest.

Grade five winners were Kayla Nebeker, Sawtooth Elementary School, first place; Korbie Jenks, Lighthouse Christian School, second place; Hannah Cameron, Sawtooth Elementary School, third place; and Kady Hartlock, Lighthouse Christian School, honorable mention.

Grade six winners were Taryn Skahill, Harrison

Elementary School, first place; and Sara Buddecke, I.B. Perrine Elementary School, second place. This was the second year that Taryn has received first-place honors for her grade level. Contest winners were honored at a special reception at the Jerome Public Library on Feb. 9. The first-place essay at each grade level has been forwarded to the Idaho State

Society DAR to participate in the statewide contest. Maureen Williams, chair of the chapter's American History Committee, also recognized Daniel Becker, fifth-grade teacher at Lighthouse Christian School, and Estina Martin, fifth-grade teacher at Sawtooth Elementary School, for outstanding contributions to American history education.

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Witness the following hand, which was submitted by Eric Kohlsch to the bulletin of the International Bridge Press Association...

The opening lead was the diamond ace, which didn't hurt the declarer a bit.

Accordingly, he led a low spade from dummy, and when East produced the seven, Kehela went up with the queen.

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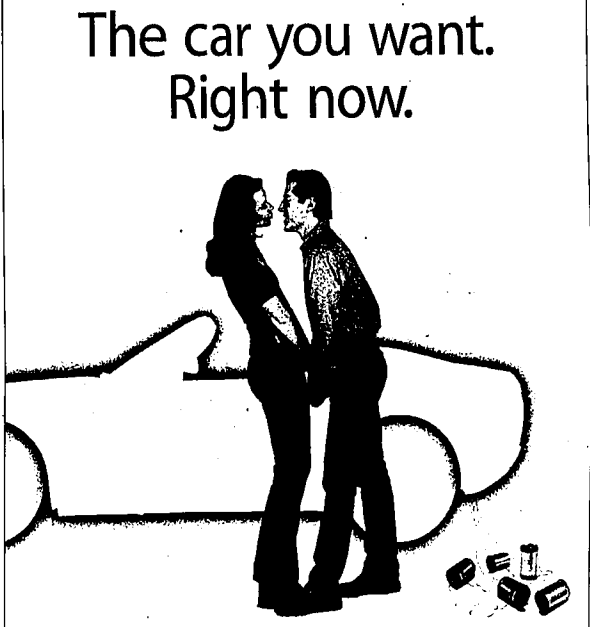
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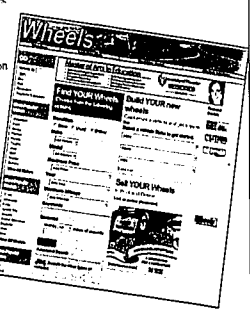


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