

HOMES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Find festive inspirations from these interiors.



T.F., Burley boys and girls play tonight in Burley.



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Tuesday, December 2, 2008

Otter issues 3 percent more in cuts

Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter on Monday ordered state agencies to cut an additional 3-specent from their budges. the governor's latest response to the worldwide economic crisis that's caused a decline in the state's revenue and forced companies to cut jobs. Monday's executive order —nearly \$62 million in budget holdbacks — comes as

state officials predicted the economic downtum will worsen in Idaho, which has already been plagued by declining state tax revenue, workers being laid off and a drop in real-estate sales.

"Economic indicators show that this could be a long-term problem — much longer, much deeper than we originally thought," Otter said at a press conference Monday, His decision brought over-

His decision brought o all budget cuts to 4 percent,

or more than \$130 million in spending for fiscal 2009, which began July 1. In September, Otter ordered a holdback of 1 percent, or \$27 million.

holdback of 1 percent, or 22/ million.
"We hoped that would solve the problem. It's not going to solve the problem," Otter said.
He said the state still has more than two quarters of the fiscal year left to find more

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Total cut from '08-09 budget now at \$130M | Educators eyeing long-term future of cuts

By Bea Botton Times-News writer

The new \$21 million health and human services building at the College of Southern Idaho might open later than planned if the current economic crisis trans-lates into long-term funding problems, said the co-chair-man of the state's budgeting

nei. The building is currently der construction but

won't see an immediate impact from the 4 percent budget holdbacks that Gov. C.L. Butch' Otter has ordered this year for the state. The budget for the next fiscal year, 2003-2010, in the comment open the new building as scheduled in January 2010.

If the economic woes continue, the Legislature may be unable to fund the initial operating costs for the

PARENTS AS TEACHERS?



op during a lesson Monday alternates of Company and Spine or come every with before beeding off to the Sind grade.

State rep proposes financial benefits for parents that teach kindergarten at home

By Bea Botkin Times-News writer

Kindergarten teacher Suz-anne Olson taught her class at Oregon Trail Elementary School about numbers on Monday

afternoon.

She gave some advice for how to remember the number eight:

'tt looks a lot like a snowman.'

'tt sesid, while also helping the youngsters add seven and one.

It's a familiar scene that unfolds in kindergarten class-

— Rep. Steven Thayn, R-Emmett rooms across idaho — and one that could come with another option for parents under a legislative proposal, Rep. Steven the 2009 Legislature, parents Thayn, R-Emmett, wants to give parents another choice for intel' youngster's kindergarten exchange, they would get part of year-that-would-come with the state funding that's saved by

"It does everything. It gets the parents involved.

It gets kids ready for first grade and it saves a little bit of money."

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Hammering out the future

T.F. Council holds work session on comp plan

By Jared S. Hopides Times-News writer

The Twin Falls City Council held its first work session on the city's proposed Comprehensive Plan, a 197-page guide for long-term planning through 2030. The document, which took more than a year to draft, includes directions for how York, Fells should look in about 20 years and describes nearly every facet for how the community can achieve by whom.

The plan-includes broad suggestions and detailed advice to implement it goals. Certain areas of the city, such as downtown and the Canyon Rim, are given Find out who's on extra attention.

City staff reminded

Find out who's on the comprehensive plan's steering City staff reminded council members the plan doesn't alter any zoning designation—its

committee.

plan doesn't alter any
zoning designation—its
maps only show sugges
tions for changes should
someone request a zoning change. For example,
someone request a zoning change. For example,
some caisting residential zones might be
labeled commercial in the proposed plan.
Questions by Councilman Will Kezele drew
the most pointed discussion. He asked why
some parts of the plan already appeared out-ofdate; and later questioned whether the 27member committee who helped draft the plan
had been vetted for potential conflicts of interest. The committee is largely comprised of public and elected officials.

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"The people that were involved in the build-ing of this document—I'd be interested to know if any of them have landownership in areas that are being now changed in the positive for that particular individual, creating a conflict of inter-est, he said.

"The officials did not say much consideration."

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City all clais did not say such consideration was given outside of the selected consultant, Sait Lafe City-based Landmark Design inc. But hisly did say it wided be budge for members of the committee to modd the plan to benefit themselves. They said consultants did most of the data gathering, and there were public meetings and focus goups.

"Given the number of people that were

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It's official: recession declared; Wall Street loses nearly 680 points Monday by the numbers

WASHING Americans sorely americans sorely americans to wit's officiar. The country is in a recession, and it's getting worse. Wall Street convulsed at the news — and a fresh batch of bad economic reports — tanking — sea WASHINGTON — Most mericans sorely knew it ready, but now it's official:

the economic pain stretch well into Federal Reserve

Monday he stands ready to lower interest rates yet again and to explore other rescue or revival measures.

Rushing in reinforcements. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson. who along with Bernanke has been leading Drawer of the government's effort, to stem the worst financial crists ince the 1930s, pledged to ake all the steps he can in the waning days of the Bush waning days of the Bush waning the provide relief. Specifically, Paulson is states to help with Medicaid

eyeing more ways to tap into a \$700 billion financial ballout pool

costs and provide money toward renewable energy development. Crafting such a colossal recovery package would mark a Herculean feat:

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Congress convenes Jan. 6,
giving: lawmakers Just, two
weeks to complete their work
if it is to be signed on Jan. 20.
President George W. Bush,
in an interview with ABC's
"World News," expressed
remorse about Jost Jobs,
cracked nest eggs and other

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Loss by the Dow Jones industrials, or 7.70%

Unemployment rate in October a 14-year high

Obituaries on .C8

MORNING BRIEFING

TODAY'S HAPPENINGS

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Agape Interfaith Ministry Juncheon (reserva-tions only), with musical selections from the cantata "Christmas at Home" presented by cantata "Christmas at Home" presented by Jerome's Magic Valley Christian School seven-member high school chold drected by Jeff Eastman, 11:30 a.m., 16 a.p.m.; Basque Center, University Avenue, Googling, open to the public, no cost to attend program, 924-5700. NAIFA Southern labiho General Meeting, legisl two preview with Sen. Dean Cameron, 11:30 a.m., Loong Hing Restaurant, Win Falls, whele deGregence.com. Burley Rotary Club, noon, Burley Inn, 878-8382. Mary Time Ctub meeting, Christmas perty din-ner, noon, home of Connie Smith, Filer, 735-5213.

5213. Rupert Kiwanis Club, noon, Rupert Elks Lodge. 850 S. 200 W, 436-8124. Snake River Flats meeting, an all-male singing group, 7:30 p.m., Harmony Hall, 123 K St., Rupert, 436-6047.

EXHIBITS

Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibit, 4 to 7 p.m., Gooding High School, open to the public, carly hill@goodingschools.org.

GOVERNMENT

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Win Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse, 425 Sheshone St. N., 736-4068. Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 206 First Ave. S., Helley, 788-5500. Jarome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse, 300 N. Lincolin, 644-270. Jarome City Council, 5:30 p.m., council chambers, 100 E. Ave. A, 324-8189.
Albion City Council, 7 p.m., civid center, 124 S., Malin, 673-5352.
Burley City Council, 7 p.m., civid center, 124 S., Malin, 673-5352.
Winbert Zonia Commission, 7 p.m., community center, 120 Madison W., 423-4151.
Rupert City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 624 F St., 438-9600.

эп, 430-9500. Shoshone City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 207 S. Reil St. W., 886-2030. Filer City Council, 7:30 p.m., City Hall, 300 Main St., 326-5000.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Cellege of Southern Idaho's Over 60 and Getting Fit programs, 9:15 to 10:15 a.m., Hagerman High School Gym. and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., Bush old middle school gym. no cost, 732-6475.

55 Allwa driving class, upon completion of class participants receive certificate for 10% off price of driver's insurance, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Mindoka County Senior Center, 702 11th St., Rupert, 55 for seniors and 36 for non-seniors.

374, 10 a.m., 410 E. Third S.I., Rupert, 9-5 6037:

Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 tof 11 a.m., Living Waters Presbyterian Churgh, 821 E. Main St., Wendell, no cost, 737-5986: Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 10 to 11 a.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 2410 Miller Ave. Burley, no cost, 737-5988. Fit and Fall Proof Exercise Class, 1030 a.m., First Segregation Fire Station, Eden, no cost, 737-5988-

737-5988... Osagon, Eden, no cos Ongoing syarcise program for people with Parkinson's disease, offered by Magic Valle Regional Medical Center, 11 a.m. to noon, Episcopal Church of the Ascension, 371. Eestland Drive N., Twin Fells, no cost, 737-2377.

Eastland Unive K., Iwin rails, no cost, 131
2917.
SilverSneakers Ethness Program, innovative exercise program designed specifically for Medicare beneficiaries' unique health and physical needs, 1215.6 am. to noon, Twin Falls YMCA, 1751. Elizabeth Blwd., no cost for Limana-insured or YMCA members and \$5 per class for non-insured, 733-4384.
Adult Childran Anonymous (AGJ) meeting, for individuals recovering from alcoholic or dysfunctional family environment, 6 pm., Carryon View Psychiatric and Addiction Services, 228 Shoup Ave. W, West entrance), Twin Falls, no cost, 308-5656.
Mini-Casala Domestiv Violence Support group

308-5656.

Mini-Casala Domestic Violence Support group for women meeting, 6 to 7 p.m., 123 S. C St., Rupert, (208) 436-987.

Gelebrate Receivery, a place to learn life-affigning, healthy behaviors, 7:30 p.m., Magic Valley Evrangelical Free Church, 821 H Ave. E., Jerome, 324-7237.

MUSEUMS

Herrett Center for Arts and Science closed today for "Festival of Trees" set up. Family right telescope viewing, enter through, observatory entrance only, 6 to 9 p.m., Centennial Observatory, Herrit Center for Arts and Science, College of Southern Idaho campus, 31 or no cost for children age 6 and under, 732-6655.

VETERANS

Veterans Outreach, State Service Officer with Idaho Division of Veteran Services Steve Teague evailable to assist veterans, 9 a.m. to noon, American Legion Hall, 610 W. Main St., Wendell, 536-5140.

To have an event listed, please submit the name of the event, a brief description, time, place, cost and contact number to Suzaneo Browne by e-mail at strownee/magicvalley.or. by fax, 734-5538; or by mail, Times-Nevos, PO,Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 3330-0548. Deadline is noon, four days in advance of the

Parents

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- Under his proposal, half of the money saved would go to parents, one quarter would go to parents, one quarter would go to school districts and gnother quarter would go to school districts and gnother quarter would go to the education stabilization fund. Thanys nees the proposal as one that would benefit capapyers while helping students at the same time. "It does everything," he said, "It gets the parents involved, it gets kids ready little bit of money."

- The statewide average cost, of the degrade has parents and the same stable of the same stable of the state of the same stable of the same should sate of the system. "There's accountability on the part of parents," he said.

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The program would also be entirely optional, with traditional kindergarten classes still available for parents and students, Thayn said.

Kindergarten classes, while funded by the state, are not mandatory for children in Idaho. ldaho. Thayn also said it's possi-

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network. "We like this proposal because it opens up additional choices for parents," Fischer said. We see this sax benefit to families because it will strengthen, the, bond between parents and children in the preschool years. It will provide an additional incentive for parents to pro-

"Superintendent Luna is always open to new and innovative ideas, but he has not yet had a chance to sit down and discuss this particular idea with Rep. Thayn," spokeswoman Melissa McGrath said in an e-mail

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Bryan: Fischer, executive director of the Idaho Values Alliance, said his organization supports the proposal. The alliance has 1,400 people statewide as part of its network.

"We like this proposal

ble that parents could use kindergarren teachers as a training resource, adding that discussion about the proposal is still in its early stages.

"Were wanting the kids to be ready, and the kindergarren teachers are the professionals." Thays said.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Luna hasant talked with Thayn about the idea yet.

"Superintendent Luna is always open to new and vide early childhood educa-tion for their children at home. Every child that is educated at home rather than a brick and mortar classtoom is going to save the state money."

State Rep. Donna Pence, D-Gooding a member of the House. Education Committee, said the propos-al would need a lot of discus-sion before its details could be worked out.

One potential drawback

De worked out.

One potential drawback would be figuring out how to know if a parent actually taught their children kinder. garten or simply sent them to a daycare instead and col-lected the state funding, she said.

said. "It would be like being paid for sending them to kindergarten," she said. Olson said teaching kindergarten can be more challenging than it appears. In the early stages of kindergarten, children do not yet associate letters and numbers with what concepts they proposent.

represent.

With federal No Child Left Behind requirements, its critical for students to/be grounded in the basics when first grade starts, she said.

If parents opted for teaching their children kindergaren; they should understand all that it entalls before making the decision.

In the traditional kindergaren setting, parents are welcome for classes and special vents, along with helping out on homework.

Olson also expressed concern for what would happen with students who weren't ready for first grade.

"What are they going to do with those kids that are eight, and haven't passed?" she said. represent.
- With federal No Child Left

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Flight of frustration: 191 endure 9 hours stuck on LA tarmac

LOS ANGELES — Nearly
200 passengers on a flight
from El Salvador landed
Monday in Los Angeles after
spending nine hours aboard
agrounded plane at a smaller
alrons officials tried to work
through apparent confusion.
Passengers described
hours of hunger and frustration as they waited on the

tion as they waited on the Taca airline flight on the tar-mac at LA/Ontarlo International Airport after

their plane was diverted because of heavy fog. Eduardo Mejla, 34, of El Salvador said that he and other passengers were des-perate to get off the airplane, and that some called 911 to report cramped conditions and illnesses.

and llinesses. Jose Reyes, 53, also of El Salvador, said he pleaded with the flight crew to let passengers leave the plane and put them on a shuttle bus to Los Angeles. Instead, fire and airport crews gave them water and crackers. No one was hospitalized.

"They didn't listen to us. They only said, I'm sorry," he said. El Salvador-based Taca released a statement saving El Salvador-based Taca released a statement saying local authorities did not give permission for passengers to go through customs and enter the country. However, U.S. Customs and Border Protection spokesman Mike Fleming said the alriline did not ask for permission to let the passengers disembark. "If they had, we would have provided a secure area to let them off the plane," Fleming said.

Cuts

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ways to save money and curb spending. He said the decision developed over the past month and he's dis-cussed the issue with legisla-tors from both political par-

tors from both political parties.

Otter sald he didn't anticipate any layoffs at state
agencies, but didn't promise
there would be none. He sald
state workers shouldn't
expect raises next year.

The 1 percent cut in
September came after the
Division of Financial
Management estimated revenue for fiscal 2009 to drop
nearly 6 percent from the
\$2.94 billion projected in
February. Officials have said
the outlook has only worsorder.

the outlook has only worsened.
Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee Co-chuitman Sen. Dean Cameron, Ruperr, applauded Otter's decision and said the state's essentially in "unsheltered territory" unseen in Idaho since the early 1980s.
"He doesn't really have any alternative," Cameron said of the budget cuts.
He said legislators are nopeful another holdback isn't necessary, but said the 2009 Legislature is unlikely to fund any new programs for next year.
Cameron said the 2009.

for next year.

Cameron said the 2009
Legislature will be efficient
hut will be padded by

reserves. He is more worled about the future when reserves are used up. For example, about \$60 million of the public schools stablization fund — more than half of it — will be depleted after this year.

"The real fear for us is how is this going to play out in the long-term," he said. "The real question is, what is 2011 going to look like? By then we would have used up a lot of our resources." reserves. He is more worried

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Democratis said the cuts
offer an opportunity to
review spending but said
cuts should be responsible
and protect middle-class
working familles.
"We are grateful that we
have reserve funds set aside
for education and retraining.

nave reserve funds set aside for education and retraining, given the tough economic times we are facting. Tought economies give us a chance to trim wherewe can, and look for additional savings, Senate Minority Leader Climt Stennett, D. Netchum, sald in a statement. "However, we need to be thoughtful and prudent in our approach to budget cuts."

Otter spokesman Jon Hanian said he wasn't sure whether the governor's office

Hanian said ne wasn't sure whether the governor's office has eliminated bonuses for employees. He said other agencies will make their own decisions on the matter.

"We haven't put out a directive telling them not to,"

he said. "How they get there is up to them."

When asked about the issue, Cameron said he hadn't heard anything but said the economic climate means bonuses should be eliminated.

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"Frankly, there ought not be any bonuses given out."
Cameron said. "There aren't enough resources. In my opinion, to give out bonuses."

Health and Welfare agen-cies were among those fac-ing the largest holdbacks. Welfare and the largest holdbacks. For the South Central Public Health District, the additional 3 percent hold-back combined with the ini-tial 10 percent holdback. As a result, the health dis-

tial 1 percent notionary, amounts to \$56,000. As a result, the health district 1-8 keeping two-open positions vacant, said Rene LeBlanc, district director. The positions are a nursing job at the Burley clinic and an environmental health specialist. The nurse position being unfilled means that nurses will need to travel to Burley from Twin Falis and Jerome to provide services, LeBlanc said.

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Plan

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Continued from page A1 involved in the development of this plan, it would've been really difficult for one or two people to have influenced a decision in a way that caused a conflict interest or some sort of personal gain, said-City Manager Tom Countrey, who served on the committee.

Most committee members were serving as a public server.

re serving as a public ser were serving as a public service, but because the document is "community-wide,"
anyone providing input — on
the committee or not —
would likely hold some blas,
said Community
Development Director Mitch

Kezele later commended the committee and said after

the committee and said after the meeting he was asking questions he felt the public should have answers Kezzle also asked why some parts of the plan appeared, to address tasks already completed, citing recent steps by the city to secure additional water sources and improve quality. "I don't want a comprehensive plan that we vote on that's already been put in place. Kezele said. That's not a forward-looking comprehensive plan.

not a forward-looking comprehensive plan."
But siaff noted the draft set a date to start drafting the plan, and it can be — and likely will be — amended every few years.
"Eighteen months ago, what they wrote is accurate, said Mitch Humble. "At some point you stop gathering data and you start preparing the plan." The plan is scheduled to be

The plan is scheduled to adopted sometime early next year. A public hearing is scheduled for January.

Consultants estimate the

2007 city of Twin Falls Comprehensive Plan **Steering Committee**

(former designation: held position-while serving committee)
Ann Alvarez – ConAgra Foods, Twin Fells Library Foundation
Melinda Anderson – Twin Falls Economic Development Director
Dennals Bowyer – Twin Falls Farks and Recreation Director
Alex Castaneda – Realtor, Hispanic Community

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Bonnis Crawford - citizen appointee, private agricultural consultant
Willey-Dobba - Twin Falls Colly Spanning and Zolining Administrator
Glenda Dwight - Twin Falls City Councilwoman (former)
Jackic Falda - Win Falls Chip Councilwoman (former)
Ryan Horsley - businessman, Planning and Zolining Chalirman (formen)

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Tony Hughes – Magic Valley Builders Association
Mitch Humble – Twin Falls Community Development Director
David E. Johnson – Twin Falls City Council
Bill Koch – Twin Falls Urban Renewal Agency
Russ Lively – erchitect

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Jan Mittleider - College of Southern Idaho teacher Gerardo (Tato) Munoz - Twin Falls Planning and Zoning Commission (former)

Dave Snetson – Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce, City
Transportation Committee

Maren Stroder - Twin Falls resumment of the Maren Stroder - Twin Falls city planner
Dwales Weytand - Best Buy manager
Troy Willia - Local developer of Oasis convenience stores
— Source: Twin Falls Comprehensive Plan General Plan Update
Web site.

city will have 66,000 residents in 2030. Twin Falls — barely 100 years old — recently passed the 40,000 population

mark.

Humble also explained how the plan encourages neighborhood centers—small commercial areas near homes with, say, markets or video-rental stores—to spread out trafficand create a small-town feel.

small-town feel.

He said the proposed centers are designed to improve

areas, not to drive down property values, and are a positive thing. In related news, the City Council appointed Jim Schouter to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Schouten will replace Commissioner Karen Stroder, who resigned Nov. 12.

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5TH DISTRICT COURT NEWS

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A 'Wright stuff' fighter jock stands down

The highest-ranking military officer that the Magic Valley has ever produced now has command of nothing but

ever produced now has command of nothing but his golf game... At Force Lt. General Bruce A. Wright, Castleford High School Class of '69, Mareland for Castleford High School Class of '69, Mareland forces in Japan to his successor... An F-16 fighter pilot by trade, his cail sign was—and I'm not making hils up—"Orowille"... Wright, 57, whose brother Wayne chairs the Idaho Fish and Game Commission, was a veteran of the skies over Iraq, flying in Operation Desert Storn and In the outsequent operations to provide humanitarian supplies to Iraql Kurds and to enforce the no-fly zone over Iraq during the 1995... He commanded Air Force fighter outflis in Spain and Germany before taking in Germany before taking

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Share the word

If it's odd, quirky, sad, weird, poignant and it happens in south-central Idaho, I want to

Future

Continued from page A1 look at its budget — for the short-term and the long-term. Legislative approval for funding will be needed in the next session for it to open on schodule.

next session for it to open on schedule.

"The target date for that building is lanuary 2010, which is halfway through this mext fiscal year," Beck said. "The question becomes would the Legislature entertain giving us half of the occupancy costs?"

Beck said that getting the occupancy costs?

Beck said that getting the building open on schedule is the first priority on his legislative agenda, but acknowledged that the buildings opening date could be impacted by the state's fiscal health. The colleges overall budget challenge is dealing with funding cutbacks in a time of growing enrollment. Beck said.

"The \$64,000 question is going to be: What's going be

revenue projections after l this settles down?" he
id. "We're in uncharted
aters."

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For now, CSI officials are looking at trimming about 5760,000 from the budget for this fiscal year, said Mike Mason, vice president of administration.
Mason said college officials will be working during the next couple days on a plan for dealing with the hold-backs.
Well continue to try and not impact students, "Mason said."

The college already evaluare conege arready evalu-ates open positions and decides if they're needed before filling them, Mason sald

said.

For school districts, the holdbacks do not create an immediately bleak budget situation. Public schools are able to tap into the state's

public education stabiliza-tion fund, which was created in the 2006 special legislative session as a rainy day fund for budget shortfalls. Without the fund, public schools would be trimming \$60.7 million from their budgets for the holdbacks. But the stabilization fund only has \$114 million, and the holdbacks will eat away at more than half of that. Wiley Dobbs, superintendent of Twin Falls School District, more than half of that, was pobbs, superintendent of Twin Falls School District, said he's thankful that the standard but have, but

said hes thankful that the sta-billization fund is in place, but uncertain what to anticlpate for the next budget year. Because of the need for new staff at Carryon Ridge High School next year, that creates an additional issue if budget shortfalls arise for the district, Dobbs said. Melissa McGratth, spokes-woman for the State Department of Education, said Superintendent of

Public Instruction Tom Luna is advising districts to be pru-

is advising districts to be pru-dent with their budgets.

"Superintendent Luna strongly encourages all pub-lle schools and districts to look closely at how they are currently spending every dol-lar and find ways to reduce costs because the economic outlook could get worse before it gets better," McGrath said.

Mark Browning, spokes-

McGrath said.

Mark Browning, spokesman for the State Board of
Education, said the board will
keep three positions open
and cut back on travel to
meet the holdback needs. For
the board of education, the 3
percent holdback is \$153.800,
with the total 4 percent holdback amount of \$205.000.

Jared Hopkins contributed Jarea 110p..... to this report. Ben Botkin may be reached at 208-735-3238 or bbotkin@magicvalley.com.

Recession

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investments, consumers have
cut back sharply on their
spending, throwing the economy into chaos.
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The unemployment rate in
October zoomed to 6.5 percent, a 14-year high. So far
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cent. a 14-year high. So far this year, 12 million positions have disappeared. The jobless rue is likely to climb to 8 percent or higher next year. Against that backdrup, many economists believe the current procession will be the worst since the 1981-82 downturn. To help ease the pain, Bernanke said additional interest-rate cuts are 'certain-ly feasible,' but he warmed there are limits to how much such action would revive the economy, which is likely to stay mired in weakness well into next year. The Fed's key interest rate level seen only once before in hip past half-century, and many economists predict members and his collesgues will drop the rate again at their next meeting on Dec. 15-16. The Fed can lower its key

ther field in lower its key rate only so far — to zero — and it's getting ever closer. Given that constraint,

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The Fed, for instance, countries by longer-term Treasury or agency securities on the open market in substantial quantities, he said. This might lower rates on these securities, thus helping to spur-aggregate demand," Bernanke relations to the security of the security of

gate demand." Bernanke said.

Because the Fed can go only so low in reducing interest rates, the central bank wore the past year has resorted to a flurry of other radical and often unprecedented actions with the hope of busting through credit jams and getting financial markets operating more normally. The bracing impact of the Feds aggressive rate reductions, however, has been somewhat styrnled by the credit and financial crises. Bernanke said. Despite lower borrowing costs, skittish banks have been reluctant to lend money to people and businesses, a vicious cycle that has seriously hobbled the U.S. economy. "Even if the functioning of

that has seriously hobbied the U.S. economy.

Even if the functioning of financial markets continues to improve, economic condi-tions will probably remain weak for a time." Bernanke

weak for a time." Bernanke warned.

Paulson, meanwhile, has been working closely with the incoming administration, including New York Fed President Timothy Geithner, Obama's pick to be the next treasury secretary, to pave the way for a smooth transition. "We are actively engaged in developing additional programs to strengthen our

financial system so that lending flows into our economy." Paulson said, referring to tapping the \$700 billion ballout fund. "When these programs are ready for implementation, we will discuss them with the Congress and the next administration," he added.

Paulson did not provide specifics on what type specines on what type of pro-grams the administration was weighing other than to say that it was looking at ways to boost capital injections into financial institutions.

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February 2005. Wright was named commander of the 5th Air Force and all U.S.—millitary forces in lapan...
A 1973 griduate of the Air Force Academy, his first assignment was flying "Wild Wasasis" — F-HE fighters rasked with suppressing anti-aipearaft units by destroying their radar with missiles—Along the way. Wright won the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Bronze Stat... He was promoted to two-star general in 2001... Yet the Wright stuff Isinforce To yany means: The general Scapesa-Old daughter Jaina is an Air Force is fleutenant.

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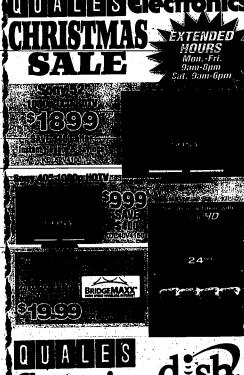


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Ada Co. coroner helps create new edgy drunken driving ads

BOISE (AP) — Don't let the coroner be the designated driver.

That's the slogan of a new campaign initiated by Ada County. Coroner Erwin Sonnepherg who says he's the of telling familles during; the holidays that a drunken driving accident claimed the life of a loved one.

"Drunk driving, and how its ruined familles, sie atting I've just seen too much of

over the years, "Somenberg told the IdaBoShitesman.
He has Helbert plante public service embourements with the Journal Broadcast Group that warn of the dangers of drunken driving. The "adsiare to run on relevision and radio in southwest Idaho through the end of the year.
"Because often the drunk there is the beautiful the way doesn't." Somenberg said. "These ads

" "Drunk driving, and how it's ruined families, is a thing I've just seen too much of over the years."

are. speaking directly 6:16m, drinker. Don't let the coroner be a designated driver because of you. Somenberg said the ads morgue cooler and an open are costing the county about \$5,000. about a third of tynat

black humor.
One scene shows a bare autopsy table and a technician with a tray. The title reads, "Table for one?"
Another scene is of a morgue cooler with the question, "Time for a cold one?"
Sonnenberg said that police made 50 arranken driv.

ing arrests last weekend in Ada County.

"You've seen how the police have been stepping up

their DUI patrols," said Sonrienberg, "Lielt I needed to do something."
The National Transportation Safety Board recently named idaho one of 25 states not doing enough to reduce drunken driving.
Sonnenberg said that if the ads are successful in curbing drunken driving, he wants to distribute them to other coroners' offices throughout the state.

bama touris



Hawaii's latest lure is trip through president-elect's old neighborhood

HONOLULU I It hap-pened to Plains, when Jimmy Carter became president and a thy hamlet in western Georgia became famous as the hometown of a certain peanut farmer. It happened to Crawford, when George Bush took the White House and the town closest to his getaway central Texas railed blossomed with tourists and the businesses

Texas rancif biossome tourists and the businesses that catered to them.

But Honolulu, which

that catered to them.

But Honolulu, which alter lures millions of tourists each year, is only beginning to see development of tourism fled to Barack Obama, the Hawalinative son who becomes the 44th president of the United States in January.

The sole existing Obama-related tour is a 90-minute stroll through the middle-class neighborhood where too the sole of the

Obama spent most of his preteen and leenage years. It's
led by lack Christenson, a
quirky septuagenarian who
goes by the moniker Uncle
lack.
Christenson, who has long
offered tours around town
and asks only for donations,
said he started his Obama
neighborlood excursion a
go to the place where it happened. That brings reality to

lils tour includes a walk past the apartment tower-

where Obama and his late grandmother, Madelyn, Dunham, lived. There also are stops outside Punahou School, where Obama attended from 1971 until high school graduation in 1979, a smaller apartment building where Obama's mother and sister lived priefly, and the Baskin-Robbins ice cream parlor where he worked.

Robbins ice cream parlor where he worked.

Besides Uncle Jack, at least you other entrepreneurs—are preparing their own for-profit tours. And other established businesses have for months been seiling T-shirs féasoned with Obama's name or visage.

Obama's legacy here—should help-promote- Hawaii as a tourist destination, said luanita C. Liu, the interim

Juanita C. Liu, the interim dean of the School of Travel Industry at the University of Hawaii.

industry at the University of Hawaii.

"Hawaii has traditionally been associated with sun, sand, recreation and leisure, and now we have the person in the highest office in the country," she said. "So it gives Hawaii greater credibility as well as visibility."

Liu noted that Hawaii's tourism industry is "currently in a downturm...But what I can say is (Obama's presidency) certainly is not going to hutt."

But nothing has occurred

hurt."

But nothing has occurred in Honolulu akin to the tourists that flocked to and in Honoluli the businesses that sprung up in Crawford, Plains or the

Arkansas towns of Hope and Hot Springs, where former President Bill Clinton was born and ralsed.
Conclerge desks at major hotels in Honolulu report few guests asking for directions the neighborhood where Cohama lived. The visitors bureaus for Oahu and Hawah senort, only infrequent report report only infrequent requests for such informa-

requests for such information.

Besides the sites where
Obama—lived or was.
schooled, there isn't much to
see for those curious about
his Hawall history.
There's Sandy Beach,
where he surfed as a teenager
and swam as a presidential
candidate during his vacation last August; the Chowder.
House restaurant, where a
modest window sign advermodest window sign adver-tises that the former senator was a customer, and other

was a customer, and other similarly ordinary spots.

That is not deterring Mitch Berger, president of Guldes of Oahu. He said customers on its company nature tours have increasingly asked where Obama lived. So he plans to start 2½-hour minibus tours of just Obarna-elacted sites soon.

"I'm continually getting questions on things that shaped the man who is to become our 44th president,"

Another effort, to be called Obama Ohana Tour, expects to start up before inauguration Day on Jan. 20, said Dianne Washington-Kay, er effort, to be called

who along with a friend, Mike trving, is developing the busi-ness. Ohana is a Hawaiian term that means family.

e and "If people come here and see why this island produced this kind of individual, that

this kind of individual, that will broaden their view as to why Hawaii is a melting pot, said Washington-Kay, who noted that her family lives a few blocks from Obarna Chicago home. Further, a local writer, Rob Kay, recently launched a Web site devoted to all things Obarna and Hawaii. And Just before Thanksgiving, the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau unveiled riawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau unveiled a site highlighting Obama-related locations at http://www.a-

bama.

But even a large surge of tourists searching for Obama's childhood hangouts is unlikely to change much about Honolulu, like it did Plains, Hope and Crawford. In those towns, existing businesses and new shops selling presidential trinkets catered to tourists, gas stations filled up their cars and hotels provided rooms for the night.

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"It had a big impact in the beginning," said Marilyn Judy, a school teacher and president of the Crawford Chamber of Commerce. "The tourists came and spent their collars...Even when the protesters came, they still bought souvenirs and ale in the restaurants."

E. Idaho family frustrated by murder investigation

POCATELLO (AP) — Relatives of a girl killed three decades ago in eastern Idaho say they are disappointed authorities have not been able to solve the case despite.

not been able to solve the case despite recent attempts that appeared to offer a resolution. "I think we're getting back to that hopeless feeling," Wilma Myers told the Idaho State Journal. You just kind of get depressed — the Idea the investigators will jet! the family we have all these things to go on, and then nothing happens."

myers' sister, 12-year-old

Myers' sister, 12-year-old Tina Anderson, and 15-year-old Patricia Campbell disappeared in 1978 from a crowded celebration at a park in the city. Hunters found their bod-ies in October 1981 in an Oneida County gorge. Police formed a multia-gency task force in 2006 to examine the case and try to find new evidence, which included a 2007 excavation of the site where the bodles were found.

of the site where the bodies were found.

After that excavation.
Oneida County Sheriff Jeff Semrad sald officials found "two key pieces of evidence," and that a grand jury might be convened.

However, news confer-

ences have stopped. Semrad earlier this month said releasing more information could alert suspects who then might run. The best I can give you is that we are still actively investigating the cold case." he said in a Nov. 20 statement. Investigators are following up on leads as they come in and working with agencies in Idaho and others states in reference to the case." Last week, he told the

Last week, he told the newspaper that one item being analyzed by the FBI was a rock that appeared to have a fingerprint on it. He said a grand jury wasn't convened because prosecutors decided against it. "Everything is on hold as far as that goes," Semrad said.

"Everything is on note as far as that goes," Semrad said.

He did say that detectives earlier this year collected DNA samples from individ-uals he identified as people

County Prosecutor Dus-tin Smith declined to comtin Smith declined to com-ment about specifics, but said he is working with the state attorney general's office. "The investigation is ongoing. The prosecution is ongoing. Any comment would have to be made by the AG's office." Smith said.

Canyon County approves Sunday booze sales

NAMPA (AP) — The Canyon County Commission has approved the sale of vodta, gin and other distilled spirits on Sundays.

Commissioners in the state's second largest county approved a measure Monday that will allow businesses to sell fluor for five hours on Sundays. Officials say Sunday sales could nesses to sell liquor for five hours on Sundays. Officials say Sunday sales could begin before the end of the upcoming holiday season. The move also brings the county in line with state laws passed earlier this year

by the Legislature that elim by the Legislature that ellm-inated some restrictions on liquor sales dating back to the 1800s.

The proposal drew some criticism Monday from resi-dents who claimed Sunday

sales will spur an increase in drunken driving rates and other costs passed on to the county.

Proponents, including the Idaho Distillers Association and Idaho Liquor
Dispensary, say Sunday
sales will boost revenue for
the county and state.

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE December 3.5-7 p.m.

College of Southern Idaho Taylor Administration Building, 2nd Floor, 315 Falls Avenue

The City of Twin Falls is holding a Public Open House to gather input on ways to plan for increased traffic on Falls Avenue West. The public is invited to attend anytime between 5 and 7 p.m. Project staff will be available to answer questions and listen to suggestions from the public.

The purpose of the open house is to gather public input on several alternatives to improve current and future traffic flow on Falls Avenue between Washington Street North and Grandview Drive North.

Public input is needed to determine the best way to plan for future growth so that Falls Avenue can continue to serve motorists, residents, pedestrians, and local schools.

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Feds: Prairie dog no barrier to drilling on refuge

DENVER (AP) — Federal officials say energy exploration on a southern Colorado wildlife refuge won't have significant environmental effects, despite the presence of a prairie dog deemed eligible for federal protection.

protection.
The U.S. Fish and Wildlife
Service said Monday that an
analysis of the Gunnison's Service said Monday that an analysis of the Gunnison's prairie dog didn't change its decision that drilling two exploratory wells on the Baca National Wildlife Refuge would have no significant environmental impacts. The environmental impacts so fite effects on the praide dog, were inadvertently left

out of the earlier finding.
Federal officials have said
the Gunnison's prairie dog
found at higher elevations in
Colorado and New Mexico
qualifies for protection as an
endangered species, but
other species are higher priority.

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The refuge about 200 miles southwest of Denver is home to several colonies of Gunnison's prairie dogs, but the only one within the planned exploration area is about three miles from the nearest well site. Fish and Wildlife said.

Bederel officials said those

Federal officials said they will monitor the situation to see if emergency measures

are needed to protect the prairie dogs.
Environmentalists oppose

plans by Toronto-based Lexam Explorations to drill Lexam Explorations to drill two exploratory natural gaswells on the widdlife refugenext to the Great Sand Dunes National Park. They're concerned about the effects on widdlife, air and water quality and on the national park.
Although the surface land is public, Lexam owns some of the minerals. Federal officlals say the company acquired the minerals-before the area was designated as a refuge and national park.
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Wildlife and Fish and Wildlife spokesman Mike Blenden said the agency would prepare an environmental impact statement, a more thorough analysis, if Lexam wanted to take the next step and start producing natural

gas.

Baca National Wildlife
Refuge was created in 2004
with the acquisition of the
97,000 acre Baca Ranch.
Some 31,000 acres of that Some 31,000 acres of that ranch became part of the Great Sand Dunes National Park, previously a national monument, and the rest became the wildlife refuge.

1 in 5 young adults has personalitydisorder

Associated Press writer

CHICAGO — Almost one in five young American adults has a personality disorder that interferes with everyday life, and even more abuse alcohol or drugs, researchers reported Monday in the most extensive study of its kind.

The disorders include problems such as obsessive or compulsive tendencies and anti-social behavior that can sometimes lead to violence. The study also found that fewer than 25 percent of college-aged Americans with mental problems get treatment.

One expert said personalis

One expert said personali-One expert sam be overdiag-nosed. But others said the results were not surprising since previous, less rigorous evidence has suggested men-tal problems are common on college campuses and else-where.

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Experts praised the study's cope — face-to-face interiews about numerous disorers with more than 5,000

scope lace-to-face Interviews about numerous disorders with more than 5,000 young people ages 19 to 25 — and said it spoilights a problem college administrators need to address.

Study co-author Dr. Mark Olfson of Columbia University and New York State Psychiatric Institute called the widespread lack of treatment particularly worrisome. He said it should alert not only "students and parents, but also deans and people who run college mental health services about the need to extend access to treatment."

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Counting substance abuse, the study found that nearly half of young people surveyed have some sort of psychatric condition, including students and non-raudents. Personality disorders were the second most common problem behind drug or alcohol abuse as a single category. The disorders includobsessive, anti-social and agranoid behaviors that are not mere quirks but actually interfere with ordinary functioning.

Bio attack on U.S. likely in next 5 years

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States can expect a terrorist attack using nuclear or more likely biological weapons before 2013, reports a bipartisan commission in a study being briefed Tuesday to Vice President-elect Joe Bilden.

Biden.
It suggests the Obama
administration bolster efforts

It suggests the Obama administration boister efforts to counter and prepare for germ warfare by terrorists. "Our margin of safety is shrinking, not growing," states the report, obtained by The Associated Press. It is scheduled to be publicly released Wednesday. The commission is also encouraging the new White House to appoint one official on the National Security Council to exclusively coordinate U.S. intelligence and foreign policy on combating the spread of nuclear and biological weapons. The report of the Commission on the Prevention of WMD Proliferation and Terrorism, led by former Sens. Beb Graham of Florida and Jim Talent of Missouri, acknowleges that terrorist groups still lack the needed scientific and technical ability to make weapons qut of pathogens or nuclear bombs. But it warm that gap can be easily over-ome, if terrorists find scientists willing to share or sell their know-how.

Barack Obama: From change agent to pragmatist

By Robert Burns Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The selection of experienced centrists — Hillary Rodham Chinton, Robert Gates and James I. Jones — to head President-elect — Barack Obama's national security team points to the possibility that on iraq, the incoming commander-in-chief may take a more measured path to ending American military involvement than he described during the presidential campaign.

Obama's choices signal a more pragmatic, less ideological approach to asserting American leadership in the world. In announcing on Monday that Clinton is his choice for secretary of state and that Gates has agreed to remain as defense secretary — with Jones as national security adviser in the White House — Obama said he has intentionally surrounded himself with "strong person-WASHINGTON

Flouse — Obama sald he has Intentionally surrounded himself with "strong personalities and strong opinions." And he made clear that when push comes to shove, will be the one to make the tough calls. Gates in particular has opposed setting a hard deadline for removing U.S. forces from Iraq, but he also has emphasized the need to transition the U.S. military mission from combat to support for Iraq forces. And Gates shares Obama's view

Analysis

that some resources now in Iraq should be shifted to Afehanistan

Iraq should be shifted to Afghanistan. Obama will likely rely on Jones, who spent 40 years in the Marine Corps but has never served in the executive branch of government, to lay the groundwork by melding the views of Clinton and Gates.

In an Associated Press.

in an Associated Press
interview shortly after
chamas manuacement in
Chicago, lones he feels well
prepared for his expected
role in building consensus
among the key players on
national security.
"I've always felt that the
more senior i got, even in the
military, the more important
is the art of making people
feel like they own part of the
problem and also part of the
solution. Ralising consensus
is important," he said.
"At the end of the day,
when you need a decision
you need to be able to go to
the boss and say. Okay, here
is how things line up and
here me the options and
here me recommendation
and what do you want to
do?"
Loren Thompson, chief

do?""

Loren Thompson, chief operating officer of the Lexington Institute, a Washington research group, said the combination of Clinton, Gates and Jones appears to fit well with

President-elect Barack Chama and Secretary of State-designate Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., walk out together after a news confer in Chicago, Monday.

Obama's pledge to be prag-matic when it comes to deci-sions about the use of mil-tory force and in building overseas dilances.

"The tone is centrist and non-ideological, which is quite a change from the Bush administration," he said.

said.

'In his younger days in the Marine Corps, Jones, 64, was known to some as 'the Hawk' — not as a reflection of his defense views but as a comment on the prominence of his nose. Today he is widely seen as nonparti-san; during the campaign the informally advised both Obama and John McCain.

Gates, while closely associated with a Republican administration, also has served in the White House during Democratic presidencies. At his news conference Monday, Obama said he didn't ask Gates to transian at the Pentagon because of his party affiliation, although he has promised to have a Republican in his Cabinet.

The point here is that I

Cabinet.

The point here is that I didn't going around checking people's political registration," Obama said. "What I was most concerned with was whether or not they can serve the interests of the American people."

The president-elect sald he was parting ways with recent practice by assembling a diverse group of national security leaders. "One of the dangers in a White House, based on my reading of history, is that you get wrapped up in group-think and everybody agrees with everything and there's no discussion and there are no dissenting views," he said. "So I am going to be welcoming a vigorous debate inside the White House.
"But understand, I will be responsible for the vision that this team carries out, and I will expect them to implement that vision once decisions are made."

Obama said he intends to

implement that vision once decisions are made."
Obama said he intends to stick to his campaign pledge to get U.S. combat forces out of fraq within 16 months of taking office. But he also appeared to leave himsel some wiggle room on the timetable.

"I be a month of the combat has been appeared to the combat has been a

"believe that 16 months is the right timeframe," he sald: "But as I have sald constructed," will listen to the recommendations of my commanders. And my number one priority is making sure that our troops remain safe in this transition phase and that the Iraql people are well served by a government that is taking on increased responsibility for its own security."

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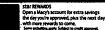
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EDITORIAL

Otter makes it official: Hard times are here

his one hurts.
Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's announcement
Monday of a 3 percent holdback in state
spending — on top of the 1 percent midyear
butched out \$130.5 million of spending from a \$3 billion
butched.

wiped out \$130.5 million of spending from a \$3 pillion budget.
Additionally, the governor ordered state agencies to hold back another 2 percent —\$60 million — in case more cuts are needed.
If past is prologue, that likely means layoffs — or "restructuring," in government-speak — in the big-ticket state agencies such as the Idahio Department of Health and Welfare and the state university system. That happened in 2002 when Gow. Dirk Kempthome ordered \$20 million held back from a then-\$2 milli Our view:

Gov. C.L

"Butch" Otter's

second round

of holdbacks

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\$20 million held back from a tnen \$2 billion budget. The biggest difference between now and six years ago is that the public schools aren't facing budge cuts — for now. For that, public education can thank state Sen Dean Cameron, R-Rupert, and Rep. Maxine Bell, R-Jerome — the Legislature's budget committee chairmen — and their insistence - the in bolstering an education rainy day fund that now contains \$120 million. nillion. There's another \$208 million in

in botsering an eucation rainy day fund that now contains \$120 million. There's another \$208 million in two other rainy day funds, neither of which have been tapped yet.

Our concerns about how this latest round of holbacks will affect south-central are two:

*The Idaho School for the Deaf and Blind in Gooding, with its \$84 million budget, saw \$84,000 trimmed during the first round of cuts. It now faces a total reduction of \$335,000 — plus another \$170,000 it can't spend because of Otter's reserve order. The first holdback forced the school to delay updating its curriculum; the consequences of the second round will be much more serious to the institution's day-to-day operations — and how many students it can educate. As we suggested editorially in September, ISDB is by any definition a stafe school, and like the public schools, it should be held harmless from this round of cutbacks.

*There isn't a more important state agency to the future of the Magic Valley than the Idaho Department of Water Resources, which is smack in the middle of adjudicating competing water claims that will decide in large part what south-central Idaho's economy looks. like in the future. It's a \$25 million agency — \$15 million comes from Idaho taxpayers — which gave back \$135,000 in September. Now it must surrender another \$405,000 — plus \$12 million in one-time money and another \$265,000 it can't spend. There is a point at which this agency can't handle the complex tasks assigned to it wilhout more resources.

Counting both the September and December holdbacks, the College of Southern Idaho's share of the pain will amount something more than one-third of the \$1.2 million to GSI's \$33 million budget comes from the state's community colleges (more than a third because Idaho's third public junior college, the College of Western Idaho, Isn't fully up and running yet). Still, just Sill million of CSI's \$33 million budget comes from the state (21 percent comes from tuition and another \$4 million from County property taxpayers).

And It's und

year. For IDSB, for example, it's as if that sequestered \$335,000 never existed.

The most likely outcome is that new state spending for Fiscal Year 2010 — even for a desperately needed purpose such as road repair—will be negligible. The state budget we have is battered, but you aim't seen nothin' yet.

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Who's our worst president? **Bush or Buchanan?**

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A few months ago, History News Network surveyed 109 historians, 61 percent of whom rated incumbent George W. Bush the worst of the 42 men who have held his offlice. Such polls are useless except for fun. The living suffer from recent bad presidents and hold a grudge, after all, while someone else suffered from earlier ones. The Web site admitted up front that the poll is unscientific. The web site admitted up front that the poll is unscientific. Still, there is something to gain by considering Bushs main competition for worst, james Buchanan. The country has survived pretty mis-

try has survived pretty mis-erable presidents, but it did-n't survive Buchanan.



In addition, he is the best argument for the case that prior experience doesn't count for much in the Oval Office. He had a Tiffany Office. He had a Tiffany resume. Can you top this? Ten years in the House, eight in the Senate, minister to Britain and to Russia and four years as secretary of state.

state.

Despite that, he was a rotten judge of men, and when his crisis came, he was a reed shaken by a gale. The crisis was secession. crisis was secession.
Southern friends told him it was coming, but he refused to look. South Carolina seceded in 1860, the last seceded in 1860, the last year of Buchanan's term. It had talked secession in 1830, but President Andrew Jackson threatened to bear the tar out of John C. Calhoun (he would have, too), and that was the end of that. Buchanan threatened



no one.

In a message to Congress,
he asserted that no state had
a right to secede, but the
president couldn't do a thing
about it if one did. From that about it flone did. From that absurdily came 120 days of dithering. The president met with self-appointed emis-saries from the South after he had declared them to be an enemy. Pressure came from all sides. "They don't leave me time to say my payers," he wrote to one correspondent.

correspondent.

He prayed for a compro-mise, but he didn't consider it his job to work one out. Secessionists seized govern-ment property. He did not respond. Then he suddenly respond. Then he studenty sent reinforcements and supplies to Fort Sumter on a chartered merchant vessel. As it entered Charleston Harbor cadets from The Cliadel met it with the first shots of the Civil War. The captain reversed course.

"(Your) flag has been insulted," said Rep. Louis Wigfall
of Texas, still in Congress but soon to be a Confederate general, "redress it if you dare." President Buchana did not dare. The Civil War came.

The Civil War came. Whether Buchanan could have prevented it can be debated. Not debatable is that he contributed four years of doing nothing to prevent it.

It was left to a lightly experienced lawyer from Illinois to restore the United States. I do not heist on any paral-

do not Insist on any paral-lels.
Today's incumbent will leave office with the econo-my shattered, financial mar-kets in ruins and the federal budget looking like a kinder-garten linger-painting proj-ect. He will leave behind two wars without enough troops for the more important one and threats we can't current-ly back up oending against and threats we can't current-ly back up pending against Iran, North Korea and Russia, Osama bin Laden is still loose. We lost eight years we might have used for deal-ing with climate change, and we still depend on oil from countries that don't like us a whole lot. There is more government secrecy and less personal liberte is more government secrecy and less personal liberty than when Bush took office. We are now a country that uses torture as an instrument of policy. Bush said last week that in January we will celebrate the first wartime transition in the presidency in our history. That is only technically rune. Bush took the government to war but not the nation. We are at yar, but the president never called on the president of look in the president never called on the part of the part of the part of the president never called on the part of the p

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

School funding analogy was flawed

In response to Ms.
LeClaire (Nov. 19 letter):
Your flawed use of analogy is disappointing given the excellent reputations of the University of Idaho and Williamette University. To company a free market capcompare a free market, cap-italistic enterprise to public schools is imperceptive. I schools is imperceptive. I presume you understand public schools are funded on the average daily atten-dance of their students. Unlike corporations, they cannot increase production, lower prices or advertise to increase revenue. Charter schools, as you may know any not funded.

Charter schools, as you may know, are not funded the same as public schools. Charter schools receive more than 30 percent more receive more than 30 percent more when the state than public schools. That is taxpayer money funding the charter school experiment. While that experiment may show that alternative educational methods really work any results will be skewed by the fact that a charter school

education comes at a cost of more than 30 percent per student more than public school students. Last but not least.

Gooding School District has approximately 1,300 students. A 300-student charter dents. A 300-student charter school in Gooding repre-sents a 23 percent loss of students (think funding). We cannot make significant changes in our fixed costs (e.g., buildings and utilities). We have already removed almost \$700,000 from our previous year's budget (that is almost 10 percent). "Therefore, the funding defi-ciency can only come from staff and programs. In contrast, your home

In contrast, your home district, the Meridian Sch district, the Meridian School District, has approximately 33,804 students. A charter school represents a 0.8 per-cent reduction in students. Be assured if the Meridian School District was going to lose 7.800 or 23 percent over two years, there would be much more than "soul-searching."

I appreciate your endustams as the president of the Coalition of Idaho Charter

School Families, but please don't pretend to understand how a charter school affects our close-knit community in Gooding, May God bless

in Gooding.
you.
DR. RAYMOND
GOODMAN
Gooding
(Editor's note: Raymond
Goodman is chalrman of the
Gooding School District
Board of Trustees.)

CNG is the answer to energy independence

Automakers, workers, pensions, etc., are the news of the day The oil man T. Boone Pickens says the answer is domestic compressed natural gas. Why can't automakers change their production at least on basic models of trucks and cars to CNG? We know we just have to get off foreign of the compression of the compression

oil!
The idea of improved mileage begs credibility! My 1991 Lincoln Towncar gets 27 mpg at 70 mph highway travel; the 2008 Cadiliac is touted at achieving 26 mpg. Sound encouraging?

It just can't be that diffi-cult for automakers to change production to CNG and for government and CNG producers to establish availability. Today in Missouri, gaso-line is selling at \$1.49 per gallon. We should never again rely on foreign oil or give up on cleaning our air and keeping our energy dol-lars at home. Could it be that truck and

Could It be that truck and car buyers would flock to the dealerships if CNG models were available? EARL OLSON

Not all mothers told the truth about abortion

Not all mothers who have an abortion done are told the whole-truth-Sometim the mother dies and, of course, the baby always dies. The reason the mother dies. The reason the mother dies sometimes is because her body goes into shock because she loses a great deal of blood in a very short period of time. CATHY ANN HEILEMAN Twin Falls

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS









Mallard Fillmore





Without the Kennedys, Obama | Bailing out wouldn't be president-elect

ASHINGTON—Barack Obama's victory triggered an immediate accounting of debts to be paid off in constructing his new administration.

structing his new adminis-imation.

There were those who speculated that Obama would be building a White House staff of loyal old Chicago hands. Others fore-saw a bery of Clintonistus. And still others had a vision of a kind of Kennedy redux that wasg quickly dubbed 'Obamalot.'

After all, Caroline Kenned

After all. Caroline Kenneds had emerged from her shell of shyness to head Obama's vice-presidential search n, after Joining her Uncle on a national barn-Ted on a national tier office the days leading up to Super Tuesday, Her exertion not only signaled the renthusiasm for Obama, but also her willingness to be a greater - presence in public life: Some now envision her as a possible U.N. ambassador. Her coustin, Robert E Kennedy Ir., has spent decades developing credibility as a global environmental activist, and some people close to the Kennedy family feel he, too, is ready to

close to the Kennedy familifeel he, too, is ready to emerge on the national stage, having overcome a troubled youth. They see him as a possible Environmental Protection Agency chief.

e is no question that lowes a debt to



Kennedys — but it may be far greater than he or they realize. Yes, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy offered a crucial early endorsement, compar early endorsement, comparing the Obama of 2008 to the lack Kennedy of 1960. And certainly Caroline and others in the Kennedy family gack Kennedy on 1990. And containly Caroline and other in the Kennedy family worked hard on the campaign trail. But the group to Obarna Kennedy legacy to Obarna Kennedy legacy to Obarna Int Ted or Caroline Bobby Ir. but rather the Immigration Act of 1985, which created the diverse country that is already being called Obarna's America. That are its rarely mentioned when recounting the Taigh points of 1980s liberationed when recounting the Taigh points of 1980s liberationed when for the Taigh points of 1980s liberationed when of 1980s liberations, but its impact arguably rivals the Voting Rights Act, the creation of Medicare, or other legislative landmarks of the era. It transformed a

of the era. It transformed a nation 85 percent white in 1965 into one that's one-third minority today, and on track for a nonwhite majority

y 2042.
Before the act, immigraion visas were apportioned
ased on the demographic
reakdown that existed at
the time of the 1920 Censu
– meaning that there were

few if any limits on immi-grants from Western and Northern Europe, but strict quotas on those from else-

where.
The belief that the United
States should remain anation of European lineage
was openly discussed when
immigration laws were revis immigration laws were revisited in 1952. The resulting bill, the McCarran-Walter Act, was notorious for giving the State Department the right to exclude visitors for right to exclude visitors for ideological reasons, meaning that a rat of left-wing artists and writers — including: Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, British novelist Graftum Greene — and sornes of others were denied visas. But it also had the effect of maintaining the 1920s-era notion of the United States as a while nation. (Congress imposed the bill over President Truman's veto.) A decade later, attitudes were changing, and

A decade later, attitudes were changing, and President Kennedy proposed a new immigration structure that would no longer be based on national origins. After Kennedy's assassina-After Kennedy's assassina-tion, his brother Ted took up the fight, pushing the Johnson administration to go Johnson, administration to go even further than it wanted in evening the playing field. Though Lyndon Johnson, in signing the bill, tried to reasure opponents that it wouldn't do much to change the balance of immigration, its impact was dramatic. In the 1950s, 53 percent of

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all immigrants were Europeans and Just 6 percent were Asilans; by the 1990s, Just 16 percent were Europeans and 31 percent were Asians. The percentages of Latino and African immi-grants also jumped signifi-ciontly

Simon Rosenberg, presi-dent of the liberal think tank NDN, formerly the Ne-Democrat Network, ca . calls the Immigration Act of 1965 most important piece of leg-islation that no one's ever heard of," and said it "set America on a very different

America on a very different demographic course than the previous 300 years." By adding so many Asian Latinos, and African immi-grants, Rosenberg says, the act changed the racial nairr tive in America from one of oppression — the whiteoppression — the white-black divide dating to slavery — to one of diversity. That change was strongly echoed in the Obama campaign, which emphasized the can-didates mixed-race back-ground as making him repre-ceptative of a new generation

ntative of a new genera sentative of a new generation of Americans.

That generation has its roots in the Immigration Act of 1965, and the act had its roots in the Kennedys.

Obamalot may be the modern reflection of JFK's New Frontier, after all.

Detroit's labor unions

Remember when Democrats lamente the growing budget deficit and spoke of the burden our children and grandchildren would face we didn't put our fiscal house in order? That was house in order? That was when Republicans ran the federal government and when. Republicans ran the federal government and Democrats opposed tax cuts. Now that Democrats are about to be in charge, concern about the deflet has disappeared and spending plans proliferate, even though the national debt passed \$10 trillfon in September and we added another \$500 billion last woorth

The latest, but by no means the last supplicant at the public trough, is the auto industry, which wants a ballout to save jobs because its cars are not selling. There is a reason for that and it can be summed up in five words: The United Auto Workers Union (UAW). (UAW).

Half of the \$50 billion the auto industry wants is for health care for its current and retired employees. This is the result of increasing UAW demands, strikes and

threats of strikes unless benefits were regularly increased. While in the past UAW settled for some ben-efit decreases while bar-gaining with the Big Three efit decreases wine ungaining with the Big Three U.S. automakers, according to the Wall Street Journal in September of 2006, on average, GM pays 801.18 an hour in wages and benefits to its U.S. hourly workers. Those increased costs, including the cost of health care, were passed along to consumers, adding \$1.600 to the price of every vehicle GM produced. In February 2008, after General Motors offered buyouts to 74,000 offered buyouts to 74,000 employees, the Center for Automotive Research estiempoyees, no cemer for Automotive Research esti-mated the average wage, including benefits, for cur-rent GM workers had dropped to \$78.21 an hour. New hires pulled down a palury \$28.65. GM, now facing a head-on collision with reality, has taken an important first step toward fiscal responsibility by announcing the elimina-tion of lifetime health care benefits for about 100,000 of its white-collar retires at the end of this year. Contrast this with non-union Toyous, whose total runion Toyous, whose total

Contrast this with non-union Toyota, whose total hourly U.S. labor costs,— with benefits, are \$35 per hour. Those lowerhour. Those lower labor costs mean Toyota enjoys a cost advantage over U.S. automakers of about \$1,000 per vehicle. Is it any wonder that Toyota is outselling American automakers and American automakers and from plants that have been built on U.S. soll? According to James Sherk of The Heritage Foundation, Japanese carcompanies provide their employees with good jobs at good wages: "The typical hourly employee at a Toyota, Hondo or Nissan plant in America makes atmost \$100.000 a year in sections." plant in America maves almost \$100,000 a year in wages and benefits, before



CAL THOMAS

focused on "corporate greed" and "fairness," according to Sherk, "com-petition, not corporate greed, is the real problem facing labor unions. When unions negotiate raises for their members, companies pass those higher costs on to consumers." Americans used to tolerate those d to tolerate those

used to tolerate those increases, but no more. Competition has brought lower prices for Japanese cars and Americans are buying more of them, taking a pass on those manufactured in Detroit. The argument made by those favoring a ballout of Detroit is that it will save more than 100,000 jobs in the auto and related industries. But what good does that do if people are not buying cars in sufficient numbers to allow the Big Three to make a profiler Three to make a profit? This becomes the kind kind of corporate welfare Democrats decry when it comes to Wall Street. But, then, Wall Street isn't unionized and Democrats vant and need the union

want and need the union vote. What about Chrysler's bailout 30 years ago? It was a loan. Didn't Chrysler pay back the government? Wasn't it worth the risk to save jobs' According to the Heritage Foundation, the \$1.2 billion in loan guarantees made by the Cartre administration still resulted in a partial backputzet for in a partial bankruptcy for Chrysler. "Most of the comin a partial bankruptey for Chrysler. Most of the Company's creditors were forced to accept losses just as they would if Chrysler had gone through Chapter 11, and the company ended up Bring almost half iss workforce, including 20,000 white-collar workers and 42,600 hourly wage earners. The only people who benefited from the ballout were Chrysler shareholders. The Heritage Foundation also niotes, "If Washington really wants to help Detroit, they could end the regulatory rightmase that prevents profitable, fuel-efficient cans from reaching market." Ford, they say, has begun selling a car that gets 65 mpg, but they te not selling in America. Why Because it man on diesely.

selling un normalists fuel "and environmentalists in the U.S. have fought to keep diesel taxes high and refinery capacity low."

More government intermentalists in the distribution of the control of th

More government inter-vention in private industry will bring us closer to socialism. Better to renego-itate the labor contracts, re-train workers for other jobs, or help them get hired at the lapanese auto plants in America than to substmodel for the sake of politi-

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Did you take time to count your blessings?

As we read the Thanksgiving newspaper, w see ads: 90 percent by weight, enticements for the weight, enticements for the Sooper Dooper's a.m. mega sales. Doubtless, some front-page news about bombings, a tanking stock market, auto makers predicting a belack version of 1933, Aunt Tilley's dog killed by drunken teen. Not much to be thankful for tempting to wash it away with a fifth of rum and some "MASH" reruns.

Still, fadmit it) there's the write thank the solution of the still the solution of the solu

voice that keeps whispering "count your blessings." Isn't it wonderful we live where folks are free to adver-

Isn't it wonderful we live where folks are free to advertise or own a 19-year-old car that runst Pold you thank God today you've got a dog you didn't need to eat or a fence you didn't need to burn for warmth?

Surely this world is Imperfect. Maybe that is the perfect four Where's the value, if there's nothing to dream of or work toward?

Only love lasts. Stocks tank, houses burn, friends die. All that lasts is love. We can't buy it or sell it, only give it away and graciously accept it. Love truly is "all we need. It's the great equalizer, the currency of the king-dom of God, limited by neither pauper nor king. What a blessing.

Bob died St. Peter met

Bob died. St. Peter met would like to spend eternity. Bob, not so religious said, "I dunno; what's the difference?" Peter said, "Let's tour; you decide.

Tell us what you think

ON PAPER: The Times-News welcomes letters from readers on subjects of public interest. Please limit letters to 300 words. Include your signature, mailing address and phone number. Writers who sign letters with fales names will be permanently barred from publication. Letters may be brought to our Twin Falls office; mailed to DO. 80x 548, Ywin Falls, 108 3303; Taxed to (208) 734-5538; or e-mailed to letters@magicnelley.com.

You've two choices."

Around a giant table a couple of dozen people were starving. Each had a 4-foot spoon for a hand. And a delicious smelling pot of soup simmered in the table's cen-

simmered in the table 5 courter.

In the second room were a couple dozen people with 4, foot spoons for hands and a delicious smeiling pot of soup in the center. These folks were plump and vivalence.

What's the difference? said Bob. St. Peter replied,
"This group has learned to
feed each other, but in the
first room they keep trying to
feed themselves."

first room they keep trying feed themselves." Love is only love when w give it away and it truly is a we need.

Happy Thanksgiving PHIL AUTH

General Motors should be making 60 mpg cars in U.S.

How does more than 80 miles per gallon sound? If you could buy a car that gest that mileage, would you? What if an American car company made this car, would you want one? What if I told you that. General Motors is the car company that currendy prompany that currendy pro-

duces this car in Europe under the Vauxhall and Opel under the Vauxnan and Open brand names. The car is called the Agila and is rated at a combined fuel economy

of up to 62.8 mpg. Questions: If GM is making these cars in Europe, why are they not being made in the United States? Why is GM withholding these high-mileage vehicles from us? JOSEPH AITKEN

Female veteran denied membership in veteran organizations

I read with interest the article on the front page of the Times-News on Nov. 11, "Final Salute."

I am sorry the veterans organizations are having difficulty attracting "younger veterans," but if their service was necessited as who was necessary. was negated as mine was, the organizations need to look to their membership committee and make so

changes.

I first came to the Twin
Falls area in 1993. I
approached two of the
organizations mentioned
and was summarily dismissed. When I talked with
the American Legion, I was
told I could join the women's

auxillary but not the

auxillary but not the American Legion as a veteran. Oh yes, I did not mention I am a female veteran. When I spoke with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, I was told I did not serve overseas, therefore, I did not qualify for their organization.

I joined the Navy in 1965 and served all stateside assignments because that was where I was needed. I might add that was dufing the Vietnam War. After being dischanged from the Navy. I joined the Coast Guard. Aside from a short assign-Aside from a short assignment in Alaska, all of my tours were in CONUS. All total, I served more than 17

total, I served more than I7 years for my country and have the honorable discharge for that service. So now, the old boy's network has struck the veterans organization and they don't understand why no one wants to Joln. Perhaps there was a bit of discrimination going on during the Intake process? I am sure I am not the only female veteran that has met this situation.

but not in and intro. I am a military veteran and proud of it. There are a lot of women who have served tight along with our male counternarts. Stand up and counterparts. Stand up and be proud of what you have done. Thank you to all the veterans, male and female, vherever you served. SUSAN D. BERGEN, YN I

Twin Falls (Editor's note: Susan ergen is a veteran of th avy and the U.S. Coast

OUOTABLE

"What we are emphasizing to the Pakistani government is the need to follow the evidence wherever it leads. I don't want to jump to any conclusions myself on this, but I do think that this is a time for complete, absolute, total transparency and cooperation and that's what we expect."

— U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice saying the United States expects nothing short of Pakistan's complete cooperation in investigations into the terrorist rampage in nuclear rival india.



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U.S. deaths in Afghanistan in November drop sharply

KABUL, Afghanistan

One American serviceman died in Afghanistan in November, a dramatic drop from earlier months that the U.S. military attributed to its campagn against insurgent leaders, operations by Afghan and Pakistani forces and the onset of winter.

Twice this year, monthly U.S. death tolls in

vice this year, monthly death tolls in U.S. death tolls in Afghanistan surpassed the monthly toll in Iraq, high-lighting the differing trends in the two year zones: Security in Iraq has improved while it has deteriorated in Afghanistan. The Tallians

improved while it nus occur orated in Afghanistan.
The Taliban's reach is expanding — and even the capital, Kabul, is more dangerous than before.

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U.S. troops suffered an average of 21 deaths in Afghanistan each month this year from May to October by far the deadliest sixmonth period in Afghanistan for American forces since the 2001 U.S.

led invasion. The Alghan Defense Ministry does not release fatally figures. Milltants this year, have unleashed increasingly pow-erful roadside bombs and sophisticated, multidirec-tional ambushes. The dead-lierattacks, combined with a record number of U.S. (roops partiolling

ier attacks, combined with a record number of U.S. troops — patrolling Afghanistan's vast provinces, has this year led to more American military deaths than ever before in Afghanistan — 148. The sole U.S. military death recorded last month came when a sulcide bomber rammed his car into a military convoy Nov. 13 as it was passing, through a crowded market in eastern Afghanistan. The blast killed Sgr. Jonnie L. Stilles, 38 with was serving with the Louislana. Army National Guird.

Guard.
Lt. Col. Rumi NielsonGreen, the spokeswoman at
the U.S. base at Bagram,
cautioned that one month of But may be an indicato

Mumbai attack puts focus on Pakistan militant link

By Kathy Cannon Associated Press Writer

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan —
The militant group blamed for the Mumbal attacks has roots in the disputed kashmir region where Pakistan's military has faced off against India for decades.

of sgains indial for decides.
There have long been suspicions that Pakistans military and intelligence services. helped crate, arm and train Lashkare-Paliba as a proxy force against Indias much larger military.
Though ties between the militant group and Pakistan's army have never been firmly established, the issue is coming under fresh scrutiny and could determine India's response to the terror attacks. terror attacks. Pakistan b

Pakistan has repeatedly denied any connection to

the group.

Any evidence linking the Mumbal attackers to the

Paldistani leadership would raise tensions between the nuclear-armed neighbors after years of attempts to mend relations. In a worst-case scenario, it could push Indias government to mobi-lize troops along the border or even bomb militant tar-gets within Pakistan.

gets within Paktstam:
"The only saurviving guman i told police he is Paktstanl and trained at a Lashkar camp in Paktstan, according to indian security officials; indian leaders have also bitamed "elements with-in Paktstan" for the strikes. The Islamabad govern-ment acknowledges the attacks may be Pattered.

The Islamabad, govern-ment acknowledges the tatackers may be Pakistani or may even have trained on its soil, but insists they did so without its knowledge. Government leaders have also repeatedly noted they too are fighting a bloody war against Islamic militants. The Pakistani government banned Lashkar in 2002

amid pressure from Washington following the Sept. 11. attacks. Since then most analysts say infiltration by militants into Indian-held Kashmir has decreased

asnmir nas decreased. But a senior Pakistani gov Bitt a senior Pukktani government official acknowledged lindviduals among the lower ranks of the intelligence agencies may sympatitize with groups like Lashkar, which has been linked to "al-Qaida and whose members are believed to be involved in attacks against the government and army close to the Afghan border. Afghan border

Alghan border.

Maybe one or two individuals are allowing things to happen," but there is no officially sanctioned connection to the militants, said the official, who asked not to be identified because it would compromise his work.

The situation is further, muddled because many

people question whether Pakistan's civilian govern-ment, which was elected in February ending nine years of military rule, is in full con-trol of the army and intell-gence agencies. Relations between the military government under President Gen. Pervez Musharraf and jihadi groups deteriorated following the July 2007 assault on the Red Mosque in Islamabad, which left scores of militants dead. The mosque was historically used as a jumping off point for militants en route to the fight in Kashmir.



Highest tide in 20 years floods historic Venice

The city built on water has too much of it.
Residents and tourists waded through knee-deep water Monday as they navigated the city's narmow streets and alleys, and its historic St. Mark's Square was inundated. Boxes of tourist merchandise floated inside the flood shops around the square and even the city's famed pigeon's sought refuge or rooftops and windowsills. One of the highest tides in its history brought venice to a virtual hait, rekindling a debate over a plan to build moyeable flood barriers in an effort to save the lagoon city from high tides.

City officials said the tide each of a city official said the tide satrong winds pushed the sea strong winds pushed the sea strong winds pushed the sea

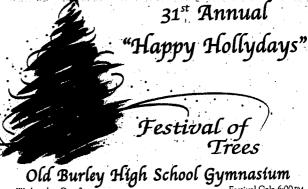
into the city.

Alarps went off at 6:37
a.m. to alert clitzens, but many residents were taken by sturprise because authorities had initially not forecast such a high water level.

In St. Mark's Square, one of the city's lowest points, tourists tried to stay dry by hopping on cafe tables and chairs sticking out of the water. The water was so high that someone rowed a small speedboat across the wide square.

"It was quite an extraordinary experience," said Michel Gorski, visiting from Brussels.

"It was quite an extraordi-nary experience," said Michel Gorski, visiting from Brussels with his wife. "We got stuck in the hotel for half a day but we didn't suffer. We were sorry for the restaurants and stores around, but there was no panle and everyone worked really hard to elean up quick-ly."



Wednesday, Dec. 312:00 Noon-9:00 PM Thursday, Dec. 4.

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM SENIOR CITIZENS/PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED

..10:00 AM-9:00 PM Friday, Dec. 5 ...10:00 AM-6:00 PM Saturday, Dec. 6

Cassia Health Care Foundation, Inc. &

Cassia Regional Medical Center Volunteers 7:00 Fiddlin Friends 7:00 The Dance Factory Thursday, Dec. 4th 7:30 Julie's Danceworkds

Senior Citizens & Physically Challenged 10:00

10:30 Mike James 11:00 White Pine 6th Grade Chong 11:30 Oakley Elementary School

Open To The Public

12:00 Dawn's Learning Connection 12:30 Mountain View 1st Grades

1:00 Mountain View 1st Grades

1:30 Declo 4th Graders

2:00 Newcomer's Center

2:30 Colleen Wood

3:00

4:00 Dallin Breshears and Brennan Ontiverax

4:15 Megan Coats

4:30 Bel Canto Choir

5:00 Spartan Dance Force 5:30 Harmony Kids

6:00 BHS Sign Language

8:30 Audra Lloyd

Friday, Dec. 5th 10:00 Burley Kindergarten

10:30 Dworshak 3rd Grades

11:00 Declo Kindergarten 11:30 Oakley High School Choir

12:00 BJHS 7th & 8th Grade Choir

12:30 Albion Elementary School

1:00 Burley Kindergarten

1:30 Declo 5th Grades

2:00 Dworshak 3rd Graders

2:30

3:00

3:30 Sara Badger Students

4:00

4:30 Leslie Crafton Students

5:00 Jolene Hobson Strings

5:45 Santa's Singers

6:00 Centre Stage Dance

6:45 Mini-Cassia Jr Miss-

8:30 Trendsetters

8:00 Dance Force

Saturday, Dec. 6th

10:00 En Point Dance Academy

11:00 Zac Harman

11:30 Main Motion Dance

12:00 Trendsetters

12:30 Erica Jones Dance Studio

12:45 Jade Tracy

1:00 Showstoppers

1:30

2:00 Kiya Fife

2:30 5678 Dance

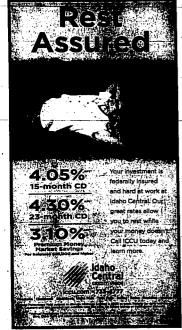
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3:30 Variations

4:00 5678 Dance 4:45 Mike James

5:00 Aaron Martsch

5:30 American Hertiage Academy





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FUEL REPORT

The average price for a gallon of regular-grade gasoline in south-central Idaho declined, 5 cents from last week to \$1.93. The average price for a gallon of diesel increased 3 cents to a regional average of \$2.77.
Regional prices remain higher than state and national everages. According to the AAA Fuel Gauge Report, the average price for a gallon of gas in Idaho wolf \$1.81.

\$1.81. Oll prices tumbled below \$50 a barrel The price drop also s after OPEC said it would not cut production of crude before its duled meeting in three weeks.

Gas prices

Twin Falls: Moverik Country Store, 120 6th Ave. W.: 51.79
 Jerome: Plying J Travel Plaza, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: \$1.77
 Burley: Bowen Cardlock - Sinclair, 502 N. 5th: \$1.76

Diesel prices

Twin Falls: Mr. Gas Sincialr: 91.1 Blue Lakes Blvd.: \$2.59 - Harmer: Philip | Travet Plaza, 5350 U.S. Highway 93: \$2.57 - Burley: Smith's Fuel, 937 E. Main St. \$2.57

92.51
*Price quotes by Mapquest.com as of Monday afternoon. Subject to change at anytime.

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Average price	\$1.726	+.048
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Class III milk		
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Class IV milk		
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Feed

Corn (Per 100 pounds)

Dairy Feed Supply	\$8.00	_
Land O'Lakes	\$7.50	_
Rangen .	_	
Barley (Per 100		
Rangen	\$7.60	_
Ogden	\$7.15	_
Pocatello	\$6.50	_

Hay (Mid/Ton)

Alfalfa(Supreme) LOW \$15U	High \$190
Alfalfa(Good)	Low \$150	High \$160
Alfalfa(Fair)	Low \$150	High \$150

Small grain

Soft white wheat		
Rangen	Ask	N/A
Ogden	\$4.81	+.19
Pocatello	\$4.35	+.25
Burley	\$4.15	+.10

Livestock

Lambs and hogs		
Feeder lambs	Low \$90	High \$100
Fat lambs	·Low \$89	High \$92
Breeding ewes	Low \$11	High \$21

Price quotes as of 11/26/2008. Prices subject to change at any time.
To be included in this table, call
Joshua Palmer at 208-735-3231

More commodities on B2

RESERVOIR LEVELS



New option for irrigators

Idaho Power proposes new program

BOISE — Irrigators will have a new option for managing irrigation expenses next summer. Idaho Power is retooling its peak rewards program in hopes of getting more participation. "This has the potential to be a win win," said Lynn Tominaga.

executive director for the Idaho Groundwater Appropriators. Inc. Irrigators get more flexibility about when their systems can be shut down during peak demand periods plus get a larger credit on their power bills.

periods plus get a larger credit on their power bills. The incentives will be paid as a credit to the participants june and lylop wore bills.

Non-ag Idaho Power customers

could also benefit if the new pro-gram reduces demand during hot summer months to the point that Idaho Power can delay building a new natural gas peaker to meet that demand, he added. The pro-posed Bennett Mountain peaker posed Bennett Mountain peaker facility has been estimated to cost between \$150 and \$200 million to

the time-commitment and the fear that crops will suffer during the off-times. The revamped program is intended to allay some of those Under the existing peak rewards

program, irrigators agree to be shut down from 4 to 8 p.m. on one, two or there days each week dur-ing June, July and August. The licentive payment is based on

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Sales the stockyard



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Sharp decline in cattle sales predicted

Cattlemen sold off an unprecedented number of kill-cows in early November as a growing number of cattle operations call it quits. Stockyards in south-central Idaho say sales of kill-cows — cattle being sold for shughter — outpaced any other year. In memory, but they say that the sudden increase in sales will likely lead to a significant decline laseles during summer months. "We sold more than 800 kill-cows two weeks in row," sald Bruce

"We sold more than 800 kill-cows two weeks in row," said Bruce Billington, manager of the Twin Falls Livestock Commission Company, "It's the most, I've ever seen since I've been here, but it means there will be a lot less (kill-cows) being sold in the summer. Billington estimated that sales will decline 5 percent to 10 percent during the summer compared to 2008. he said the recent sell-off is being caused by high feed, prices, and waning consumer demand for higher quality beef.

The latest caute-on-feed statistics come at a time of high input costs for fattening the beef and deep losses for the nation's caute-feeding industry.

Cattle by the numbers

U.S. Inventory of cattle and caives on feed totaled 11 million head in Nov. 1 — down 7 percent from the same month last year.
 Placements nationwide during October were down nearly 11 percent below 2007 to 2.44 million.

cattle.

• Prices for tenderloin are now ning about 12 percent to 13 percent below a year ago.

Agricultural Statics Service, Idaho cattlemen during October also placed 9 percent fewer cattle on feed, meaning the available slaughter supply will remain tight in the coming months.

"Hay feed prices are the highest they've ever been," Billington said. "What we're seeing now is a lot of smaller operations going out of business.

Small operations generally raise fewer than 1,000 head of cattle

annually.

Cattlemen in northern Nevada
and southern Idaho have been particularly hard hit by rangeland fires
that consumed thousands of acres

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of grazing land in 2007. The fires were followed by skyrocketing hay prices in late 2007 and throughout 2008.

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The U.S. inventory of cattle and calves on feed totaled 11 million head on Nov. 1 down 7 percent from the same month last year. Placements nationwide during October were down nearly 11 percent below 2007 to 244 million cattle, while the number of animals leaving the stockyard for slaughter were down 3 percent from last year

N.D. farmer defies government by draining wetlands

By James MacPherson Associated Press writer

BISMARCK, N.D. — Armed with a tractor or a backhoe, Alvin Peterson buildozes the dirt that chokes the waterways forming prairie potholes on his land, saying hes putting it back to the way God intended.

ing hes putting it back to the way God Intended. The 78-year-old retired farmer from Lawton, in northeastern North Dakota, has been in hot water with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service over wetlands for more than 40 years. The agency had an easement

contract with his father for the potholes to house, and feed wildlife. Federal authorities, after dealing for decades with Peterson's pobhole-emptying anties, began cracking down on him. Thismonth—and for the second time in four years—Peterson was convicted of illegally emptying wethands. Now he faces stiff fines and jail time.

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Peterson remains unfazed.
"I didn't make the waterways, the good Lord did," Peterson said. Please see WETI ANDS: Page B2



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idaho Honey **Producers and Honey** Commission to meet

BOISE — The annual Honey Producers and Honey Commission meet-ing will be held Dec. 4 through the 6 at the Red Lion Downtowner, which is located at 1800 Fairview

During the two-day event, presentations and discussion about bee ussion about bee th and nutrition, the lack of genetic diversity in the U.S. honeybee popula-tion, and Florida's experind Florida's experi-with Africanized

honeybees.

Guest speakers will include Randy Oliver from Grass Valley. California, who has taught beekeeping and writes for popular bee magazines.

Jerry Hayes from Florida State University who writes in the American Bee Journal.

the Sue Coby from the University of California at

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Nominees sought for Dairy Expo awards

Dairy Expo awards
MADISON, Wis. —
Outstanding leaders from
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WORLD **U.S.** welcomes

increased beef exports to S. Korea

An agreement has been reached with South Korea that allows for greater importation of U.S. beef.
South Korea's markets for U.S. beef were shut down following the finding of a BSE case in the U.S. in late 2003.
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The third largest export marker for U.S. beef prior to the BSE finding, South Korea has been slow to reopen markets. The policy change allows U.S. beef and beef products of all ages to enter South Korea. The protocol is consistent with World Animal Health Oreen/zation and preval-Organization and prevall-ing international stan-

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Economists predict credit will tighten for nation's farmers

STARKVILLE, Miss. - The STARKVILLE, Miss. — The nation's credit crunch had ittle effect on farmers this year, but economists say that will change when planters attempt to secure loans next year.

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Farmers are usually good credit risks for banks and their balance sheets have continued to improve since the mid-1980s when the agricultural sector had significant financial problems. David Schweikhardt, a professor of domestle policy and international trade issues in the Department of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics at Michigan State University, says even farmers with good credit scores and history with a bank may have trouble getting loans in 2009.

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"We hear a lot of discussion that agriculture is not going to be impacted by the economic downturn because we haven't seen it so far. I think that has to do with the timing more than anything else."

sc. Most farmers had already Most farmers had already received loans to buy the seed, fertilizer and equipment they needed because the credit markets were at the time not frozen by an economy in recession. Schweikhardt sald high commodity prices and good yields in recent years has also caused many people to assume the agricultural sector's balance sheets will be

positive and producers will have no trouble borrowing the money next year. Those assumptions are wrong. Schweikhardt said, because banks will raise their tending at not provide and

because banks will raise their lending standards and demand more information than they did previously when making new loans. "For the same amount of money they might have bor-rowed last year, producers will have to put up more col-lateral and provide more evi-dence that they'll be able to pay back that money. Schweikhardt said. 'Lenders will be asking people more will be asking people more questions about the prof-itability of their operations

and their ability to repay loans under worst-case sce-

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John Anderson, agricultural economist with the Mississippi State University Extension Service, said Mississippi producers typically go to the bank in late in November or December to apply for loans for the next year's growing season.
Anderson recommended farmers prioritize expenses, carefully consider all purchases, and make only those needed to improve efficiency and keep the operation when you go to the bank." Anderson said. "Have all your financial statements up-to-date and in order, and have as specific a plan as possible to demonstrate inw the loan will be repaid and what your cash flow will look like in timing and amounts."

Cattle

Commode from page 11:

While cattle supplies have jightened a little more than the industry was expecting before the report came out, the big story remains what is happening to the demand side, said James Minter, a Kansas State University economist.

ous : Billington said the eco-nomic downturn may con-

tinue to affect the demand for beef, particularly more expensive cuts such as ten-derloin, as cash-strapped consumers turn to cheaper cuts such as ground beef. Prices for tenderloin at the

Prices for tenderion at the beginning of July were nunning about the same as a
year ago. Two weeks ago,
they were 28 percent to 32
percent below last year. They
recovered slightly in the past

week and are now running about 12 percent to 13 percent below year ago. "That is indicative at the wholesale level of buyers backing away from high-valued cuts hecause they were concerned about their ability to market to consumers in an environment where everybody is worried about their lncome, everybody is worried about what is hap-

pening to their asset values,"
Minter said.
Those cattle industry concerns also are reflected in the
futures market. Since Labor
Day, live cattle futures have
dropped \$20 a hundredweight because of concerns
about domestic and export
demand, Minter said.

The Associated Press con-ibuted to this report.

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and other creatures.
Peterson sees the potholes
as a pain, swamping his land
with water and weeds and
preventing him from raising
crops.
"Alvin Peterson is somewhat of a government protester," said Assistant U.S.
Attorney Cameron Hayden,
who has prosecuted
Peterson." He inherited the
farm from his father and
never liked the easement. He
began a system of draining
every prairie pothole he
could find with his tractor."
Peterson claims his dying
father was tricked by government officials into signing
an easement in the mid1960s. He said his father of
about, \$4,700 hat forevereeps dozens of acres on the
farm free of crops and under
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father."
Peterson was found guilty
on Nov. 11 of two counts of
improper drainage of wetlands, after a trial before U.S.
Magistrate Judge Alice

Senechal in Grand Forks.

A sentencing date has not been set. Peterson faces up to a year-in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

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Hayden said Peterson will likely be hit with a heavy fine but won't be locked up.
"I will not be requesting that he go to fail. Hayden said." I see no plott in that." Peterson was first convicted in 2004 of draining four welfands protected by an easement held by the Fish and Wildliffs Service. He was sentenced in 2005 to two years of probation and ordered to restore the four welfands and pay a \$4,000 fine.

ie. Federal wildlife officials

fine.
Federal wildlife officials, under the protection of armed U.S. marshals, filled in a waterway to re-establish the potholes.
Peterson said the show of force on his farm was unnecessary.
"Id never hurt a Fish and Wildlife man," Peterson said. "They suffer by living." Authorities say Peterson drained some of the once-restored wellands again last year, immediately after his probation expired. Peterson maintained that he was only cleaning out waterways.
"It was plugged up, Peterson add of a 30-footwide, 2-foot deep slough, Too It wide open and running like it's supposed to."
Except for two years he

was in the Army in Korea in the 1950s, Peterson said, he has spent his entire life on the Ramsey County farm, northeast of Devils Lake, "1-was born 20 feet from where 'in talking to you on the telephone," he said in an interview with The Associated Press. "I've walked every foot of this land, polsoning gophers and riding ponies."

The Said the government's efforts to create wetlands on

The sald the governmentsefforts to create wellands on his property have failed and that there was more wildlife on the land before the government-established wellands.

"Those wedlands — the ducks can't survive there," Peterson sald. "They are so fall of cattalls, there is no place for them to breathe and no place for them to land."

Lloyd lones, the Dakotas refuge manager for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said vedlands provide crucie.

said wetlands provide crucial habitat for wildlife, even with

cattails.

Jones, a biologist, has been working on wedlands Issues for three decades in the pratrie pathole region of the Upper Midwest.

The government began buying conservation easements in 1958, he said, it has spent about 360 million to acquire some 1.5 million acres, of which 90,000 acres are in North Dakota and 500.000 in: South Dakota and 500.000 in: South Dakota and are in North Dakota and 500,000 in South Dakota.

Montana, Minnesota and lowa account for the remaining acres, Jones said. Money for the program comes largely from the sale of federal Duck Stamps. The program has not been without challenges, both legal and otherwise. In the 1990s, the government funded competing programs—one that paid farmers to drain wetlands and one that paid farmers to drain wetlands and one that paid-farmers—to—preserve-them, lones said.

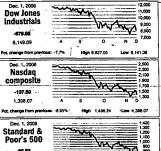
Preservation won out, he said.

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In 1995, two Hope-area
farmers were charged with
draining three Fish and
Wildlife easements' the
agency purchased on their
land. The farmers, brothers
Mike and Kerry Johansen,
challenged the agency, saying they drained publoles
outside the original easements.

Federal authorities argued that the wedands, which had expanded after years of wet weather, were covered under the original easement. The government lost its case, and charges were dropped. Jones said disputes over the easements typically are settled through negotiations. "Ninety-nine percent can be worked out," he said. "Alvin would be the 1 percent. Negotiations with him, unfortunately," have not proven to be successful." rederal authorities

A DAY ON WALL STREET



NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market suffered one of its worst days since the financial metidown Monday, slicing 680, points off the Dow Jones industrial average as Wall Street snapped out of its daydream of a rally and once again faced the harsh reality of a

recession.

Not only did stocks end their five-day winning streak, they erased more than half the gains. The Standard & Poor's 500 stock index, one of the broadest market gauges, lost nearly 9 percent. Frasing any lingering doubts, there was also finally an officially declared recession — in progress in the Vinted States since December 2007, according to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the nonprofit group of economists that classifies business cycles.

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"This is just another episode in a long story and the story is all about recession and the question is how long and how feep," said Chuck Widger, chief executive and chairman of investment management firm Brinker Optital.

Jerome student among Idahoans attending National 4-H Congress

Eight 4-H youths from across Idaho Is in Atlanta to participate in the annual National 4-H Congress Nov. 28 to Dec. 2. John Gardner of Jerome, the son of Jay and Terri Gardner, a nine-year 4-H member, was been selected to attend the event. He participated in citizenship, mechanical, outdoor educa-

Customers

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By Jessica Gresko Associated Preas writer

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tion, clothing and 'extiles, foods and nutition, aero-space and consumer education projects. He is a senior at lerome High School and plans to graduate in May. The National 4-H Congress delegates will, attend workshops and participate in service projects. They will hear from Dan Clark, the primary contributing author to the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" series of books and the

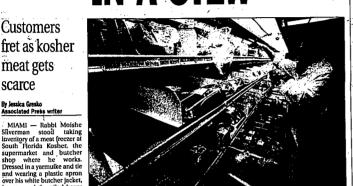
author of 20 of his own books.

The Idaho youths are members of the nations best known, youth leadership development program, which is operated by University of Idaho Extension offices in 42 of the state's 44 countles. This year 36,069 youths and nearly 4,060 volunteers participated in 4+H.

The delegates will tour Atlanta-area sites such as the

CNN Center, Centennial Olympic Park, the Carter Presidential Library and the Martin Luther King Center for Non-violent Change. Danoirs who helped the youth sattend the congress included the Idaho 4-H Endowment Board, Idaho Youth Horse Council, Idaho Wool Growers Association, Idaho Pork Producers Idaho Pork Producers Association and Idaho State 4-H Leaders Association.

IN A STEW



Rabbi Moishe Siberman stocks there in a partially empty ment display at South Florida Kosber, a batcher as North Miami Beach, Fia. Agriprocessors, the sation's largest knoher slamptherhouse, stopped skipping between weeks ago, chickes in the last week. The satisform has cut the lander food world to the hose. Other processors have been swamped with orders, boosting the number of days they produce kosher meat or refutake servicitest.

Associated Press writer

MIAMI — Raibbl Moishe
Silverman stood taking
inversiony of a meat freezer at
South Florfold Kosher, the
supermarket and butcher
shop where he works.
Dressed in a yarmulke and the
and wearing a plastic apron
over his while butcher jacket,
he surveyed the piled boxes
of chicken and beef.
"Normally, this, on a
Monday, this, on a
Monday, this would be
stacked up to here." he said,
pointing to a mark on the wall
above his head.
But the cardboard boxes of But the cardboard boxes of

But the cardboard boxes of beef in the freezer mostly reached his knee. It's a scene being repeated in the freezers of kosher butchers and their customers across the nation. The shortage is the result of the collapse of Agriprocessors inc., formerly the largest kpsher meatpacking company in the nation. In May, nearly 400 workers were arrested in an immigration raid at the company's Postville, Iowa, slaughterhouse.

Since then, the company has struggled, and the plant has closed, leaving a hole in the \$12.5 billion-a-year U.S. the \$12.5 billion-a-year U.S. kosher food market. Ağriprocessors stopped ship-pling beef about three weeks ago and chicken in the last week, customers sald. Since there are only a handful of processors nationwide who

slaughter animals according to Jewish law and under the supervision of rabbis, the shutdown has cut the kosher meat supply to the bone. Other processors have been swamped with orders, increasing the amount of meat they produce or refusing to take new clients. Some consumers are paying up to 40 percent more for the same meat. Markets and butchers say they cant get certain cuts of beef for their customers, largely Orthodox Jews, and some have had to rearrange what they do have to fill display shelves.

en producer sought protec-tion in a filing with the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, saying that as of Sept. 27 it is had \$3.75 billion in a sets and \$2.72 billion in debts. Pilgrim's Pride, which com-trols about 23 percent of the

rugims rine, which con-trols about 23 percent of the U.S. chicken market, will continue operating during the reorganization and will not liquidate—its—assets; spokesman Ray Atkinson

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Pilgrim's Pride files for bankruptcy protection

cuts that are missing," said Yttzie Spalter, the manager of the North Mlami Beach store where Silverman works. Previously, 80 percent of the store's meat came from

Agriprocessors, Spalter said. Now, he hasn't been able to negripocessors, spaier said.
Now, he hasn't been able to get it in the same quantities.
On an average Sunday, the store would get 250 cases of meat. On a recent Sunday, the store received just 26 and a promise of 120 more during the week — still just over half their normal order.
And they ve been lucky.
Spalter fields calls from restaurants and catteres who can't get meat at all. He tries to supply them, but his customers come first. Shoppers said his store did have more

help us come out a lot stronger and we expect it to be business as usual," Atkinson said.

Atkinson said.
The chicken producer has been saddled by the debt from its \$1.3 billion acquisition of rival Gold Kist Inc. in 2007 — what analysts cite as the primary cause of its large debt load.

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Pilgrim's Pride's financial problems have been evident for months, since it said in late September it would post a "significant loss" in the

of a selection than others cor unities.

where Agriprocessors had a niche market may be among where Agriprocessors had a niche market may be among the hardest hit, but big cities are not immune. Markets in Miami, Cleveland, Arizona and Houston relied on the company, said Menachem Lubinsky, the editor of indus-try mewsletter KosherToday.com and a for-mer Agriprocessors spokesman.

KosherJoouysener Agriprocessus-spokesman. "We're buying from any-body we can get it from," said Darryl Ames, the store man-ager at Independent grocery store Belden's in Houston. "We may not have veal or we may not have a certain type of roast, but usually within a few days we get it back in stock."

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Start-up promises to make motor oil from animal fat

By Ernest Scheyder The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A
Connecticut startup said it
expects to deliver a car
engine oil this month that is
made without the typical
multimillenium waiting
period for fossils to become
fuel.

Green Earth Technologies Inc. says it has found a way to make a substance chemically identical to crude oil from animal fat, a slaughterhouse byproduct this is typically discarded en masse. The company is already using the process to make 2-cycle and 4-cycle engine oil, which is marketed as G-Oll. Green Earth's engine oil

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when, big fluctuations in prices serve as a constant reminder that crude is finite. There is a big push to replace petroleum distillates with an alternative source." said Doug Kingman, an agri-cultural sciences professor at Sam Houston State University. "It's really nice to take animal fat that we'd normally throw away and turn it into something use-ful."

A quart of GET's motor oil will retail for about \$5.99 to

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useful."

— Doug Kingman, an agricultural sciences professor at Sam Houston State University

\$0.99, depending on location. A quart of Mobil 1 10w30 synthetic oil — which GET sees as a main competitor — retails for about \$6.50. GHF sees as a main compeu-tor—retails for about \$6.50, GHF's small engine oil is already being sold by retail-ers like The Home Depot, but Zuckerman and leff Marshall, a former venture capitalist who helped start the company in June 2007, are waiting for final market-ing approval from the American Petroleum Institute.

American Institute.

"We can't really solve the world's fuel problem this way, because there's not enough fat." Zuckerman said. But we can solve the world's lubrication problem."

In 2007 about 6 million gallons of lubricants were sold, according to the

gallons of lubricants were sold, according to the Energy Information Administration. GET has 52,000 squarefoot facility in Oklahoma that gets animal fat from a nearby slaughtenhouse. It can produce 5 million bottles of the oil per month. There is not enough oil from animals in the U.S. to displace an entire Industry, but maybe (GET) will discover something we didn't know. Houston said. Every gallon we can make out of animal fat is a gallon we're not taking out of the ground or importing from someone else.

Irrigation

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::MILWAUKEE — Pilgrim's Pride Corp. Illed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on Monday, hur like other meat' producers by volatile feed prices and slumping demand but also hobbled by an unmanageable debt load. The Pittsburg, Texas-based company has plants and Arkansas at Clinton and El Docado.

Dorado.
The nation's largest chick-

Continued from page B1 how many days the irrigator was willing to be shut down for.

fer.

The revised program, called "Forward Dispatch Peak Rewards Program, will list only half that time — just six weeks from June 15th to labs 21st. hily 31st.

state storing that six-week periodic dashe Power can only turn off a system for a maximum of 60 hours.

"An added plus is that participants five 'time-outs' or periods when they can opt not to be shut off. But each time they choose to take a 'time out' their power savings is reduced.

"Participants will be turned."

off only when Idaho Power has a system peak, explained Helena Fowler, spokesperson for (daho Power. They will receive notice by 4 pm. the day prior to a shut off event. Large customers — those with at least 1,000 hp with multiple pumps, can participate without having all their pumps turned off.

Irrigators who never opt out could save up to 40 percent of their annual power bill, she said.

But even Irrigators who take all five time outs should come out ahead.

"This is a credit for every

This is a credit for every hour you're in the program

Tominaga said.
The new program is based

on a similar program offered by Rocky Mountain Power. The power company, which services customers in eastern Idaho, has about 218 megawatts of power enrolled in its program

Idaho, has about 21e megawats of power enrolled in its program. Idaho Power hopes to get 800 service points enrolled in the program for the 2009 irrigation season. Approximately 900n service points were enrolled in the previous peak rewards program in 2007 when the company paid approximately \$1.2 million to incentive park times in the summer of 2008, Idaho Power customers were using \$2.00 megawatts of power. The company's base load is

fourth quarter, clting woes from hedging on feed inputs like com. It has had to extend its temporary credit line three times since September — most recently last week. Its third extension was set to expire Monday afternoon.

Last month, in accordance—with rules set by its lenders, the company hired a chlef restructuring officer, and has malmained, since its credit issues surfaced that it wanted to avoid filing for-bankruptcy.

2.500 to 2.600 megawatts. Irrigators used about 1.100 megawatts of power last summer, about 30 percent of the peak. Tominaga said.

If 30 to 40 percent of eligible irrigators will enroll in the peak rewards program. 200 to 300 megawatts of power could be saved. That significant, Tominaga said.

If we can show we're not adding to the demand, if we can lower that peak demand, that helps reduce the cost of future rate increases, he said. "We want to build partnerships between the power company and irrigators. We are looking of more programs like this that try to benefit both sides."



TWIN FALLS FORECAST

ay: Mostly cloudy and windy. Chance of rain or snow wers. Wind gusts to 40 m.p.h. Highs 45 to 50, light: Showers ending and winds dminishing. Partial sing late. Lows around 30. norrow: Parily cloudy and a be cooler. Highs around 45.

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CANADIAN FORECAST

Miami activist moves homeless people into foreclosed houses

amara Lush oclated Press Writer

MIAMI — Max Rameau elivers his. sale's pitch like a ro. "All tile floor!" he says dur-ing a recent showing. "And the wing room, wow! It has great linds."

blinds."

But in nearly every other respect, he is unlike any real estate agent you've ever met. He is unshaven, drives a beatup car and wears grungy cutoff sweat pants. He also breaks into the homes he shows. And his clients don't have a dime for a down payment.

into the homes he shows. And his clients don't have a dime for a down payment.

Rameau is an activist who has been executing a bailout plan of his own around Miamis empty streets lie is helping homeless people liegally move into foreclosed homes.

"We're matching homeless people with people-less homes," he said with a grin. Rameau and a group of likeminded advocates formed Take Back the Land, which also helps the new 'tenants' with secondhand furniture, cleaning supplies and yard upkeen, So far, he has moved sk familles into homes and has nine on a walting list.

"I think everyoine deserves a home," said Rameau, who said he takes no money from his work with the homeless, "Homeless people across the country are squatting, in empty homes. The question is this going to be done out of desperation or with direction."

desperation or win direc-tion?

With the housing market collapsing, squatting in fore-collapsing, squatting in fore-collapsing, squatting in fore-tion the first around the coun-try. But squatters usually move-in on their own, at night, when-no one is watching, Barely is the phenomenon as organ-ized as Rameau's effort to "lib-erate" foreclosed homes. Florida — especially the Miami area, with its once-booming condo market — is one of the hardes-thi states in the housing crisis, largely

nooming conco market — is one of the hardest-hit states in the housing crisis, largely because of overbuilding and speculation. In September, Horida had the nation's second-highest foreclosure rate, with one out of every 178 homes in default, according to Really True, an online marketer of foreclosed properties. Only Nevada's rate was higher. Like other cities, Miami is trying to ease the problem. Officials inunched a foreclosure-prevention program to help homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortague, with loans of up to \$7.500 per household.

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\$7,500 per household.

The city also recently passed an ordinance requiring owners of abandoned homes — whether an individual or



bank — to register those properties with the city so police can better monitor them. Elsewhere around the country, advocates in Cleveland are working with the city to allow homeless people to legally move into and repair empty, dilapidated houses. In Atlanta, some property owners nav some property owners pay homeless people to live in abandoned homes as a securi-

homeless people to live in abandoned homes as a security measure. In early November, Rameau drove a woman and her 18-month old daughter to a ranch home on a quiet street lined with swaying tropical follage. Marie Nadine Pierre, 39, has been sleeping at a shelter with the toddler. She said she had been homeless off and on for a year, after losing various jobs and getting evicted from several apartiments.

"My heart is heavy." Ve lived in a lot of different shelters, a lot of bad situations." Pierre said. "In my own home, I'm free. I'm a human belig now." Rameau chose the house for Pierre, in part, because he knew its history. A man bought the home in the citys, predominantly Haitlain neighborhood in 2006 for \$1430.000, then rented it to Rameaus friends. Those friends were evicted in October because the homeowner had stopped paying his mortgage and the property went into foreclosure.

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property went into foreclo-sure.

Rameau, who makes hts liv-ing as a computer consultant, said he is doing the owner a favor. Before Plerre moved in, someone stole the air condi-tioning unit from the back-yard, and it was only a matter of time before thieves took the copper plpes and wring, he said.

"Within a couple of months.

within a couple of months, this place would be stripped and drug dealers would be it ing here. he said, carrying a giant plastic garbage bag filled with Plerre's clottles into the home.

He said he is not scared of getting arrested.

"There's a real need here, and there's a disconnect

between the need and the law," he said. "Being arrested is Just one of the potential factors in doing this."

Miami spokeswoman Kelly Penton said city officials did not know Rameau was moving homeless, intus. emply buildings — that they are also in the control of the control

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Homes for the holidays



Find festive inspiration in these interiors

Stuck in a December decorating rui? Get inspired at the 19th annual Holiday Home Tour.

The Dee, 14 tour, sponsored by the lunior Club, features dressed-up homes of area residents.

The Unit of the Court Appointed Special Advocates, it's hoping to raise at least that much money for this year's beneficiaries, it's Ke Kister Safe House and Crisis Center of Magic Valley.

The charties aren't the only ones who benefit from the tour. On Dee, 10th, winners of prize packages will be drawn from advance ticket sales. Prizes include a \$50 glft certificate from Snake River Gill, or a 30-minute massage from Miracle Touch Therapy and one hour in a hot tub at Miracle Hot Springs.

And, of course, ticket, holders get to tour half a dozen local homes — a prize in little. Here's a sneak peak of what you'll see:

see:
Sherm and Loretta
Mullins' home has several
wreaths, five Christmas
trees, two Nativity scenes

and three Santus. Loretta's mother gave her several of the Christmas knick-knacks, some of which are more than 40 years old. While you're there, keep your eyes out for one unique tree in particular. You'll know it when you see it it's decorated with long pheasant tail feathers from Sherm's hunting trips. Sherm's hunting trips.
"It's very differ

"It's very different," oretta said. Outside Buhl, Pam and

Outside Buil, Pam and Steve Brown are decorat-ing for their first Hollday Home Tour. Their snow-man-themed room is com-ing together, but Pam is still looking for a snowman bed

ing ogecuer, nut ram is still looking for a snowman bed comforter. "If i can't, "Il be making one," she said. Linda Viright's home, perched on the canyon rim, is spruced up with European yule decor, a nod to her Swedish heritage and ties with Germany. Keep an eye out for her German books, Swedish artifacts and old volins. The other homeowners sharing their festive interiors for the tour are shawn and Camille Barigar, Roger and Kelly Vincent and Tammie Hall.

Melissa Daviin may be reached at 208-735-3234 or melissa.davlin@lee.net.







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Hip new tree ornaments reflect larger trends

By Kim Cook For The Associated Press

Christmas tree ornaments tend to reflect styles we see in the years home furnishings, as well as what's on the fashion runway. We like to dress our tree as we dress our rooms and ourselves.

This season, inspiration frotted the globe, from Morocco to Moscow, Punjah prongyang, Stools and step chests grace the living room, while ethnic fabrics and motifs udorn wall art and dothing. So it's no surprise

many holiday ornaments evoke these graphic prints and international sensibili-

and international sensibilities.

Look for elaborate paintwork and embellishments, tassels, bright good-luck Asian reds and goods. At the other end of the spectrum are graceful, muted total shades, simple Zen-like branches, winterberries and blossoms. No doubt you've seen the charming peasant looks on the charming peasant looks of the peasant looks of the

furniture, homespun wool throws and Nordic patterned

throws and Nordic patterned rug.
For the holidays, this translates into charming folk-art, stitched-felt animals, stockings and people, as well as evocations of natural elements in carved wood, painted the bark and even dipped snetal.

Some see a cultural trend emerging that has to do with nesting, comfort, and home and hearth as a safe haven from the daily storms of life. So childhood treats like candy

canes, gingerbread cookles and cupcakes become temptations for the tree. Sur La Table, a national retailer of all things epicurean, stocks luscious glass lec cream cones, chocolate dipped strawberties and gilter frosted sweets. "Food plays such an important role during the holidays—dessert and food-related ornaments just appeal to our senses," says, Linda (Nangle, Sur la Table's tabletop buyer. With millions of Americans watching "Mad Mem," "Life on Mars" and other shows

steeped in the styles of the '60s, '70s and '80s, it's no surprise that shelter magazines and on-trend furniture retail-century years. Retro-look ornaments such as martini glasses, starbursts and kicky teardrop shapes are surar, fresh and sophisticated once again.

fresh and sopram-again.

And for those who dress their homes in all-out glam-our, Christmas is a time to really put on the glitz. We see lustrous hues such as persim-mon, silver, grape and char-treuse in pretty sweaters, silk

jackets and other party wear. There are myriad baubles dressed up in feathers, fur, sequins and gitter that catch the light.

Robin Coogan, buyer and display artist for the gft and ornament store Seasons Too in Larchmont, N.Y., decorates 12 to 18 private homes for the holidays each year. "Everyone leves the sparkly metallics, as well as rich reds and chartreuse. Especially those who do a lot of entertailing—they want their tree and mantel to really set a festive mood."

Keeping your power when the grid goes dark

tric power outages. I cked into installing a backup generator, but the cost is too high. Is there a thing I can use to keep a lamp, my computer and a few other things running?

EAR JULIA: As modern bear juliar As modern families rely more on elec-tronic devices for everyday activities and basic needs, an extended, or even a brief, lectric power outage can be in inconvenience. Installing standby backup wholea standby backup whole-house generator is most effective, but, as you noted, the initial cost can be very high. It helps if you already have natural gas or propane for simpler installation of the backup fuel source. I recently had a three-day power outage because of a severe wind storm from the

remnants of hurricane lke By using backup portable battery power packs, I was able to keep my computer, reading lamp and security system running. The packs

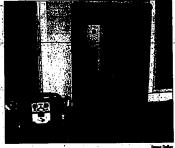


SENSIBLE HOME: Dulley

are not powerful enough to run a refrigerator for long, so the foods spolled, but 1 did not feel totally isolated or a lack of security. For general lighting at night, I brought my solar-powered yard lights indoors an light. The light from these is not bright enough to read or use for tasks, but they provided enough to read or use for tasks, but they they are the solar light. During the day, I placed them in a very sunny spot by my driveway sunny spot by my driveway so they would receive the maximum charge from the

sun.

Another tip when using the solar lights Indoors is to remove the batteries when you go to bed or no longer need light each night. This



od peliet stove to a battery re when the electricity goes James Dulley connects his corn/wood to keep it running for a day or more w

keeps the batteries from running down completely so they need less energy from the sun to be fully recharged the next day. During storms, clouds block the sun so the batteries may not fully charge from a completely

rundown state.

I also keep two portable power battery packs fully charged for emergencies. These power packs have from a 10 to 20 amp-hr from a 10 to 20 amp-hr (ampere hour) lead acid bat-tery inside. The power pack has an output socket/for 12 volts d.c. (direct current) which can be used to run any appliance which can be bugged into a car clgarette lighter.

Most power packs also, have a built-in investion which converts the 12-volt output to 120-volt house pure with a standard blue power with a standard blue.

output to 120-volt house power with a standard plug outlet. The maximum

power with a standard plug outlet. The maximum wattage output (usually about 400 watts) depends upon the size of the inverter. If you plug an extension cord into the power pack, make sure the wattages of all the appliances you attach to it do not exceed the inverter maximum.

During winter, when there is a power outage, even a gas or oil furnace shuts off. I use a freestanding com/wood pellet stowe to heat part of my house. I keep it connected to a battery power pack. When the electricity goes off, tautomatically draws electricity from the power pack. It can keep the stowe running for more than a day.

DEAR JIM: I have made my house more airtight to save energy, but I am now concerned about chemicals trapped in the air. I have heard charcoal is good for removing chemicals and odors. What type of charcoal is best?—Jamie W.

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Deadbolt technology makes hollow 'rocks' obsolete

You know, people don't ke enough time to sit out-

You know, people don't take enough time to sit out-side alone and just think. Listen to the birds. Feel the wind on their faces. Wonder when their spouses are coming home to unlock the door. This surmer, I locked myself out of the house. For four hours I waited, In damp heat that fused my unmentonables to places even more unmentionable. In houses past, this wouldn't have been a problem. I would have shimmled through an annoteded window or figured our some other form of self-burglay. However, our current dwelling is like a residential Fort Knox, with automatic lights, window and door laiarms, motion sensors and sold to the security systems speed dial. I couldn't get in. The beauty of Kwikset's SmartSean deadbolt lock—which reads fingerprints using the emerging technology of biometries—is that you can always get in the house, unless you somehow. houses past, this wouldn't have been a problem. I would

can always get in the house, unless you somehow forget r finger.

your finger.

The principles of blometrics are familiar to any fifth-



grader who has watched a James Bond movie. The technology scans and measures, unique biological feature that the scans of file using fancy mathematics.
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If the scan and the record on file match, voila — you have access to the evil genius' computer core, or whatever. Fingerprint- scanning is now commonplace; you can buy a fingerprint-lock USB device for your computer for less than \$50.

With the SmartScan, your flager's the key. The technology was fairly ackable in the pasy he guys on the Dispoyery Channel show MythBusters" unlocked a device using the Xerox of a fingerprint, and some enter-prising Japanese hacker replicated a finger using Gummi bears.

Gumml bears.
But now, fingerprint scanning is a pretty robust and
reliable form of security. The
Kwikset lock, for instance,
looks below the surface of the
skin using radio frequency
scanning, picking up land-

marks of your subdermal print. That means that your finger doesn't have to be perfectly clean or dry-for the lock to work. As the father of 1-year-old twins. I find my fingers rarely are clean or dry. Also, the lock will not operate if the finger in question has been separated from its owner. This addresses my first concern about this technology — that a routine burglary might escalate into a digit-removing nightmare and one of the unlikeliest sentences ever uttered: "Give me the finger!"

"If you don't have a live person. It's not going to work." Kwikset spokesman Eric Landquist said. I only hope this fact is well known in the home-invasion industry.

The SmartScan deadbolt

The SmartScan deadbolt The SmartScan deadbolt retails for about \$200; however, at a Home Depot in Los Angeles recently, the devices had been put on clearance for \$149. It asked Lundquist about the lock being put in the discount bin. "It appeals to a demographic that would spend \$200 on a lock, when you can get a deadbolt for \$25," Lundquist said. Apparently, said demograph-

lc doesn't include DIYers. "It's more for early-adopter types."

Installation was casy. No external wiring is required; the device uses four AA batterles, which Kwikset says will last for more than a year of heavy use. I removed the old deadbolt, assembled the device in the door and zapped in flive screws, although it took a couple tries to register my index finger as the "administrator." Among the "SmartScan features are the ability to hold up to 50 fingerprints and to restrict access for some people.— housekeepers, nan-

up to 50 ingerprins and to restrict access for some people — housekeepers, nan-ines, caregivers — to certain times of the day and week.

"If you wanted to lock your teenagers out after 10 o clock, you could do that," Lundquist said. Tell me this guy isn't in marketing!

In 20 inlinutes 1 had the handsome tunti, in satin nickel finish, installed and powered up. To open my front door now I only have to run the tip of my finger under the sensor. About a second later, the motor pulls the both bar to lock the door, I only need to up the sensor three times.

The lock also has a tumbler set and key if you want to open the door old-school.

Alas, the lock lish quite as robust as 1 had hoped. I returned from a recent business trip to discover the latch handle had come out. Some reassembly is required.

Of course, this lock is convenient for households with children, who tend to lose their house keys. (Now we can have blometric latchkey) their households with children, who tend to lose their house keys. (Now we can have blometric latchkey) dish, 3 nd sure, it's nice not to have to fumble for keys when you get to the door with your hands full. Also, I think the turuer-tech look of the lock might discourage intruders by suggesting that more high-tech security measures also might be in place.

But, clearly, and, I think indisputably, this technology is directed at aging boomers whose minds are increasingly slipping their neural gears.

Think about it: The SmartScan lock effectively does no more than one of those decorative rocks you can bide a key in (and deco-

SmartScan lock effectively does no more than one of those decorative rocks you can hide a key in (and decorative rocks are a lot cheaper). This is a product for people so addled that they can termember in which rock they hid the key.

Catalog season is dream time for gardeners

christmas may be chil-christmas may be chil-che favorite time of year, but for gardeners the se dreams comes immedi-ely after the holidays when e seed catalogs begin to

the seed catalogs arrive.
Seed catalogs have been a direct-mall staple for generations of backyard growers, whose appetite for fresh fruits, wegetables and lively splashes of flowering color are building as winter settles in.

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There are the familiar and proven plants and shrubs along with many promising heirtoom, hybridized or exotic plants entering the market.

Catalogs are dream books, said George Ball, chairman and chief executive officer of W. Atlee Burpee & Co., one of the nations pineer seed catalogs companies. "People use the catalogs topic plan out their gardens, Catalogs sit, on bedside tables. They're placed in workrooms and carried around in briefcases. Our catalogs are battered and dogs eared long before the planting sweaps begins. "Panting is side hoog catalogs the planting sweaps begins, but the planting sweaps begins and but the planting and but the planting sweaps begins and but the planting and but the pl



an and chief executive of W. Atlee Barpee & Co., work with his creative team in the same room a Doylestown, Pa., where his company's nam Barpee seed catalogs a centery or so ago. Doylestows, Pa., where his company's assesses founder cramma.

Barpee seed catalogs a century or so ago. These 'dream books' have infinenced the buying decisions of many generations of gardeners.

of more than \$3 billion in 2009, said Randy Schultz, a spokesman for the group. The average household will spend about \$125,* he said. Prices next year should rise an average 3 percent to 4 percent, Ball said. He blamet the higher prices on production coast uted to competition for blacked; cross, "creater water." bio-fuel crops, greater demand for food and fodder, and fewer acres under culti-

vation.
We produce ab "We produce about half bur beeds ourselves, but rely the vendors and contractors who breed and produce for us around the world," Ball said.

Despite the troubled world economy, however, suppliers

Despite the troubled world economy, however, suppliers appear optimistic. "Sales of gardening prod-resistant because people spend money planting gar-

dens and sprucing up their yards," Schultz said. "Strong sales for vegetable seeds and plants will continue during 2000."

2009."
Many seed catalogs and
Web sites report the average
order size has grown.
Customers who already were
vegetable growers are table growers are inding their gardens to ease harvests, Schultz

said.

Gardeners will have many appealing new varieties from which to choose once the catalogs land in their mail-

cataloga land in their mill-boxes. - Among the innovative products ready for launch are larger blooming begonias (Park Seed CO.): flavorful micro-green growing kits (Thompson & Morgan Seedsmen); a fragrant dwarf vardety of Angel's Tumpet (Brugmansia "Angel's



Fordhook Farm. Burpee will intro

Dream") that blooms all year and makes a great choice for hat blooms a great choice to-baskets (Logee's mants); multi-col-mitable and makes a great cnoice of hanging baskets (Logee's Tropical Plants); multi-col-ored chile peppers suitable for growing in containers (Cross Country Nurseries); the organic "Prairie Blush," a the organic Prairie Biush, a tasty, golden-fleshed potato with outstanding storage qualities (Wood Prairie Farm); and a sweet, personal-sized acom squash ("Honey Bear" from Johnny's Seeds). There's a songbird flower

seed mix that adds beauty to the yard and value to the landscape. After blooming, the flowers develop plump seed heads that help foraging birds and other critters sur-vive the winter (Botanical Interests Inc.).

And then there's the "Swee Seedless," a manufacture. And then there's the "Sweet Seedless," a meaty hybrid tomato that Ball calls "by far the most exciting new variety from Burpee in 2009." "It has an entirely new type of tomato texture — Julcy yet

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— rather than the large seed-related chambers found in normal tomatoes," he said, adding; "No seeds, no bitter-

adding: No seeds, no bitter-liess."
Seedlessness has been a goal of plant breeders for centuries, Ball said, but true seedlessness hasn't been pos-sible until recently.
"The seedless trend took off in the 1970s with the first seedless cucumbers, first in Europe and later in the U.S. It was a great development since the fruit possessed additional attributes such as premium ouality taste and a premium quality taste and texture. They became associated with gourmet use and a high market value," Ball said.

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Cranberries, Christmas balls make great DIY decor

Sure, the stores are filled with beautiful pre-made decorations this time of year. But do you really want your home to look like everyone elsess

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We asked some HGTV
designers what they could
easily create out of two
cheap, easy-to-find
Christmas decorations; glass
balls and cranberries, faux or
real.

balls and creating real.

The visions were astonishly diverse — from creat-a holiday clock to wine ss "jewelry." Here are their

HOLIDAY MIRROR

By Jennifer Hertrand Host of "Christmas Crafts" series and winner of HGTV Design Star 2008

Supplies: Small, framed mirror from craft store (unfinished wood

rati succianics
ame)
Primer
Actylic paint (two colors of
our choice)
Artists brushes (2)
Stenells (optional)
Decorative glass
small)
Faux cranberry branches
Craft adhesive
Camdle(s) (optional)

Directions:

1. Remove mirror from the frame to avoid getting paint on it. (It will pop out easily, like a photo in a picture frame with tabs holding it in street.)

2. Prime wooden frame to

place.)

2. Prime wooden frame to ensure that paint will stick.

3. Paint frame a solid color using an artist's brush.

4. Using a second color, paint or stencil a design onto the frame. Get creative, says Bertrand. by stenciling words from a favorite holiday song or a message to loved ones. (Optional: After painting, spray frame with water-based polyurethane and allow to dry following the directions on can.)

5. Once frame is dry, put mirror back inside.

6. Remove hooks from the glass balls to that balls are open at one end), then glue

pen at one end), then glue open at one end), then gue the balls onto the frame using a craft adhesive. Create any sort of pattern you'd like, clustering them together or sprinkling just a few on the frame. Balls located in the corners can be turned with their openings upward and used as tiny bud

ipward and used as finy bud vases.

7. Cut faux cranberry branches to a smaller size to fit into the bud vases. Or cut individual cranberries off the branches and glue them in a decorative band around balls that have been attached to the frame.

8. With the mirror lying flat on a table, place one or more candles in the center to create a centerpiece. If you'd prier to hang the mirror, leave the center empty.

TABLE TOP WREATH CENTERPIECE

By Frank Fontana Host of "Design on a Dime"

Supplies:
Old red Christmas balls
(medium to small) and a few
gold and bronze for additional color

conal color
Cranberry garland
- Shimmery or glittered gold
and bronze leaves pulled off
other old ornaments for
filer

iller
Foam floral ring as a base
Hot glue gun
Spray paint in antique
gold color

Directions

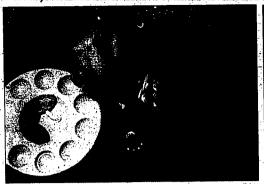
1. Spray paint foam floral ring gold.

2. Once dry wrap cranbery garland around floral ring
to evenly cover as much of
surface as possible.

3. Randomly insert red
foam ring using hot glue and
slight pressure (be careful
not to damage the ornaments).

4. Ghue leaves on to fill in
blank areas of ring.

5. Fill center of the ring
with extra red, gold, and
bronze ornaments. (You can
also fill the open center area



ar pi naifer Bertrand, of HCTV's 'Christmas Crafts' online series, is reflected in a micror as she paints her holiday oject which uses red halfs and cramberries.

6. Display as

CRANBERRY AND CHRISTMAS BALL CLOCK

plece, on mantelpiece or in foyer as a welcoming deco-ration.

CHRISTMAS BALL CLOCK
By John Gidding
Supplies:
Fake cranberries
A dozen small red
Christmas balls
Hot glue gun
Straight pins
Twig or branch wreath
Plastic foam ring (medi-um, to fit within wreath),
and plastic foam disk (smali,
to fit inside ring)
Clock mechanism (avali-able in crafts stores)
Silver gel pen

oje in cratis stores Silver gel pen Red acrylic païnt Paintbrush

1. Paint plastic foam pieces red.
2. To creale the clock numbers: Using glue gun, attach a sprinkling of cranberries on the twig wreath in groups of two or three, and attach a few single cranberies farther out on the branches. Walle it dries, write the numbers it through 12 using the silver gel pen on the red Christmas balls. (Practice witting the numbers attractively on paper first.) Affix the numbered balls sequentially onto outer area of twig wreath (Christmas balls with a small

area of twig wreath (Christmas balls with a small

attached are ca , but they can also be

Paint plastic foam

Directions:



John Gldding, from HGTV's 'Designed to Sell,' poses for a photograph with a clock he created with cranberries and red ornaments.



Frank Fostana, a designer and bost of HUTV's 'Design on a Dime,' creates a wreath centerpiece in his Chicago loft.



iraer Azzolo Sermelis, from HQTV's 'Rate My Space,' de Large cylindrical vase Plastite foam half-sphere that its juro beam half-sphere that its juro beam seem Real-sphere plants in the seem 3-5 family photos (prefer-shy black-and-white) Red acrylic paint Paintbrush Newspapers to protect work area

with a bowl of holiday candy or guacamole.)

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CRANBERRY VASE

By Frank Fontana Host of "Design on a Dime"

Supplies: Fake decorative cranber-

Fake decorative cranber-ries
Small glass vase
Spray paint in antique
gold color
Hot glue gun
Christmas ornaments (to
be used inside the vase)
Cinnamon sites
Gold ribbon

Directions:

1. Carefully spray inside of vase gold and let dry.

2. Using glue gun, adhere cranberries to the vase until its completely covered.

3. Insert ornaments and

cinnamon sticks.

4. Use gold ribbon to create a decorative bow on the

CRANBERRY PHOTO VASE

By John Gidding
Designer on "Designed to
Sell" and expert on "Holiday
Inspiration" series

Cranberries (preferably fake, though dried would work)
Plastic in the control of the control of

Plastic jewels (or glittery ornaments)

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gued on).

3. To create the middle ring of the clock face: Pin cranberries in neat rows to completely cover plastic foam ring.

Directions:

I. Paint the plastic foam half-sphere red (so that when cranberries are pinned to it, any plastic foam showing though won't be obvi-

us). 2. Line inside of vase with photos.

3. Fill the vase with cran-berries and the sparkling ornaments to a few inches

below rim.

4. Using pearl-tipped pins, pin cranberries in orderly rows on painted plastic foam, until it is covered.

5. Place cranberry dome on top of the cranberries in

completely cover plastic foam ring.

- 4. To create the inside ring of the clock face: Affix the clock mechanism to the plastic foam disk as the face of the clock, and pin cranberries to edge of the disk tos they don't impede the movement of the clock hands!,

5. To put it together: Attach cranberry ring to the wall where you'd like to display the clock, then affix the twig wreath so that is fits around the ring. Affix the clock face and mechanism in the very middle of the ring.

WINE GLASS "JEWELRY"

By Kim Myles Host of "Myles of Style" and a designer from "HGTV's Home for the Holldays' spe-cial

Wine or martini glasses

8 (per glass) mini
Christmas ball ornaments
(pre-wired)

Directions:

1. Create a strand of miniChristmas balls by twisting
one ball onto the wire of a
second ball. Keep the balls
close together, like pearls on
a necklace. (You don't want
to see excess wire.)

2. Keep adding balls until-



Supplies: Two 'clear' glass vases or tall bowls of similar size, but one slightly smaller in diam-eter and height than the other (one should fit into-like other).

Pavorite flowers, prefer-ably white Fresh cranberries

Directions

Kim Myles, of HGTV's 'Myles of . Style,' works on her holiday craft

you've strung eight together.

3. Wrap the strand of balls, around the base of the glass several times, securing the wire ends together to keep it in place.

Supplies: Empty clear acrylic box Ribbon Fresh cranberries Name tag

3. Add the name tag, then place on top of each guest's

By Angelo Surmells Host of "Rate My Space" and designer from "HGTV's

CRANBERRY VASE

CRANBERRY "GIFT"

PLACÉ CARD By Kim Myles

> Directions 1. Fill the box with cranerries.
>
> 2. Wrap the ribbon around as you would a normal

1. Fill smaller vase with water and place inside large one.
2. Fill gap between the vases with cranberries all the

vases with cranberries at the way to the top, so smaller vase is no longer visible.

3. Arrange flowers in the center vase.

RED "ORNAMENTS"

By Angelo Surmelis

Supplies:
Old red holiday ornaments in various sizes
Clear, hollow candlesticks, trifle dishes and clear vases
of different sizes
Piece of sturdy cardboard

Directions:

I. Turn candlesticks side down and fill from upside down and fill from the bottom opening with small red ornaments. Then cover opening with carri-board and turn candlesticks back upright (cardboard will keep ornaments from dropkeep ornaments from drop-ping out as candlesticks are turned over.) Once they are upright, slide cardboard out and discard or reuse. 2. Fill clear vases, bowls or trifle dishes of different sizes with ornaments. 3. Group the pieces together for maximum impact.



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A different sort of horse

20-year-old Carey dam births first foal



ed Skuler, left, and his daughter Andy Hansen stand with 20-year old mare Case

By Mary Ha

Casey was a different sort of horse from the start.
Karen Shuler, former Gooding County Leader office manager, says she knew the 2-year-old filly she purchased 18 years ago was going to be a special animal — and not simply due to the registered quarter horse's lineage.

"No, it was her youthful antics and the games she invented that some people still remember," Shuler said. Who could forget the sight of a young Casey curiously checking out the boarding arean restroom, stilfing horse lotions and medications? She had to be backed out of the small space, but as usual, she didn't get excited."

Casey created her own and the same she was the same she was the same she will be said to the same she was the same she wa

casey created her own game of chicken at arenas where the horse was boarded. She would gallop

around the arena before charging top speed, head toward anyone along the arena's fence. Shuler says Casey used perfect timing to lean back on her haunches and slide in—coming to a stop alongside the stattled fence-sitter. According to Shuler, Casey would tease and startle the Arabian horses by playing with noisy objects they were afraid of.
Andy Hansen, Shuler's 20-year-old

with Casey: "I sometimes jumped off Casey, dropping the reins while I ran in our house to get something. I think Casey thought of herself as human at times because she would walk into the house if you left the door ajar."

Case y motherly nature was obvious 100 rs lar."
Casey's motherly nature was obvious 100. The forse carefully carried children who had never ridden by using small, soft steps and standing perfectly still if they slid down her legs to the ground. Casey was known for gently separating calves from their mothers to care for them.
Despite that nature and being bred sevent times. Casey didn't produce foals of her own.
When Andy was 13, the 13-year-old horse's papers were handed over to her as a gift.

Gooding High collects phones for soldiers

Students, parents and staff of Gooding High School and local Gooding School and local Gooding residents have been gather-ing cell phones for the Cell Phones for Soldiers recy-cling program. The phones will be given to the more than 150,000 soldiers serv-

in the control of the

Soldiers.

Approximately half of the phones ReCellular processes are reconditioned and resold to wholesale companies in more than 40 countries around the world.

Residents of Gooding can support the collection drive by donating phones at Gooding High School, 1057 Seventh Ave., Gooding, ID. 83330, or by visiting www.cell-phonesforsoldlers.com.

Phones and components that cannot be refurbished are dismantled and recycled to reclaim materials including gold, sitter, and platinum from circuit boards, copper wiring from phone chargers, nickel, iron, cadmium and lead from battery packs and plastic from phone cases and accessories.

"Were proud to show our support for U.S. soldiers, and to contribute to a worthy cause like Cell Phones for Soldiers," said Dene Miller, retired Idaho Army Guard nurse and Instructor for Gooding's health program.



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COMMUNITY NEWS

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Veterans Services officer in Wendell

Steve Teague, state service fficer with the Idaho Stove Teague, some officer with the Idaho Division of Veterans Services, will be available from 9 a.m. to noon today at the American Legion Hall, 610 W. Main St. in Wendell. Get answers to your ques-tions about current veterans

benefits, assistance with ongoing claims and make new claims.

Information: Jim Benson a

Hagerman Elementary holds fundraiser

Hagerman. Elementary
School is holding its annual
gift basket fundraiser.
Each class is making
theme-filled gift baskets that
will be displayed now theme-filled gift baskets that will be displayed now through Dec. 17 in the multi-purpose room at the school. The community is encouraged to come to the school and make a bid for the bas-kets. Silent auction winners will be notified Dec. 18.
All money earned will help support the school.
Information: 837-4777.

Shoshone students hold holiday concerts

Shoshone High School and Middle School choir and band students will present their annual holiday concert at 7 p.m. Dec. 10 at the school located at 61 E. Idaho Highway 24 in Shoshone.

Shoshone.
This year's concert is
Christmas Through the Ages
and will be directed by Sarah
Butcher. Information: 886-

2338 ext. 351.

Shoshone Elementary
School students will present
their annual holiday music
concert at 7 p.m. Dec. 17 at

the school, located at 61 E. Idaho Highway 24 in

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Shoshone.
The show, entitled A
Whacky Christmas, is directed by Emily Krohmer.
Information: 886-2338 ext.

Long-term care wish lists wanted

wish lists wanted Long-term care facilities are encouraged to gather residents' wish lists for inclusion in the Times-News Community sections. Interested facilities can gather lists of three to five items or wishes per resident and e-mail them, along with each resident's name and the Times of the facility, to front-door@magicyalley.com.

door@magicvalley.com The submission dead submission deadline is Friday. Lists will run

Christmas dinner held in Hagerman

The Hagerman Valley Historical Society will hold its annual Christmas Potluck Dinner at 6 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Senior and Community Center, 140 E. Lake St., Hagerman. Members are encouraged to bring a guest. Anyone interested in the Hagerman Valley is invited to attend regardless of membership. The society will provide ham, potatoes and beverages, Attendees may bring a side dish or dessert.

MJ Freeman. who recently exist.

beverages, Attendees may bring a side dish or dessert.

MJ Freeman, who recently retired as museum director, will be the honored guest at the party. In 1981 Freeman, along with Billie Reed and Gretchen Upplano, founded the Hagerman Museum. She worked diligently to have the Hagerman horse named as the state fossil.

She has wast knowledge of the area and pioneer families, which proved invaluable when researching family histories. She has written articles for several newspapers and its a published writer off action and non-floor. While digging in her garden, she discovered several indian artifacts and worked with Keiley Murphy on excavating the area. Some of the artifacts found on her property are on display at the Hagerman Museum.

There will be no gift exchange this year.



or, will be the honored guest at the listorical Society's assual Christna

Entertainment will be provided.

For more information contact the museum between 1 and 4 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays at 837-6288.

Apply powdered alum to help cure canker and cold sores

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had been meaning to send this home remedy long before I read your column about cold and canker sores. My mother had recurring cold sores on her lips but also frequently had canker sores in her mouth, I used to have frequent canker sores but have never had a cold sore.

Even though it does seem



a lot of high-acid foods can trigger canker sores, mine

ent for us was to dab pov red alum (from the seasoning section of the groce store) on the tip of a damp finger and then apply it to the canker or cold sore.

tinger and then apply it to the canker or cold sore. There is a brief, intense ti gling and bitterness from application, but relief is instant, and, for us, the so were usually gone within

day or two, I have even used this for a huge 3/4-inch-by-3/14-inch sore in my throat. I simply dampened a Q-tip, dabbed it in the powdered alum and applied to the spot. The pain was gone instantly, and the sore was completely healed in three

days.

I hope this will help your readers as much as it has helped me and my mother.

DEAR READER: I have received several remedies for reading canker and cold sores. They have including everything from using Liyaine tablets to eliminating peanus and high-add foods to reducing stress. But, by far, the most commended home remedy was crystallized or powdered alum. Alum is used in many applications, including crys-

ickling. DEAR DR. GOTT: I read your column about the woman with treatment-resistant UTIs with interest. resistant UTIS with interest.
I, too, was having this condition. When I asked my doctor why, he said he wasn't certain about the cause, but it could be bacterial. I

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Wood River Middle School honor roll

Wood River Middle School announced its first trimester honor roll. Sixth grade Giselle Andrade, Alagna I. Ashurst, Elizabeth Beezza, Abjegil Bartor, Cameron Benson, Mirlam Biggham, Stritop Bradey, Lucy Brannon, Liza Buell, Tiras Buchmore, Samuel Burs, Cody Carter, Sarah Carty, Janeth Castanoe, Riley Clark, Bailef Cleven, Aver Clossee, Rory Cole, Holljann Davis, Alexandar Fields, Silas Fortun, Kaedi Fry, Hunter Frye, Huyes Gillman, Samanhika. Davis, Alexandra Fields, Silas Fortuin, Kaedi Fry, Hunter Frye, Hayes Gilman, Samantha Goltiandia, Grace Gorham, Gottandia, Graze Corham,
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Green, Hector Gutlerrez Castro,
Xavier Halbmingtie, Connor
Hayes, Cormac Heneghan,
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Howe, Cosandra Hurtado,
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-Reyburn, Joel Binckweld, Jack Rizzo, Lucas Robersson, Juana Rosales, Claire Sauerbrey, Austin Sawaria, Emmett Say, Jasmine Schoffeld, Kenya Schott, Jonathon Scott, Renee Shapiro, Caltilli Sholtis, isabella Stimac, Cheyanne Stopol, Denon Strope, Lucren Sunday, Samantha Sutton, Zachary Swanson, Hayden Thayer, Brigette Thomas, Jackson Toothman, Kyfer Torres, Jazmine Valverde, Tysor VanDyck, Callie Weber.

Seventh grade
Fabio Aguirre, Hunter Aitken,
Kenza Alaoui, Maco Alvarado,
Creighton Ariat, Sarah Arters,
Annie Ashfield, Trent Avery.
Sarah Beeza, Cooper Bailey,
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Horse

Continued from page CS
Together, Casey and Andy
explored the hills and mountains around Gannett and
Pleabo. They were seldom
separated as they rode in
parades and worked cattle.
When Andy met and married Steven Hansen, the couple kept Casey at the home of
Andy's parents, Reed and
Betty Shuler, near Carey.
This year, the farm
yoliced that Casey seemed to
be goining a little more

nastasia Poklemba, Desmond orth, Eduardo Regalado, Claire

Community

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First Friday Dinner

Dr. Gott

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The Gooding Basque Association will hold a First Friday Dinner from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday at the Gooding Basque Center at 285 Euskadi

Continued from page CS figured if the cause was bacteria, perhaps betadine would help.

I simply started washing 'down there' with the beta-dine, and the infection was gone! Now, if I feel a UTI starting, I immediately wash or add a few drops to a bottle of prepared douche. It immediately resolves the problem. I hope this helps some of your other readers. DEAR READER Urlanay-trac! Infections can be difficult to treat, especially in

cult to treat, especially in women who have recurring or frequent infections. Typical treatment usually

Typical treatment usually consists of a course of oral antibiotics, but finding a simple home treatment to prevent them can be vital. I am printing your letter in the hopes that it will help other women who suffer from similar situations.

I would also like to recomment displaying a place of

mend drinking a glass of cranberry juice daily. It may prevent urinary tract and bladder infections. Drinking

bladder infections. Drinking several glasses a day during

this week

weight than she usually did in the summers. Nobody gave much thought to the 20-year-old mare's weight, how-

ever.
One evening, Reed Shuler looked out over the hilly pasture where Casey and several other horses lived, and saw a

other horses lived, and saw a foal with Casey. He remembers thinking, "Oh no, Casey has stolen the neighbor's foal."

neighbor's foal."

Reed jumped in his pickup,
drove up the hill and discov-

Lane (located at the intersec-tion of U.S. Highway 26 and Idaho Highway 46, behind Family Dollar in Gooding). The dinner is open to the public. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$6 for children. Menu includes

lamb chops, pork loin, Basque rice, Basque bread,

an acute infection can also lessen symptoms and shorten recovery time.

To give your-clated information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Bladder and Urinary Tract Infections." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, samplet No. 10 envelope and \$2 to Newsletter, PO Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

to mention the tide.

Peter Gott is a retired

ered a young foal nursing calmly at Casey's side. It took 20 years, but Casey had a foal of her own.

her own.

As the Shuler family exaltin the shock of the mare's
st birthing, it became
are of an odd coincidence

aware of an odd coincidence
— Andy and Steven had just
learned that Andy, also 20,
was expecting a baby.
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Members of the Kimberty FFA Chapter were among the 28 taxes particle-pating in the 2008 Metional FFA Food Science and Fechnology Carreer Development Event. The competition was held 0ct. 22.25 in Indianapolis during the 61st Mational FFA Convention. Team sembers met with an event sponsor representative of Kraft Foods Korth America, I.c. Pictured from left are advisor Cody Poratic and team sembers Cody Wadsworth, Kalesy Molyneux, Emma Jones and Edith Jones. Participants were asked to take an objective test, design and formation or reformation as simulated food product, conduct natificional analysis and apply food safety as well as rly FFA Chapter = tood product, consists mattroanal manyers are appr tood saving as zanitation principles. The National FFA Food Science and Technology is is sponsored by Kraft Foods North America, Inc. It is one of 23 differ national events that use the fun of competition to connect classroom



POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

Roger Curtis from the Walker Center in Gooding recently resented checks and certificates to the Red Ribbon Week tred cacets and certaintents to the bot indoor interest winners. Pictured, from left, are the winners from Gooding Middle School: first place, Daven.
Graves; second place, Sandra Zarste;
third place, Mylle Vermillios; and Cartis.



West Minico honor roll announced

West Minico Middle School announced its honor roll for the first trimester.

Iste Irist (umester. SIxth Grade Maria Acosta Lopez, Jordyn E. Aqderson, Joshua Barclay, Justin Borden, Willem Bradford, Christian Caldera, Callin Carler, Sabra Chantty, Domenico Chavez, Isailr/Cofer, Kadlesha Craykhorn, Shelby Doyle, Josophina Greco, Tanner Harper, Keyleann Hawkes, Bradley Higglins, Camilla Korth, Tyler Maughan, Blanca Murillo, Cherydan Chish, Katle Perrigot, Dalton Robbins, Lexington Rogers, Casandra Sanchez, Clancy Sayer, Jaden Siller, Lucas Stevenson, Jayee Stimpson, Sayer, Jacel Siler, Edicas Stevenson, Jaylee Stimpson, Garret Stocking, Jaquoy Twiss, Jacle Wilkins, Jordyn M. Anderson, Kylie Gutlerrez, Maddison Lisonbee, Nestor Madrigal, Janeth Martinez, Rylan Olsen, Randy Palaclos,

Seventh Grade
Carly Bailley, Jaraka Ball, Kamil Blacker, Kelsey Billoco, Choel Faradlord, Mog Bradched, Rebecca Damron, Megan Dibb, Elaine Dougal, Elizabeth Freiburger, Tanisha Lopez, Skylar Lune, Kallec May, Alexandia Pool, Nicole Reynaga, Roman Ribera, Shirlan Sibbett, Kolbee Tibbets, Dakota Tarisa, Brittany VanLeuven, Tiana Wheeler, Luke Allred, Mackinzle Bair, Lury Bingham, McKenzle Linzy Bingham, McKenzie Caldwell, Brandon Duncan, Naomi Koyle, Braxton May, Brian Mendez, Maranda Nava, Raylee Reeves, Adina Ruiz,

Eighth Grade Isalah Alvarado, Wytt Bedke, Justin Bourne, Kendall Carter, Teryn Carter, Tylo Colflesh,

Andrea Edie, Joshua Evenson, Monice Farfan, Andrey Frank, Trishtan Garcia, All Gee, Cheyanna Hawkes, Waliker Hunt, Jake Johnson, Kimberly Kuraler, Martin Lopez, Nathan Maughan, Sydney Meler, Lyndie Mittelsteadt, Zhaillenna Nay, Jessica Page, Anne Poliard, Nicholas Redder, Holly Robbins, Taylor Saastad, Kirsten Sanderson, Kelsle

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Rev. George M. Docherty and his wife, Sae, look at a display of pic-celebrating the retired maintain's life, at Huntington Presbylarian Cherrib in Huntington, Pr., no Feb. 4, 2004. Docherty, whose sem-fetor President Origit Elembores belond past Congress to inser-words 'under God' into the Piedge of Allegiance, has died. He was

George Docherty dies, urged 'under God' in Pledge deity, Docherty said, the pledge could just as easily apply to the communist Soviet Union: 'I could hear little Muscovites recite a similar pledge to their harmer-and-sickle flag with equal solemnity.' In fact, Docherty first delivered his sermon in 1952, but to little effect. Other groups, including the Knights of Columbus and a veterans' organization, had

By Matt Schudel The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The
Rev. George M. Docherty,
the former pastor of the
New York Avenue
Presbyterian Church here
who delivered an influential sermon that led to the
insertion of the obrase
"under God" in the Pledge
of Allegiance in 1954, died
Nov. 27 of a heart alliment at
his home in Alexandria, Pa.
He was 97.

Docherty (pronounced DOCK-er-tee) was summoned from his native Scotland in 1950 to become pastor of the historic church in downtown Washington, which Abraham Lincoln attended when he was president in the 1860s. Each year on the Sunday closest to Lincoln's birthday, Feb. 12, the church had a special service that was traditionally attended by the president.

On Feb. 7 1054 ... 1054 (pronounced

ly attended by the president.
On Feb. 7, 1954, with President Elisaphower sitting in Lincklin's pew, Docherty urged that the pledge to the flag be amended, saying, "To omit the words 'under God' in the Pledge of Allegiance is to omit the definitive factor in the American way offlie". He borrowed the phrase from the Gettysburg Address, in which Lincoln said, 'this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth

said, "this Nation, under God, shall have a new birth

Docherty's inspiration for ne sermon came from his Docherty's inspiration tor the sermon came from his son's schoolroom experi-ence of reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, which was writ-ten in 1892 by Baptist minis-ter Finncis Bellamy, When Docherty realized that it had no reference to God, he later said, "I had found my ser-mon." said, "I neu .__ mon." Without mentioning a

Larry Duane Parke

Larry Duane Parke, 81, of Twin Falls, passed away Saturday, Nov. 29, 2008, at his home of a long battle

Saturday, Nov. 29; 2008, at his home of a long battle with cancer. He was, born on May 17; 1927 In a farm house imperence of county, to Rula and Lale Houston. At the age of 4, he went to live with his paternal grandparents, Frank and Dalsy Houston. He started elementary school in Jerome and finished, third grade there, He then moved to Halley to live with his mother and her new adopted by Hall Parke in 1941 at the age of 14. He graduated from Halley High School in 1945, after Which be joined the U.S. Navy, He was honorably discharged from the Navy in 1946. He became a miner and worked for the Thumph Mine and also worked for his father-in-law. Grover Concert in mines in the Last

Mine and also worked for his father-in-law. Grover Crocker, in mines in the Lost River and Wood River valleys. He moved his family to California in 1953, where they lived for seven years before moving back to Idaho to run a rental business in Idaho Falis in 1960. Larry then went to work for the INEL in 1966 until his retirement in 1989.

nt in 1989. s involved in Little League Baseball for nearly 20 years, spending the last few years as president of the

league.
In 2001, he moved to Twin Falls to be near his 90-yearold stepmother and sister.
On May 1, 1947, he maried his high school sweetheart, Faye Crocker, in Halley.
Together they had a son, Larry Dennis in 1948, and a



daughter, Vicky 1951. Larry and Paye later decreed in 1974. In 1975, he

married Betry Murri, linherting four stepchildren, Berti Murri, Blake Murri, Brice Murri and Brenda Murri, Larry was an avid golfer, hunter, fisherman and card player. He liked to be active all the time. He was the Rock.of Gibraltar for his family and was much loved by all.

the Rock of Gibraita for his family and was much loved by all.

He is survived by his son. Larry Dennis (Vicky Leo) of Boise; his daughter, Vicky Lynn Davis of Twin Falls; six grandchildren; four stepchildren. Bet (Lynette) Murri, Bicke (Janiece) Murri

ing, loyal and doting companion of five years. Ora Deahl. Larry was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Geri Kimzey, both of his wives; and his stepmother, Eyelyn Parke.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4, at White Mortuary. "Chapel by the Park," In Twin Falls. Donations may be made in Larry's memory to the Elk's Rehabilitation Hospital in Bolse.

Virginia Slippey

RUPERT — Virginia-Slippey, 79, of Rupert, passed away Friday, Nov. 28, 2008, at her home. She was born Nov. 20, 2008, to Adren and Ethyl, Petersen Lewis, in Blackfoot, where she grew up and attended school. She mar-ried Claude Robinson and was lafer divorced. She mar-ried Fred Slippey on Oct. 7, 1959.

1959.
Virginia worked as a sen-tor companion and helped at the senior center. She also was a cook for the food room at the St. Nicholas Catholic Church for eight years. She was a member of the St. Nicholas Catholic Church and a Euchrist minister. She and a Euchrist minister. She also was a member of the VFW Auxillary and the Ceramic Association, where she won the Freddy and the Statue awards. She enjoyed ceramics, bingo, cards and travelior

ceramics, burgettraveling,
Virginlays survived by her
children, Karen Hale of
Burley, Charles Roy Slippey
of Idaho Falls, Fred Arthur Jr.
Slippey of Pocatello, Edward of Idaho Falls, Fred Arthur In-Slippey of Pocatello, Edward Gene Slippey of Maralona, Calif., and Allen Lee Slippey of Reno, Nev; 18 grandchil-dren; 32 great-grandchil-dren; nine great-great-grandchilidren; brother, Chet Lewis of Darlington; and sis-

ters, Afton I Blackfoot, Juanita Hulse

ters, Afton Hulse of Blackfoot, Juanita Gilbert of Darlington and Ailce Tucker of Pocatello. She was preceded in death by her husband by her

Burial will be at the Rupert Cemetery at a later date. The family would like to thank Joy Gee, Mildred Trindel, Alma Hammond, Barbara Walsh, and Home Health and Hospice for the care given to Virginia.

SERVICES

Arthur Reed Hubsmith of Rupert, funetal at 11 a.m. today at the Rupert West LDS Stake Center, 26 S. 100 W. in Rupert; visitation from 10 to 10:45 a.m. today or the :45 a.m. today at the urch (Rasmussen Funeral Home in Burley).

Molly Faye (Julian) Craft of Boise, memorial service at 11 a.m. Friday at the West End Cemetery in Buhl; dinner fol-lows at the United Methodis Church in Buhl (Aclesa Chapel in Boise).

Donald Dwight Rams of Twin Falls, family servin 3 p.m. Friday at Su Memorial Park; pu memorial Park; public memorial service at 10 a.m. Saturday at White Mortuary in Twin Falls. Olive C. Hartley of Wendell, memorial service at 11 a.m. Suturday at the Wendell United Methodist Church (Demaray Funeral Service, Wendell Chapel).

Michael DeLoy Taylor of Shoshone, funeral at 11 a.m. Saturday at Rasmussen Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St. in Burley, visitation one hour before the service at the funeral home.

Emma J. Dodge of Twin Falls, memorial spaghetti dinner from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Saturday at the Immanuel Lutheran Church, 2055 Filer Ave. E. in Twin Falls (Parkes Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

DEATH NOTICES

Elwyn Steube

HEYBURN — Elwyn Steube, 87, of Heyburn, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, at his

ome. Arrangements will be anounced by Hansen-ayne Mortuary in Burley.

Carma J. Adams

ALBION — Carma June Adams, 82, of Albion, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008, at her

Arrangements will be announced by the Rasmussen Funeral Home of Burley.

Clarisa S. Wilske

HEYBURN — Clarisa Fay Simon Wilske, 42, of Heyburn, died Sunday, Nov.

of 2008.

Arrangements will be nounced by the asmussen-Funeral Home

Shirley Armstrong

of Burley.

BUHL — Shirley Arm-strong, 79, of Buhl, died Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008 at her home. Arrangements will be announced by Farmer Funeral Chapel in Buhl. Edith S. Hamilton

Edith S. Hamilton, 93, of win Falls, died Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2008, at St. Luke's Magic alley Medical Center in Twin

Falls.

A memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. Dec. 6, at the Twin Falls Seventh-day Adventist Church, 131 Grandview Drive. Insurament will follow at a later date at the family cemetery in Salmon (Parke's Magic Valley Funeral Home in Twin Falls).

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Lawyer: Trampled NY worker lacked crowd training

By Frank Eltman Associated Press writer

MINEOLA, N.Y.—A worker trampled to death when customers stormed a Wal-Mart for bargains on the day after Thanksgiving had no experience in crowd control and was placed at the entrance because of his hulking farme, police and a lawyer said Monday.

londay. The details about the dead-The details about the deady stampede came out as police pored over video surveillance provided by the store while considering possible criminal charges. Lawyers were also preparing to sue over the episode.

Nassau County Police
Commissioner Lawrence

over the episode.
Nassau County Police
Commissioner Lawrence
Mulvey noted that the worker,
Jdimytal Damout, was 6 feet 5
and 270 pounds, making the
trampling all the more stunning. He was killed when a
crowd estimated at 2,000
strong broke down the electronke doors in frante pursuit
of hearning on blee-crown TVs.

tronic doors in frantic pursuit of bragains on big-screen TVs, clothing and other items.

"Literally anyone, those hundreds of people who did make their way into the store, iterally had to step over or around him or unfortunately on him to get into the Wal-

Knights of Columbus and a veterans' organization, had advocated a similar change in the pledge.

But, In 1954, with Elsenhower in the congregation and the threat of communism in the air, Docherty's message immediately resounded on Capitol Hill. Bills were introduced in Congress that week, and Elsenhower signed the 'under God' act ifild lawwithin four months. Then as now, legal schol.

signed the 'under God' act info law within four months. Then as now, legal scholars questioned whether a reference to a delty in a partiotic pledge violated the First Amendment separation of church and state. In recent years, there have been several court challenges to the phrase. But Docherty remained unmoved. The phrase 'under God' could include 'the great fewish community and the people of the Muslim faish,' in his view, but he drew the line at athelists.

"An atheistic American is a contradiction in terms," he said in his sermon. "If you

a contradiction in terms," he said in his sermon. "If you drop the Christian ethic, you fail shor of the American ideal of life." George Macpherson Docherly was born May 1911, in Glasgow, Scotland, and was a shipping derk in his youth. He was in his 20s when he decided to enter the ministry and later received two degrees from the University of Glasgow.

Mart store, said Mulvey.
Mulvey said an autopsy found that Damour, 34, died of asphystation related to his trampling, and he conceded that it would be difficult to file criminal charges against any of the shoppers. It goes beyond identifying specific people to make a case, "Mulvey said." You have to establish recklessness or intent to harm, which led to

intent to harm, which led to

Attorney Jordan Hecht, who

Attorney Jordan Hecht, who represents Damour's three sistems, said the family declined to make any public statements about the man's death. Funeral arrangements were pending he said. Hecht said Damour had been working at the Wal-Mart only for about a week and was hired through an employment agency that provides temporary staffang. Damour had not been trained for any security assignments and had no background in crowd control, he said.

no background in crowd con-rrol, he said.
A call seeking comment from the employment agency, was not returned.
Wal-Mart Stores Inc., in a statement Friday, called the incident a 'tragic situation' and said it had tried to pre-pare for the crowd by adding staffers and outside security

workers, putting up barri-cades and consulting police. "Despite all of our precau-tions, this unfortunate event occurred," senior Vice President Hank Mullany said. A company spokesman did

President Hank Mullany said.
A company, spokesman-did
not immediately respond to a
request for comment Monday
on Mulvey's remarks.
Hecht said that he was considering a lawsuit but that no
decision had been made. Two
other injured shoppers filed a
notice of claim Monday, the
first sten toward proceeding

nunce or ciaim Monday, the first step toward proceeding with a lawsult.

At least four other people were treated at hospitals and released, including a woman who was eight months preg-nant.

nant.

Mulvoy sald while investigators are still piecing together details, it is apparent that
the Wal-Mart store lacked
adequate security to handle
the crowds of shoppers that
converged on Priday morn-

converged on Friday neuring.

"In fact, security was inside the store and not outside organizing, arranging and planning for this anticlipated opening." Mulvey said.

Police officers had been called to the scene at about 3 a.m. but left after about a half-hour, he said. The crowd—then estimated at about when estimated at about

National rederation, the industry's largest group, was unaware of any other store workers ever dying on the job in the post-Thanksgiving rush.

Shoppers around the country line up early outside.

Thanksgiving rush.
Shoppers around the country line up early outside stores on the day after Thanksgiving in the annual bargain-hunting ritual known as Black Friday, It got that name because it has historically been the day stores broke into profitability for the full year.

that name occasion in cortally been the day stores broke into profitability for the full year.

Burt P. Flickinger III, manging director of Strategic Resource Group, a retail-consulting firm, said retailers quickly learned they can attract massive crowds if they can attract massive crowds if they maynise.

attract massive crowds if they promise a mazing savings and limit the inventory or availability of the sale items to a few hours. A number of retaillers have opted to distribute vouchers or organize the sales in other ways to "cut down on the tsunaril of shoppers entering the store all at once," he said. "There are so many retailers doing it the right way, it seems senseless there wasn't strategic, and operational

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rhack Kellen State Friday dur-ing the first half Athleti rence game olse. Moore

Boise State leads in All-WAC awards

Vandals also earn spots

By Dustin Lapray
Times News correspondent

BOISE — Although the No. 9 Boise State Broncos pride themselves on unselfish play, team-oriented goals and program success, the nation and the Western Athletic Conference took notice of the

accomplishments of an out-standing group Broncos. Five BSU football players won first team All-WAC hon-

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ors Monday and six others were named to the second

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BSU head coach Chris
Petersen won his first WAC
Coach of the Year honor as
well. Petersen is 34-3 as a head
coach and led his team to its
third undefeated regular season in five years.

"He deserves it," cornerback Kyle Wilson sald. "He's
really down to earth. I really
like his coaching style."

"Kellen Moore was named to

the second team, but was also named the conferences Freshman of the Year. Through a dozen games, he completed 259 of 370 passes for 3,264 yards, 25 touchdowns and an efficiency rating of 161.53.

"Kellen is unbellevable," leremy Childs said. "That Oregon game, people thought he was going to be rattled. He showed his composure. That guy's real competitive, and it's fun playing with somebody like that." Childs earned his second

like that."

Childs earned his second first team honors. The junior wideout led the team with 65 catches for 741 yards and

seven touchdowns.
"It's a blessing for me to get the honors two years in a row, but ... nobody gets honors without the team success, Childs said. This honor is for all the receivers and the coaches."

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Childs recognized his position coach, Brent Pease, for his success. His fellow receiver Austin Petits made it to the second team with 45 receptions for 502 yards and a team-high nine touchdowns.

[Petits] became one of my closest friends on the team.

closest friends on the team," Childs said. "He's a young guy,

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my name is

Three new coaches, one new team enter SCIC foray

By David Bashore Times News writer

It might not be easily seen on the surface, but the Buhl Indians, know they have something of an 'edge in preparing for the 2008-09 Sawtooth Central Idaho

preparing for the 2008-09 Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference campaign. Sure, Buhl returns just three players who saw significant playing time lasesson. And one of those, Nick Hamilton, had his junior season end early when to the control of the con

to.

The same cannot be sald of the other four competitors in the SCIC. Three are sporting new head coaches this season, and the fourth—former Class 2A participant Wendell— Is making its Class 3A debut.

its Class 3A debut.
"When you're used to seeing the same guys coming back each year, as coaches, you start to get an idea of what they're going to do, how they're going to do





things," said Bowman, in his seventh season in charge of Buhl's program. "I'll be interesting to see this year ... they're all pretty much learning new systems, and our kids are in the same one. It gives us a little bit of an advantage in that way but we're really young and have a lot of growing up to do."



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No clear favorite in Canyon Conference race

With Wendell's move up to the Class 3A Sawtooth Central Idaho Conference and Declo's move down, the future Canyon Conference boys basketball champion will be anyone's guess as a trio of teams wes for the lone District IV seed to the Class

"it's going to stay competi-tive," Glenns Ferry coach Jeremiah Johnston said. "I don't see that changing this year." Glenns Ferry ded Wendell

Glenns Ferry tied Wendeli for the regular season cham-pionship last season but won the high seed to the confer-ence tournament on a coin flip. There, they were defeat-

ed by Wendell twice for the state tournament berth. The Pilots will field a consider-ably greener team as only one player, juntor Michael Crane, returns with any sig-nificant varsity experience. Crane averaged 13 points and 9.5 rebounds per game last season. The Pilots will have two seniors in Johany Popoca

and Jordan Shenk, so the bulk of the squad will be underclassmen.

"They're really young, but good athletes," Johnston sald. They play as well as a group, and I look forward to seeing what they can do. Crane, Robin Shenk, and Codee Roberts are three-of the Pilots' biggest bodies, each at 6-foot-3.

The Declo Homets fin-ished 7-15 in the SCIC last season but now compete in the Canyon. Declo coach Dec Lewis said that the Homets should be competive in the conference as they have played Glenns Ferry in years past and Valley this summer.

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Williams, Slaton lead Texans past Jags 30-17

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Marlo Williams, Steve Slaton and the Houston Texans put on quite a show in their Monday Night Football debut. Williams had a season-high three sacks and forced a fumble and Slaton ran for a pair of touchdowns to lead the Texans to a 30-17 win over the situmping Jerksonville Jaguara. Jacksonville Jaguars

Andre Johnson added a TD reception and Kris Brown kicked three fleel goals in the win. a highlight in Houston's disappointing season so fag. The top pick in the 2006 draft, Williams brought down quarterback David Garrad in the second, third and fourth' quarters. He forced a fumble by Garrad on his last sack and Houston

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on Texaus running back Stove Staton (20) breaks away on a run aga g the fourth quarter in Houston. The Texaus beat the Jaguars 30-17.

Problems at the point for CSI men

The question just had to be asked. At one point this summer, more than one-third of the players on first-year men's basketball head coach Steve Gosar's College of Southern Idaho roster-ween policy faunts were point guards



Of the first eight freshmen to sign with the Golden Eagles, four played the point. So the question was posed to the boss What's up with stockpiling so many point

stockpiling so many point guards?
At the time, Gosar sald, "If you've got a guy that can pass, dribble, shoot and understand the game like most point guards do, I can't get enough of those guys."
Had Gosar owned a crystal fall, hed have noted another reason as well.
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Those desperate circumstances came through a blzarre series of events that whittled away at Gosar's point guard posse. The first came when LeMario Harris, a 6-foot guard out of Dallas, returned home during the summer, seeking the chance to play closer to home. Not long after, Burley High grad Colton Moon decided to postpone his collegiate career, while staying, in school at CSI.

But not to worry, invited walk-on Paul Becklens Joined the team out of Boston. Mass., and Byago Diouf brought his high energy garne from Dakar, Senegla. Only problem? Becklens Isn't eligible until winter semester and a language barrier meant putting Diouf on the wing to simplify the offense for him.

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wing to simplay the offense for him.
Shortly before the Beason, Lacy Haddock, a talented \$1-1 guard out of Las Vegås, was dismissed from the team. That left Barrett and Odum to run the show.
Through eight games, the due has done just fine for the 10th-ranked Golden Eagles.

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Marbury's Knicks status 'not resolved' in meeting

GREENBURGH, N.Y. (AP)
— Stephon Marbury did not get the divorce he wants, but in and the New York Knicks, agreed to a separation.

Marbury was ordered Monday to stay away from the Knicks while the team looks for a solution to its \$21 million problem — one that has lingered since the preseason and exploded last week when the team suspended limfor refusing to play and he retallated with a series of inflammatory remarks about coach Mike D'Antoni.

Marbury's future was "not resolved" during a meeting with easy president Donnte Walsh at the Knicks' practice facility, according to the players' association attorney representing him. The sides will continue to talk, but Marbury won't be around in the meantime.

"After meeting with

time.

"After meeting with Stephon and his representative this afternoon, we have directed Stephon not to participate in practice or attend games until further notice," Walsh said in a statement.



New York Knicks' Stephon Marbury [3] reacts to a call on Oct. 24 as coach Mike D'Anton looks on during the second half of a game in New

"We want to continue to meet with him to discuss a long-term resolution."

is adamant that he won't give much of it up in a buyout. However, that salary makes him nearly impossible on trade, and the Knicks are reluctant to give him all his money to leave.

Walsh's decision to han Marbury comes on the hels stormy. Knicks: career. The Knicks suspended the New York native one game and penalized him nearly \$400,000 last week for what they claimed was his refusal of D'Antoni's request to come off the inactive list and play in a game at Detroit last Wednesday.

Marbury then blasted the coach in a pair of stories in the New York Post, saying he didn't trust D'Antoni and adding that "the marriage is over."

over."
Not yet, though.
Marbury arrived: at the teams practice facility at 225, m. Monday and met with Walsh for about 20 minutes. His representative, Ital Biagas, walked out of the building shortly after 3 p.m.

and into the car where Marbury was waiting.

"(Weil) try to keep this in house and so no comment at this time." Blagas said. "We'll keep you posted if things happen."

The decision to ban Marbury from the team is similar to what indiana is doing this season with Jamarl Timstey and did in the past with Ron Artest. Walsh, the former Pacers president, had little choice after Marbury lashed out at coaches and teammates Monday." Lest them for them and Monday.
"I sat there for three weeks

and didn't say one word," Marbury told The Post. "I did-Marbury told The Post. 1 did-n't hear one of my teammates say, "Why isn't Stephon Marbury playing? This is a good system for him, even to play with the second unit and bring more frepower." "When things got bad and then warse, guys like

"When things got bad and then worse, guys like Quentin Richardson, say, "I don't consider him a team-mate. He let his teammates out to dry. 'He didn't care I was his teammate when I

was banished. They left me-out for dead, It's like we're in a feshole and I'm facing the other way. It I got shot in the head, at least you want to get shot by the enemy. I got shot in the head by my own guys in my foshole. And they did-rit even give me an honor-able death.

nt even give me an honorable death.

Knicks players have grown ited of Marbury's many dramas, especially because theyd like more focus on their improved play. New Mork (8-8) ended November at 500 or better for the first since going 7-6 in 2004.

"I don't know what to say to that, more than har to say to that, more than I'm sorry be feels that way and I don't get he impression that we've done that," forward David Lee said, "But moving forward, as I said, this has just got to get taken care of whenever it gets taken care of one winning. And buying into comments like that or responding to them does nothing more than take the focus off our team and winning."

Richardson leads Bobcats past T-Wolves 100-90

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Jason Richardson scored 25 points in another strong perform-ance following arthroscopic knee surgery, and the Charlotte Bobcats beat the or-prone Minnesota error-prone Minnesota Timberwolves 100-90 on

imbervolves in 100-90 on Monday night.
It was the third straight game of at least 21 points for Richardson since his return after sitting out seven contests following the exploratory surgery on his right knee. He led an efficient offense that included a season-high 24 points from Emeka Okafor and 14 asslsts and just one turnover for Raymond Felton.
Randy Foye secred '23 points and Mike Miller added 19 points and 10 rebounds for the Timbervolves, who wen ever in sync in their second straight loss.

CELTICS 107, MAGIC 88

BOSTON — Paul: Pierce scored 17 of his 24 points in the third quarter to lead the Boston Celtics to their ninh straight win, 107-88 over the Orlando Magic on Monday picht.

night.
Ray Allen added 21 points,
Rajon Rondo had 16 points
with 12 assists and Kevin
Garnett scored 15 points for



cats guard la Richardson (23) drives past Minnesota Timbera es (8) and guard Randy or a dunk Monday durin nday during Foye (4) for a dunk Monday duri the second half of their game in

the Celtics (17-2) in a win over a top Conference rival.

Conference rival.
Rashard Lewis paced
Orlando (13-5) with 30
points, Hedo Turkogiu 19 and
Dwigh Howard, the leagues
rebounding leader, had 14
points with 15 boards.
The Magic had their fourgame winning streak
snapped. Orlando had won
sk straight road games, one
short of its club record set at
the start of last season.

— The Associated Press

Murtaugh boys open with win

Times-News

The Murtaugh boys basketball team opened its season with a 53-45 victory Monday over the Lighthouse Christian Lions.
Freshman Austin Stanger led the Red Devils with a double-double, and Zach Cummins added 11 along with 10 from Trey Perkins.
"We built a nice lead," Murtaugh coach Adam Johnson sald, "Then we got in foul trouble. We had kids come off the bench and play positions they weren't comorbide with, but they maintained composure to get the win."

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Zane lesser scored 10
points in the Lions' effort.
The 1-0 Red Devils travel
to Hansen on Wednesday.

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TWIN FALLS CHRISTIAN
ACADEMY 55, BLISS 47
The Twin Falls Christian
Academy boys basketball
team defeated Bliss 55-47
Monday, with a game-high
22 points from Tonumy
Broadfield.
Austin Brown added 18

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Austin Brown added 18 to the Warriors for the Warriors for the rearriers for the seaton. Cole Erkins led Bliss

with 20 points.

The Warriors (1-0) will host Community School Thursday, while Bliss will host an invitational tournament this weekend.

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Austin Brown 18, Ethan Paz 2, James Gardson 7,
Torreny Broadfield 22, Clint Invin 8, Totals 20 7-18
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Girls basketball

RICKFIELD 93, TWIN FALLS SOPH. 12 The Richfield Tigers remained undefeated with a

93-12 victory over the synal Falls sophomore squad Monday. Teenle Kent led Richfleld

with 21 points, followed by Michelle Kent and Sasha Kent with 18 and 14 from Lea Piper. Piper led with nine rebounds. Mirian Rivas recorded 11 steals on defense with 10 more from

Sasha Kent.
The Tigers (4-0, 1-0
Sawtooth Conference) will
travel to Murtaugh tonight.

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Codinated from page D1 recovered on the 7. Slaton scored on the next play to make it 23-3 with about 5 minutes left. The rookie tacked on a 40-yard TD run and finished with 180 yards rushing on 21 car-ries. He also had two catch-

es for 52 yards.
Slaton, Williams and the rest of the Texans were clad in their "Battle Red" uniforms for their first Monday night game. The city of Houston hosted a Monday night game for the first time since Nov. 21, 1994, when

the New York Giants beat the Oilers 13-10 at the

Astrodome.

Sage Rosenfels, making his fourth consecutive start in place of injured Texans quarterback Matt Schaub, threw for 200 yards and a score with an interception.

Williams, who has 11 sacks this season, thrived once again in the prime-time spotlight. In his only other night game, a Thursday night matchup against Denver last season, he finished with 3½ sacks.

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Barrett has a first step reminiscent of Tim Hardaway and
excels at creating shorts for
himself and his teammates,
especially in transition.
As for Odum, he more than
proved bis value Saturday,
scoring 27 second-hair Joints
and getting to the foul line for
17 attempts with his aggressive north-south mentality.
He hit all 17 of those free
throws, dished seven assists. throws, dished seven assists throws, dished seven assists and snatched three steals as CSI pulled way for a 92-82 win and a 7-1 record on the season. Odum never left the floor after intermission

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He might be asked to do
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weekends Bolse Office
Equipment Tournament as
Barrett is questionable with a
bruised knee.
Not long from now,
Becklens and 6-foot-1 freshman sharpshooter Cheyne
Martin will be eligible. And
not long from now, shooting
guard Carrick Felix will get
back on the court after suffering a hairline fracture in his
wrist. And in February, 6foot-7 UConn transfer Nairwrist. And in February, 6-foot-7 UConn transfer Nate

tool-7 UConn transfer Nate Miles will get the chance to display one of the best shoot-ing touches in the country. In the meantime, Gosar's patchwork lineup and short bench continue to find a way. It's not always pretty, but the scoreboard says it's effective. "We're learning how to win," said Gosar. The style points will come

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Buhl

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Buhl has seven seniors on
its roster, but it's a general
lack of experience that is
proving the biggest hurdle to
swormane. Eric lack of experience that is proving the biggest hurdle to overcome. Eric senguanhpheng will anchor the backcourt, with J.D. Senguanhpheng will anchor the backcourt, with J.D. Leckneby and Hamilton providing scoring options down low. The rest will have to be figured out over time, but Bull is confident it will be where it needs to be come postseason time. "It's going to a little bumpy in the early going." Bowman said. "But I think that it'll smooth out over time and we'll just see where we are in January and February." Bowman holds no illusions about Bull assuming its customary position as "team to beat" that it's had over the stomary position as "team to beat" that it's had over the stomary for the fight and happy to be the hunter for once rather than thunted. "Kimberty's absolutely the favorite ... I think there are a couple of teams that may surprise." Bowman said. "I think we've gor as good a chance as anyone (to advance). It's just a matter of how we're going to

grow up (on the court)."

FILER WILDCATS

Head coach: A.W. Wells, first season
Last season's record: 2-21
Filer welcomes in its third coach in as many seasons, which normally would be a sign of bad times. But there is hope for the Wiljfcats, and it comes in the form of key returners Bryce Beard and Nathan Kard, as well as Nathan Hughes' return to the fold after a broken leg kept him out last season.
Beard's precision beyond.

kept him out last season.
Beard's precision beyond
the are is borderline deadly
when he's on, and with the
stable of athletes coming
through, one rival SCIC
coach says the team could
be poised for a breakout
season.

KIMBERLY BULLDOCS

Head coach: Marvin
Mumm, first season
Last season's record: 16-8,

Last season's record: 16-8, state runner-up Kimberly has Just about every significant player back, Evan Jerke being the big exception, from last season's state runner-up. But

head coach Roger Keller has moved on, and Marvin Mumm steps into the gap here. That won't be as big of an issue as it normally would, however, as Mumm has coached most of the seniors during out-of-sea-son tournaments since they

seniors during out-of-season tournaments since they were in fourth grade. The good news is that this team, when firing on-all cylinders, is just about as unstoppable as it comes. Eric Marvin, Duston Brown, Lacl Schoessler and A.I. Schroeder can all fire from deep, and Brown, Cody Wadsworth and Jared Mumm can score inside, Marvin Mumm expressed pleasure at his depth but concern about his lack of a true big-man despite numerous interlor options, saying, "To be competitive at the state level you usually need a 6-foot-5-plus guy that can score easily, we have many 6-3 and 6-4 players but not the big man who is a prolific scorer."

Defensively, the Bulldogs'.

ers but not the big man who is a prollfic scorer.

Defensively, the Bulldogs' high-pressure defense forces offenses to work extremely hard and usually

wears the opposition down. The goal is to prove that Kimberly has the fittest team around, and it usually

team around, and it usually turns out that way.

The Bulldogs are almost perfectly balanced, and if they can find a replacement for Jerke's Intangibles, they should expect to repeat as SCIC champs and, make another serious run at the state championship.

GOODING SENATORS Head coach: Max Piper,

Head coach: Max Piper, first season - Last season's record: 4-16 The Senators may have more experience on the court than off it to start the 2008-09 campaign, as they sport six seniors and five juniors on a varsity squad coached by 21-year-old Max Piper. Hell be assisted by Cody Jacobson and 18-year-old Braidlen Buckner, who starred for Richfield last season.

son.
The idea is for Gooding to learn on the fly, which is something the Senators will have to do if they want to break a slide of eight straight seasons without a winning record.

WENDELL TROJANS Head coach: Ryon Jarvis, third season

Last season's record: 15

Last season's Class 2A Canyon Conference champion makes the step up to the SCIC this year, but the Trojans should have the tools to be competitive at the 3A level, Wendcell to the seven seniors from last year's squad but returns a couple of seniors with experience in Jordan Lancaster and Dusty Vanderham.

Those two plus Keith Mowery serve as the only seniors to go with five juniors and four sophomores. Conference cham-

Wendell's motion offense should allow the younger players to grow into their varsity experience, but adjustment will be the key to the Trojans' fortunes this

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Declo - runs - a motion
offense that strives to balance scoring from the Inside
and out. Senioris Nate Garner,
Shaylon Fenstermaker and
Conner Garner will be key
members of the team. Nate
plays the point. Conner, a
transfer from Bonneville
High School in Utah, will take
they also all Enstermakers be e wing and Fenstermaker is

a 6-foot-6 post.

"I think they'll step right in and be ready' to take off." Levys said of the trio. "Conner will be who we look to early for scoring. He's a bit more polished. Fenstermaker, with his size, will be a force in the middle." Inviers teemy lenking.

Juniors Jeremy Jenkins, Tyler Briggs and Brandon Peterson also saw varsity

playing time last year. Lewis said that the underclassmen should give the Hornets some more athleticism.

On defense, Declo's base scheme is a half-court man to man with a full-court press and half-court zone to mix it

up. The Homets will look to put pressure on the ball to

orce turnovers.
The Hornets might start a

little slow as many players lost practice time as they yied for the Class 2A state football championship recently, fin-ishing second. The Valley Vikings, who finished 11-11 last season,

ministed 11-11 fast season, will return four players in Juan Zambrano, Daniel Burns, Montana Barlow and Matt Garr. They will also be led by new head coach

Steve Hunter.
Team speed will be a key for the Vikings' up-tempo offense, but Hunter noted that rebounding will be a

Canyon Conference play will begin in late January

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ariners offer Ibanez arbitratio

SEATTLE — Raul Ibanez was offered salary arbitration Monday by the Mariners, a move that means Seattle would receive an extra pair of draft picks next year if the free-agent outflelder signs with another team

than place in the free agent outfleder signs with another team. Seattle did not offer arbitration to list other former players who became free agents utilitymen Willie Bioomquist and Miguel Cairo.

Ibanez has until Sunday to accept the offer. Under a change in baseball's rules that began in 2006, free agents can re-sign with their former clubs at any time. The 38-year-old was fifth the AL with 10 RBIs while playing in all 162 games last

season. He said at the end of the season he liked Seattle but wanted to win and was likely to explore offers from other teams.

ANGELS OFFER SALARY

ARBITRATION TO T EIXEIRA, K-ROD ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Los ngeles Angels offered salary ANAHEIM, Calli. — The Los Angeles Angeles offered salary arbitration Monday to free agents Mark Tekseira, Francisco Rodriguez, Jon Gariand and Darren Oliver. The club declined to offer arbitration to longtime outleder Garret Anderson, general manager Tony Reagins sald.

Free agents have until Sunday to accept arbitration

offers, Anderson and Garland are Type B free agents, while the rest are Type A. If the Type A free agents sign with other clubs. the Angels will receive two compensatory picks in the 2009 amateur ant. If Anderson or Garland decline arbitration and sign with another club, Jos Angeles will receive a "sandwich" draft pick between the first and second round.

National League

DOGERS OFFER ARBITRATION TO RAMIREZ, LOWE, BLAVE
LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles Dodgers offered salary arbitration to free agents Manny

Derek ez, Cascy

and Casey Blake on Monday. The club declined arbitra-The club declined arbitra-tion offers to its other-free nagents: Rafael Furcal, Jeff Kent, Greg Maddux, Nomar Garciaparra, Brad Penny, Joe Betnel, Gary Bennett, Iason Johnson, Pablo Ozuna, Chan Ho Park and Mark Sweeney. The three players offered arbitration have until Sunday to accept the offer, in which case they would be assured a spot on the 2009 roster.

roster. If Type If Type A free agents
Ramirez and Lowe do not
accept arbitration and
choose to sign with

another team, the Dougers will receive two draft picks apiece from that club. Blake, a Type B free agent, would net the Dodgers a supplemental draft pick if he signs with another team.

ROCKIES OFFER ARBITRATION TO CLOSER BRIAN FUENTES

DENVER closer Brian Fuentes was offered salary arbitration Monday by the Colorado Rockles, ensuring they will receive two compensatory picks in next year's amateur draft if the left-hander signs with another team.

Fuentes is a Type A

free agent and has until Sunday to accept the arbitra-tion offer.

A three-time All-Star. Fuentes lost his closer job in 2007 during the Rockies' run to their first World Series. He served as a setup man for Manny Corpus dur-ing the second half of the season.

rason.

Fuentes regalned his role
s closer when Corpas s uentes regained his role as regardent when Corpas struggled last April. Fuentes, who made 55 million in 2009, was 1-5 with 30 saves last season. In eight je fague seasons, seven with Colorado, he is 17-27 with a club-record 115 saves.

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Big East gets record 8 teams in AP basketball poll

Syracuse moved into the Top 25 on Monday, giving the Big East Conference a record eight teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll.

North Carolina (7-0) remained the unanimous No. 1 selection of the 72-member national media panel; while No. 2 Connecticut and No. 3 Pittsburgh started the Hig East's collection of ranked teams.

Also ranked from the 16-member league were No. 7 Notre Dame, No. 11 Louisville, No. 16 Syracuse, No. 17 Villanova, No. 25 Georgetown and No. 25 Marquette.

A week of early, season tournaments prompted several changes in the rankings. While Baylor moved in at No. 24, defending national champion Kansas and Wisconsin fell out.

The rest of the top ten was Duke, Gonzaga, Oklahoma, Notre Dame, Texas, Purdue and Tennessee.

CYCLING Armstrong to race in 2009 Tour

AUSTIN, Texas — Lance Armstrong will ride in the 2009 Tour de France, marking the first time he will compete in

that race and the Giro d'Italia in the same

that race and the Giro d'Italia in the same year.

"I'm committed to riding for the best guy," Armstrong said Monday, acknowledging the taxing schedule could Lave him riding in a supporting role in France. Armstrong's Astana team includes 2007 Tour winner Alberto Contador and is loaded with other Lender de fides.

"Well abide by the same code that I do: cycling is team sport, while wed all like to win." the seven-time Tour champion told The Associated Press in a telephone interview from Tenerife in the Canary Islands where Astana Is training.

The 37-year-old Armstrong stunned the cycling world in September, when he announced he was ending his three-year retirement, theis scheduled to return to clite. racing Jan. 20 for the Tour Down Under in Australia.

Australia.

He has dedicated his comeback to raising awareness for his global fight against cancer.

After voicing concerns in recent weeks about his personal safety in France, Armstrong dismissed that issue Monday: "It's not going to keep me from going and doing my job, and it's not going to keep me from spreading my message."

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Dietrich hosts jamboree
DIETRICH — The Dietrich Blue Devlis will
host Mackay and Shoshone for a three-team
baskerball Jamboree at 6 j.m., today. Cost is 53
for adults and 51.5 for students. No HISAN
cards or student activity passes will be accept-

CSI holds winter baseball camp

"GOODING — The Gooding High wrestling team will hold a parents meeting at 6 p.m., Wednesday in the multi-purpose room at the high school.

CSI holds winter baseball camp

TWIN FALLS — The 25th annual Southern Idaho Baseball Camp will be held Dec. 27-29 at the Eldon Evans Expo Center. The camp which has a long tradition of offering great instruction at an affordable price, features

Kimberly holds spaghetti feed

KIMBERLY — The Kimberly wrestling team is hosting its second annual spaghettl dinner fundmiser from 430-730 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 17 at the Kimberly, High School commons area. The cost is \$7 per person, \$4 for children age 7 and under, and includes spaghettl, saled, bread, cake and drink. The dinner coincides with the Bulldogs' first conferènce match of the season against Filer and Bulh, leld at 6 p.m.
Information: Theresa Albright at 539,6186.

Local travel VB team seeking members

TWIN FALLS — The Southern Idaho Volleyball Club is seeking girls 16-18 years of age for its 18 and under travelling volleyball team. The club competes within the Intermountain Volleyball Association and will begin tournament play in mid February of 2009.

Information Jay Bride at 420-2524 or jay-bridecpa@magiclink.com.

- Staff and wire reports

Burress appears in handcuffs, posts \$100,000 bail

NEW YORK — Taken to court in handcuffs, Plaxico Burress posted \$100,000 bail on weapons possession charges Monday as the frenzy grew around the Glants star

charges nound the Glants star receiver who accidentally shot himself in a nightchub. Authorities said tearmate Antonio Pierce was being investigated over his role in the weekend shooting, while the Super Bowl-champion was and super super sure what Antonio Pierce was being investigated over his role in weekend shooting, while the Super Bowl-champion Glants weren't sure what action they would take, if any against Burress. The NPL said it was monitoring developments. Mayor Michael Bloomberg also weighted in, saying it would be an outrage "If we didn't posceute to the law." Burress shot himself in the hight thigh in the VIP section of the Latin Quarter night-tub in Manhattan about a.m. Saturday, police said. He idid not have a permit to carry a handgun in New York.

A witness reported hearing a popping sound before Eurress' legs began to shake, according to a criminal complaint. It said the person saw a bloody pistol fail out of his pant leg and land on the floor before Burress said. Take me to a hospital.

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to a hospital."

Burress was charged with
two counts of second-degree
criminal possession of a
weapon, which could result
in a prison sentence of 3½
years to 15 years if he is convicted. He was not required
to enter a plea Monday and is
due back in court on March



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31. Burress did not say any-

ing in court. The Giants have not decid The Glants have not decided what to do with Burress, who was suspended for a game and fined carlier this season for missing a team meeting in September. New York could either suspend him again or deactivate him for Sunday's game at home against the Eagles. There are more extreme actions, such as releasing Burress, but that could put a strain on the team's salary cap next season. The shooting occurred as Burress somehow fumbled his gun — 40-caliber Glock — In the VIP section and it discharged; hitting his leg. Pierce was with Burress when that occurred, police said. The weapon was eventually recovered at Burress' house in New Jersey, authorities said.

BROWNS' ANDERSON OUT FOR YEAR BERIEA, Ohlo — Cleveland

Anderson, who lost his start-ing job to Brady Quinn sever-

al weeks ago, will miss the final four games after tearing a ligament in his left knee on Sunday against Indianapoits. An MRI taken Monday revealed Anderson tore the medial collateral ligament when he was sacked in the final minutes of Cleveland's 10-6 loss to 1th Colts. Anderson, making his first start since Nov. 2 after being benched for Quinn, will not need surgery. He will be placed in a brace and will need four to six weeks to recover.

Quinn, too, is done for the season with a finger injury. He has not yet decided whether to have surgery on his broken right index finger, which he hurt on Nov. 17 at Buffalo.

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Buffalo.

The injuries to their top
two QBs means the Browns
(4-8) will start third-stringer
Ken Dorsey on Sunday
against the Tennessee Titans
(11-1): Return specialist
Joshua Cribos who playedquarterback at Kent State,
will serve as Dorsey's backup
unless the Browns can sign a
verieran quarterback in the veteran quarterback in next few days.

recent quarterback ill the mex few days.
Coach Romeo Crennel said the club will try to find another quarterback familiar with Cleveland's system.
Dorsey went 2-8 as a starter for the San Francisco 49ers in 2004-05. In college, he was: 38-2 as a starter at Miami and won a national championship in 2001.
Dorsey husn't completed a pass in an NFL game in three years, and has attempted just four since joining the Browns in 2006.

BUCS MUM ON MONTE

KIFFIN'S FUTURE

TAMPA, Fla. — Although

the Tampa Bay Buccancers
expect to have Monte Kiffin

drawing up defensive game
plans for the rest of the season, his future with the NPC

South co-leaders remains

unclear.

Neither Kiffin or the Publication

ar. ther Kiffin or the Bucs done anything to end

speculation that the 68-year-old defensive coordinator has decided to leave the NFL to work for his son, Lane, the new coach at the University of Transesse.

of Tennessee.
Bues general manager Bruce Allen said Monday he knows how the situation will play out, but would not disclose whether Kiffin is staying or will gipe up a \$2 million salary that inakes him one of the highest-paid defensive assistants in the league.

LONDON — The New England Patriots will play the

England Patriots will play the Tampa Bay Buccaneers next season at Wembley Stadium, the third straight year the NFL will stage a regular-season game in the British capital. The game will be played Oct. 25. The Bucs will be listed as the home team, giving up a game in Tampa. Five weeks ago, the New Orleans Saints beat the San Diego Chargers 37-32 before 83,000 fams at Wembley. Last season, the New York Giants, defeated the Miaml Dolphins 13-10. Both games were sold out.

The NFL is also expected to

The NFI, Is also expected to play a regular-season game in London in 2010.

The Buccaneers are owned by the Glazer family, the same group that runs' defending Premier League champion Manchester United.

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No. 1 'Bama underdogs in Dome again

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) Alabama has mushad TUSCALOUSA, Ala. (AP) — Alabama has pushed aside all comers on its way to a perfect regular season, climbed to the top of the rankings and around for

stuck around for quite awhile.
Now, it's back to Square One for team No. 1: As an underdog in the Georgia Dome.
No. 2: Florida is a 10-point dworite to topple the topranked Crimson Tide Saturday in the Southeastern Conference championship game in Atlanta, where Bama oppned the season as an underdog to Clemson.

"I ain't worried about that dil, "Tide cornerback Javier Arenas said. "It's been like that the whole season, start-that the whole season, start-

Arenas said. "Its been like that the whole season, starting with Clemson and going to Georgia. You're accustomed to it now." Still, is that any way to treat a team that just walloped archivid Juburn 36-07. Then again, maybe the point spread is a compliment to Alabama (12-0) considering Florida's last eight opponents have come no closer than Vanderbill's 28-point loss.

"As well as they've been laying, it doesn't surprise playing, it doesn't surprise me," Tide linebacker Cory Rearner said. "They've been putting up 50 points, beating people by four touchdowns. people b Anybody ly that gets in way, they're just



us Terrence Cody (62) reacts after recov Kodi Burns fumble Saturday during the Iron B in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

mowing over.

"People have written us off as underdogs before and we've proven them wrong. It's nothing different."

Much of it could have to do with styles. The Tide has won with defense, special teams and the running game. Ho hum.

hum.
Florida has excelled in all those areas, too, but won by 58 points against a Kentucky team that Alabama eked out a 17-14 victory against and has

dazzléd with coach Urban Meyer's spread offense. Maybe a team that routine-

ly puts up huge offensive numbers is just more glam-orous than one that is more known for shutting offenses

down.

Arenas compares it to the New England Patriots facing the Baltimore Ravens in a big

game.
Or as Tide linebacker Cory
Reamer said: "Offense always
gets the glory."

Lane Kiffin introduced as Tennessee's 21st coach

Even though Tennessee's new coach is the youngest one leading a major pro-gram, Lane Kiffin has been around football for almost all of his 33 years.

around lootball for aimost all of his 33 years. The former coach of the NFE3 Colkadm Raiders and son of longitime NFL defensive coordinator Monte Kliffin, is five months younger than the previous youngest coach in the Bowl Subdivision, Northwesterms Pat Etzgerald.

"During our process, Lane Kliffin stood out," athletic director Mike Hamilton said. He has great football bloodlines and has been part of a strong football tradition since birth."

dition since birth."

Kiffin remembers being surrounded as a child by chalkboards scrawled with defensive plays and spending weekends in pregame meetings with his dad's

He's the Volunteers' 21st coach but only the third in the last 32 years. His selection came after 'the first national search for a football coach in University of Tennessee his-tory," Hamilton said. He took over the ilton sald. ook over the

Volunteers two days after Phillip Fulmers 17-season tenure ended with a win over Kentucky and has a six-year contract worth 52 mil-lion in 2009 with the chance

lion in 2009 with the chance for bonuses. It's not the first time Tennessee has hired a youthful coach — Fulmer had no previous head coaching experience and the Vols' revered Gen. Robert Neyland was 33 when he was hired.

WILLINGHAM'S FINAL
GAME AT UW ARRIVES
SEATTLE — There won't
be any sentimental speech

be any sentimental speech-es or remembrances this week if Tyrone Willingham has his way.

Many Washington fans would probably prefer if there weren' any flashbocks of Willingham's tumultuous four years — and-his 11-36 record — that ends Saturday when the wintes Huskies try to avoid the first 0-12 season in Pac-10 Conference history at California.

Those fans are more inte-ested in the search for

ed in the search for Willingham's replacement, a process that appears to be picking up speed.

The secretive search being conducted by Washington athletic director Scott Woodward is known to have only two candidates interview so far: Fresno State coach Pat Hill and Notre Dame offensive coordinator Michael Haywood. Other names rumored to be on Woodward's secretive wish list include Texas Tech coach Mike Leach, Clinchnatils Mike Leach, Cincinnati's Brian Kelly and Utah's Kyle Wittingham. The school has declined all comment on the coaching search.

MIZZOU CORDINATOR
CHRISTENSEN TAKES
WYOMING JOB
The architect of the
offense that vaulted
Missourt back to national
prominence and helped
make quarterback Chase
Daniel the school's first
Heisman Trophy Intalist is
moving on to become the
next head coach at
Wyoming.

next head coacn at Wyoming. Missouri coach Gary Pinkel confirmed Monday that his offensive coordina-tor, Dave Christensen, would take the Wyoming

WAC

an unbelievable athlete. He stepped up this year; he made plays, unbelievable catches." Childs said the departure of

Titus Young (perhaps the fastest man on the Bronco squad) earlier this season for violations of team rules helped unite the corps. He credited Pease with instilling

credited Pease with installing that unity.

Andrew Woodruff joins Childs on the offensive first team, his first selection. Woodruff became a leader on a rotating offensive line this

an anchor in rattled all would be starting on the O-line, they all knew Woody would be there, stabilizing the

wilson, defensive end Ryan Winterswyk and linebacker

ball.
Wilson led the WAC with five interceptions (No. 10 in the nation). He made 28 tackles and led the team with 10 pass breakups. He made the second team after last season.

He credited his personal focus for making the first team in

for making the lirst team in 2008.

"I've actually put that flocus] into production for the team." Wilson said. "Overall, it's just making the plays I'm supposed to, doing what I'm supposed to, doing what I'm supposed to, being a person overyone can count on, listenling to coaches and things like that. Just being a leader of ithis team."

Winterswyk led the team with 4.5 sacks for 33 yards and 10 jackles for loss (45 yards).

Powers became a stud safe-

ty after playing minimally the past few years. The senior finished second on the team with 71 tackles (49 unassisted). He made eight tackles for loss, 2.5 sacks, forced one fumble and recovered two fumbles, returning both for touchdowns.

wilson also made the sec-ond team as a punt returner, even though he only began returning punts five games ago. He led the WAC with 470 return varie and the con-

downs. Tailback Ian Iohnson.

team. Johnson again led the team with 738 yards and 12 touch-downs. He tied Marshall Faulk for the WAC rushing touchdown record with 57 scores. He made first team All-WAC the previous two

Williams made 35 tackles, four sacks and six tackles for loss. Johnson was led the Broncos with 84 tackles,

econd team list. The Vandals finished the season at 2-10 and 1-7 in conference.

Dustin Lapray covers Boise State football for the Times-News.

2008 All-Western Athletic Conference teams

Individual awards
Offensive Player of the Year: Colin
Kaepernick, so., qq. Nevedo.
Co-Defensive Players of the Year: Solemon Eliminian, sr. LB, Hawaii,
Jarron Gilbert, sc, DT, San Jose Sta
Fresfiman of the Year: Kellen Moor.
QB, Boise State.
Coach of the Year: Chris Petersen,
Boise State. Ight end: Eddie Williams, Idaho. Inemen: Andrew Woodruff, Boise State; Bobby Lepori, Fresno Stat John Estes, Hawaii; Adam Korby,

Nevada.

Running backa: Daniel Porter,
Loulsiana Tech; Val Taua, Nevada.

First team defense
Unemen: Ryan Winterswyk, Boise
State; D'Anthory Smith, Louislana
Tech; Kevin Basped, Nevada; Jarron
Gilbert, San Jose State.
Linebackers; Ellis Powers, Boise State; First team offense Wide receivers: Jeremy Childs, Bolse State: Marko Mitchell, Nevada; Chris Williams, New Mexico State.

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Michael Washington, Hawaii; David Richmond, San Jose State. TE: Bear Pascoe, Fresno State. TE: Bear Pascoe, Fresno State.

Dit: Andrew Jackson, Fresno State;
Milke hypati, Idaho: Rob McGill,
Louislana Tech; Alonzo Dunham,
Newada; Mike Gallett, Newada; Ric Bolin, New Mexico State; Brennan McFadden, Ulah State.

BE: Kellen Moore, Boise State,
RB: Ian Johnson, Boise State; Yon Davis, San Jose State tham Sacood State.

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DL: Mike T. Wil Villams, Boise State; ne. Hawali; Keala Watson. Hawaii; Dontay Moch, Nevada; Carl thenacho, San Jose State.
LB: Chris Carter, Fresno State: Ben Jacobs, Fresno State; Justin Cole, San Jose State; Jace Hutton, Utah State; Paul Igboeii, Utah State.
DB: Jeron Johnson, Bolde State; Moses Harris, Fresno State: Derrick Richardson, New Mexico State: Corpe Francies, San Jose State.
Second team specialists
PK: Tino Amanclo, Idaho.
P: Chris Keagle, Louislaha Tech; Bradn Langley, Nevada.
ST: Kyle Wilson, Bolse State.



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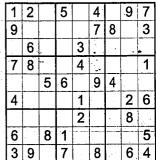
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I have been alchating two ques-tions.

The first is it OK to buy a mode icket and watch two or three movies? Some say 'yes' because theaters tolerate it in the hope that customers will buy snacks and drinks in the process. Others say it goes against the honor sys-tem.

The second is: Is it wrong to return merchandise you never intended to buy in the first places intended to buy in the fits place? Example; to buy a novel and return to after reading it. My friends say bookstores expect a critatin number of returns and build it into the cost of the books. As long as the book is kept in good condition, it's OK. Other friends stress, however, that this, again, is taking advantage of the honor system.

— CURIOUS STUDENT IN HOUSTON DEAR CURIOUS. Both of the examples you have given are forms of cheating and theft. I can think of a single country-where this kind of behavior is sanctioned. I enough customers behaved that

If enough customers behaved that way, it could put the business owner out of business.

And one more thing — you and your fellow exchange students represent your countries, and what you do while you're here

IF DECEMBER 2 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY Confidence is a great bling, but until the end of the year, you should be somewhat levery of betting on a "sure thing." Hoping that things will work out isn't quite enough to get you a re-dommendation in the workplace or a promotion in the business arena. Put your ambittions on the back hum.

tion in the workplace or a promo-tion in the business area. Put your ambitions on the bark burn-rundilare March when you can launch erurial plans under the watchful eye of Lady Luck. That is an excellent time to make wise decisions about the people in your life, too. If a relationship has a question mark you should get a definitive answer then.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Ide aften when, this day will improve with age. A hard day's work may leave you faigued, but in the evening romantic fires may burn highly; You'll receive-a pleasant reward for all that you have done. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Stick to your guns. Don't waver if unexpected circumstances in your professional life throw you for a loca. Mortain wave rades and the

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loop. Maintain your poise and dis-play an even temper to overcome any troublesome situation. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Be wary of shifting loyaltes. In an effort to find-your own independ-ence, you may inadvertently sever

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to the tirst time, at the University of Chicago. On this date:
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DEAR ABBY: I have two grand-children. My first is a girl named "Skylar" and my second is a boy. Dante: I raised two soms as a shi-gle mother and always had a house ful of boys. Since Skylar was born, she has become my world. I take her everywhere with me, but my nerves just can't handle Dante. I am heing criticaed for reading my grandchildren differently, and accused of being prejudiced, it may be true, But Skylar is very syeet, while Dante — whom I do fore — is 'all boy' and hard to handle.

Are my feelings due to the fact Are my feelings due to the fart hat Skylar is my first grandelild, or because she's the first gift in my life? Or and I just burned out on boys? I mm down dates to spend time with her. If rather spend the rest of my life with my grand-daughter than any man on Earth. Do other grandparents feel this way, or am I obsessed? — SKYLAR'S NANA-

DEAR NAMA: They may feet similarly, but if they are intelligent, anature and caring, they conceal the better than you choose to spend better than you choose to spend impe with your grantlebilden, or an eligible man is your choice. But to make it obvious that you favor one child over the other is cruel, and the less loved little one will recognize it, be hurt and resent it.

DEAR ABBY: I have developed a DEAR ABBY: I have developed a weird Jiabh. I'll remember some-thing that happened in the past, think of what I should have said and then burst out loud with a remark. Other times I'll chuckle or saysomething like, 'Oh. no'.

Sometimes my husband hears me and ask I shomething is wrong. How can I explain this without seeming like I'm totally loshing it? Or am it I'm only 50, and I'm draid I'm turning into a dony old fady.

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DEAR LADY: What you're doing

"NCALIFORNIA DEAR LADV: What you're doing isn't that unusual, so ny to be less hard on yourself. Foure not crazy, and you're no dottier than the rest of us, Explain to your husband to you do this. It is an attempt to 'repair' the past.

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SAGITTARIUS (New 22-bec.) Stradie the centerian unity you find out which side of the road is the smoothest. And making a snap-ludgment, as plans could be changed at the last moment. Gather all fiests and information.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-lan. 19): You can get further with sugar than with sadj. It could be easy to be drawn into a coulder that will achieve nothing. Show pathere and jurderstanding and others will follow your example.

Remember that a sound founda-tion can withstand a great deal of

and a mounting at the first will follow your example.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): It's time to move on, Past responsibilities prevent you from oking on new ones. Re-evaluate what is most important and choose what will help you reach your main goal. Don't get bogged down.

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Protection Agency began operat-ing under director William

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Ten years ago: Former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy was acquitted of all counts in a corruption case involving sport tickets and travel that hed accepted from companies that did business with his department.

walt long-rithan 20 seconds before breaking into the home of a drug suspect. Authorities in Ohio amounced that they had linked 12 shootings along a five-mile street of interstate around Columbus, including one that killed a woman and another that broke a window at an elementary school. (A suspect, Charles A. McCoy R. Luter pleuded guilty to manslaughter and 10 other charges, and was sentenced to 27 years in prison.)

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