

ISU faculty asked to pay for letter that warned them they could be layed off.

CSI women head into conference season.

LOCAL A3

SPORTS, D1



75 cents

TIMES-NEWS

Friday, December 26, 2008

Magickvalley.com

Avalanches warned for Sun Valley

M.V. snowfall less than anticipated

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

A monster snowfall predicted for the Magic Valley on Christmas day instead slammed the Wood River Valley, prompting an avalanche warning for the back country. As of Thursday afternoon, the National Weather Service had reported 20 inches of fresh snowfall at Pjirfield in the prior 24 hours. Most reporting stations around the Magic Valley reported only trace amounts of new snow Thursday.

Information about highway conditions, Idaho.gov. The site can be accessed through mobile Web devices.

MORE WEATHER COVERAGE INSIDE

- Recent storms not adding much to snowpack levels. >> See page A2
- USGS study predicts faster climate change this century. >> See page A8

But Idaho State Police said they handled several slide- and minor accidents Christmas Day along Interstate 84 near mile post

201 at Kasota road because of drifting snow. I-84 from mileposts 221 to 275 was closed, and Interstate 86 from the junction of I-84 east of Rupert to mile post 61 were closed most of the day because of dangerous driving conditions, ISP officials said.

The region from Fairfield to Halley and north to Stanley will be under the avalanche warning until at least 7:30 a.m. today, the Weather Service said.

Please see WEATHER, Page A2

Plowing through Christmas

By Ben Boklin
Times-News writer

Some people dream of a white Christmas. For Idaho Transportation Department snowplow drivers, a white Christmas results in spending the holiday at work instead of with family. That means keeping an eye on the weather and planning to come in for work, regardless of what the holiday plans were.

ITD workers say the Christmas duty is part of being on call every day at the mercy of Mother Nature's whims. "It's not fun," said Dennis

Please see PLOWS, Page A2



Idaho Transportation Department snowplow driver, Jeff Sharp, clears the westbound lane of Highway 74 on Thursday near Twin Falls.



Magicvalley.com

WATCH: a video of a snowplow driver in action.

Lands bill holds money for dams

Package expected to return to U.S. Senate in January

By Nate Poppo
Times-News writer

When the U.S. Senate put off voting on a massive public lands bill this fall, it once again delayed a decision on U.S. Sen. Mike Crapo's proposed wilderness area in Owyhee County.

But it also set back funding for another Idaho issue — expanding the storage capabilities in three southern Idaho river basins, including the Snake. A provision of the bill would provide \$3 million for feasibility studies by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation "on projects that address water shortages within the Snake, Boise and Payette River systems," with the money available over 10 years. Funded projects would also have to line up with the conclusions of a Boise/Payette water storage assessment report released by Reclamation in 2006.

The language, inserted by outgoing U.S. Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, is similar to a failed bill introduced by current Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter when he was in the House of Representatives. Crapo spokesman Lindsay Nothern said on Wednesday.

State water officials have talked several times this year about finding new storage capacity across the state largely through building new dams or expanding current ones. The Legislature funded an ongoing study on raising Mindokta Dam by 5 feet, as well as on rebuilding the Teton Dam, which failed in 1976 and killed 11 people.

The money the bill would provide isn't necessary to get some feasibility studies off the ground, but the state needs more federal resources to finish the work, said Dave Tuhill, director of the Idaho Department of Water

Please see BILL, Page A2

"I didn't think I'd be home for Christmas, but we got lucky."

— Kayle Pomrenke

A RETURN TO NORMAL

Mother, baby heal after accidental shooting led to early delivery

By Andrea Jackson
Times-News writer

After numerous surgeries and a long hospital stay, Kayle Pomrenke is thankful for two lives this Christmas.

Five months ago, an accidental shooting almost killed her and her unborn child.

Home just in time for the holidays, her baby, Grayson James Langley, has grown from a tiny 2 pounds to more than 7.

And Pomrenke, 24, is anticipating only one more surgery to fix her body. Her relationship with Grayson's father, the man who accidentally shot her, is stronger than ever, she says.

Police determined Jeremy Langley was working on an old Mosin Nagant rifle in the couple's Twin Falls home on July 29 when it accidentally fired, sending a bullet through the wall and striking a 6-months pregnant Pomrenke while she relaxed after dinner in bed.

The bullet tore through Pomrenke's buttocks and exited her crotch. Pomrenke, who was in her first pregnancy, said she initially thought she was giving birth.

"I didn't hear the gun go off," she said. "I felt a pop and some pressure, and my first reaction was 'oh my gosh, I had the baby.'"

Her son was born in an emergency cesarean section about three months before his due date, and was resuscitated after dying when he was only 50 minutes old, she said.

"My hand was just a little bigger than he was," she said. "He was born early due to the shooting. The trauma



Kayle Pomrenke holds her three-month old son Grayson Langley Wednesday at her Twin Falls home. Pomrenke was accidentally shot by her fiancé while he was cleaning a weapon in another room earlier this year while she was pregnant. The bullet missed her baby and vital organs.

threw my body into labor." Pomrenke herself lost close to eight pints of blood — the average adult has 10.

Langley declined to speak with the Times-News, but Pomrenke said he was saddened by what happened.

"He felt bad; he was scared," she said, adding Langley took good care of her before the ambulance arrived, and

spent many long hours with her in the hospital.

Pomrenke and her baby were discharged this month from a Salt Lake City hospital, just in time for Christmas.

"I was really down in the beginning of December," she said. "I didn't think

Please see HEALING, Page A2

Homeland Security forecasts five-year threat picture

Nuclear, biological attacks deemed most dangerous, also least likely

By Eileen Sullivan
Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON — The terrorism threat to the United States over the next five years will be driven by instability in the Middle East and Africa, persistent challenges to border security and increasing Internet savvy, says a new intelligence assessment obtained by The Associated Press.

Chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear attacks are considered the most dangerous threats that could be carried out against the U.S. But those threats are also the most unlikely because it is so difficult for al-Qaida and similar groups to acquire the materials needed to carry out such plots, according to the Internal Homeland Security Threat Assessment for the years 2008-2013. The al-Qaida terrorist network continues to focus on U.S. attack targets vulnerable to massive economic losses, casualties and political "turmoil," the assessment said.

Earlier this month, Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said the threat posed by weapons of mass destruction remains "the highest priority at the federal level." Speaking to reporters on Dec. 3, Chertoff explained that more people, such as terrorists, will learn how to make dirty bombs, biological and chemical weapons. "The other side is going to continue to learn more about doing things," he said.

Marked "for official use only," the report does not specify its audience, but the

Please see THREATS, Page A4

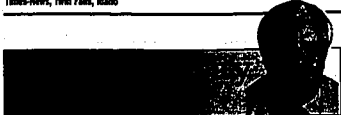


Obituaries onB3
BridgeE8 ComicsD4
ClassifiedsE1-2 CommunityB1-2

CrosswordE11 JumbleE10 Somebody needs youB2
Dear AbbyE9 MoviesA4, C2 SudokuE7
Dr. GottB1 Nation/WorldA8, B3 Today in HistoryE9
HoroscopeE9 OpinionA6-7 WeatherB4



High: 22 Low: 12
Cloudy and dry. Details: B4
and live at magickvalley.com/weather



Last of the real hard-rock miners passes on

Southern Idaho lost an original Sunday Rupert House, a four-term Republican Blaine County commissioner in the 1980s and '90s, died in a Caldwell nursing home at age 82.

Tell all

If it's odd, poignant, weird, sad or funny and it happens in south-central Idaho, I want to hear about it. Write me at 735-3223, or write scrump@magcvolley.com.

House, a hardrock miner to the depths of his soul, beamed the transformation of the Wood River Valley from a mining community to a collection of tourist towns — even as he presided over it ...



"I always have rights on their land and that they already know what to do with it," he told the *Idaho Mountain Express* in 2004 ... "It just bothers me that mining became a dirty word around here when it was mining that made these towns in the first place."

"It just bothers me that mining became a dirty word around (the Wood River Valley) when it was mining that made these towns in the first place."

— Rupert House

find — trading a quart of bootleg whiskey to a mine foreman to win a job ... The Northstar's closure in 1957 broke his heart ...

MYSTERY SOLVED as to where Motley Crue bassist Nikki Sixx bought his first bass guitar ...

Red's *Trading Post* in Twin Falls, of course, according to Ryan Horsley, the general manager ...

Sixx, then known as Frank Ferrana, spent part of his childhood in Jerome and Twin Falls ... Shortly after he hopped a Greyhound bus for Los Angeles ... In 1981, Motley Crue was born ...

Sixx said later that he bought that bass guitar with money he earned from selling another guitar he had stolen ...

Steve Crump is the *Times-News* Opinion editor.

Otter appoints T.F. lawyer as 4th District judge

By Nate Poppino
Times-News writer

Richard D. Greenwood, a Twin Falls lawyer who has practiced in the Magic Valley since 1977, has been appointed to a 4th District judgeship.

Otter announced Wednesday that he picked Greenwood to replace retiring Judge Kathryn A. Sticken. The district covers Ada, Elmore, Boise and Valley counties.

"(Greenwood) brings experience and a commonsense approach to the 4th District bench that will serve the people of the Boise area well," Otter said in a statement.

Two other candidates were also vying for the position: Michael J. Reardon, a 4th District magistrate judge, and Dean Wallenwaber, a private lawyer from Lewiston. Greenwood, 58, is a native of Nebraska who specializes in civil and commercial litigation. He had applied several times over the years

for a judgeship in the 5th District, which covers south-central Idaho, and said Wednesday that he's looking forward to the challenge of his new job.

"I guess to some extent, it's a little bit of giving back," he said when asked why he sought the job. He added that there was perhaps a tinge of personal ambition, and said friends who became judges told him it's a completely different world. "They all tell me that it is a very rewarding occupation."

He said he applied for the 4th District this time to be closer to his grandchildren, who live in the Boise area. He will move from Jerome to Boise with his wife, Jennifer.

Greenwood said he will miss the Magic Valley, and praised the conduct of his fellow lawyers.

"They manage to keep things on a professional level, which serves both the clients

ISU faculty billed for bad news

POCATELLO (AP) — It must have been bad enough for some Idaho State University faculty members to open a letter informing them that they could be laid off. But then the bill came.

University spokesman Graham Garner said the postage due bills were the result of an error by the U.S. Post Office, the Idaho State Journal reported.

ISU, like other state schools, has to make cuts recently due to mandatory state budget holdbacks. It's required by law to notify its adjunct professors of any potential layoffs — which it did in a letter sent to faculty members' mailing addresses, Garner said. The U.S. Post Office was supposed to charge the certified mail processing fee — about \$5 per letter — to ISU's mailing account. But Garner said the post office instead mistakenly billed the school the cheaper first-class postage rate, and then billed the professors for the extra cost. The university intended to cover the difference, Garner said.

Garner is not sure how many adjunct faculty were affected by the error, but he urged the recipients to notify the university about the faculty postage fees for reimbursement.

"We want to make it right, if you paid the fee, let us know so we can reimburse you," he said. "We're very sorry that this happened."

and the courts well," he said. In addition to his private work, Greenwood also served as city prosecutor for Kimberly, Buhl and Filer for most of the 1980s. He at one time was on the governing board of the commercial law and bankruptcy section of the Idaho State Bar, and has received a few awards from

the group — including a professionalism award just last year. He got his bachelor's degree from Jamestown College in North Dakota and his law degree from the University of North Dakota.

Nate Poppino may be reached at 208-735-3237.

YEAR END CLOSEOUT

CLOSEOUT ON FLOOR MODELS

Dianah (Queen set)	\$799 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$399
Helress P/S (Queen set)	\$999 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$499
Helress E/T (Queen set)	\$1099 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$599
Addison Firm (Queen set)	\$1399 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$699
Addison E/T (Queen set)	\$1599 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$799
Berningham (Queen set)	\$3199 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$1599
Celebration (Queen set)	\$3399 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$1699
Entlvement (Queen set)	\$3799 orig. CLOSEOUT	\$1899

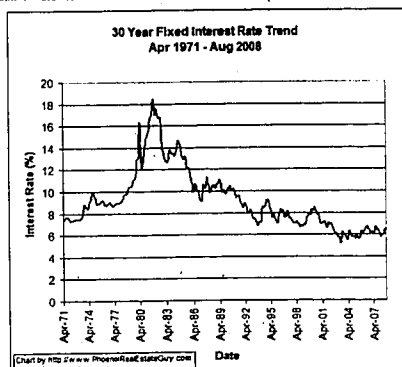
Come in and check out our new line of Sealy Mattresses!

Next to Idaho Joe's in the Lynwood Shopping Center
TWIN FALLS • 578 N. Blue Lakes • 208-733-9133
Rest assured... because at Sleep Solutions, all they do is sleep.
*Limited quantities. See store for details. Financing D.V.C.

THINKING OF BUYING A HOME? THIS IS THE BEST TIME TO BUY!!

4.875%*

RATES ARE NOW AVAILABLE!



This chart shows the monthly average interest rate for 30 year fixed loans from April 1971 through August 2008.

Don't wait for the next rate spike! Call Me Today!
Steven Bielenberg
 Associate Broker ABR, CRS, GRI
404-9017

734-0400
 GEMINITY

*Rates as of 12/1/2008 30 year fixed conventional loan with 20% down. 5.028% a.p.r. 30 day lock available. Rates and programs subject to change. Rates subject to lender approval.

BARON'S CLUB 75

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Join Us in a Fun and Celebration!

MEMBERS OF THE BARON'S CLUB 75 HAVE MORE WAYS TO WIN:

- Actionably Limited for
- Mystery Jackpot
- Free Slot Play

93

Friendliest Spot In Nevada!

Police: 'Santa' shooting kills at least 6 in LA

COVINA, Calif. (AP) — Stinging from an acrimonious divorce, a man plotting revenge against his ex-wife dressed up like Santa Pardo's rampage — his ex-wife went to his former in-laws' Christmas Eve party and slaughtered at least six people before killing himself hours later.

Three people were listed as missing after Bruce Pardo's rampage — his wife and her parents — and it was feared their remains were among the ashes of the home, which Pardo set ablaze using a bizarre homemade device that sprayed flammable liquid. Pardo, 45, had no criminal

record and no history of violence, according to police, but he was angry following last week's settlement of his divorce after a marriage that lasted barely a year. "It was not an amicable divorce," police Lt. Pat Buchanan said.

The massacre began when an 8-year-old girl answered Pardo's knock at the door. Pardo, carrying what appeared to be a large present, pulled out a handgun and shot her in the face, then began shooting indiscriminately as about 25 paragonies tried to flee, police said. A 16-year-old girl was

shot in the back, and a 20-year-old woman broke her ankle when she escaped by jumping from a second-story window. Those two, and the 8-year-old, remained hospitalized Christmas Day.

The gift-wrapped box Pardo was carrying actually contained a pressurized homemade device he used to spray a liquid that quickly sent the house up in flames, police said.

When the fire was extinguished early Thursday, officers found those charred bodies in the living room area. "They were met with a

scene that was just indescribable," police Chief Kim Raney said. Investigators found three more bodies amid the ashes later in the day.

None of the dead or missing have been identified. Following the shootings, Pardo quickly got out of the Santa suit and drove off, witnesses told police. He went to his brother's home about 25 miles away in the Sylmar area of Los Angeles. No one was home, so Pardo let himself in, police said.

Police were called to the home early Thursday and officers found Pardo dead of a single bullet to the head.



Firefighters go over the debris at the scene of a shooting and fire in Covina, Calif., on Thursday.

Threats

Continued from page A1 assessments typically go to law enforcement, intelligence officials and the private sector. When determining threats, intelligence officials consider loss of life, economic and psychological consequences.

Intelligence officials also predict that in the next five years, terrorists will try to conduct a destructive biological attack. Officials are concerned about the possibility of infections to thousands of U.S. citizens, overwhelming regional health care systems. There could also be dire economic impacts caused by workers' illnesses and deaths. Officials are most concerned about biological agents stolen from labs or other storage facilities, such as anthrax.

"The threat of terrorism and the threat of extremist ideologies has not abated," Chertoff said in his year-end address on Dec. 18. "This threat has not evaporated, and we can't turn the page on it."

These high-consequence threats are not the only kind of challenges that will confront the U.S. over the next five years.

Terrorists will continue to try to evade U.S. border security measures and place operatives inside the mainland to carry out attacks, the 38-page assessment said. It also said that they may pose as refugees or asylum seekers or try to exploit foreign travel channels such as the visa waiver program, which allows citizens of 34 countries to enter the U.S. without visas.

Long walls for immigration and more restrictive European refugee and asylum programs will cause more foreigners to try to enter the U.S. illegally. Increasing

numbers of Iraqis are expected to migrate to the U.S. in the next five years; and refugees from Somalia and Sudan could increase because of conflicts in those countries, the assessment said.

Because there is a proposed cap of 12,000 refugees from Africa, officials expect more will try to enter the U.S. illegally as well. Officials predict the same scenario for refugees from Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Pakistan.

Intelligence officials predict the pool of radical Islamists within the U.S. will increase over the next five years due partly to the ease of online recruiting means. Officials foresee "a wave of young, self-identified Muslim 'terrorist wannabes' who aspire to carry out violent acts."

"The U.S. has already seen some examples of these homegrown terrorists. Recently five Muslim immigrants were convicted of plotting to massacre U.S. soldiers at Fort Dix in a case the government said demonstrated its post-Sept. 11 determination to stop terrorist attacks in the planning stages.

The Lebanese Shiite group Hezbollah does not have a known history of fomenting attacks inside the U.S., but that could change if there is some kind of "triggering" event, the Homeland assessment cautions.

A 2008 Interagency Intelligence Committee on Terrorism assessment said that Hezbollah members based in the U.S. do local fundraising through charity projects and criminal activity, like money laundering, smuggling, drug trafficking, fraud and extortion, according to the homeland security assessment.

BLOOD, SWEAT & SHEARS
— A D'SHAW SALON —

Hair Stylist

Call for my specials on...

- Haircuts • Chemical Services
- Nails • D'Shaw Products

140 Main Ave. South
Twin Falls, Idaho

782-2521 • Cell: 509-070

Retirement Sale
15% Off
All Items
Mon-Sat 10am - 6pm

509 E. Oak
Pocatello

1-208-232-3042

verizonwireless

New Year Blowout Sale!

Don't miss these great deals! Limited time only.

Verizon Wireless 3G Exclusive
Nokia 6205
Music player with built-in camera
OUR LOWEST PRICE EVER!
\$19.99
\$69.99 2-yr. price - \$50 mail-in rebate debit card. With new 2-yr. activation.

Verizon Wireless 3G Exclusive
LG Decoy™
V CAST and VZ Navigator™ capable phone
OUR LOWEST PRICE EVER!
\$19.99
\$69.99 2-yr. price - \$50 mail-in rebate debit card. With new 2-yr. activation.

Smartphone Special!

BlackBerry® Pearl™
Get Email on the go
OUR LOWEST PRICE EVER!
\$19.99
\$130 Smartphone - \$110 99 2-yr. price - \$100 mail-in rebate debit card. With 2-yr. activation on new plans with email feature, or email plan.

Great Value!
Includes a built-in Bluetooth™ headset that pops off to use.

Switch to America's Most Reliable Wireless Network.™

Patient Spotlight

"I love everything about my new Widex® hearing aids."

Polly Parker, Castletford

"I love everything about my new Widex hearing aids from Professional Hearing Aid Services."

I love that I can hear the birds singing and listen to my favorite music.

The service I receive from Fritz and his staff is excellent. They make me feel like a VIP!

Now Celebrating Our **21st Anniversary!**

PROFESSIONAL HEARING AID SERVICES

TWIN FALLS 734-2900
260 Falls Ave • Suite A
Across from CSI

BURLEY 678-7600
1301 E. 16th • Suite 103
Inside Farmers Insurance

WIDEX®
Fritz Kippes, H.I.S.
Hearing Instrument Specialist

Honest Service • Reasonably Priced Hearing Aids
Complete Hearing Healthcare

Call 1.800.2.JOIN.IN Click verizonwireless.com Visit any store

VERIZON WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS STORES
Open 7 days a week. Technicians available at select locations.

BOISE 280 N. Milwaukee St. 208-375-7693

IDAHO FALLS 2183 E. 17th St. 208-525-2000

MERIDIAN 1420 N. Eagle Rd. 208-895-0105
3327 N. Eagle Rd. 208-855-5881

POCATELLO 4333 Yellowstone Ave. 208-237-0173

HAMPA 1320 Caldwell Blvd. 208-442-2549

TWIN FALLS 12399 Poeline Rd. 208-736-2322

BUSINESS CUSTOMERS
1-800-VZW-4BIZ
verizonwireless.com/smallbusiness

AUTHORIZED RETAILERS
Equipment, repairs, rebates & return policy vary by location. Authorized Retailers may impose additional equipment-related charges, including cancellation fees.

BOISE
My Building 208-887-9485

BURLEY
My Building 208-678-1645

JEROME
Wireless Innovations 208-678-5800

MOUNTAIN HOME
Wireless Innovations 208-587-1160

TWIN FALLS
Wireless Innovations 208-735-9090

In Collaboration with **Alcatel-Lucent**

Visit the Verizon Wireless Store inside one of the area's following Circuit City locations:
Boise • Idaho Falls

Activation fee/line: \$33.

IMPORTANT CONSUMER INFORMATION: Subject to Customer Agent Calling Plan, rebate form & credit approval. Up to \$175 early termination fee/line & other charges. Offers and coverage, varying by service, not available every where. Service capabilities, Add'l charges & conditions apply. Rebate debit card takes up to 6 weeks & expires in 12 months. Limited time offers. While supplies last. Network details and coverage maps at verizonwireless.com. In CA: Sales tax based on full retail price of phone. © 2008 Verizon Wireless.

Otter pushes plan to help Idaho Power; PUC, electricity users leery

By John Miller
Associated Press writer

BOISE — Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter wants to make it cheaper and easier for Idaho Power Co. and other utilities to add billions of dollars of transmission lines and power plants, drawing concern from regulators and large electricity users.

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission, at odds with Idaho Power over a rate increase request, traditionally has set cost recovery rates for transmission lines, gas-fired power stations and other projects after they've been completed.

Otter's energy czar, Paul Kjellander, aims to ask the Legislature, which convenes on Jan. 12, to let regulated utilities lock in rates to determine what customers eventually must pay for major projects long before they are completed.

"Preapproved ratemaking" will reassure credit analysts and lenders that utilities such as Idaho Power and PacifiCorp will successfully recover the cost of investments such as Gateway West, a 1,200-mile, more than \$2 billion power line through Wyoming, Idaho and Oregon scheduled for completion by 2012, Kjellander said.

With credit tighter than in decades, Kjellander says the change could speed financing and reduce interest rates, ultimately cutting costs for business and residential customers.

"It's a way in which to demonstrate to outside investors that there will be rate recovery and there's not going to be some effort to disallow those costs down the road," he said. "It helps to reduce the perception of risk."

The bill is part of a package that Kjellander and Otter hope will accelerate transmission projects which they say are critical to assuring that Idaho has enough electricity for economic growth.

Idaho Power, which backs the legislation, would not comment.

The state's largest utility is battling the utilities commission, which is responsible for maintaining fair rates, over its request for a nearly 10 percent rate increase based on claims that it invested \$578 million on infrastructure in the last three years. The commission's staff has recommended 1.44 percent. A decision is due in February.

Moody's Investors Service and Standard & Poor's have lowered Idaho Power's credit ratings over the last eight years to levels just above those that typically denote speculative, or "junk" debt.

Idaho Power Chief Executive Officer J. LaFont Keen recently complained about the lower credit rating and higher capital costs in the face of needs for infrastructure investment.

"Any delay in or lack of recovery of prudent operating or financing costs is seen as an unnecessary risk by the financial community, including the credit rating agencies, during this time of plant expansion," Keen told commission in June, according to a transcript obtained by The Associated Press. "These pressures combine to present a formidable challenge."

Even so, the commission is skeptical about Kjellander's proposal to change the way so utilities can recover costs on projects long before they are completed. Commissioner Jim Kempton said he was especially concerned about a provision that would tie the hands of the regulatory agency in future ratemaking proceedings on a specific project.

"This is not something that should be willingly surrendered by the commission in an attempt to assist a transmission or power utility in enhancing its Wall Street credit rating," Kempton wrote in an e-mail to Kjellander that was obtained by AP through a public records request. "The commission is in unanimous agreement on this point."

Commissioners maintain they've already undertaken steps to help utilities recover investment costs more quickly, including the Idaho Power rate case.

INSIDE

Kjellander's big idea holds promise for Magic Valley.
Editorial, page A6

Opposition also was expressed by Industrial Customers of Idaho Power, a group representing agricultural conglomerate J.R.

Simplot, Micron Technology Inc. and other large electricity users.

"It restricts the PUC from review of new investment by investor-owned utilities once that investment is on line. This would hamstring the commission from doing its job," Peter Richardson, the group's lawyer, wrote to the AP in an e-mail.

Gov. Otter's power plan at a glance

Some of the tentative details of a plan by Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter to let regulated utilities lock in rates to determine what customers eventually must pay to cover transmission lines and other projects long before they are completed:

PRE-APPROVAL: A utility that wants to build power lines or a generating plant could apply to the Idaho Public Utilities Commission "for an order specifying in advance the ratemaking treatment that the commission shall apply to the public

utility's recovery of facility costs, including the construction cost or purchase price and any necessary modifications or improvements to the facility, in future ratemaking proceedings."

BINDING: "The ratemaking treatment specified in the order shall be binding on the commission in all future ratemaking proceedings regarding the specific facility that was subject of the order."

TURBULENT MARKETS: State energy czar Paul Kjellander says the change would reass-

sure investors and credit agencies that utilities can recover costs, especially in times of tight credit.

CONCERNS: The commission and major Idaho Power customers fear the change could undermine fairness in rate-setting. "This would hamstring the commission from doing its job of making sure that (each project) ... is actually used and useful and prudently constructed," said Peter Richardson, a lawyer for the Industrial Customers of Idaho Power.



Receive up to 6 day **VACATION****

DISNEYLAND / DISNEYWORLD

Many other destinations to choose from!

- Las Vegas • San Francisco • Salt Lake
- Hawaii • New York • Vancouver, B.C.
- and More

Special Discounts to local attractions

3 day trip minimum purchase \$899
6 day trip minimum purchase \$1599

**Vacation package not available on prior purchases. Must be 18 years or older to qualify. See store for details.

Vacation Get-Aways with a qualified purchase.
Cruises to Mexico, Trips to Disneyland and other great destinations.

Recliners

Starting at **\$199**

- Sofa & Loveseat Set \$699**
- Massage Reclining Sofa \$899**
- Natuzzi Leather Sofa \$999**

● LG Electronics

19" LCD HDTV SAVE \$50 **\$349**

• 720p HD Resolution • 2500:1 Dynamic Contrast Ratio • Energy Star Compliant

SONY

32" 720p LCD HDTV SAVE \$50 **\$599**

• 16:9 Aspect Ratio • 720p Resolution • PC Input

SONY

High Definition Handycam Camcorder SAVE \$200 **\$699**

• 15x Optical Image Stabilized Zoom • 40 GB Hard Drive • 4 Mega Pixel

BRAVIA XBR 32" 1080p 120Hz

\$799

SAVE \$350

Washer **Dryer**

\$369 **\$349**

Self Clean Glasstop Range \$499

• 4.8 Cu.Ft. Self-Cleaning Oven • EZ-Touch Electronic Oven Controls

16.5 Cu.ft. Refrigerator \$449

• 16.6 cu.ft. capacity • Reversible Door

Built-in Dishwasher \$199

• Hot ProWash Option • Super Upper Rack • Power Wash II System

For every product we sell, we'll beat any other price you find. If we don't, we'll refund the difference. Excludes special orders, clearance items, and items that are out of stock. Offer good while supplies last. See store for details.

LOWEST PRICE GUARANTEE

Wilson-Bates

Superstore Open Sundays

Se Habla Español

www.wilsonbates.com

WILSON-BATES

...we can make it easy!

GUARANTEED CREDIT TO APPROVE 18 MONTHS OR GREATER

TWIN FALLS 724-2222 624-1474

RUBEN 624-1115

COCCO 624-4411

ELY, NEVADA 299-2373

CONVENIENT EXPRESS DELIVERY • 8-X 96 STORE FINANCING • 90 DAYS SAME AS CASH, O.A.C.

EDITORIAL

Kjellander's big idea holds promise for Idaho

What stinks for most folks smell like energy independence to Paul Kjellander. Idaho's energy czar believes that the waste from Idaho's 550,000 dairy cattle could someday be converted to enough electricity and natural gas to power the state into the second half of the 21st century.

And the Magic Valley would be its epicenter. Mountains of manure are fueling Kjellander's dream of pipelines crisscrossing the Snake River plain, linking manure digesters at dairies to central refineries that produce natural gas pure enough for homes or cars.

Our view: Idaho energy czar Paul Kjellander will be pushing a package of income tax credits, property tax waivers and other incentives in the Legislature that could transform the Magic Valley into the energy capital of the state.

What do you think? We welcome viewpoints from our readers on this and other issues.

Dairies could also fire turbines, shooting electricity into the power grid. And they could sell carbon credits in schemes to slash greenhouse gas emissions. Kjellander, who heads up Gov. C.L. "Butch" Otter's Office of Energy Resources, will be proposing a package of income tax credits, property tax waivers and other incentives in the 2009 Legislature to transform Idaho's southern heartland into a methane Mecca. With the pilot project focusing initially in the Magic Valley, however, Kjellander hopes to direct attention to where massive dairies have expanded en masse in recent years, lured by cheap land, cheap feed and utility costs that are just a third of California's. Intermountain Gas loves the idea. And Idaho's largest environmental group is on board.

"We're hoping the digesters will not only capture greenhouse gases, but also because of the way the system works, there will be additional controls of other air pollutants," said Courtney Washburn of the Idaho Conservation League. "Hopefully, it will make the lives of the neighbors a lot easier."

In September, agribusiness giant Cargill began selling electricity from its \$8.5 million, 2.25 megawatt digester and generator facility at the 10,000-cow Bettencourt Dairy in Wendell to Idaho Power Co. Cargill has a second southern Idaho plant due to open next year.

One healthy dairy cow produces 40,000 pounds of manure annually. Manure from 100,000 cows could produce enough natural gas to heat about 10,000 homes.

And with three-fourths of Idaho dairy cattle in the Magic Valley, the possibilities are virtually limitless. It will take, of course, someone like Kjellander — a former legislator and Public Utilities Commission member — with the knowledge and political influence to bring it together. The Legislature should take his tax-credit proposals seriously.

The friendly drones at the SEC

When my children were young, I used to read them "The Story of Ferdinand." Written in 1936, it's about a bull who prefers smelling flowers to fighting. An ill-timed bee sting makes him appear ferocious and he's sent to the ring, but on the day of his big match he simply sits down and smells the flowers in the hats of women in the audience.



LOREN STEFFY

No matter how much the matador waxes his cape, Ferdinand just sits there. In a modern version of the tale, the bull is the Securities and Exchange Commission. It's oblivious to red flags. For years, the SEC ignored warnings that something was seriously amiss at Bernie Madoff's securities firm, which investigators now say Madoff himself admitted was a \$50 billion Ponzi scheme. If so, it would be the single biggest fraud ever perpetrated on the market, eclipsing WorldCom and, yes, Enron.

Even the term Ponzi scheme seems inadequate because Charles Ponzi himself never conceived a fraud of such magnitude. His own scam bilked investors out of only \$15 million in 1920, equal to about \$150 million today.

Fraud, of course, is far easier to see in hindsight, and who would have suspected that Madoff, a well-known Wall Street insider who once ran the Nasdaq stock exchange, would engage in what appears to be a flagrant confidence game?

Not the SEC, the supposed watchdog for investors large and small. For years, it failed to notice the red flags flapping around Madoff like pennants at a used-car lot. When I used to write about penny stock fraud, one of the first things I



looked at when a suspicious company caught my attention was the auditors. Little-known accounting firms were a red flag.

The auditor for Madoff's firm, which purported to have more than \$1 billion in assets, was Frichling & Horowitz, which operated out of a 230-square-foot storefront office in New City, N.Y., Bloomberg News reported.

It has a staff of three: one active accountant, a secretary and a partner in his late 70s who lives in Florida, Bloomberg said.

The accounting firm was just one reason that Aksia, a hedge fund advisory firm, warned clients against investing with Madoff last year.

Aksia also was suspicious about the secrecy surrounding Madoff's operations, the too-good-to-be-believed returns and the use of a trading strategy that seemed simple but that its own analysts couldn't duplicate, Bloomberg said.

Yet the SEC didn't notice any of this. Then again, it didn't look too hard. Madoff registered his investment advisory firm in 2006, but the SEC never got around to

inspecting its books. Typically, the SEC inspects newly registered firms in their first year.

Other investigations dating to 1992 found only minor infractions or no evidence of wrongdoing by Madoff's firm.

Even SEC Chairman Christopher Cox, not known for charging to investors' defense, acknowledged "apparent multiple failures" in probing allegations of wrongdoing by Madoff.

Questions surfaced about Madoff's niece, who married a former SEC official, the Wall Street Journal reported.

Meanwhile, Madoff's role as the former Nasdaq chairman made his opinion on regulatory matters valued in Washington. An SEC inspector general's report earlier this year found other instances of in which the commission sided away from Wall Street titans, including Morgan Stanley's John Mack. Madoff may have simply enjoyed the spoils of the Washington buddy system.

Madoff's own investors, many of them savvy and wise to the ways of Wall Street, should have smelled a rat. Instead, they proved as

gullible to a good sales pitch as any Florida widow.

As is often the case, investors didn't question the stellar returns. The flow of money tends to wash away doubt and common sense. Madoff never had a down year, even though everybody does at some point.

And so the era of lax regulation that began with Enron ends with the Madoff madness looming as a monument to the SEC's ineptitude. Already under fire for smelling the flowers while Bear Stearns to cite one example charged toward collapse, the SEC's days may be numbered. Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson introduced a sweeping reform plan earlier this year that would relieve it of much of its oversight role.

At the end of the children's story, Ferdinand is returned to his favorite spot under a cork tree to spend his days sitting in the shade and smelling the flowers.

In the modern version, it's the SEC that needs to be put out to pasture.

Loren Steffy is a columnist for the Houston Chronicle. Write to him loren.steffy@chron.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dr. McKay a true example of positive thinking

A sincere thanks to Times-News correspondent Blair Koch for the article on Dr. Kathleen McKay, which appeared on the Jerome Community page of the Times-News on Dec. 11. In a time of such uncertain and negative news, it was refreshing to read Dr. McKay's story. She was severely injured in an automobile accident in January of 1993. After hospitalization and rehab, she was told she would not be able to go back to school at the College of Southern Idaho. Not only did she prove that to be wrong, but she overcame many other obstacles to continue her education and become a chiropractor. She is a true example of what positive thinking, persistence and believing in oneself can accomplish. Her

story of triumph when faced with incredible odds can be inspirational for all of us.

Thanks again to the Times-News. MARY MARTINAT Jerome

Bush needs to do right thing in Sgt. Vela case

Regarding Sgt. Evan Vela, miscarriage of justice: The article that was quoted in the Times-News on Dec. 18 concerning Sgt. Evan Vela who was convicted of murder for the killing of an Iraqi citizen and subsequently ordered to serve 10 years in Leavenworth prison should cause all of us to do some in-depth soul searching. The pep rally aboard the aircraft carrier that informed us we were going to launch an enterprise that would be finished in days if not weeks was accepted by many of us.

It's difficult now to even remember that incident. Our country's most precious resource — our young people — answered the call. It has always been my contention that we should send the old people and leave our youth to have a chance at life. Not likely to happen.

The premise seems to be well established that he acted on the orders of his superior officer. It may have been that he should have said, "It will be necessary for me to consult the Code of Military Justice to determine whether I can refuse a direct order. After I do my research, I will determine my future course." In that case, he would probably have shot someone the next day. Can't be a healthy practice in Iraq. In what happens in civilian life as well as the military, his commanding officer told the investigators

all they wanted to hear and received a promise that he would not be charged. I assume we're encouraging young people to tell on everyone else and they will not be blamed.

In the name of human decency, this young man should be given a presidential pardon. I think his family can be encouraged that the incoming administration will look favorably on doing so. It would be a welcome event if President Bush accepted the responsibility for bringing this incident to a close now. I'm a lifelong Republican and I accept that the Republican Party hasn't had many stars in its crown lately. Send a letter, postcard, whatever, and tell your senators and representatives to encourage this administration to do the right thing. MARLENE GUERRY Twin Falls

TIMES-NEWS

Brad Hurd ... publisher Steve Crump ... Opinion editor
The members of the editorial board and writers of editorials are Brad Hurd, James G. Wright, Steve Crump, Bill Blitzenburg and Ruth S. Pierce.

Want to express your opinion?
Go to Magicvalley.com, register and tell us what you think about this editorial and other news.

Join the discussion
Voice your opinion with local bloggers: Progressive Voice, Conservative Corner and In the Middle. On the opinion page at Magicvalley.com.

THE LIGHTER SIDE OF POLITICS

Doonesbury

By Garry Trudeau

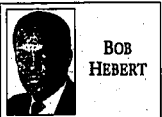
Mallard Fillmore

By Bruce Tilley



Time to end the war on America's working people

Is the end of the war in sight? I don't mean Iraq. I'm talking about the war against working people in the U.S. that has taken such a vicious economic toll over the past three decades.



BOB HERBERT

Even as Americans by the thousands sign up for jobless benefits in this horrendous holiday season, or line up to declare bankruptcy, or stand sorrowfully aside as their homes are foreclosed upon, there are some slender reasons to hope. On Dec. 19, George W. Bush, in the slapstick final weeks of his disastrous presidency, grudgingly announced that, yes, emergency loans would be made available to prevent the collapse of the U.S. auto industry. He looked like a boy who had been forced to eat his spinach, or drink his castor oil. But the economy is in such an awful state that even the most backward administration of our lifetime recognized that risking

the chain reaction of a complete auto industry meltdown was not an option. Bush's announcement came a day after it was learned that President-elect Obama had chosen Rep. Hilda Solis of California, a fierce advocate of workers, to be his labor secretary. The Obama administration also is committed to moving quickly on an economic stimulus package that could reach \$1 trillion over two years. These are developments that portend a radically different environment for the nation's workers. From Ronald Reagan's voodoo economics to Henry Paulson's \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program, we've put the

Ordinary workers have suffered. It took years to get a lousy little boost in the minimum wage for the working poor.

mighty resources of the national government overwhelmingly on the side of those who were already rich and powerful. Ordinary workers have suffered. It took years to get a lousy little boost in the minimum wage for the working poor. Attempts to expand health insurance coverage were fought almost to a standstill. Guaranteed pensions vanished. And the maniacs who set fire to the economy with their incendiary financial instruments (yet another form of voodoo) were hot to privatize Social Security. As Andy Stern, president of the huge Service Employees International Union, told me: "We've had a 25-year experience with market-worshipping, deregulating, privatizing, trickle-down policies, and it has

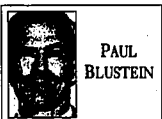
ended us up with the greatest economic crisis in our nation's history, and with the greatest amount of inequality since the Great Depression." The contempt for workers over this long period has hardly been hidden. Until Bush was forced by circumstances to tap the TARP program for the auto industry loans, the administration had gone out of its way to keep the program's hundreds of billions of dollars reserved for the elites of the financial services industry and their associates. These elites, of course, were the geniuses who ruined the most powerful economy on earth. When Citigroup went into another swoon last month, the rush to rescue it was breathtaking. Posses don't come more elegant: the outgoing treasury secretary,

Hank Paulson; the incoming treasury secretary (and president of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York), Timothy Geithner; and a former treasury secretary (not to mention Citigroup board member), Robert Rubin. They materialized magnificently, armed with hundreds of billions in taxpayer bailout cash. Leo Gerard, president of the steelworkers union, summed up the government's attitude nicely when he said: "Washington will bail out who who shover before work, but not those who shover afterwards." Working people have been treated like enemies, a class to be preyed upon. Labor unions were ferociously attacked. Jobs were shipped overseas by the millions. People were hired as temp or contract so benefits could be denied. All of this may finally be changing. It remains to be seen how strong a voice Solis will have in the Obama

administration, but she is a pit worker to her core, a politician who actually knows what it's like to walk a picket line. And there have been other promising developments. More than 200 laid-off workers staged a successful six-day sit-in at a factory in Chicago this month, demanding and eventually getting severance pay and benefits that they were owed by law. A more substantial victory occurred in Tar Heel, N.C., last week when workers, after a brutal 15-year struggle, succeeded in organizing the notorious Smithfield Packing slaughterhouse, the largest hog-killing and processing plant in the world. These are shaky steps in the overall scheme of things, to be sure. But at long last, they are steps in the right direction. Bob Herbert is a columnist for The New York Times. Write to him at berber@nytimes.com.

A wise move: don't trade recession for depression

WASHINGTON — If the 1930s taught us anything, it was that one way to make a depression "Great" is for countries around the world to go protectionist. The Smoot-Hawley Tariff Act, signed by President Herbert Hoover in 1930, is justifiably notorious for having triggered a disastrous cycle of trade conflict. Among the more insane examples of Depression-era trade policy was the "Egg War" between the United States and Canada in which the Smoot-Hawley tariff on eggs prompted Ottawa to impose retaliatory duties on American eggs, drying up a once-lucrative source of income for farmers on both sides of the border. There's no chance that the world will go down the protectionist route again in any serious way, right? That's what I used to think, until recently. In the 25 years that I've been writing about economics, I've heard — and scoffed at — many a Cassandran-like warning that



PAUL BLUSTEIN

protectionism could soon rear its head. The ghosts of Messrs. Smoot and Hawley have been conjured up so often that they've lost their capacity to frighten us. But now that the breadth and depth of the global slump is coming into focus, I'm not scoffing anymore. Protectionists are bound to feel increasing pressure to raise trade barriers, and those old scare stories seem a lot less far-fetched. All of a sudden, an issue that has barely registered on most Washington radar screens — the stalemate in global trade talks — is starting to loom as a serious problem for the steady reeling world economy. When negotiations in the Doha Round, as the talks are called, broke

down on July 29, the news evolved straggly, even to trade experts — and understandably so. This was the latest in a series of setbacks for the round, which has dragged on for seven years. But here's the catch: The Doha talks could have provided a meaningful insurance policy against protectionism. As the financial turmoil starts to weaken the "real" economies of many countries, the round's failure is starting to look like a calamitous stumble for economic globalization. The recessions that are now afflicting every major region of the world will make it difficult for governments to resist calls to protect their industries from foreign competition, especially when other countries also seem to be abandoning free-market policies. In the United States, the lure of protectionism will be all the greater because the plunging in many foreign currencies — from the South Korean won to the Brazilian real to the South African rand

— will make imported products much cheaper in trade terms to come. It's not that President-elect Barack Obama and his advisers are anti-trade; they aren't. But remember, it was President Bush, a supposedly ardent free-trader, who succumbed to demands from the beleaguered steel industry for stiff tariffs in 2002. The revulsion against unfettered capitalism has been aimed thus far at the system governing flows of money; it is unlikely to spare the system governing the international flow of goods and services. Think the pledge by the leaders of the world's biggest economies at their Nov. 15 Group of 20 summit to refrain from protectionist measures will work? The initial signs aren't promising. No sooner had the leaders left Washington than Russia announced that it was going ahead with plans to raise substantial duties on imports, especially foreign cars. Chinese President Hu Jintao warned a meeting of

top Communist Party officials last month that the global financial crisis might tempt other countries to give in to protectionism. The complete termination of global trade talks is unthinkable. Nothing of the sort has happened since the '30s. Previous trade rounds had very dark moments, too: The Uruguay Round, which was finalized in 1994, took eight years. One way or another, the Doha Round will get done eventually. Those settlements are articles of faith among many trade experts. Experience has taught them that, in the end, the self-interest of the community of nations in preserving the multilateral trading system always prevails. They are probably right. But the risk that they might be proven wrong this time looms uncomfortably high. Paul Blustein is Journalist in residence at the Global Economy and Development Program at the Brookings Institution.

Auction CALENDAR

Through January 17th

SATURDAY, DEC. 27, 10:00am
Public Auto Auction, Twin Falls
Cars • Trailers • Boats • RVs
Equipment • Pickups • Trucks
Phone: 734-2548 • Fax: 735-8172
HUNTS AUTO AUCTION

SATURDAY, DEC. 27, 1:00pm
Auction, Twin Falls
Furniture • Appliances • Tools
Collectibles • Garden Items
Phone: 734-2548 • Fax: 735-8172
HUNT BROS. AUCTIONS

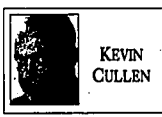
MONDAY, DECEMBER 29
Closed for Christmas and New Years
Happy Holidays!
734-1635 • 731-4567
IDAHO AUCTION BARN
www.auctionidaho.com

MONDAY, JAN. 5, 5:30pm
Antiques & Collectibles, TF
Furniture • Tools • Guns
Ammunition • Gemstones/Kidney
734-1635 • 731-4567
IDAHO AUCTION BARN
www.auctionidaho.com

SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 10:00am
Guns & Silver Dollars, TF •
Hunting • Fishing • Knives
Country gear • Items now!
734-1635 • 731-4567
IDAHO AUCTION BARN
www.auctionidaho.com

The flint-hearted pencil-pushers at Sallie Mae

Ian McVey could have been anything. He chose to be a Marine. It's not a path that most kids from Weston, Mass. would take, but Ian Thomas McVey was not Ian Thomas. He coasted at Weston High. But when he transferred to the Rivers School, where his father taught Latin, he got serious and blossomed. One day, he told his father, "I want to join the Marines." His father said he was proud of him, but had one caveat: go to college first. Ian McVey went off to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, in upstate New York, graduating last year with a double major in computer science and computer engineering. He spurned a lucrative career in the private sector to join the Marine Corps. "I wanted to be as long as I can remember," he wrote in his



KEVIN CULLEN

officer training application. After September 11, 2001, I knew more than ever that this was what I wanted to do. I wanted to serve my country, and after the attack I knew I wanted to join the Marines' ranks and go into harms way so others would not have to." Last summer, Second Lieutenant Ian McVey got his orders. He was to go to Iraq as a platoon commander with the Second Combat Engineer Battalion of the Second Marine Division. On July 19, not long before his unit was to ship out, McVey's motorcycle was blindsided by a car driven by an 84-year-old woman near

Camp Lejeune, N.C. He was killed instantly. He was 23 years old. John McVey went through his son's things. Cluttered bureau drawers. Photographs and memories. He also had to settle Ian's college loans. He wrote to the lenders, asking that the debts be forgiven. Two wrote back, saying they would forgive the loans. The third, Sallie Mae, the government-created college loan provider that privatized its operations in 2004, refused. John McVey then wrote a very personal letter to Sallie Mae: "In the process of his education, Ian amassed considerable loans. But Ian was steadfast in his desire to serve our country rather than begin a life in business where his income would have been double or triple his Marine service payment. Giving to

our country was Ian's calling, and we admired and supported his choice of service. He was a good and noble son and a better friend." Sallie Mae responded with a computer-generated letter that, aside from a "Please accept our condolences for your loss" stuck in the middle, was a demand for \$53,144. There was no name on the letter. John McVey's attempts to get a human being to talk to him about this have been met with computer-generated voices. "What bothers me most is we say our country is at war, but it's only the soldiers, the Marines, and their families who are at war. We're not in this together. Sallie Mae couldn't care less," John McVey said. "I put my heart and soul into this letter. And a computer wrote back." It is beyond obscene that a government now handing out

billions in bailouts to boardroom executives whose idea of risk is using a 9-foot instead of a wedge on an approach shot could spawn a lender like Sallie Mae to soak the family of a young man willing to spill his blood for others.

Simpler Times Village

840 Addison Ave. • Twin Falls, ID 83301 • 208-733-8737

End of Year Christmas Sale

50 TO 75% OFF

Select Holiday Decor

• Antiques • Furniture • Florals • Framed Prints
• Candles • Home Decor and So Much More...

Open Mon.-Sat. 10:30am-5pm
www.simplertimesvillage.com

Learning QuickBooks Step-by-Step

"QuickBooks Fundamentals"

Just Some of What You Will Learn:

- Introducing QuickBooks
- Managing Revenues
- Managing Expenses
- Bank Reconciliation
- Reports & Graphs
- Company File Setup and Maintenance
- Customizing QuickBooks

Two half-day sessions to choose from:
Wednesday, January 7th and Thursday, January 15th
8:00 - 12:00, Registration 7:45 AM
864 Filer Avenue, Twin Falls

\$97.00 including book Register Today!
737-0087

For more information www.idahoopa.com

QuickBooks® is a registered trademark of Intuit Inc.
Ataraxis Accounting & Advisory Services, Inc. is not affiliated with Intuit Inc.

The Snow Center

Updated Daily at magicvalley.com

• Snow Reports: Snowboard, downhill and Cross-Country Ski Reports

• 5-day Snow Forecast

• Mountain Cams

• Resort Profile and Event Information

• Trail Maps, Travel deals and more...

Sponsored by:

USGS study foresees faster climate change this century

By Juliet Eilperin
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The United States faces the possibility of much more rapid climate change by the end of the century than previous studies have suggested, according to a new report led by the U.S. Geological Survey.

The survey, which was commissioned by the U.S. Climate Change Science Program and issued this month — expands on the 2007 findings of the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. Looking at factors such as rapid sea ice loss in the Arctic and prolonged drought in the Southwest, the new assessment suggests that earlier projections may have underestimated the climate shifts that could take place by 2100.

However, the assessment also suggests that some other feared effects of global warming are not likely to occur by the end of the century, such as an abrupt release of methane from the seabed and per-

mafrost or a shutdown of the Atlantic Ocean circulation system that brings warm water north and colder water south. But the report projects an amount of potential sea level rise during that period that may be greater than what other researchers have anticipated, as well as a shift to a more arid climate pattern in the Southwest by mid-century.

Thirty-two scientists from federal and non-federal institutions contributed to the report, which took nearly two years to complete. The Climate Change Science Program, which was established in 1990, coordinates the climate research of 13 different federal agencies.

Tom Armstrong, senior adviser for global change programs at USGS, said the report "shows how quickly the information is advancing" on potential climate shifts. The prospect of abrupt climate change, he said, "is one of those things that keeps people up at night, because it's a low-probability but high-risk

scenario. It's unlikely to happen in our lifetimes, but if it were to occur, it would be life-changing."

In one of the report's most worrisome findings, the agency estimates that in light of recent ice sheet melting, global sea level rise could be as much as four feet by 2100. The IPCC had projected a sea level rise of no more than 1.5 feet by that time, but satellite data over the past two years show the world's major ice sheets are melting much more rapidly than previously thought. The Antarctic and Greenland ice sheets are now losing an average of 48 cubic miles of ice a year, equivalent to twice the amount of ice that exists in the Alps.

Konrad Steffen, who directs the Cooperative Institute for the Study of Earth System Science at the University of Colorado at Boulder and was lead author on the report's chapter on ice sheets, said the models the IPCC used did not factor in some of the dynamics that scientists now understand about ice sheet melting,

Israel moves closer to Gaza invasion

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel moved closer to invading Gaza, saying Thursday it had wrapped up preparations for a broad offensive after Palestinian militants fired almost 100 rockets and mortar shells across the border in two days.

Israel's foreign minister brushed off a call for restraint from Egypt's president, and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert made a direct appeal to Gaza's people to pressure their leaders to stop the barrages. But the attacks showed no signs of ending. By nightfall, three rockets and 15 mortar shells had exploded in Israel.

Olmert issued his appeal in a rare interview with the Arabic language satellite channel al-Arabiya, saying Israel would not hesitate to respond with force if the attacks continued.

"I am telling them now, it may be the last minute. I'm telling them stop it. We are stronger," he said.

Thursday's rocket fire was far less than the barrage of 80 rockets the previous day, and there were no reports of injuries. But Israeli leaders said the continued fire — the most intense since Egypt brokered a cease-fire last June — was unacceptable.

One of the mortar shells

landed at Israel's passenger crossing with Gaza just as a group of Palestinian Christians was going through on their way to the West Bank town of Bethlehem for Christmas celebrations, the military said. Another rocket exploded after nightfall in an industrial park south of the coastal city of Ashkelon, police said.

Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak invited Israeli Foreign Minister Tzipi Livni to Cairo to discuss the possibility of renewing the truce, which expired Dec. 19. But by the time Livni arrived, she was in no mood to discuss a cease-fire, and she dismissed Mubarak's pleas for restraint.

QUALES Electronics AFTER CHRISTMAS SALE!

SALE

Mitsubishi 32" DLP HDTV
\$1499
SAVE \$300
WD65733

No Interest Until 2012 on Any Mitsubishi

Blu-ray Hi Definition DVD Players
\$198

Samsung 46" LCD HDTV
\$1348
SAVE \$250
LN46A550

Mitsubishi 73" DLP HDTV
\$2199
SAVE \$600
WD73736

Toshiba 32" LCD HDTV
\$499
SAVE \$80
32AV502

25% OFF ALL HDMI and Professional Cables

BRIDGEMAXX Silver
2Mbps download
7.68Kbps upload
\$19.99 per month (1st 3 months)

dish NETWORK

QUALES Electronics
1730 Kimberly Rd.
733-4910

THE BEST BRAND NAMES

SKI-DOO 50th ANNIVERSARY

IT'S TIME TO CELEBRATE THE 50th ANNIVERSARY OF SKI-DOO AND THE ARRIVAL OF WINTER WITH OUR WINTER CELEBRATION PROMOTION.

BUY ANY ELIGIBLE SKI-DOO® SNOWMOBILE AND YOU CAN GET

UP TO GREAT OPTIONS EXTENDED

SUCH AS DOWN PAYMENT, PAYMENT AND INTEREST FOR 8 MONTHS, WARRANTY!

CASH REBATE!

Now Open Mon. thru Sat. 9am-5pm
825-XTRM (8876) • TOLL-FREE 1-866-530-9876

Located off the Freeway at Haasem/Kimberly exit 182, 8 miles east of Twin Falls.

Xtreme Motor Sports & RV
Helping YOU Get out of town
www.XtremeRV.com

70% SELECT OFF WHEELS!

"We highly recommend Xtreme for all your RV needs - BEST SERVICE IN IDAHO!"

ski-doo
WITH MORE, WITH NOISE!

Visit your local dealer for all details or go to ski-doo.com

Heitz of Twin Falls Says

You Can Save \$1000's On Hundreds Of Late Model Vehicles With Remaining Factory Warranty

THE MAGIC VALLEY'S ONLY!

72 HOUR

Buy your next vehicle from Heitz. If you are not completely satisfied with the vehicle, bring it back. We'll make it right - without a hassle. ** Guaranteed!

This is the smart choice! We are confident you will be completely satisfied with your buying experience. Why? Because our reputation depends on it. Guaranteed!

'04 CHEVY SUBURAN PWR Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Wheels • Rear Air • Flood Rack * Titl #A178	'08 DODGE DAKOTA SRT CREW 4X4 Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Wheels #3331
'06 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Quads • Rear Air #A165	'06 CHEVY EXPRESS Air • AM/FM • Wheels #4434
'02 SUBARU OUTBACK II BEAN Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD/Cassette • Leather • Wheels • Titl • Flood Rack #3084	'02 MERCEDES S300 Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD/Cassette • Leather • Wheels #3428
'06 CHEVY EQUINOX LS Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Wheels #A177	'06 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN 4 DR Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Titl #A172
'07 DODGE CALIBER Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD #2128	'03 GMC YUKON DENALI XL Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Change/Cassette • 17" DVD • Leather • Sunroof • Running Boards • Wheels #A162
'08 TOYOTA AVALON Pwr Seat • Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Leather #2314	'08 FORD FOCUS SES Pwr W-L-M • TR/Cruise • CD • Leather • Wheels • Titl • Sunroof #2301

636 POLELINE ROAD TWIN FALLS
208.733.4000

OPEN MONDAY thru SATURDAY TIL 7 PM

*This dealer is not an. Prices in this section are, with \$2,000 in cash. \$117,000 GM. Price Excludes Dealer Finance 2% 2006. Prices are approximate.

Season for sharing

Buhl canned food drive a big success

By Blair Koch
Times-News correspondent

The students at Popplewell Elementary brought in more than 1,500 food items, and the town's middle school added more than 1,600 — all set to be divided into food baskets for Buhl-area families in need.

The food drives were sponsored by the Kiwanis Club-affiliated youth group in each school: the K-Kids Club in the elementary school and the junior high Builders Club.

"This is great, to see so much participation and so much generosity by Buhl's youngsters," said Kiwanis Club President Gary Winn. At Popplewell, students were pleased to be able to help those needing food around the holidays.

"It looks like we're going to help a lot of people eat and people need food, especially because it's so cold," said Popplewell fourth-grader Alysha Rodriguez. "I think we should do this for people in need all year."

Students were also excited about competing to see who would bring in the most canned goods. Elementary kids racked up donations with a pizza party given to classes with most donations; middle school homework classes battled it out for a morning doughnut party.

Builders Club leaders are helping students become aware about community service. They are growing in consciousness about taking personal responsibility to helping the less fortunate, and while kids were excited about the possibility of being treated, they were more ambitious about the task at hand, said Co-Adviser Susan Baggs.



Blair Koch/For the Times-News
Buhl Kiwanis Club members Steve Kantz, left, and Tony Pato loaded more than 3,000 canned food items that were collected during recent food drives held by Buhl's Popplewell Elementary and Middle School.

"They know the need," Baggs said. "We've sent bulletins out to inform them and try to get club members out in the community. They go and read to Head Start kids and serve food at the community kitchen, volunteer at the animal shelter."

Baggs said the eighth-grade class who that the challenge brought in an

average of 16 food items per student.

"There are only 268 kids in the school so I think they did pretty good ... the students gave what they could," Baggs said.

The food drive items were picked up from the schools by volunteers with the Buhl Kiwanis Club and taken to the Buhl First Christian Church.

More donated food from around the region was brought to the church where community members sorted and packed food baskets that were distributed to more than 100 West End families just in time for Christmas.

Blair Koch may be reached at 208-316-2607 or blairkoch@gmail.com.



Twin Falls Creative Arts Center announced the winners of its children's gingerbread house building contest that was held recently at the center.

Gingerbread houses were submitted in three age divisions, and the winners of each division won a gift certificate for one free month of art classes and \$20 in cash. There were all kinds of candies and treats, including rock candy, Hershey's bar pieces, and sticks of gum, that adorned the gingerbread houses entered into the competition.

The winner in the age 3-8 division was Kaylin Freeman, Shoshone.

In the age 9-13 division, the winner was a team of two students from Twin Falls, Emma and Josh Grant.

The winner in the age 14-18 division was Tanner Jones, from Twin Falls.

All three winners of the gingerbread house building contest are home-schooled students who were awarded their prizes with a reception of cookies and hot cider.

A Christmas student art show is on display at the center now through Dec. 27 at the Magic Valley Arts Council which features artwork of current students.



Kaylin Freeman



Emma Grant



Tanner Jones

COMMUNITY NEWS

Silver Sage scouts receive grants

The Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council recently received four grant awards totaling \$10,500 from The Whittenberger Foundation, the Caldwell Community Foundation, Idaho Community Foundation, and the Idaho Women's Fitness Celebration Foundation.

Funding from these foundations will go toward youth development programs for girls living on the Duck Valley Indian Reservation (on the Idaho-Nevada border, at Farmway Village outside of Caldwell and in the Treasure Valley.

The Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council serves more than 6,300 girls and has more than 2,300 volunteers serving eastern Oregon, southern Idaho and parts of northern Nevada.

Girl Scouts of Silver Sage Council contribute approximately 378,000 hours of community service annually.

For more information:

www.girlscouts-ssc.org, 377-2011 or 800-846-0079.

Fry of Twin Falls earns masters degree

Prescott (Ariz.) College is pleased to announce that Sonia Fry of Twin Falls was awarded a Masters of Arts in Marriage and Family Therapy on Dec. 6.

The college's community-based master's program allows students to continue to live and work in their home communities with the guidance of local advisers and mentors while completing their degree.

Patterson chosen for T.F. library board

Patti Patterson has been appointed to serve on the Twin Falls Public Library Board. The appointment was made Dec. 15 by the Twin Falls City Council. She is currently finishing a partial term of office that extended from

Please see COMMUNITY, Page B2

LOADED WITH GIFTS



The students of Clever Trinity Lutheran School are pictured loading gifts for a needy family. All Clever students experienced the joy of giving when they adopted a family who needed help this Christmas season. They brought in monetary donations to help purchase coats, pants, sweaters and toys for the children as well as a microwave and coffee maker for the parent. Students, from left, front row, Kayla Schroeder, Wrayna Day, Quinn Schroeder, KC Setton, Tony Schroeder, Maggie Calhoun, Skyler Moore, Ryan Wilson; back row, administrator Marcella Lutz and Texas Robinson.

Excessive, unexpected sweating puts damper on social life

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a 61-year-old male in what I think is great condition. However, for as long as I can remember, I have had a problem with sweating. If a warm breeze comes by, if I drink a hot cup of coffee or have a glass of wine, I sweat profusely.

I exercise a great deal and sweating isn't a problem then. What is a constant



ASK DR. GOTT
Dr. Peter Gott

source of embarrassment, though, is being out to dinner or at a party when the

waterfall starts. Do you have any thoughts or solutions?
DEAR READER: Hyperhidrosis is a medical condition in which a person sweats at unpredictable times and in excess. It affects up to 3 percent of our population, yet fewer than half with the diagnosis seek medical attention. As you have discovered, the discomfort is both emotional

and physical. Generally speaking, people sweat during exercise, when warm weather prevails or when confronted by situations that bring on fear, nervousness, anger or embarrassment. In times such as these, we expect to sweat. However, hyperhidrosis can occur because of medical conditions such as heart disease, hypothy-

roidism, menopause, Parkinson's disease, stroke and more. I am guessing, because of your "great condition," that you are not sick. Perhaps your presence at a dinner or party presents more internal and undressed stress than you have been willing to admit. If so, you might want to determine what is causing the turmoil and find ways to

combat it. Treatment includes over-the-counter antiperspirants, prescription medication, Botox and iontophoresis, which is a Food and Drug Administration-approved procedure that uses electricity to turn off the sweat gland temporarily. This procedure is most effective for

Please see DR. GOTT, Page B2

Community

Continued from page B1

Aug. 1, 2005 through Dec. 31, 2008, filling the remaining term of a former board member who resigned.

Patterson expresses a strong interest in the library and is prepared to accept the full responsibilities of a working library trustee for her next term of office from January 2009 through December 2013.

The purpose of the five-member board is to establish and review policies and rules of use for the governance of the library. She joins current board mem-

bers Brian Bolton, Susan Kelley-Harbke, Catherine Talkington, and Mark Wasden.

Rankin finishes Army basic training

Army Pfc. Tyler J. Rankin has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga.

Rankin is the son of Gregg Rankin of Virginia Beach, Va., and grandson of Sherry Morrill of Kimberly. He is a 2008 graduate of Green Run High School, in Virginia Beach.

We want your community news

Do you have community news you would like to have published in the Times-News' new Jerome, North Side, Mini-Cassia and Twin Falls Community sections?

Email the information and a photo, if you have one, to: frontjournal@magicvalley.com. Please put the word "community" in the subject line.

If you are announcing an upcoming event please send the information at least two weeks in advance.

SOMEBODY NEEDS YOU

Donations/Volunteers — The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center needs household items including televisions, computers and cordless phones, and warm clothing. The center also needs volunteers to work with refugees in a variety of areas, including English as a second language, tutoring and transportation for grocery shopping. Donated items can be taken to the center, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.), Monday through Friday, at 1526 Highland Ave. E. in Twin Falls. Information: Michelle at 736-2166.

Donations — New Hope Transition Center needs several items to help through the winter, including noodles, canned vegetables, stew and soups, fresh vegetables, large garbage bags, paper towels, toilet paper, liquid dish soap, laundry soap and cleaning supplies. Donated items can be taken to the center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, at 425 Second Ave. N. in Twin Falls. Information: 733-0823.

Foster parents — Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services needs foster parents for local foster children who need temporary homes. Many children in south-central Idaho are in foster care due to neglect, abuse or abandonment. More children, 10 and younger, are in foster care, but less foster homes are available for those 11 and older. Information: 734-4435 or Idaho Care Line at 211.

Mentors — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteers, age 55 and older, in Jerome and Twin Falls counties to mentor children of prisoners. Volunteers must undergo a complete background check and be willing to mentor a child for a minimum of one hour each week for one year. Information: Ken, 736-2122, ext. 2394 or whitling@ooa.cs.edu.

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers needs volunteers to provide transportation, homemaker services, respite and perform other tasks. Must have own car, primary insurance and current driver's license. Mileage reimbursement is available. Information: Shirley or Verna at 733-6333.

Volunteers — Interfaith Volunteer Caregivers needs volunteers this winter to remove snow from walkways and driveways for those who can't do it themselves. Information: 733-6333.

Foster parents — Magic Valley Youth and Adult Services needs foster parents for local foster children who need temporary homes. Many children in south-central Idaho are in foster care due to neglect, abuse or

Want to help?

This public service column is designed to match needs in the Magic Valley with volunteer help.

If you need a volunteer, contact the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) at 736-4764, before noon Wednesday for Friday publication. RSVP is a United Way-sponsored agency at the College of Southern Idaho.

abandonment. More children, 10 and younger, are in foster care, but less foster homes are available for those 11 and older. Information: 734-4435 or Idaho Care Line at 211.

Mentors — The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteers, age 55 and older, in Jerome and Twin Falls counties to mentor children of prisoners. Volunteers must undergo a complete background check and be willing to mentor a child for a minimum of one hour each week for one year. Information: Ken, 736-2122, ext. 2394 or whitling@ooa.cs.edu.

Volunteers — Hospice Visions needs volunteers for its hospice home, Visions of Home. Volunteers are needed to assist patients with letter writing, reading, visiting, playing cards or being a friend during a difficult time in their lives. Call Flo at 735-0121.

Volunteers — Long Term Care Ombudsman Program needs volunteers to visit residents in skilled nursing and residential care facilities. Volunteers can be advocates for residents and improve elderly care. Training and mentoring will be provided. Information: Mary or Laurene at Office of Aging, 736-2122.

Drivers — Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center needs volunteer drivers for the "home delivered meals" program for the homebound. Drivers do not have to be seniors (husbands and/or wives or anyone of legal driving age) to volunteer to drive one or two days a week for an hour to an hour and a half. The center needs people who can be relied on for their appointed routes. Reimbursed mileage for gas is available. Information: Karen, 734-5084.

Drivers — Retired and Senior Volunteer Program needs volunteer drivers, age 55 and older, in the Mini-Cassia area to take senior citizens to doctor appointments and for grocery shopping. Volunteers are reimbursed mileage and are covered by excess insurance. Information: Kitty, 677-4872, ext. 2.

TREE CITY



Twin Falls County was recently awarded the Tree City USA designation from the Arbor Day Foundation. Twin Falls County is only the second county in Idaho to earn the designation. Pictured from left, Dave Jones; Jim Teffer, chairman of the Twin Falls County Tree Board; Terry Kransen, Twin Falls County Commissioner; Craig Westling; and Gary Jesses.

Dr. Gott

Continued from page B1

sweating of the hands and feet than for other body parts. Speak with your physician to determine which treatment might be appropriate for you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My eyelid droopiness and unexplained body weakness led to a diagnosis of myasthenia gravis. Please provide further information on the condition and its treatment.

DEAR READER: Myasthenia gravis is a chronic autoimmune disease that causes muscle weakness that can increase during periods of activity and decrease following rest.

Initial symptoms can be an eyelid that droops, blurred or double vision, slurred speech, weakness of the extremities, shortness of breath or unsteady gait.

It is caused by a defect in the transmission of nerve impulses to voluntary muscles. Impulses travel down a nerve in a healthy person. Nerve endings release a neurotransmitter substance known as acetylcholine. This substance then travels through the neuromuscular junction and binds to acetylcholine receptors that are activated and produce a muscle contraction. With myasthenia

gravis, antibodies block these receptors and prevent muscle contractions from occurring.

A complete history, physical examination and evaluation by a neurologist should be conducted. If myasthenia gravis is suspected, several tests (including blood work, nerve-conduction studies, single-fiber electromyography and more) can be done. Therapy may help improve muscle weakness. Medication, removal of an abnormal thymus gland and plasmapheresis (removal of the plasma portion of the blood, which is then replaced with saline

or donor plasma) can be coordinated.

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

Peter Gott is a retired physician and the author of the book "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Diet," available at most chain and independent bookstores, and the recently published "Dr. Gott's No Flour, No Sugar Cookbook."

BURLEY AND TWIN FALLS JANUARY HAPPENINGS

- CHAMBER HAPPENINGS**
- January 6 — Chamber Luncheon
 - January 10 — Buhl Chamber of Commerce Awards Banquet to be held at the Blue Lakes Country Club. Tickets on sale for \$25 each, reserve your ticket today by calling the Buhl Chamber.
 - January 20 — Chamber Luncheon
- Every Wed. Kiwanis meets at El Cazador — noon.

- Every Thurs. Rotary meets at Grandstands — noon.
- Every Fri. West End Men's Assoc. meets at Grandstands — 6:30 am.
- For more information on Buhl Community events call 208-543-6682.

MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

"The Business that Service Built"

Household Estates
Antiques
Machinery
Livestock

Appraisal Services

Buhl - 543-5227
Mobile 731-1616
Gooding - 934-5350
Mobile 539-5350
www.mastersauction.com

SUPER SATURDAY

January 10 All day

Look for Sally at participating businesses in Buhl. Drawings to be held at participating stores.

The Buhl Page runs last Sunday of each month. Reach \$4,000 people with your business offers every month.

Call Tammy Parker at 735-3276 or 420-8372 for more information tammy.parker@lee.net

Prompt & Dependable Quality Work • Serving Southern Idaho

Gietzen Electric

Commercial • Industrial
Residential • Maintenance
Licensed • Insured • Bonded

Doug & Paula Gietzen **SERVING ALL YOUR ELECTRIC NEEDS**

FREE ESTIMATES • EMERGENCY SERVICES
(208) 543-4610

125 9th Ave. S. • R.O. Box 467
Buhl, ID 83316

"Our Business Is Earning Your Trust"

Tires LES SCHWAB

(208) 543-4082 • 1241 BURLEY AVENUE • BUHL

One Stop!

People to do the job right for you.

FIELDS 66 SERVICE

Buhl's Only Full Service Station
Come See Us for Old Fashioned Service!

326 Broadway Avenue
South • Buhl, Idaho
543-4396

CLEAR LAKE COUNTRY CLUB

WINTER HOURS

Restaurant — Mon. — Sun. 8 a.m. — 4 p.m.
Golf Course — Mon. — Sun. 8 a.m. — 6 p.m.
Public Welcome!

403 Clear Lake Lane • Buhl • 543-4849

"TROUT CAPITOL OF THE WORLD"

BUHL "Welcome to Buhl"

Chamber of Commerce

Thanks for Supporting Your Local Businesses

Only visitor center open year-round.
Your first stop on scenic Hwy 30, Thousand Springs
716 Hwy 30 East • BUHL • 543-6682

Calvary Chapel

High School Youth Group

Meets on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Pastor Steve Matheson: Community of the Lord with Us

Sunday Morning 9 a.m.

Wednesday: Bible Study and Youth Group at Buhl and High School 7 p.m.

1004 Highway 30 • Buhl • 543-6850

Check out what's new online at

www.magicvalley.com

TWIN FALLS FORECAST

Today: Cold temperatures and mostly cloudy skies. Highs in the lower 20s.
Tonight: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies and a few snow showers. Lows in the lower teens.
Tomorrow: Cloudy to mostly cloudy skies, chance of late snow showers. Highs near 30, lows middle 20s.

BURLEY/RUPERT FORECAST

Today: Mostly cloudy and mostly dry. Highs in the lower 20s.
Tonight: Cloudy skies and spotty snow showers. Lows lower teens.
Tomorrow: Scattered snow showers and flurries. Highs upper 20s, lows lower 20s.

IDAHO'S FORECAST

Map of Idaho showing weather forecasts for various regions including Sun Valley, Boise, and Twin Falls. Includes text for 'SUN VALLEY, SURROUNDING MTS.' and 'BOISE'.

TWIN FALLS FIVE-DAY FORECAST

Table with 6 columns: Today, Tonight, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday. Includes weather icons and precipitation chances.

ALMANAC - TWIN FALLS

Weather statistics including Temperature, Precipitation, Humidity, Barometric Pressure, Sunrise and Sunset, Moon Phase, and U.V. Index.

REGIONAL FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various regional cities like Boise, Burley, and Pocatello.

NATIONAL FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various national cities like Chicago, Denver, and New York.

WORLD FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various world cities like London, Tokyo, and Sydney.

TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP

Map of the United States showing weather fronts and conditions across the country.

CANADIAN FORECAST

Table showing forecasts for various Canadian cities like Toronto and Vancouver.

REGG MIDDLEKAUFF'S QUOTE OF THE DAY. Includes a photo of Regg Middlekauff and his quote about money.

Deep snow in West; some travelers wait at O'Hare. Find more news at www.magicvalley.com. Includes photo of a snowy mountain.

CHICAGO (AP) — Christmas Day was the second morning Tom and Kristina Waltz and their two daughters awoke at O'Hare International Airport, after days of flight delays and cancellations that marred their holiday travel plans.

The family from Vancouver, Wash., tried to fly out of Portland, Ore., on Sunday, but a blast of snow and ice prevented them from catching a flight for two days. They finally reached Chicago, but then were stuck spending two nights at a hotel inside O'Hare, unlike other folks who had to sleep on floors and cots in the terminal. They were eager for their Thursday evening flight to Miami, where they planned to board a Caribbean cruise on Saturday.

"We are checked in" for the flight, Kristina Waltz, a teacher, said Thursday morning. "We'll go into the airport, have some lunch and play cards some more." Elsewhere, deep snow was still causing travel problems on Christmas Day in the West, where the National Weather Service posted winter storm warnings and advisories for large sections. A blizzard warning for the San Juan mountains in southwest Colorado warned that as much as 3 feet of snow was possible.

NEW YEAR PHONE SALE. Includes images of various mobile phones and promotional text for 'my circle' and 'alltel wireless'.

Federal, state and local taxes a charge apply. Additional charges include monthly connectivity, regulatory, administrative or 911 emergency to \$2.19 and federal & state Universal Service Fund fees. Death may vary by customer region. These additional fees may not be shown or included in the advertised price. All taxes are subject to change without notice. © 2008 Alltel Wireless. All rights reserved.

Beyond the fence

Smithsonian exhibit comes to Twin Falls library

By Patricia Davis
Times-News Service

They see them every day, but rarely consider them: wood, vinyl and metal fences that mark man-made boundaries in neighborhoods, downtowns and the country.

On Jan. 25, a traveling exhibit will honor the barriers' role in our history and daily lives.

Twin Falls Public Library is one of six Idaho locations chosen to host the Smithsonian Institution's "Between Fences," a traveling exhibit examining the role of the barriers in our nation's history.

The exhibit, presented by the Idaho Humanities Council, sought hosts two years ago. Twin Falls library leaders applied, outlining why they thought the exhibit would be good for the community. One year later, the council notified them of their acceptance, said Amy Morrison, adult services supervisor at Twin Falls Public Library, 59 S. 1st St.

Chosen to host the exhibit will be displayed in the library's new exhibit room, which includes a collection of historical artifacts and documents.

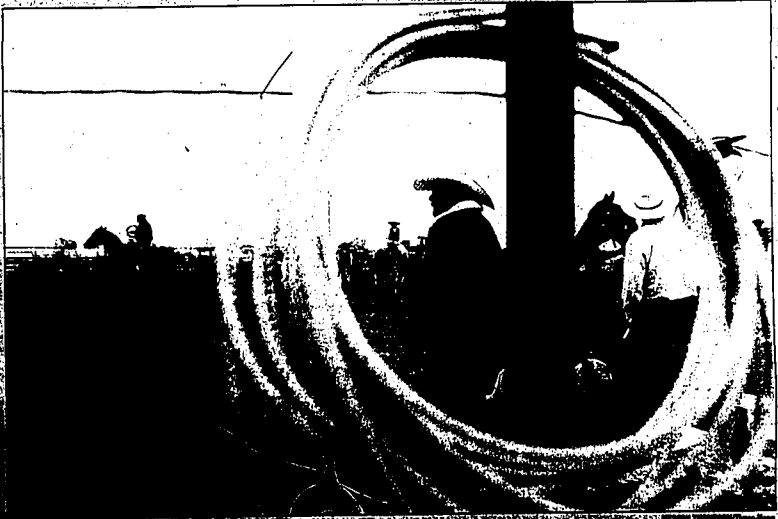
During the exhibit, the library will host a series of events including guided tours, a movie night and a reading of "Fences" by Lorraine Hansberry.

The topic should resonate with Idaho's Western heritage.

Fences of many types played a pivotal role in the establishment of ranches in southern Idaho. According to James H. Yonker's book "The Fence: The Beginnings of Twin Falls, Idaho and the Magic Valley," frustrated new farmers began shooting cattle who wandered onto their farmland, which had previously been open to grazing.

"Because money, materials and time were all in short supply, very little ground had been fenced and, often, the few fences that had been put up were destroyed by the cattle," Yonker wrote. "Fences had been in place, the stock would not have been excluded."

Morrison said she and some co-workers had a chance to preview the exhibit when she helped set up the Smithsonian exhibit at the Idaho State Historical Museum in Boise last year.



A person with a horse is seen through a circular frame, possibly a well or a gate, in a rural setting.



Smithsonian Institution's "Between Fences" exhibit is a traveling exhibit that examines the role of fences in our nation's history. The exhibit is currently on display at the Twin Falls Public Library.



"Between Fences" programming at the Twin Falls Public Library.

Grand Opening
Twin Falls Public Library, 59 S. 1st St., is hosting a grand opening for the Smithsonian exhibit "Between Fences" on Friday, Jan. 25, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.

Group of woodlands
A group of woodlands is being established on the other side of the fence. The project is being led by the Idaho State Historical Museum.



Poetry in glass
Master glassblower headlines tonight's gallery walk in Ketchum.
SEE PAGE C4

25-year gathering
Tickets going fast for Elko's annual cowboy poetry reading.
SEE PAGE C3



INSIDE: Events calendar, C6-8 | Instant Critic, C5

Ketchum women put their hearts into new books

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

They write of love. Two write of love lost and gained. Another of her love affair with Sun Valley. The Ketchum women have published books just in time for a cozy winter read. Here's a look at the three:

Sue McCollum turned a Sun Valley Christmas into poetry and wrapped it up with Jane Wooster Scott's paintings of Sun Valley. Her hook, "Sun Valley Christmas," features 32 one-page poems. Some touch on the magic of Christmas and Jolly Old Saint Nick.



McCollum

Others deal with subjects that will be recognizable to anyone who's spent a Christmas in Sun Valley skiing Bald Mountain, or seeing the Christmas Eve torchlight parade and ice show and the opening of Carol's Dollar Mountain Lodge.

"She was all a glow when I saw her," McCollum writes about Sun Valley owner Carol Holding. "For her dream had, at last come true. The new lodge at Dollar Mountain had been named for her, too."

"Bears it was in the planning, not a detail was passed by. Bold and beautiful, in every way, it made all the visitors sigh..."

"It's my love gift to Sun Valley about Sun Valley," said McCollum of Ketchum. "We started coming here in the 1970s from Palo Alto, Calif. We raised our boys here, and we've spent Christmas here for ever and ever."

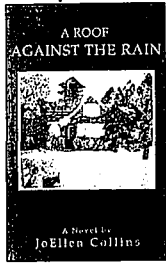
This is McCollum's fifth book of poetry. She has written

every day since she was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1991.

"My mother died of breast cancer when I was 8. My father died of cancer when I was 22. So, when I was diagnosed I thought: My children were not going to know who I am. I started to write so they would get a sense of who I was. I started journaling and it evolved into poetry," said McCollum, now cancer-free.

The proceeds from "Sun Valley Christmas" will go to My Blue Dots, which McCollum started to raise money for cancer research. It is named for the blue dots tattooed on a person's body to show doctors where to aim radiation.

The book, \$14.95, is available at Chapter One Books in Ketchum, the Sun Valley Lodge Gift Shop and www.suemcollum.com.



JoEllen Collins

JoEllen Collins has long told stories through her applied pillows, which preserve memories of visits to the bench, her stint as a Peace Corps volunteer in Thailand and such occasions as Ketchum's Wagon Days parade.

"Always I've loved to tell stories," she said. "In my

generation, kids were drug out to entertain the adults, and I remember using a fireplace iron as my microphone."

Collins is storytelling through a more conventional means — the printed book page.

Collins, who lives in Ketchum, has published a novel "A Roof Against the Rain" through iUniverse. The book is available for \$14.95 at Chapter One Bookstore.

"I wrote my memoirs a long time ago after I went to the Bread Loaf Writers Conference in Vermont, but it went nowhere. My daughter said, 'Why not just write a good book women will enjoy?' So I did."

The novel tells the story of a 52-year-old woman who begins corresponding with a college professor renting her vacation home after she loses her husband. After months of exchanging increasingly intimate letters, they meet and Juliet is aghast at his resemblance to her late husband.

The book deals with such themes as loss and recovery, changing sexual mores, the possibilities for love among survivors of grief and the intricacies of friendships between mothers and daughters.

The title is based on a passage from Edna St. Vincent Millay's "Sonnet XXX," which begins, "Love is not all; it is not meat nor drink nor slumber nor a roof against the rain..."

"Obviously, some of it's based on my experiences, but she's not me," Collins said. "She, for instance, cleans her house when she gets frustrated — that's not me. I escape into books."

Collins said she enjoyed the process of writing. "It put out 10 pages every weekend, and 23 weeks later

there was the book. Though targeted at women, I've had men read it and tell me they like it. It's a nice little airplane read and it's positive — about a woman who survives and thrives."



Annie Vanderbilt

Annie Vanderbilt says she has always had a great novel in her — but circumstances kept getting in the way.

The Ketchum woman wrote her first novel in her 30s but lost the manuscript before it could be published when her house burned to the ground.

She had to put her writing on hold when she fell off a cliff scrambling up slick rock in Escalante, Utah. She survived the night alone and in pain while her husband hiked out to get help, then spent the next several years

ending a long-term relationship, surgery after surgery as she struggled to "walk again."

She told the story in "Gathering Speed," a memoir about bicycling the back roads of Japan, but couldn't get it published.

Now she's found her golden ring in a novel titled "The Secret Papers of Madame Olivetti," available for \$15 through local bookstores, Barnes and Noble, Borders and amazon.com.

The book follows Lily Crisp, a woman in her 50s who travels to an idyllic coastal village in southern France to reassess her life after her cattle rancher husband of 26 years suddenly dies.

To make sense of the past and present, she entrusts a lifetime of secrets to the crazy keys of her Lettera 23 portable typewriter she fondly calls Madame Olivetti. And as she does, she finds a new man in her life — Yves, the sexy handyman who comes by to make repairs.

Vanderbilt said she knew what the ending would be before she started writing the book.

"The idea was to explore a long-term relationship — a solid, good marriage — and explore what would happen if one of the partners had an affair. It's an exploration of love," said Vanderbilt, whose experiences include a stint with the Peace Corps in India and several years running a Nordic Center at Big Wood Golf Course in Ketchum.

Vanderbilt is two-thirds of the way through another novel. This one will feature a couple of the characters from "The Secret Papers." It will also draw on her fall and subsequent attempt to survive, as well as her bicycle trips in Japan, from Norway to the Rock of Gibraltar and in New Zealand.

"I love words so I work hard on the cadence so it sounds the way I want it to," she said. "It was exciting to get the characters down and get them out in the world so I could hear people's feedback. I was surprised — it's all been good, even the reviews."

Karen Bossick may be reached at kbosstick@timesnews.com or 208-578-2111.

See what's new online at magicvalley.com

Herrett Center for Arts and Science

Faulkner Planetarium
Adults...\$4.50 Seniors...\$3.50
Students...\$2.50 children under 2 free
Entertainment shows - All ages \$4.50

The Herrett Gift Shop
Gifts and handmade jewelry for all ages and budgets

Here Comes the Sun
2 and 4 p.m. today, tomorrow, and Tuesday 12/30

The Christmas Star
7 p.m. today, tomorrow, and Tuesday 12/30

Steamrolling Through the Holidays
8:15 p.m. today, tomorrow, and Tuesday 12/30

THE HERRETT CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, DEC. 31 & JAN. 1.

HERRETT HOURS
Tue & Fri 9:30 am - 9:00 pm
Wed & Thurs 9:30 am - 4:30 pm
Saturday 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Closed Sundays, Mondays, and holidays

FREE ADMISSION TO ALL GALLERIES AND MUSEUM
LOCATED AT CSIS' NORTH COLLEGE ROAD ENTRANCE

www.csl.edu/herrett
IDAHO
www.visitidaho.org

Artists may join potluck slideshow

The Sun Valley Center for the Arts is organizing its first potluck slideshow — an opportunity for local artists to share images of their artwork with fellow artists in an informal setting.

said in a release. "I thought it would be a nice way to get local artists together to share what everyone's working on."

The potluck and slideshow viewing are free and open to the public, but slideshow participation is limited to the first 10 artists who register. They'll bring a CD with no more than 10 images on it and limit their presentations (including questions) to 10 minutes each.

Gather at the Center's Halley classroom barn (corner of Pine and Second Avenue South in Halley) at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 15 with a dish to share. Beer, wine and water will be provided. The slideshow will begin at 7 p.m.

To register as a slideshow artist, stop by the Center in Ketchum or call 726-9491, ext. 10, before Jan. 9.

Information: Gilbert at 726-9491, ext. 17, or Matt Connor at ext. 27; or cglbert@sunvalleycentercenter.org or mconnor@sunvalleycenter.org.

FOREIGNER DIFFIE HAGGARD LEWIS FATOR

THE GANG'S ALL HERE IN 2009!

The Original Comets, Dec. 3rd
FOREIGNER, Jan. 2nd
Wille Nelson, Jan. 9th - SOLD OUT!
Aaron Lewis, Jan. 10th
Terry Fator, Jan. 16th
Eddie Money, Jan. 23rd
Louie Anderson, Jan. 24th
Joe Diffie, Jan. 30th
Frank Caliendo, Feb. 6th
Merle Haggard, Feb. 7th

John Michael Montgomery, Feb. 15th
Kansas, Feb. 14th
Emerson Drive, Feb. 20th
Styx, Feb. 21st
Air Supply, Feb. 27th
The Amazing Johnathan, Feb. 28th
38 Special, Mar. 6th
Boyz II Men, Mar. 7th
Martin Short, March 15th
Billy Ray Cyrus, Mar. 14th

Peppermill CONCERT HALL

Visit our website for current scheduling and pricing.
WENDOVERFUN.COM OR CALL **888-PEPP-TIX**
RAINBOW Peppermill MONTEGO BAY
Resorts at Wendover

Intertaste Amusement Machines
Movies Dec. 25 to Jan. 4, 2009
Buy one movie, accept credit cards or Personal Checks.

Odyssey Theatre

Tom Cruise - Valkyrie (R)
Dec. 25 - Jan. 4
Jerome & Twin Cinema

Marley and Me (PG)
Daily 12:00 2:00 7:00 9:20
Yan Min (R)
Daily 12:00 4:45 5:00 7:15 9:30
Tales of Despereaux (G)
Daily 12:15 2:00 4:00 7:00 9:15
Bedtime Stories (PG)
Daily 12:30 2:45 5:00 7:15 9:20
Odyssey 6 Theatre

Spirit (PG)
Daily 12:00 2:00 4:00 5:15 7:30 9:45
Doublets
Daily 12:30 2:45 5:00 7:15 9:30
Twilight (PG-13)
Daily 7:20 9:50
Four Christmas (G)
Daily 12:30 2:45 5:00 7:15 9:30
Tales of Despereaux (G)
Daily 12:15 2:00 4:00 7:00 9:15
Beverly Hills Chihuahua (PG)
ALL SEATINGS
Daily 12:15 2:30 4:45

Curious Case of Benjamin Button (PG)
Daily 12:00 2:00 4:00 5:30 7:30 9:00
Marley and Me (PG)
Daily 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
Madagascar Escape 2 Africa (PG)
Daily 12:00 2:00 4:40
Australia (PG)
Daily 12:30 4:15 6:15 8:45
Bolt (PG)
Daily 12:45 3:00 5:15 7:30 9:45
The Day the Earth Stood Still (PG)
Daily 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:50
Yan Min (R)
Daily 12:15 2:45 5:00 7:00 9:20
Seven Pounds (PG)
Daily 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:50
Quantum of Solace (PG-13)
Daily 7:00 9:10
Bedtime Stories (PG)
Daily 12:30 2:45 5:00 7:00 9:20
Down these mean streets a man must go...
A Bats Home, Murdered, and Born Again!

THE SPIRIT (R)
Daily 12:30 2:45 5:00 7:00 9:20

I was Born Under Unusual Circumstances
the curious case of **BENJAMIN BUTTON**
Nominated for 3 Golden Globes
Including Best Picture, Best Actor - Brad Pitt
Now Showing on 2 screens at Twin Cinema

Owen Wilson and Jennifer Aniston heal the love in
Marley & Me
PG He's comical, hysterical, and untrainable... He's Marley
Now Showing at Jerome & Twin Cinema

WHATEVER THEY DREAM UP... HE HAS TO SURVIVE
BEDTIME STORIES
Now Showing at the Jerome and Twin Cinema
Nominated for 4 Golden Globes - Philip Seymour Hoffman, Best Actor

DOUBT
PG-13 Meryl Streep Philip Seymour Hoffman
Now Showing at the Odyssey 6 Theatre

One Simple Word can Change Everything!
YES MAN
PG-13 Jim Carrey Zooey Deschanel
Now Showing at the Jerome and Twin Cinema

Many Saw Evil... A Small Group Tried to stop Him
VALKYRIE
PG-13 Tom Cruise Tom Wilkinson Bill Nighy
Now Showing at the Jerome and Twin Cinema

A Vast Canvas of Romance, Drama, Adventure, and Spectacle
AUSTRALIA
PG-13 Nicole Kidman Hugh Jackman
Now Showing at the Twin Cinema

Wrangling words for 25 years

Tickets going fast for Elko's annual cowboy poetry reading

By Ali Helgott
Elko Daily Free Press

ELKO, Nev. — The 2009 National Cowboy Poetry Gathering is packed with events that feature new performers and those who have been main-stage mainstays for the past quarter of a century.

The week-long 25th anniversary gathering runs Jan. 24-31 and features riders in the sky, Asleep at the Wheel, Ian Tyson and even a talk by former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

More than a dozen shows and demonstrations are already sold out, but tickets are still available for some of the shows likely to be hits with locals.

New this year will be "A Ride with Bob," a play about the life and music of music legend Bob Wills. Written by Ray Benson and Anne Rapp, the play stars Asleep at the Wheel and 25 actors and musicians. Tickets are available for the 7 p.m. show Jan. 27.

Riders in the Sky will perform twice on Jan. 28. At 3:30 p.m. they will take the stage at the Elko Convention Center for "Celebrate! With Riders in the Sky." The popular trio will celebrate its 30th anniversary with "acres of yuks and stellar cowboy favorites," promoters say. That night they'll host a late-night jam in the Pioneer Saloon at 9 p.m.

At 10 a.m. Jan. 29, O'Connor will discuss her life growing up on the Lazy B cattle ranch in Arizona at the Elko High School gym. A deluxe pass or day



Cow Boy fiddler Phil Salazar, left, and guitarist Bruce Forman mimic each other as they play "Hot Swing" on Jan. 30, during the 24th National Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nev.



Elko Daily Free Press file photo

This 1985 photograph is from the first Cowboy Poetry Gathering in Elko, Nev. From the original caption: Cowboy Waddle Mitchell of Jiggs, left, shows a set of razzle dazie to onlookers [from left] Larry Schutte and Cowboy Poetry Gathering organizers Meg Glasser and Gyl McMillen Holtboff.

pass is required. At 3 p.m. Jan. 31, The Ranch Family Show's BuckRafoots & Ranch Verse, featuring Adrian, Wally McRae and R.W. Hampton, will be held at

the Elko Convention Center. The program is \$30 for the public, but free to ranch families with tickets.

At 6:30 p.m. Jan. 31, local favorite Ian Tyson will per-



Photo courtesy of DEY KHALSA

Watercolor class teaches composition

Times-News

Are you ready to move to the next level in watercolor painting? Sign up for a three-session course at the Sun Valley Center for the Arts' Hailey location and go home amazed at your new abilities, organizers say.

"Moving Beyond the Beginning in Watercolor" will emphasize composition and the basic principles of focal point and harmonious design. The instructor will introduce techniques for adding texture and interest to your paintings. Students will work from photographs and still lifes.

Instructor Susan P. Perin was born and raised in England and studied art throughout her childhood. Perin moved to the U.S. in 1960 and graduated from Parsons School of Design.

She has had numerous solo, group and juried shows and has received awards for her watercolor and acrylic paintings.

"Moving Beyond the Beginning in Watercolor" meets from 2 to 6 p.m. Jan. 12, 14 and 16 at The Center in Hailey. Cost is \$145 for Sun Valley Center for the Arts members and \$195 for nonmembers, plus a \$30 supply fee. Registration deadline is Jan. 2; call 726-9491, ext. 10.

Scholarships and work study opportunities are available for all Sun Valley Center for the Arts classes; ask for information. Scholarship applications must be turned in before the registration deadline. For information on all Sun Valley Center classes and programs, including supply lists, visit www.sunvalley-center.org.

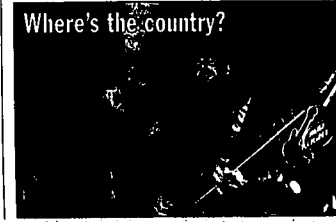


Bob Perin of Cow Boy sings during "Cowboy Juke Joint" at the Elko Convention Center during the year.

form Northern Lights at the Elko Convention Center with Corb Lund and The Hurtin' Albertans.

For a complete list of events and ticket prices, visit www.westernfoldlife.org.

Elko Daily Free Press is a sister newspaper to the Times-News.



Where's the country?

WE INVITE COMPARISON!
December 26th through 31st Closed Sundays

OUR 49th ANNUAL

SAVE UP TO 1/2 AND MORE.
WE WANT TO DO A MONTH'S BUSINESS IN 5 DAYS - PRICES MUST BE HOT!

FURNITURE NOT! SALE DAYS CRAMMED INTO 5 BIG SELLING DAYS

JANUARY CLEARANCE IN DECEMBER!

Includes everything in the store: Furniture, Appliances, All Leather, Entertainment Centers, Wall Decor, Lamps, End Tables, Sofas, Loveseats, Recliners, Hide-A-Beds, Grandfather Clocks, Spring Air Mattresses, ETC.

NO DOWN PAYMENT NO INTEREST AVAILABLE O.A.C.

NO DOWN PAYMENT • NO INTEREST AVAILABLE • O.A.C.

Skaggs Furniture Inc.
Hours: Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Sat 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
South End Overland Shopping Center • Burley

(208) 878-5100

PAST DELIVERY GUARANTEED

50% OFF
in Every Department!

50% off Billiard Tables
50% off Exercise Equipment
50% off Game Tables
50% off Game Systems
50% off Spas
50% off Top Quality Vacuums

Hurry In. Offer Expires 1/1/09. Limited. Applies to select items only.
The Big Sale is a special one-time limited time Happy Holidays promotion!

BBB

614 Sun Valley Blvd • Twin Falls, Idaho • (208) 733-5261
twinfallsbbba.com • 7:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Sat 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Master glassblower headlines tonight's gallery walk

By Karen Bossick
Times-News correspondent

KETCHUM — Lino Tagliapietra's work is poetic glass — from the graceful, teardrop-shaped "Angel Tear" and the fanciful, free-spirited "Dinosaur" to bold, spout-like works named "Masul."

Like an alchemist, he creates magic from these pieces of molten glass. He has juxtaposed bright stripes on clear glass, zigzags on solid tones and mesmerizing swirls, crescents, braids, ribbons and hexagons that leave one wondering how a mortal could have conceived them.

Now, Idahoans have a chance to see some of his work up close and personal at Friesen Gallery in Ketchum.

The gallery, at 320 First Ave. N., is exhibiting Tagliapietra's "Metamorfosi" today through Feb. 8. It will be one of the focal points during tonight's free Gallery Walk from 6 to 9 p.m., when Ketchum galleries toast their latest exhibitions with hors d'oeuvres, wine and sparkling water.

Gallery owner Andria Friesen said she can't believe that she is exhibiting the work of "the Maestro" at the same time that the Smithsonian's Renwick Gallery is showing a retrospective of his work.

"Lino was apprenticed at the age of 12 and received the distinction of being named a maestro among glassblowers five years before I was born. Now at 74, he's creating some of the most brilliant sculptures ever," she said. "He and William Morris were recognized as the No. 1 and 2 glassblowers in the world at one time. Now Morris is retired. And Dale Chihuly hasn't blown in years. No one else comes anywhere close to Lino."

Born in Murano, the island at the center of Venetian glassmaking, Tagliapietra came to America in more recent years to teach his craft at the Pilchuck School near Seattle. He was condemned for sharing the secrets of his trade beyond Italy. But he retorted that none of the young Italians had been interested in the trade at that time and he didn't want to let



Courtesy photo

Lino Tagliapietra blows all of his own work with teams in both Italy and the U.S., and his output is split between the two countries. He seems to thrive on the difference between the professionalism of the Italians and the creative energies of the Americans, says a release from Friesen Gallery, which is exhibiting his work.

"He and William Morris were recognized as the No. 1 and 2 glassblowers in the world at one time. Now Morris is retired. And Dale Chihuly hasn't blown in years. No one else comes anywhere close to Lino."

— Andria Friesen, owner of Friesen Gallery

the techniques die.

"Now fast-forward 50 years and he's considered a god in Italy," said Friesen. "And he continues to push the bar."

Meanwhile, Kneeland Gallery, at 271 First Ave. N., will feature the work of Seth Winegar, along with Steven Lee Adams and Robert Moore, in an exhibit titled "The Changing Landscape."

All three artists will attend the Gallery Walk tonight.

Seth was born with cystic fibrosis and had both his lungs and liver transplanted in August of 2006. He was a

very sick young man. Now he's come through it and does amazing landscapes — oil on panels," said gallery manager Carey Molter.

Winegar said the bulk of his transplant was paid for by the artwork he produced over the years.

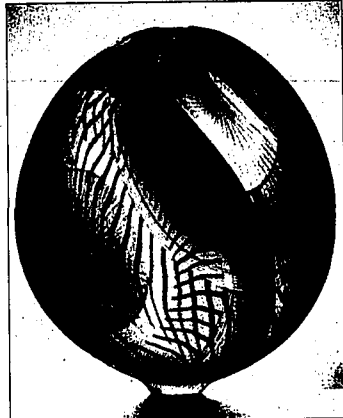
"My mother introduced me to my first set of paints. I first started by trading my paintings for things that I wanted. In my teenage years I traded for more paints and frames. Then as I got older it was for taxidermy, work on my house, a jet ski ..."

he said. "I've always loved to



At tonight's gallery walk, Kneeland Gallery will show Steven Lee Adams' 'The Old Homestead,' an oil on canvas, among other works.

Courtesy photo



Courtesy photo

Lino Tagliapietra's glassblowing merges craftsmanship and artistry.

paint landscapes. I love to pull the viewer into my created world just to show them what I see and how I feel about what's around me."

Other art to peruse:

• Gall Severn Gallery, at 400 First Ave. N., is displaying the work of several jazz artists, including Jane

Rosen's sculptures and paintings of birds and mammals.

Deborah Orapallo's "Wild West" works of cowgirls

in a pop West are on display, as are Gary Komarin's pre-linguistic paintings and three "Tapestries" pieces by Chuck Close, a major

New York artist.

• Anne Reed, at 391 First Ave. N., will feature Bella Feldman's blown glass bound in metal, as well as a retrospective of artists whose work the gallery exhibited during 2008. They include Robert Kelly, John McCormick, Fletcher Benton, Miya Arido and Thomas Brummett.

• Gilman Contemporary, at 661 Sun Valley Road, will present "Big Impressions II," an exhibit featuring works 36 inches and under.

• Gallery DeNovo, at 320 First Ave. N., will show the work of Rein de Lege, a Barcelona artist who paints street scenes and character portraits in pencil and acrylic.

• Frederic Bolox, at 320 First Ave. N., will showcase works by Picasso and other masters.

• Sun Valley Center for the Arts, at Fifth and Washington streets, is hosting "Superheroes and Secret Identities," an exhibit which explores America's obsession with superheroes through a selection of vintage comic books dating from the 1940s to the 1960s and a quilt made of comics.

Karen Bossick may be reached at klossick@cox-internet.com or 208-578-2111.

Snake River Freeze on Skis, Inc. sponsors the

22nd Annual

FREE SKIS 2009

LINCOLN

Wishing Star

Why?
Skiers raise money for two charities, then they water-ski the Snake River at Shoshone Falls on New Year's Day. This year's event, the net proceeds will go towards Wishing Star Foundation and Living Independence Network Corp.

Skiers Pledge Packets Available:
In Merley: Idaho Water Sports
In Twin Falls: Glacier's Sports, Elevation Sports, Sportswoman's Warehouse.

For Participants:
Skiers raising at each what money level will receive the following:
\$50 - a T-shirt
\$100 - a hat
\$200 - T-shirt & Hat
\$500 - a jacket
\$500 or more - All three (Jacket, Hat & T-shirt)

Donated prizes are awarded to skiers from contributing sponsors. Lic. ski equipment, hotel stays, dinners and more.

Are you interested in skiing or snowmobiling? You may contact: info@freezeonskis.com or call: 731-9026 or Rene Beding at 420-2112.

The event is powered by:

Idaho WATER SPORTS

Check out our website for more info, or pledge form: freezeonskis.com

Preparing for the swing...

...Is Just Good Business.

Do you remember being pushed in a swing as a child?

Did you ever stop to think that in life, you never really get off that swing. Up and down, back and forth, you just took it for granted that the swing would go both ways.

That's a lesson sometimes forgotten as adults. To keep the swing moving, you had to lean back, pump your feet, and hold on for dear life. During an economic downturn, you have to lean back a little father, pump a little harder, and hold on a little tighter. It's the only way you can ride it back to the top.

In southern Idaho, we're lucky things are a little more stable here than other places, but that's because we keep pumping when others don't. We never stop looking for new business opportunities, we push each other to make sure everyone keeps swinging and we constantly prepare for the up-turn. Because, if you're not prepared when the swing changes direction, you're likely to fall out. And that's the best way we know of to miss out on the ride.

SIEDO
SOUTHERN IDAHO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

CSI College of Southern Idaho

INSTANT Critic

Holiday concert: Xavier Winter Showcase

Seen Dec. 17 at College of Southern Idaho's Fine Arts Center



I've never seen the Fine Arts Center so packed out with an audience — and we were treated well to seasonal delights. Xavier Charter School kids rocked the house with amazing talent from voice to dance to drama and instrumentals. Wow.

— Diane Stevens of Twin Falls

Musical theater: Star of Wonder

Seen Dec. 12 and 14 at First Assembly of God



Great new Christmas story, ambitiously produced. First-night tech gremlins were banished quickly for a successful rest of the run. Kudos to the principals; very well performed!

— Diane Stevens of Twin Falls

Music: Friends of Hospice benefit concert

Seen Dec. 22 at First Assembly of God



A best Christmas 2008 memory: Jaime Thietten's voice is beautiful, as is her ease on stage and way with an audience. Although Caleb Collins was stuck in Nashville by snow and greatly missed, Jaime deftly and amusingly included him in the concert through low-tech FX and a live phone call.

— Diane Stevens of Twin Falls

Theater: 'A Christmas Carol,' performed by Jerome High School drama team

Seen Dec. 20 at the Jerome High auditorium



It was cold in the auditorium (fortunately the play was short), but the performance was hot. I went specifically to see personal friends, Joe and Tom Crozier, Scott Hall, Hannah Culbertson and Dullin Mena. Scrooging (fill) and all the rest of the kids put on a terrific show — well done!

Elen Thomason, Times-News news critic

Send us your own 50-word review. Include a basic description, including location, date, title, author or artist, then 50 of your own words letting us know what you thought. Deadline for submissions is noon Mondays, to virginia.hutchins@ee.net

Class helps you write memoir

Times-News

Whether you're seeking an outlet for expression, crafting a family treasure or aspiring to publish your life experiences, this class might be for you.

College of Southern Idaho's Community Education Center is offering the class "Every Life, has a Story: Writing Your Memoir."

The workshop will benefit both the beginner and the experienced writer. CSI officials said. Students will prac-

tice brainstorming, selecting, focusing and sharing memories, and experimenting with various memoir techniques. Instructor Rebecca Bartholomew is a published author as well as a contributor to a number of books about the American West and volumes of women's history.

Class will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays, Jan. 20 to March 3, in Shields 114. Cost is \$99.

Register: 732-6442 or community@csi.edu

Eliminate Unhealthy and Unsightly Veins

Customized Treatment of Varicose Veins and Spider Veins by David A. Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.S. Fellowship Trained and Board Certified Vascular Surgeon

- No Hospitalization - Safe in the Office
- No General Anesthesia
- Short Recuperation Period
- Minimally Invasive Surgical Techniques
- Endovenous Laser Treatment and Sclerotherapy
- Procedures May Be Covered by Insurance

Evanescent VEIN CARE
Laser & Sclerotherapy
David A. Johnson, M.D., F.A.C.S.
Board Certified Vascular Surgeon
734-9066
630 Addison Ave., W., Ste. 200, Twin Falls
www.twinfallsvaincare.com

Get your start in oil painting

Times-News

Before you can paint well, you have to be able to see color and mix it on your palette. That's one skill you'll learn in a workshop geared toward beginning and intermediate oil painters, offered by the Sun Valley Center for the Arts.

Instructor Jennifer Bellinger will cover the basics of composition, color theory and how to set up and light a simple still life. Students will make a color wheel, value scale and intensity scale. Intermediate students will receive individual guidance.

A Ketchum resident and professional artist for nearly 40 years, Bellinger uses traditional oil painting techniques in her work, which currently focuses on still lifes. "My still lifes are about

finding the beauty in everyday objects," she said in a press release. "The beauty of still life is that I am the conductor; I get to move the objects around until I see an arrangement that is pleasing and dynamic to my eye. I look for relationships of shapes, color, contrast of light and dark and, of course, a center of interest. I employ these same elements of design when making landscape or animal paintings."

"Beginning/intermediate Oil Painting" meets from 2 to 6 p.m. on four successive Wednesdays, Jan. 21 through Feb. 11, at The Center classroom in Halley. Cost is \$190 for Sun Valley Center for the Arts members and \$240 for nonmembers. Registration deadline is Jan. 7; www.sunvalleycenter.org or 726-9491, ext. 10.



Jennifer Bellinger will teach a Halley class on oil painting in January and February.

Get Carried Away!

at Lee's Furniture After Christmas Sale

5 DAYS ONLY

Friday 9am-6pm • Saturday 10am-5pm • Monday 9am-6pm • Tuesday 9am-6pm • Wednesday 9am-6pm

Yes, our Low 30% to 70% OFF Prices!

- ### RECLINERS
- Rocker Recliners..... CLEARANCE \$299
 - Lift Recliners..... CLEARANCE \$799
 - Big Man Recliners..... CLEARANCE \$699
 - Leather Recliners..... CLEARANCE \$499

- ### RECLINING SETS
- Sofa..... CLEARANCE \$699
 - LoveSeat..... CLEARANCE \$649

- ### DURAHYDE LEATHER SETS
- Sofa..... CLEARANCE \$649
 - Love Seat..... CLEARANCE \$499
 - Club Chair..... CLEARANCE \$349

- ### SECTIONALS
- DuraHyde Leather Sectional..... CLEARANCE \$899

- ### ACCENT SEATSFENDS
- Dining Chairs & Ottoman..... CLEARANCE \$339
 - Oak Cedar Chest..... CLEARANCE \$299
 - Db1 Reclining Sofa..... CLEARANCE \$299
 - Chair-side Table..... CLEARANCE \$59
 - Leather Club Chair & Ottoman..... CLEARANCE \$449
 - Accent Table..... CLEARANCE \$99
 - Curio..... CLEARANCE \$299
 - Accessories, Artwork, Lamps, Occasional Tables..... 50-70% OFF AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!

- ### SIMMONS MATTRESS
- Twin Size..... CLEARANCE \$169

- ### ORTHO SLEEP
- Twin Set..... CLEARANCE \$199
 - Full Set..... CLEARANCE \$299

- ### DEEP SLEEP
- Full Set..... CLEARANCE \$699
 - Queen Set..... CLEARANCE \$699
 - King Set..... CLEARANCE \$899

- ### CHARI RIVER WITH MEMORY FOAM
- Queen Set..... CLEARANCE \$1699
 - King Set..... CLEARANCE \$1899

- ### FUTON BED (COMPLETE WITH 8" Innerspring Mattress)
- CLEARANCE \$299



Congoleum Dura Ceramic \$4.99/sq.ft.	Radiant Luster Laminite w/ attached pad \$3.99/sq.ft.	Carpet & Vinyl Remnants 50% - 70% OFF
Ceramic Tile In Stock 96¢ sq.ft.	Shaw Laminates \$1.79/sq.ft.	Carpet & Vinyl Remnants 50% - 70% OFF

EVENTS CALENDAR

26 FRIDAY

Planetarium/Twin Falls
The Faulkner Planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science will present "Here Comes the Sun" at 2 and 4 p.m.; "The Christmas Star" at 7 p.m.; and "Steamrolling through the Holidays" at 8:15 p.m. Education-show tickets are \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. entertainment show are \$4.50 for all ages. The Herrett Center is near CSI's entrance on North College Road.

Art camp/Twin Falls
Holiday Art Camps for ages 5-18 will be held 9:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. at Twin Falls Creative Arts Center. Children will participate in a variety of arts projects in various media, including art history, drama and script writing. Students must bring their own snacks and lunch. Cost: \$45 per day or \$80 for both days. Fee for current students: \$35 per day or \$65 for both days. The event continues JAN. 2. Information: 737-9111. The arts center is at 249 Main Ave. W.

Blues/Twin Falls
Swampcats play 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Easy listening/Twin Falls
Pamela Carolee Remington plays easy-listening dinner music, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center. No cover charge. Canyon Crest is at 330 Canyon Crest Drive.

Easy listening/Twin Falls
We 3 (Linda Schoepf group) performs easy-listening music, 8:30 to 10:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center. No cover charge. Canyon Crest is at 330 Canyon Crest Drive.

Country, rock/Twin Falls
Wild Nights performs from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. The steakhouse is at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.



Jazz/Twin Falls
Great Riff Jazz with drummer Tony Bowler performs 7 to 10 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Hansen St.

Music/Burley
Kroakers DJ featured 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Riverside. Cover charge



Denise Simone and John Glenn help bring up the radio version of 'It's a Wonderful Life,' a Company of Fools production playing in Halley.

is \$2. Riverside is at 197 W. U.S. Highway 30.

Music/Rupert
Ratz Jazz band performs 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Blue Room. No cover charge. Blue Room is at 613 Fremont Ave.

Country/Declo
The Fugitives perform 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is at 826 Idaho Highway 81.

Country/Jerome
Country-Class performs 8 p.m. to midnight at Snake River Elk Lodge. Cover charge is \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. Everyone is welcome. Dinner available 6-9 p.m. The lodge is at 412 E. 200 S.

Blues, folk/Ketchum
Live music featured 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Papa Hem's Hideaway. No cover charge. The Hideaway is at 310 S. Main St.

Jazz/Sun Valley
Sun Valley Trio performs 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Information: 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley
Pianist Larry Harshbarger performs 6 to 9 p.m. at Riam Restaurant in the Sun Valley Village at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Youth event/Sun Valley
"Evening Fun for Youths," ages 6-14, will be held 6 to 10 p.m. at the Sun Valley Inn Continental Room. Adult-supervised activities include arcade games, crafts and fast-track auto racing. Cost is \$25 per person at the door. Reservations not required. The event continues

through Tuesday.

Theater/Halley
Company of Fools presents "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" at 8 p.m. at Liberty Theatre. The play adapted by Joe Landry is from the screenplay by Frank Capra, Frances Goodrich, Albert Hackett and Jo Swerling. The setting is Christmas Eve 1946 at the radio station WOC, where several talented radio players create all the characters, plus commercials, sound effects and music. The production is directed by Lynn Allison, with musical direction by R.L. Rowsey, set design by Joe Lavigne and costume design by Ann Hoste. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$10 for children (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show. The production continues Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and JAN. 2-4. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

27 SATURDAY

Planetarium/Twin Falls
The Faulkner Planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science will present "Here Comes the Sun" at 2 and 4 p.m.; "The Christmas Star" at 7 p.m.; and "Steamrolling through the Holidays" at 8:15 p.m. Education-show tickets are \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. entertainment show are \$4.50 for all ages. The Herrett Center is near CSI's entrance on North College Road.

Jazz/Twin Falls
Great Riff Jazz with drummer Tony Bowler performs 7-10 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Hansen St.

Easy listening/Twin Falls
Pianist Linda Schoepf plays easy-listening dinner music, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center. No cover charge. Canyon Crest is at 330 Canyon Crest Drive.

Acoustic/Twin Falls
Sassy Lee performs light rock and country and oldies, 8:30-10:30 p.m. at Canyon Crest Dining and Event Center. No cover charge. Canyon Crest is at 330 Canyon Crest Drive.

Country, rock/Twin Falls
Wild Nights performs from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Montana Steakhouse. No cover charge. The steakhouse is at 1826 Canyon Crest Drive.

Blues/Twin Falls
Swampcats play 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at The Oasis. No cover charge. The Oasis is at 1007 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Jazz/Sun Valley
Sun Valley Trio performs 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Duchin Lounge at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Information: 622-2145.

Music/Sun Valley
Pianist Larry Harshbarger performs 6 to 9 p.m. at Riam Restaurant in the Sun Valley Village at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Youth event/Sun Valley
"Evening Fun for Youths," ages 6-14, will be held 6 to 10 p.m. at the Sun Valley Inn Continental Room.

26, 27, 28, 30, 31

Adult-supervised activities include arcade games, crafts and fast-track auto racing. Cost is \$25 per person at the door. Reservations not required. The event continues through Tuesday.

Blues, folk/Ketchum
Live music featured 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Papa Hem's Hideaway. No cover charge. The Hideaway is at 310 S. Main St.

Theater/Halley
Company of Fools presents "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" at 8 p.m. at Liberty Theatre. The production is directed by Lynn Allison, with musical direction by R.L. Rowsey, set design by Joe Lavigne and costume design by Ann Hoste. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$10 for children (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show. The production continues Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and JAN. 2-4. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

Country/Declo
The Fugitives perform 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Shakers. No cover charge. Shakers is at 826 Idaho Highway 81.

28 SUNDAY

Music/Sun Valley
Pianist and singer Leana Leach performs 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. during Jazz brunch in the Lodge Dining Room at Sun Valley Resort. No cover charge. Restaurant reservations: 622-2800.

Youth event/Sun Valley
"Evening Fun for Youths," ages

6-14, will be held 6-10 p.m. at the Sun Valley Inn Continental Room. Adult-supervised activities include arcade games, crafts and fast-track auto racing. Cost is \$25 per person at the door. Reservations not required. The event continues through Tuesday.

Theater/Halley
Company of Fools presents "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" at 3 p.m. at Liberty Theatre. The production is directed by Lynn Allison, with musical direction by R.L. Rowsey, set design by Joe Lavigne and costume design by Ann Hoste. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for senior citizens (62 and over) and \$10 for children (18 and under). Tickets are available at Liberty Theatre (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), 578-9122 or at the box office one hour before the show. The production continues Tuesday, Wednesday and JAN. 2-4. Liberty Theatre is at 110 N. Main St.

29 MONDAY

Arts class/Twin Falls
"Creative Arts" class for ages 12 to adults will be held 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays at Twin Falls Creative Arts Center. Participants will learn a variety of art media, including painting, drawing, sculpting and other creative arts. Beginners, intermediate and advanced students are welcome. Cost: \$45 per month. Information: 737-9111. The arts center is at 249 Main Ave. W.

Holiday bash/Buhl
Great Riff Holiday Bash, featuring Tony Bowler, Zach O'Connor, Emily O'Connor, Kristin Wilson, Carter Wilson and special guest Brent Jensen, will be held 7-9 p.m. at The Eighth Street Center. Free admission; donations will be accepted. Information: 543-5417. The center is at 200 N. Eighth St.

Youth event/Sun Valley
"Evening Fun for Youths," ages 6-14, will be held 6-10 p.m. at the Sun Valley Inn Continental Room. Adult-supervised activities include arcade games, crafts and fast-track auto racing. Cost is \$25 per person at the door. Reservations not required. The event continues through Tuesday.

30 TUESDAY

Planetarium/Twin Falls
The Faulkner Planetarium at College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science will present "Here Comes the Sun" at 2 and 4 p.m.; "The Christmas Star" at 7 p.m.; and "Steamrolling through the Holidays" at 8:15 p.m. Education-show tickets are \$4.50 for adults, \$3.50 for seniors and \$2.50 for students. Tickets for the 8:15 p.m. entertainment show are \$4.50 for all ages. The Herrett Center is near CSI's entrance on North College Road.

Jazz/Twin Falls
Great Riff Jazz with drummer Tony Bowler will perform 6-8 p.m. at Pandora's restaurant. No cover charge. Pandora's is at 516 Hansen St.

Theater/Halley
Company of Fools presents "It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play" at 7 p.m. at Liberty Theatre. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$18 for

Calendar continuation page C7

ONGOING EXHIBITIONS



Photo courtesy of DEB MULLIN. The exhibition, "Reflections: Art in the West," is a collection of contemporary artworks by artists who have lived in the West.

Art in the West
The exhibition, "Reflections: Art in the West," is a collection of contemporary artworks by artists who have lived in the West. The exhibition is on display through Friday, January 2, at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Information: 737-9111.

Art/Ketchum
The exhibition, "Reflections: Art in the West," is a collection of contemporary artworks by artists who have lived in the West. The exhibition is on display through Friday, January 2, at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Information: 737-9111.

Gallery hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday to Sunday. Information: WesternLodge.org or (775) 329-3333.
"Between Grass and Sky: Trappings of a Ranch Life," an exhibition of hand-drawn horse art, will be on display JAN. 29 through AUG. 29 in the Western Follies Center's Wildcat Gallery, 501 Railroad St., and guest curated by master saddlemaker and bit-maker Jeremiah West. Custom saddlemakers and bit-makers will show their work, including the Traditional Cowboy Arts Association and craftsmen from Australia, Canada, France and Germany. Gallery hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Wednesday to Friday, 10:30 to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Information: Westernfolkfile.org or (888) 880-5885.

Art/Twin Falls
"Little Reminders," a collection of new work by Magic Valley native Grant Olson, will be on display through FEB. 14 in the Jean B. King Gallery at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Gallery hours: noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. Information: 734-2727 or MagicValleyartscenter.org. The gallery is at 132 Main Ave. S. in Main Street Plaza.

Photography exhibit/Twin Falls
The "Russ Hepworth Retrospective" will be on display through FEB. 14 in the Jean B. King Gallery at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Gallery hours: noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. Free admission. Information: 734-2727 or MagicValleyartscenter.org. The gallery is at 132 Main Ave. S. in Main Street Plaza.

Art/Ketchum
The exhibition, "Reflections: Art in the West," is a collection of contemporary artworks by artists who have lived in the West. The exhibition is on display through Friday, January 2, at the College of Southern Idaho's Herrett Center for Arts and Science. Information: 737-9111.

Arts, Crafts & Bazaars Calendar

5 Lines \$5
10 Lines \$10

Calendar published - Monday, Wednesday & Friday

To Announce your special event
Call or email
Karen at
735-3270
udickman@magicvalley.com

TIMES-NEWS
magicvalley.com

EVENTS CALENDAR

Continued from page C7

Lecture/Ketchum
 Activist and feminist Gloria Steinem will speak at 7 p.m. JAN. 14 at Church of the Big Wood, as part of Sun Valley Center for the Arts Lecture Series. Tickets, \$20 for Sun Valley Center members and \$25 for non-members, are available at Sunvalleycenter.org; 726-8491, ext. 10; or at the center, 191 5th St. E. in Ketchum. Church of the Big Wood is at 100 Saddle Road.

Potluck, slideshow/Halley
 Sun Valley Center for the Arts presents a potluck and slideshow for local artists, 6:30-9 p.m. JAN. 15 at the Center. Local artists can share images of their artwork with fellow artists in an informal setting. The potluck is open to all. The slideshow begins at 7 p.m. and is limited to the first 10 participants who register. Bring a CD with no more than 10

images and a 10-minute presentation (including questions) to 10 minutes. Free admission; open to the public. Bring a dish to share; beverages provided. Register before JAN. 8 at the Sun Valley Center in Ketchum or 726-8491, ext. 10. Information: Courtney Gibeart at 726-8491, ext. 17, or Matt Connor at 726-8491, ext. 27. The Center is at 314 S. Second Ave.

Movie/Twin Falls
 Family Movie Night will be held at 6:30 p.m. JAN. 15 at the Twin Falls Public Library, in conjunction with the "Between Fences" exhibit. Featured movie is "Over the Hedge," a story of a group of woodland animals who explore life on the other side. Free admission. The library is at 201 Fourth Ave. E.

Comedy/Halley
 Company of Fools presents Chicago's comedy theater company, The Second City, at 7 p.m. JAN. 15-16 at Liberty

Theater. The performance features the next generation of comic greats with a diverse array of sketches, songs and improvisations. From the battle of the sexes to the battles at the voting booth, the leading company provides hilarious insight into contemporary American culture. Tickets are \$25 for main floor reserved seating and \$20 for balcony reserved seating, at Company of Fools box office, 110 N. Main St. (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday), or 578-9122, or at the theater's box office one hour before curtain time. Liberty Theater is at 110 N. Main St.

Storytime/Twin Falls
 Storytime will be held at 10:30 a.m. JAN. 16 at the Twin Falls Public Library, in conjunction with the "Between Fences" exhibit; the regular children's storytime features stories related to what's beyond the fence. Free admission. The library is at 201 Fourth Ave. E.

Magic Valley Arts Council announces 4th annual Brown Bag Lectures

Times-News

The Magic Valley Arts Council announced the 2009 Brown Bag Lecture Series in collaboration with the Twin Falls Public Library and the Magic Valley Reads! program. The one-hour, free lectures will be on the last Friday of January, February, March, April and May. All lectures begin at noon at the Twin Falls Library's Program Room.

- The lecture lineup:
- Jan. 30, Kenneth R. Upton: "Crossing the Canyon," a commentary on the building of the I.B. Perrine Bridge.
 - Feb. 27, Henry Whiting II: "Frank Lloyd Wright in Idaho."
 - March 27, Curtis W. Johnson:

"Stricker Ranch — Preserving Visual Records of Pioneer Resiliency in a Changing Rural World to Modern Day."

- April 24, John W. Reeder: "Reeder Flying Service Inc. from 1941 to 2009."
- May 29, Ted Dyer: "Unlocking the Secrets of Hemingway's Prose Style."

Lectures are open to the public at no charge, and organizers encourage attendees to bring a brown bag lunch. To pre-order a bag lunch or for information: Magic Valley Arts Council at 734-ARTS. This program is made possible by funding from the Idaho Humanities Council, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and Dean Seibel with Edward Jones.

Dine on Us

You could win our weekly drawing for a \$50 gift certificate to one of these fine restaurants. Just fill out the entry form below and mail it in for your chance to win.

FEATURED RESTAURANT

ENTRY FORM

Restaurant _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Mail to: Dine On Us, c/o Times-News, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or drop off form at our office: 132 Fairfield Street West, Twin Falls.

"The Classic Idaho Dinner House"

Serving You Since 1978

Specialties including

- Seasonal Fresh Seafood
- Prime Graded Beef
- Local Buffalo & Trout

(As Available)

HAPPY HOUR
 Weekdays: 4:30pm - 6:30pm
 ALL Drinks - \$1.00 OFF
 Appetizers - 1/2 Price

Winner of WINE-SPECTATOR'S AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
 2006 & 2007

BAR OPENS at 4:30PM
 DINING at 5:30PM

200 Addison Ave., W. • Twin Falls

How would you like your shrimp?

Rib Eye and Shrimp **\$14.95**

Lobster Tail & Shrimp **\$17.95**

Pasta Roma Happy Holidays!

Pasta Roma is Not Just Pasta!
 611 Blue Lakes Boulevard • Twin Falls
 733-9728 • Open all day, 7 days a week
 (Closed Mondays)



Loong Hing Restaurant
 International Buffet & Mongolian Barbecue

LUNCH • DINNER • BUFFET DAILY

Lunch & Dinner Buffet • 7:00AM TO 9:00PM

- * Senior Discount
- * Kids Menu
- * Full Salad Bar
- * Jumbo Crab
- * Mongolian BBQ
- * Kids Menu
- * Seafood Served
- * Legs Nightly
- * BBQ Ribs
- * Wild Game Dinner (Our Specialty)

TAKE OUT OR FREE DELIVERY (WITH ORDER 15% OR MORE)

1719 KIMBERLY RD. • TWIN FALLS, ID 83301
733-3113 OR 736-2882
 www.loonghing.com

Authentic Chinese Cuisine
 Cantonese • Szechuan • Hunan
 Daily Lunch Specials • Banquet Room
 We'll prepare your wild game!
 (Closed Mondays)

Peking Restaurant
 824 Blue Lakes Boulevard North
 Behind Wendy's 733-4813
 Dine In or Take Out

For the Best
PIZZA & PASTA
 in all the Magic Valley
 Plus Sandwiches and Salad Bar

Maxie's Enjoy Our Party Room!

170 Blue Lakes Blvd.
 Twin Falls, ID
 733-3963

Congratulations to Beverly Beem of Jerome, winner of a \$50 gift certificate to Maxie's Pizza.

Always #1 Customers' Choice

MANDARIN HOUSE CHINESE BUFFET

Chinese Buffet

FRESH SALAD BAR, GRAND BUFFET AND COMPLETE MENU EVERY DAY!

MANDARIN HOUSE
 735 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. • Twin Falls • 734-6578

TAKE OUT and DELIVERY
 Open Daily 11 am - 9 pm, Friday & Saturday until 9:30



INSIDE: Suns-Spurs goes down to final shot, D2



TIMES-NEWS • SPORTS EDITOR MIKE CHRISTENSEN: (208) 735-3239 SPORTS@MAGICVALLEY.COM

INSIDE: College football, D2 | Scoreboard, D3 | Comics, D4

CSI women making strides as conference season nears

By Mike Christensen • Times-News writer

The CSI women's basketball team has overcome the preseason loss of All-American post Maddy Plunkett to earn an 8-3 mark and No. 19 ranking as 2008 nears a close. While the Golden Eagles have one more road trip before 2009 begins, here's a look at the happenings through the season's first 11 games.

Record: 8-3 (5-0 home, 0-1 road, 3-2 neutral site)
 Ranking: No. 19 in NJCAA Division I poll



Holloway

Lucet

Crowd pleasers: Martina Holloway and Soana Lucet

Holloway's steady dose of no-look passes leave spectators oohing and aahing throughout the game. They also have her averaging 10.6 assists per game. She broke the CSI single-game mark with 15 assists against Yakima Valley Community College on Nov. 28, then broke her own record a day later with 18 dimes against Casper College. On the receiving end of many of those assists is Lucet, who runs the floor well, finishes well inside and consistently hits open jumpers. Honorable mention in this category goes to do-it-all sophomore LaCale Pringle-Buchanan, who is chipping in 11.8 points, 6.6 boards, 4.5 steals and better than two assists while making some spectacular plays.

2008 MVP: Freshman forward Shauneice Samms

While sophomore All-American Soana Lucet would be an easy choice here, CSI head coach Randy Rogers said Samms is his MVP choice thus far. The freshman has stepped into the starting role vacated by Plunkett and averaged 14.7 points and a team-high 9.1 rebounds. "We've asked a lot of her and she hasn't disappointed," said Rogers. Samms' efforts have also opened things up for Lucet to average a team-high 22.8 points.

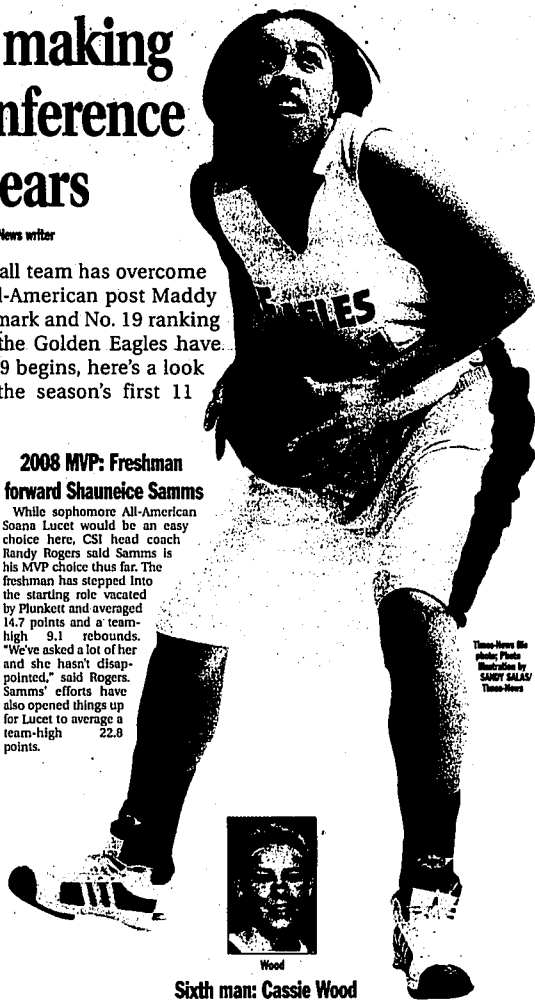


Wood

Sixth man: Cassie Wood

While CSI's starters do the bulk of the scoring, Wood has brought tough defense off the bench for the Golden Eagles. The sophomore guard's intensity has spurred numerous runs for the team during their five-game winning streak.

Times-News file photo; Photo Illustration by SAUNDY SALLAS/Times-News



Revenge: Lakers snap champs' 19-game streak

By John Nadel
 Associated Press writer

LOS ANGELES — The six-month wait is over.

The Los Angeles Lakers can put the anguish of losing the NBA finals to the Boston Celtics and the embarrassment over the way the series ended behind them.

Kobe Bryant had 27 points, nine rebounds and five assists, Pau Gasol scored seven of his 20 points in the final three minutes, and the Lakers used a strong finish to beat Boston 92-83 Thursday, snapping the Celtics' franchise-record 19-game winning streak.

The game was the first between the teams since the Celtics romped to a 131-92 victory in Game 6 of the finals last June to win their first championship in 22 years and league-high 17th title.

The Lakers blew a 24-point second-quarter lead in Game 4 at Staples Center to fall behind 3-1 — a deficit that's never been overcome in the finals.

The teams have been archrivals since the 1980s, having met 11 times in the finals, with the Celtics going 9-2.

"We've been waiting for that opportunity for a long time, and we won," said Lakers guard Sasha Vujacic, who scored 10 points.

"I don't like them at all. A Please see LAKERS, Page D2



Los Angeles Lakers forward Pau Gasol, right, goes to the basket over Boston Celtics forward Paul Pierce during Thursday's game in Los Angeles. AP photo

Best win

An 87-78 home win over then-No. 16 Casper College on Nov. 29 helped put the Golden Eagles back in the NJCAA rankings and gave the team confidence that had been missing early in the year.



Worst loss

Considering CSI's setbacks came against No. 2 Central Arizona College and No. 4 Midland (Texas) College, it's hard to say they've had a bad loss. While the Golden Eagles rallied to make things close in their first loss to Midland, they were blown out on Nov. 15, suffering an 87-60 defeat in Salt Lake City for their most lopsided defeat.

Statistical leaders

Points: Soana Lucet 22.8, Shauneice Samms 14.7, LaCale Pringle-Buchanan 11.8; Rebounds: Samms 9.1, Lucet 8.5, Pringle-Buchanan 6.6; Assists: Martina Holloway 10.6, Nicole Harper 3.8, Pringle-Buchanan 2.1; Steals: Pringle-Buchanan 4.5, Holloway 3.4, Harper 2.1; Blocks: Samms 3.8.

Wedding bells

Rogers is getting married today in Sun Valley. Rogers' bride is Stacy Nichols of Boise, a record promoter for RCA. The honeymoon will be brief. After a reception on Saturday, Rogers will join his team on a Sunday flight to Arizona for games Dec. 29-30 and Jan. 1.

Coach Randy Rogers' take:

"Overall I'm pleased. We're real similar to what I thought we'd be win-loss wise. I knew it would be tough to go on the road and beat Midland (College) and Central Arizona with all the kids they had coming back. ... The kids have been able to accept Maddy not being able to play and have pulled together. ... I'm happy. We're just starting to play well. ... I don't think we're where we need to be to compete for a SWAC title, but I know we can get there."



Rogers

Handed a lemon by ref, San Diego makes lemonade

Sometimes the breaks even out. Not always as neatly as they did in this instance, and rarely in a way that makes everybody happy. But a little bit of cheer penetrated the gloom hanging over the officiating department at NFL headquarters and here's why: One of the league's best refs blew a call in Week 2 at Denver that cost the San Diego Chargers a win against their division rivals and, until last weekend, looked as if it would cost them a shot at the playoffs, too. Three months later, though, it's



JIM LITKE

almost as if that split-second mistake by crew chief Ed Hochuli never happened. After three straight wins, the Chargers clawed their way back to 7-8 and host the 8-7 Broncos, losers of their last two, with the AFC West title on the line — and Hochuli nowhere in sight.

The 17-year veteran will be thousands of miles away in frigid Green Bay, officiating a regular-season finale between the Packers and winless Detroit Lions. "We like to take guys who hail from Arizona and sick them in the cold every so often," Mike Persina, vice president of officiating, chuckled into the phone earlier this week from New York. But that's not what we meant about the breaks evening out. It's been a tough season for his zebra so far, but Pereira was only kidding about ban-

ishing Hochuli and his crew to the NFL equivalent of Siberia. That's just how the schedule, prepared weeks in advance, panned out. Actually, Pereira is more than satisfied with the performance of that crew since the gaffe in Week 2. Enough, anyway, that you'll probably see Hochuli & Co. working somewhere come playoff time. And though he wouldn't say so, Pereira is just as pleased that the Chargers' surge effectively took one of his best employees off the hook. No one felt worse about the call than Hochuli.

who went to Chargers coach Norv Turner immediately afterward and apologized after ruling an incompletion on what should have been a fumble. When replays confirmed that, Hochuli was buried under an avalanche of hateful e-mails from fans and more than a few threats. Instead of laying off the blame, hiding behind a "no comment" or forwarding those e-mails to the league office, Hochuli responded to every one. "I talked to Ed right after that game and said, 'You've

been one of the best around for 18 years. One play can't tear that all down.' And Ed's crew rebounded exactly the way I expected," Pereira said. "In this job, you're going to get kicked in the teeth at some point. If you can bounce back and put it behind you, then you belong in this league. Otherwise," he added, "the instructions from this office will be, 'Move on, and we'll find people who can.'" Much the same message Please see LEMON, Page D2

Sighs of relief for N.D. after ending 9-game bowl slide

HONOLULU (AP) — Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis was "an emotional wreck" before the Hawaii Bowl and found himself in a place he hasn't been since 2001 — the coaches box.

Unable to walk without crutches because of bad knees, Weis led from above as the efficient Fighting Irish got their first postseason victory in 15 years, 49-21 over Hawaii on Wednesday night.

"The guys came out here on a mission," said Jimmy Clausen, who set Notre Dame bowl records with 401 yards passing and five touchdowns.

Golden Tate had six catches for 177 yards and three touchdowns, also Irish bowl records, including a 69-yarder that spanned a 28-point outburst to help the Notre Dame (7-6) end its NCAA-record bowl losing streak at nine.

With Weis calling plays from the coaches box, the Irish were unstoppable.

"I'm very happy for Notre Dame. This was a great step forward for us."

he said. "It leads us into 2009 with a good taste in our mouth."

Weis used to coach from the box as offensive coordinator with the New England Patriots, until quarterback Drew Brees got injured in 2001 and was replaced by an unheralded player named Tom Brady.

"Tommy was a very inexperienced quarterback at the time, and Bill (Belichick) and I felt we needed some more leadership on the field," Weis said. "We went on to win the Super Bowl doing it that way, so we figured why change it. But as far as seeing the field, it's not even close."

This time, Weis is inclined to return to the field.

"As a head coach, you want to be on the sideline with your folks," Weis said. "You want to be there with them."

After the Warriors (7-7) scored to end Notre Dame's 28-point run, Armando Allen returned a kickoff 96 yards for a score. Also a kickoff 96 yards TD pass on the Irish's opening drive of the second half.

"They jumped on us," Warriors coach Greg McMackin said.

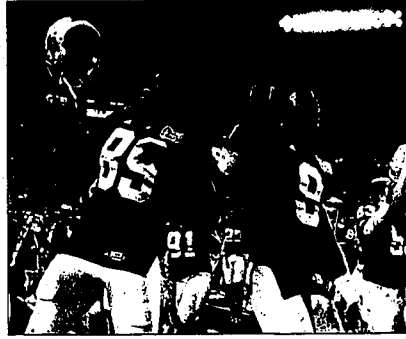
It was evident Weis, who was all smiles after the game, and his players cherished the long-awaited bowl victory.

As Notre Dame was presented the bowl's pineapple-football trophy at midfield, each player came around to put their hands on it.

Notre Dame's victory was its first in the postseason since being Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl to end the 1993 season. The Irish also avoided consecutive losing seasons.

Clausen was confident and sharp, completing 22 of 26 passes. He racked up 300 yards passing and three TDs by halftime, sending the crowd home early.

"We were clicking tonight," Clausen said. "Coming off the loss at (USC), we got to work, and I started feeling real good, the timing with the receivers and the timing with the backs. It was real fun. We wanted to knock them down here to get a win, and that's what we did."



AP photo
Notre Dame's Kapron Lewis-Moore, left, and Raeshon McNeil celebrate after Notre Dame defeated Hawaii at the Hawaii Bowl in Honolulu on Wednesday.

Detroit geared up for high-flying bowl game

DETROIT (AP) — The Motor City Bowl is where teams put points on the board.

Last year's game was the second-highest scoring bowl game in NCAA history. Friday's game between Central Michigan and Florida Atlantic could be more of the same.

Central Michigan lost the 2007 Motor City Bowl 51-48 to Purdue on a last-second field goal. It finished this year with a 56-52 loss to Eastern Michigan.

In that game, Eagles quarterback Andy Schmidt completed 58 of 60 passes for 516 yards and five touchdowns. The teams combined for 1,171 yards of offense.

"We ran into a great quarterback having the game of his life," Central Michigan coach Butch Jones said. "We've had to live with the taste of that game in our mouths for a month now."

Florida Atlantic's last game wasn't any more sedate — the Owls beat Bowling Green International 57-50 in overtime.

Both teams are led by record-setting junior quarterbacks — Central Michigan's Dan Lefevour and Florida Atlantic's Rusty Smith. They have combined for more than 130 touchdown passes in their careers, with Lefevour adding another 32 on the ground.

This year, Lefevour has thrown for 2,531 yards and 19 touchdowns despite missing two games with an ankle injury. Smith has put up 2,919 yards and 22 touchdowns.

Motor City Bowl

Florida Atlantic (6-6) at Central Michigan (8-4), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Line: Central Michigan by 7, Series Record: First meeting.

What's At Stake

Florida Atlantic is seeking a second-straight bowl victory in its fourth season on the Football Bowl Subdivision, and another addition to the lengthy resume of 74-year-old head coach Howard Schnellenberger.

Central Michigan is looking for redemption for a season that saw its chances for a third-straight Mid-American Conference championship vanish after late-season losses to Ball State and Eastern Michigan.

Key Matchup

Central Michigan QB Dan Lefevour vs. Florida Atlantic QB Rusty Smith. While the pair won't face each other directly, the game will probably come down to which one gets more out of his high-octane offense. After all, the Owls won their first regular-season game 56-50, while the Chippewas lost 56-52 in their finale.

Players to Watch

Central Michigan: WR Antonio Brown is not only Lefevour's favorite target with 82 catches for 906 yards, he's one of the nation's best punt returners and was the MAC's leading kickoff returner. Florida Atlantic: LB Frantz Joseph was second in the nation with 141 tackles, including 26 in back-back games at Michigan State and Minnesota.

Spurs sink Suns at the buzzer

PHOENIX — Roger Mason sank a 3-pointer from the corner at the buzzer to give the San Antonio Spurs a 91-90 victory over the Phoenix Suns on Thursday.

The Suns had taken the lead on Grant Hill's layup on an out-of-bounds play with 4.3 seconds to go. Tony Parker drove toward the basket for San Antonio and threw to Mason, who was wide open because defender Jason Richardson was late getting there.

Parker scored 27 and Tim Duncan had 25 points and 17 rebounds as the Spurs won their fourth straight. Amare Stoudemire had 25 points and 13 rebounds and Shaquille O'Neal 23 points and 12 boards for the Suns, who led most of the afternoon but never by more than eight in the second half.

Hill added 16 for the Suns, the last two coming on the same play Phoenix used to beat Orlando this season. After a timeout, he inbounded to Stoudemire, then ran to the baseline and toward the basket, where Stoudemire found him for the uncontested layup.

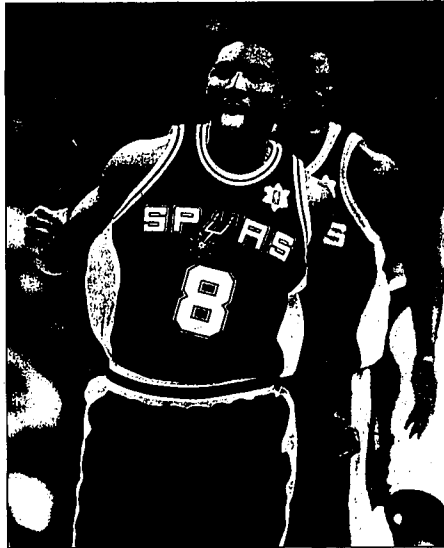
But the Spurs had the last shot. When Parker drove toward the basket, Richardson came in to help on defense. That left Mason, a 48 percent 3-point shooter, alone for the winner, sending San Antonio to its 10th win in its last 12 games.

O'Neal was 9-of-16 at the foul line to become the only player other than Wilt Chamberlain to miss 5,000 career free throws.

Steve Nash had 13 points. His eight assists made him the 13th NBA player to reach 7,000 for his career. His coach Terry Porter is among the other 12.

CAVALIERS 93, WIZARDS 89
CLEVELAND — Being home for the holidays was almost a downer for the Cleveland Cavaliers.

Down by seven to woeful Washington, the Cavaliers scored 11 straight points in the final 1:33 to preserve their perfect record at home with a 93-89 victory Thursday night.



AP photo
San Antonio Spurs guard Roger Mason reacts after hitting a 3-point shot as time expired to give the Spurs a 91-90 win over the Phoenix Suns on Thursday in Phoenix.

Cleveland trailed 89-82 before storming back with three free throws by James, a 3-pointer by Mo Williams and five more foul shots in the last 26 seconds.

Antawn Jamison scored 28 points, and Mike James had 26 for the Wizards, who dropped their eighth straight and continue to find new ways to lose.

MAGIC 88, HORNETS 68
ORLANDO, Fla. — Hedo Turkoglu scored 20 points to lead Orlando to victory in a matchup of division leaders.

David West had 13 points for New Orleans. Chris Paul and Devin Brown each added 12.

— The Associated Press

Lemon

Continued from page D1

was delivered to the Chargers, who slipped to 0-2 after losing at Denver and then to 3-5 after a beat-up by New Orleans in London just ahead of their bye week. Before the long trip home, San Diego general manager A.J. Smith called an emergency meeting, dumped defensive coordinator Ted Cottrell and replaced him with linebackers coach Ron Rivera, who used to call the defensive signals in Chicago.

At first the shake up had little impact. San Diego lost three of the next four. But gradually the defense morphed into the kind of opportunistic unit that Rivera's Bears had been. The Chargers picked off six passes in their last three wins — after just seven interceptions in the first dozen games — and climbed back into the playoff race.

"It took time to buy into the scheme. Improvement didn't come right away," Smith recalled. "Plus, we'd cut out three such a deep hole — three games out with three to play. So we came up with a slogan: 'Win and hope.'"

"We had to win two, hope Denver lost both, and then we got them on a piece in a winner-take-all game. ...



AP Photo
NFL referee Ed Hochuli makes a call during a game between the St. Louis Rams and Seattle Seahawks in St. Louis on Dec. 14. Hochuli was the center of attention when he blew a critical call that allowed Denver to beat San Diego earlier this season.

Now, if we'd won the game at Denver, we'd already be Western Division champs," he added. "But with everything else that happened in between, it's almost a miracle the way things worked out."

It's likely that Hochuli was rooting for the same result, though we can't be sure,

since the collective bargaining agreement already refs Western Division champs during the season. Pereira, however, spoke with Hochuli earlier Tuesday and said the ref "appreciated" that people were interested in how he was dealing with the setback.

"We've got 120 guys to deal with," Pereira said. "When

there's a mistake, we tell each and every one the same thing: 'Focus on looking forward, not backward.'"

When the game knocks you down, you can stay down or get back up. It took Hochuli and the Chargers time to recover, but both have moved on from that fateful call and learned an important lesson in the bargain.

"I'd heard about breaks evening out, and maybe I believed in it somewhat before," Smith said.

"But after we won last weekend in Tampa, we got on the plane, took off and weren't optimistic, to say the least. And I don't remember where we were when we heard Denver lost; but I wish other people could have seen our faces."

Even when there wasn't much hope, our guys refused to let go of the rope. After everything that went wrong — and I don't mean that one call; we're human, we all make mistakes — we still had something worth holding onto.

"And I wouldn't trade that experience," he said. "For anything."

Jim Iike is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at jilike@ap.org.

Lakers

Continued from page D1

lot of people called us soft-ies or whatever. It doesn't matter at all. We know what we can do."

"Last year, they won the championship. This year, it's our year, we want to take it all the way."

The victory was the 1,000th for Los Angeles' Phil Jackson, enabling him to become the sixth NBA coach to reach that milestone. The 63-year-old Jackson has a career record of 1,000-423 in 17-plus seasons as coach of the Chicago Bulls and Lakers. He became the fastest to win 1,000 games, surpassing Pat Riley, who did it in 1,434 games.

"It's amazing. I mean, he's one of the greatest coaches of all time," Celtics coach Doc Rivers said. "I can guarantee you that I won't win 1,000 games because I won't be around that long. It's just an amazing number. When you throw up 1,000 wins, that says a lot."

The Celtics entered with a 27-2 record — the fastest start by a two-loss team. They were in pretty good shape when Kevin Garnett dunked off a feed from Brian Grant to put them ahead 81-79 with 3:57 remaining.

But the Lakers went on a 13-2 run to finish the game.

"Give them all the credit," said Boston's Paul Pierce, who had 20 points and 10 rebounds but was scoreless in the fourth quarter. "We just have to play better down the stretch."

Gasol missed his first four shots, and showed frustration at times. But he made all three of his shots and all three of his free throws in the fourth quarter for nine of his team's 21 points.

"We were pretty physical," said Gasol, who had three rebounds, five assists and three blocked shots. "We were able to contain them, keep our poise and finish the game off. I had to make sure I took it to them, not settle for easy jumpers. I'm glad I was able to get over that hump of a slow start."

"It shows we can beat anybody. Hopefully, we'll build on it."

Boston center Glen Davis made a return to action after missing two games recovering from a concussion suffered in an automobile accident on Sunday. He had four points and four rebounds in 13 minutes.

SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

NBA EASTERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

NBA WESTERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

NBA 2008 All-Star Voting List

2008 All-Star Voting List by conference

GAME PLAN ON TV

College Football: ESPN - Motor City Bowl, Fla. Atlantic vs. Cent. Michigan, at Detroit. NBA Basketball: ESPN - Chicago at Miami

NFL Injury Report

NFL Injury Report: P. Mertes (P) 47.00, P. Mertes (P) 47.00, P. Mertes (P) 47.00, P. Mertes (P) 47.00, P. Mertes (P) 47.00

HOCKEY

Hockey: NHL Standings by Conference, Eastern Conference, Western Conference

SKID REPORT

Skid Report: 12/24-30/08: Skid Report - Wisconsin - Wed 5e up powder machine groomed 35 - 35 base 65 of 65 trails, 100% open, 8 of 8, 1100% open, Mon-Fri 20e-20e, Sat-Sun 20e-20e

FOOTBALL

College Football Standings: SEC, ACC, Big Ten, Pac-10, Big East, Big West

NBA Bounce

NBA Bounce: Boston Celtics, Los Angeles Lakers, Detroit Pistons, Philadelphia 76ers

BETTING

Betting Odds: Favorites, Underdogs, Point Spreads

NHL Schedule

NHL Schedule: December 25, 2008

NFL Schedule

NFL Schedule: December 25, 2008

FOOTBALL

College Football Standings: SEC, ACC, Big Ten, Pac-10, Big East, Big West

NFL Schedule

NFL Schedule: December 25, 2008

FOOTBALL

College Football Standings: SEC, ACC, Big Ten, Pac-10, Big East, Big West

NFL Schedule

NFL Schedule: December 25, 2008

Buccaneers stay in-house, name Morris as Kiffin's successor

TAMPA, Fla. -- The Tampa Bay Buccaneers didn't look for a replacement for Monte Kiffin. Secondary coach Raheem Morris will take over as defensive coordinator in 2009, ensuring continuity next season with Kiffin leaving the NFL to join his son, Lane, at the University of Tennessee.

regular-season finale. NBA Howard will defend dunk crown NEW YORK -- Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard will try to defend his Slam Dunk championship at the NBA All-Star weekend in Phoenix in February.

Sports Shorts ivory did not accompany the Hurricanes to San Francisco, where Miami (7-5) will face California (8-4) on Saturday. He also was suspended for the season-opener against Charleston Southern for another rules violation, but won Miami's 2008 Bentley Award as the team's most valuable walk-on player. Jake Byrne, who handles snaps on field goals, will take over Ivory's punt-team duties. Byrne will also be the backup quarterback behind Jacory Harris, who will start after Robert Marve was suspended for missing classes.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL MAGIC VALLEY

Miami bars fifth player from bowl CORAL GABLES, Fla. -- Miami punt snapper Chris Ivory will not play in Saturday's Emerald Bowl because he violated an unspecified team rule. He is the fifth Hurricane suspended for the final game of the season.

Holiday open gym in Twin Falls TWIN FALLS -- Twin Falls Parks and Recreation will offer holiday basketball open gym at Robert Stuart Junior High, from 6-9 p.m. Saturday and noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. Additional open gym times are

TWIN FALLS -- The Southern Idaho Volleyball Club is seeking girls members of age 18 and under training volleyball team. The club competes within the Intermountain Volleyball Association and will begin tournament play in mid February of 2009. Information: Jay Brite at 420-2524 or jaybriteatmagiclcn.com. -- Staff and wire reports

B.C. By Johnny Hart

Panel 1: B.C. asks, "I'D LIKE TO EXCHANGE THIS PROCK." The other character asks, "FOR WHAT?"

Panel 2: B.C. says, "SURPRISE ME!"

Panel 3: B.C. stands next to a gift box labeled "GIFT EXCHANGE".

Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman & Jerry Scott

Panel 1: Baby Blues asks, "WHAT DID YOU GET FOR CHRISTMAS, KEELER?"

Panel 2: Keeler says, "NOT TOO MUCH." Baby Blues replies, "MY DAD SAID SANTA HAD A BAD YEAR AND I WON'DYNT BE GETTING A LOT OF PRESENTS. HE WAS RIGHT!"

Panel 3: Keeler says, "SAME HERE." Baby Blues asks, "HOW COULD YOU NOT GET ANY PRESENTS?" Keeler replies, "MY DAD PREDICTS HOW SANTA CAN PREDICT THESE THINGS?"

Panel 4: Keeler says, "MY DAD PREDICTS HOW SANTA CAN PREDICT THESE THINGS?"

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Panel 1: Beetle Bailey says, "SQUEAK!"

Panel 2: Beetle Bailey says, "CAREFUL, SIR. LT. FUZZ GOES BERSERK WHEN ANYTHING SQUEAKS!"

Panel 3: Beetle Bailey says, "MOO?"

Blonde By Dean Young & Stan Drake

Panel 1: Blonde says, "I'D LIKE TO RETURN THIS HEDGE TRIMMER FOR A GIFT." The other character asks, "WHY? WHAT'S WRONG WITH IT?"

Panel 2: Blonde says, "THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH IT... I JUST HATE TRIMMING HEDGES!"

Panel 3: Blonde says, "LET'S LOOK AROUND AND EXCHANGE IT FOR SOMETHING MORE ENTERTAINING TO USE!"

Panel 4: Blonde says, "NOW YOU'RE TALKING!"

Dilbert By Scott Adams

Panel 1: Dilbert says, "CAROL, BOOK AN EXECUTIVE RETREAT SO WE CAN FIGURE OUT WHICH ONE OF YOU TO DOWNSIZE." Carol replies, "FIND US SOMEPLACE WARM." Dilbert asks, "DO YOU HAVE A POOL?" Carol replies, "YOU COULD CALL IT THAT."

The Elderberries By Phil Frank & Joe Troise

Panel 1: "DUSTY SLASH MINUTE RECEPTION" sign. "GIFT IDEAS" sign.

Panel 2: "FOOD OF THE MONTH CLUBS ARE GOOD THINGS... AND EVEN BETTER IF YOU CAN FIND A LOVELIFE IN THE RIVER."

Panel 3: Letter: "Dear Pie of the Month Club, Please send all my pies for this year today, as Alve scheduled a February skydiving trip, and who knows what could happen..."

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

Panel 1: "SURE I GIVE HIM SOME HINTS, PAM!"

Panel 2: "I SAID - BUY ME SOMETHING FRIVOLOUS AND EXPENSIVE - SOMETHING I CAN SHOW OFF TO MY FRIENDS..."

Panel 3: "I GUESS IT WAS JUST A FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE..."

Panel 4: "I WAS THINKING SUICIDE COULDN'T BE USED AS A GIFT IDEA... I WAS THINKING DISHWASHER."

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

Panel 1: "T.G.I.F. HAS A SPECIAL MEANING WHEN FRIDAY IS THE DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS!"

Garfield By Jim Davis

Panel 1: "SO GARFIELD DID YOU GET EVERYTHING YOU WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS?"

Panel 2: "THAT WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE WOULDN'T IT?"

Panel 3: "WOW, TWO STUPID QUESTIONS IN A ROW!"

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Brown

Panel 1: "HAGAR HAS NEVER CARED FOR ANY OF THESE THINGS IN LIFE..."

Panel 2: "BUT HE'S VERY FOND OF THE FLUID THINGS IN LIFE!"

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Panel 1: "OVER THE RIVER AND THROUGH THE WOODS TO GRANDMOTHER'S HOUSE WE GO." "THOSE WERE THE DAYS!"

Panel 2: "TRY TO THINK OF THIS AS A 5-HOUR SLEIGH RIDE."

Luann By Greg Evans

Panel 1: "WELL, YOU DIDN'T GET ANY OF THE FANCY GIFTS ON YOUR LIST. DISAPPOINTED?"

Panel 2: "NOPE, I GOT A HEALTHY DOG INSTEAD. WHY BETTER?"

Panel 3: "I KNOW YOU'RE BECOMING A CRUEL, SELFLESS, MATURE PERSON. I CAN'T PICK ON YOU ANYMORE!"

Panel 4: "YEAH, WELL YOU'RE BEING A RESPONSIBLE FREEFIGHTER THAT I CAN'T CRITICIZE!"

Panel 5: "SO NOW HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO COMMUNICATE?"

Panel 6: "I DARN. DISCUSS THE WEATHER, I GUESS."

Classic Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz

Panel 1: "Dear Grandma, WHICH GRAMMA GAVE ME THE BOOK FOR CHRISTMAS...THE FAT ONE OR THE SKINNY ONE?"

Panel 2: "THE SKINNY ONE"

Panel 3: "GRAMMAS SHOULD HAVE NAMES LIKE PEOPLE."

Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Passetis

Panel 1: "GOD NEWS, MR. ZERK. SIR, THE CROCK'S GAVE UP ON THE NUKE." "WALKKIDDING? WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO WITH IT?"

Panel 2: "THEY WERE GOING TO TAKE IT OUT TO THE DESERT AND EXPLODE IT, BUT IT GOT TOO HEAVY SO NOW THEY'RE GOING TO JUST DROP IT FROM A PLANE."

Panel 3: "JUST DROP IT? HOW WILL THEY CONTROL WHERE IT GOES?"

Panel 4: "WOOOHOO!"

Pickles By Brian Crane

Panel 1: "NELSON DO YOU REMEMBER WHAT YOU USED TO CALL ME WHEN YOU WERE LITTLE?"

Panel 2: "YOU USED TO CALL ME 'NANA.' HA! I THOUGHT IT WAS SO CUTE, BUT THEN YOU GROW OUT OF IT AND STARTED CALLING ME 'GRAMMA!'"

Panel 3: "I KIND OF MISS BEING 'NANA.' HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO START CALLING ME THAT AGAIN?"

Panel 4: "NO, THANK YOU. I'M STILL GROWN OUT OF IT."

Rose Is Rose By Pat Brady

Panel 1: "It must be a gift if it's wrapped with a bow!"

Non Sequitur By Wiley

Panel 1: "LET'S EXPLORE METHODS TO RESOLVE DIAGNOSEMENTS OTHER THAN 'SHOOTIN' THE GOURN VARMINTS...'"

Panel 2: "SANTA WAS NICE TO YOU, DAD. EVERYTHING HE BROUGHT ME WAS ALREADY PUT TOGETHER."

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

Panel 1: "I HEAR THE KING HAD A VISIT FROM THREE BUSINESSMEN BEARING GIFTS." "WHAT DID THEY BRING?"

Panel 2: "GOLD, FRANKINCENSE AND BRIDES"

Zits By Jim Borgman & Jerry Scott

Panel 1: "10 THINGS YOU SHOULD DO BEFORE YOU'RE 16"

Panel 2: "14. Experience Weightlessness"

Buy a Car in Twin Falls... NOW?

YES!

It's never been a better time to buy a car in Twin Falls than NOW. Here's why:

- **Support the local economy.** Buying a vehicle in Twin Falls creates jobs, ensures job security and stimulates economic growth. Taxes go to roads, schools and upgrades in our community.
- **Convenience.** Buying locally also means that you don't have to drive far to find the best deals.
- **Price is negotiable.** Local dealers are ready to do what they can to earn your business. Take full advantage of it!
- **Personalized, down-home service.** Buy, service and maintain a relationship at the same place with the same people.
- **Competition between dealers is strong.** This means hotter deals for you!

Are you ready to buy a Twin Falls car?

CLASSIFIEDS
 TIMES-NEWS
 In partnership with
YAHOO! jobs

THE BIGGEST EVENT IS FINALLY HERE!
LOW FINANCING & CASH BACK ON THE BEST VALUE AND SELECTION

<p>NEW 2008 TUNDRA 4X4 Buy for \$14,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 35mpg Hwy Includes: Airlock, AC, CD, For Model/Lock/Keys, and More! 20 to choose from Customer Choice!</p>	<p>NEW 2009 YARIS LIFTBACK 5-DOOR Buy for \$16,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 35mpg Hwy Includes: Airlock, AC, CD, For Model/Lock/Keys, and More! 3 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2009 COROLLA LE Buy for \$19,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 35mpg Hwy Includes: Airlock, Speed Automatic, Cloth, For Steering, 4-Wheel ABS, AIR/FUEL/SAFETY, Power, and More! 10 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2009 CAMRY LE Buy for \$23,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 31mpg Hwy Includes: Airlock, Speed Automatic, Power Windows, Power Side Door, and More! 10 at this price</p>
<p>\$7,000:- OFF MSRP on all New 2008 Tundras In Stock. OR Take \$5,000 OFF MSRP AND Get 1.9% APR for 36 mos. 2.9% APR for 48 mos. 3.9% APR for 60 mos. OR Take \$3,000 OFF MSRP AND Get 0% APR for 60 mos.</p>	<p>NEW 2009 SIENNA CE VAN Buy for \$23,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 3 at this price Includes: Airlock, Speed Auto, 1700 6-Speed, Radio, Black, Safety, and More! 3 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2008 FJ CRUISER Buy for \$5,000:- OR Take \$2,000 OFF MSRP AND AND Get 0.0% for 36 mos. 0.9% for 48 mos. 1.9% for 60 mos.</p>	<p>NEW 2008 HIGHLANDER Buy for \$5,000:- OR Take \$3,000 OFF MSRP AND Get 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos.</p>
<p>NEW 2009 TACOMA REG CAB 4X2 Buy for \$15,880:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 3 at this price Includes: Airlock, Speed Manual, AC, CD, Side Door, and More! 3 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2009 TACOMA REG CAB 4X4 Buy for \$19,880:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 3 at this price Includes: Airlock, Speed Manual, CD, Side Door, and More! 3 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2009 TACOMA ACCESS CAB 4X4 Buy for \$23,880:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 3 at this price Includes: Airlock, Speed Manual, AC, CD, Side Door, and More! 3 at this price</p>	<p>NEW 2009 TACOMA ACCESS CAB V-6 4X4 Buy for \$26,980:- OR Take 0.0% for 36 mos. 1.9% for 48 mos. 2.9% for 60 mos. 3 at this price Includes: Airlock, Speed Manual, CD, Side Door, and More! 3 at this price</p>

WILLS TOYOTA
 TOYOTA
 moving forward

236 SHOSHONE STREET WEST, TWIN FALLS • 733-2891 • 1-800-821-5247 • WWW.WILLSTOYOTA.COM

1006 Trucks

DODGE '07 2500
Quad 4x4 SLT, 8 year/100,000 mile powertrain warranty. Cummins, auto, power W/LM, cruise, Stock #7G850165DCP \$25,995

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

1006 Trucks

FORD '96 F-250 XLT, Ext Cab, Powerstroke diesel, 5 speed, 4x4, \$7900.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

When looking for bargains, read the Classifieds. It's a worthwhile habit. 733-0021

1006 Trucks

GMC '04 Sierra SLT
Duramax diesel, crew cab, long bed, heated leather seats, fully loaded \$21,925.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

Trying to find a good used automobile? Check out the classifieds for the largest selection available in your area today. 733-0021

1006 Trucks

GMC '05 1500, 4x4, ext. cab, SLE, 271, AT, PW, PL, low mpg, light gray, 58K miles. \$14,900/offer. \$43-8000 Exc. cond.

208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

This year will be our best. Classifieds. 733-0021

1006 Trucks

GMC '07 Sierra SLT
Duramax diesel, crew cab, short bed, heated leather seats, fully loaded \$29,995.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

This year will be our best. Classifieds. 733-0021

1006 Trucks

LINCOLN '08 Mark LT
4x4, 5.4 V8, dual power or heated leather, power sunroof, load. \$21,975. #3057

Turley Car Sales
802 N College Rd, TF
208-737-1200

1006 Trucks

CHEVY '01 Silverado
1/2 ton, ext. cab, 75K miles, good shape, like new. \$12,500 offer. 208-358-1903

Looking for Trucks
Wheels
Call us out @ www.motortrade.com

1006 Trucks

MAZDA '04 B3000 V6
2WD, 5 speed trans/mileage, CD, \$2995.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

When looking for bargains, read the Classifieds. It's a worthwhile habit. 733-0021

1006 Trucks

TOYOTA '98 Tacoma
4x4, looks, runs great, 119K miles. \$7300 or best offer. 208-343-4218

Add to your family today by adopting a dog or cat. Use the classifieds to find that special friend. ZD0020

6 YEAR END CLEARANCE COUNTDOWN TO SAVINGS!

DODGE '07 Ram 1500
Reg cab, 4x4, 4.7L, low mpg, alloy wheels. \$14,976. Stock #7J540540

CHEVROLET
Call 208-733-3033

DODGE '07 Ram 1500
20K miles, local 1960, like new condition, bod liner, crew cab, 4x4, automatic, PL, PW, CD, AC, only \$20,800.

Assist
Auto Insurance
275 S. Idaho St.,
Worland 208-538-1900

DODGE '98 Quad cab
4x4, lowered, 5.2 V8, AM/FM, CD changer, custom wheels, body lift. \$9775. #30533

Turley Car Sales
802 N College Rd, TF
208-737-1200

FORD '01 Ranger
Extended cab, liter-8500, AT, 4x4, CD, \$8995.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

FORD '04 F-250
extended cab, 4WD, diesel, \$9991. Stock #51831A

MIDDLEKAUFF
208-738-2480

FORD '06 F-150
4x4, crew cab. Was \$24,995. Now \$18,997. #60633

MIDDLEKAUFF
208-733-7700

FORD '03 F-150 Crew
cab, loaded. \$25,991. Stock #49555

MIDDLEKAUFF
208-738-2480

FORD '98 F-150 Eddie
Bauer, 5 spd, PW, PL, 69K original miles, short bed. \$7950.
208-324-0069
28115 Lincoln, Jerome
Smalley Motors

GMC '99 1500, 4x4, ext cab, stepside body, low mpg, cruise, CD. \$9,499. Stock #XZ5257541D

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

NISSAN '04 Titan 4x4
Crew Cab, auto, power, W/LM, cruise, stock #4N558189D \$15,499

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

NISSAN '04 Titan 4x4
Crew Cab, auto, power, W/LM, cruise, stock #4N558189D \$15,499

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

Con Paulos Year End Clearance... An Event you don't want to miss!

2009 CHEVY SILVERADO
\$13,977*
Normally you would expect to pay OVER \$20,000 for this truck!

- Locking Rear Differential
- Air Conditioning
- Cruise

2009 CHEVY MALIBU
\$20,575*

- Automatic
- Power Windows
- Air Conditioning
- and More!

2009 CHEVY COBALT SS
\$21,624*

- Turbocharged
- Sporty
- Hard to get!!!

2008 PONTIAC G6
\$18,099*

- Automatic
- XM Radio
- OnStar
- Rear Spoiler

Save Big Now!

UP TO \$9,000 CASH BACK ON SELECT MODELS!

CON Paulos
28115 Jerome
324-3900
conpaulos.com
Hours: M-F 8:30-7 • Sat 9-6

CON Year End Used Car Clearance
WE WILL ACCEPT ANY REASONABLE OFFER ON THESE GREAT VEHICLES.

2001 CHEVY CAVALIER #217088A	WAS \$5,105	NOW \$4,977
2001 OLDSMOBILE ALERO GL #20432A	WAS \$7,105	NOW \$5,997
2004 CHRYSLER SEBRING CONV. #20417A	WAS \$9,105	NOW \$6,977
2003 PONTIAC GRAND AM #208320R	WAS \$9,105	NOW \$6,977
2004 CHEVY SUBURBAN 4X4 #129271A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$8,977
1999 GMC YUKON DENALI 4X4 #282773B	WAS \$12,105	NOW \$8,977
2002 VW BEETLE GLS #208318A	WAS \$12,105	NOW \$9,977
2007 CHEVY MALIBU LS #24221A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$10,977
2007 CHEVY MALIBU LS #24231B	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$10,977
2004 PONTIAC GRAND AM #19071A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$11,977
2008 CHEVY AVEO LS #2585A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$11,977

BUY WITH CON-FIDENCE
Your Satisfaction is Guaranteed!
Limited Powertrain warranty
• 3 Years/30,000 Mile
• 3 Day/250 Mile
Money Back Guarantee
• Dealer Warranty Included
See dealer for details.
Se Habla Español

CARFAX

2007 CHRYSLER PT CRUISER LHD #282119	WAS \$13,105	NOW \$11,977
2002 MAZDA TRIBUTE 4X4 #2586A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$11,977
2008 GMC CANYON 1/2 TON #169620A	WAS \$14,105	NOW \$11,977
2008 CHEVY UPLANDER LS #28781B	WAS \$17,105	NOW \$13,977
2005 CHEVY EQUINOX LS #28181B	WAS \$17,105	NOW \$13,977
2008 HYUNDAI SONATA GLS #28141B	WAS \$18,105	NOW \$14,977
2008 HYUNDAI SONATA GLS #28151B	WAS \$17,105	NOW \$14,977
2006 JEEP WRANGLER UNLTD. #28201B	WAS \$19,105	NOW \$16,977
2006 VOLKSWAGEN BEETLE #28091B	WAS \$19,105	NOW \$17,977

NEW! 2009 VOLKSWAGEN JETTA TDI!

Save Big Now!
\$288 PER MO.*

Loaded with Options!

- Heated Front Seats
- 201 Cold Start Engine
- 6 Disc In-Dash CD Changer
- 6 Air Bags

3 TO CHOOSE FROM

INSTOCK & AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY!

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

MAZDA

NEW 2009 MAZDAS

Save Big Now!
\$288 PER MO.*

Automatic
Keyless Entry
Rear Sunset

3 TO CHOOSE FROM

MAZDANOMICS

Test Drive a Mazda.

We'll take your trade, paid or not! Financing is available.

Year End Clearance!

LOTUSIA
Call 208-733-5778

CON Paulos
conpaulos.com

Jerome
Exit 168
324-3900

Twin Falls
1534 N. Blue Lakes
735-3900

Wobble on over for these Holiday Savings!

Classified Line Ad Specials

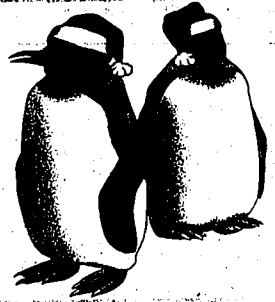
5 LINES \$21
10 DAYS
For Items \$1500 or less.

5 LINES \$17
10 DAYS
For Items \$1000 or less.

5 LINES \$12
10 DAYS
For Items \$500 or less.

\$2 each additional line. Private Party only. Merchandise only. Prices must be included in ad. Maximum of 4 items.

Times-News Call 733-0931 Ext.2 or 800-658-3883 ext. 2
magvalley.com



1006 Trucks	1006 Trucks	1006 Trucks	1006 Trucks	1006 Trucks	1006 Trucks
CHEVY '95 1500, 4x4, ext cab, loaded, short box, 5 speed, many extras! \$8500. Call 208-638-1419	DODGE '94 Ram 1500 Hemi Sport, Raven shell, loaded, \$11,500. Take any reasonable offer. 208-219-4141	CHEVY '93 1/2 ton, ext. cab, 4x4, auto, V8, \$1350. 208-937-4077	FORD '97 F150 4x4, Lariat, leather, 6 disc CD changer, low mil. Drives exc. \$4,500. Call 208-420-8722.	CHEVY '97 1500 Ext Cab AT, AC, PW, PL, low package, \$4900 208-639-9178	GM '97 1/2 ton, 2.7L 4x4, ext cab with new motor, slight damage on drivers side door \$4,000. Steel pickup tool boxes & (2) \$175 each. 308-5083 or 308-3115
Let your garage take all it can! Advertise the time and date in the classifieds. 733-0931	Add to your family today by adopting a dog or cat. Use the classifieds to find that special friend. 733-0931	FORD '02 F-350 Crew Cab, XLT Lariat, 4x4, Powerstroke, 87K mi. \$17,000. 731-4643	Are you planning a move? CasaFeds will point you in the right direction to find the home you desire. 733-0931	GM '98 S15 Pickup Flimsy great! Good work truck! \$950 firm. 208-320-0284	

1006 Trucks	1008 SUVs	1009 Vans and Buses
WANTED TRUCKS!! Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY! Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.	MIDDLEKAUFF 208-738-2480	ALL VANS WANTED! Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY! Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.
1008 SUVs ALL SUVs WANTED! Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY! Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.	FORD '05 Expedition Eddie Bauer, 4WD, 3rd seat, \$16,999. Stock# 538001A	CHEVY '05 12 passenger Express Van 3/4 ton, front & rear air, 6 liter V8 engine, 83K miles. 208-637-4100
BUICK '02 Rendezvous CKL AT, loaded, leather, CD, sunroof, AWD, \$8990 208-324-0069 28118 Lincoln, Jerome	Assist AUTO BROKERAGE 275 S. Idaho St. Wendell 208-536-1900	CHRYSLER '05 Town & Country, rear air, CD, cruise, stock #5R150808DC \$9999
CADILLAC '06 SRX AWD, leather, PW, PL, CD, AC, sunroof, 41K miles, excellent condition, only \$17,900.	Assist AUTO BROKERAGE 275 S. Idaho St. Wendell 208-536-1900	SLITHIA CLASSIFIED - HELP DESK Call 208-733-6778
CHEVY '03 Suburban LS, 4x4, most options, \$6550. Harms Auto Sales 208-629-5000	Assist AUTO BROKERAGE 275 S. Idaho St. Wendell 208-536-1900	DODGE '07 Grand Cavivan SXT, dual sliding power doors, power rear hatch, PW, PL, AC, CD, stow-n-go, only 21K miles, like new condition, only \$13,900.
CHEVY '07 Suburban LS, 4x4, excellent winter vehicle. Only \$8950. Harms Auto Sales 208-629-5000	Assist AUTO BROKERAGE 275 S. Idaho St. Wendell 208-536-1900	Assist AUTO BROKERAGE 275 S. Idaho St. Wendell 208-536-1900

ROB GREEN AUTO GROUP

It's Our

RED TAG

up to **\$8,000 CASH** in your pocket!

2008 GMC YUKON 4X4

Save \$14,312!

Was \$41,765
Is \$37,953
Rebate \$8000
Now Only **\$29,953**

OR UP TO **\$8000 CASH** in your pocket!

2008 GMC SIERRA 4X4

Save \$8,031!

Was \$25,855
Is \$23,821
Rebate \$8000
Now Only **\$17,821**

OR UP TO **\$6000 CASH** in your pocket!

2008 BUICK LACROSSE CX

Save \$4,442!

Was \$25,390
Is \$23,698
Rebate \$2750
Now Only **\$20,948**

OR UP TO **\$2750 CASH** in your pocket!

2009 BUICK ENCLAVE CX

#1 Crossover SUV

Was \$36,995
Is \$32,944
Now Only **\$32,944** WOW!

1008 SUVs

Assist
AUTO BROKERAGE
275 S. Idaho St.
Wendell 208-536-1900

SLITHIA
CLASSIFIED - HELP DESK
Call 208-733-6778

1010 Autos

Assist
AUTO BROKERAGE
275 S. Idaho St.
Wendell 208-536-1900

Looking for SUVs

Wheels Online

Check us out @ www.wheelsonline.com

Looking for Vans

Wheels Online

Check us out @ www.wheelsonline.com

WANTED VANS!!

Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY!
Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.

1010 Autos

Assist
AUTO BROKERAGE
275 S. Idaho St.
Wendell 208-536-1900

WANTED TRUCKS!!

Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY!
Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.

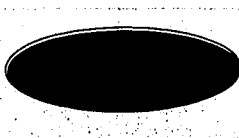
WWW.GREENAUTOGROUP.COM

ROB GREEN AUTO GROUP

GMC

1427 Blue Lakes Blvd. N • 733-1823

Financing is required at 8.99% for 78 months. Does not include dealer add-on. Customer will receive cash back when deal is locked. Price and payments do not include tax, title, and license fee. All sales subject to prior approval only.



ABSOLUTE Open Sunday!

OVERSTOCKED

Lowest Prices since 1997!! '08 CLEARANCE SALE

2008 Jeep Liberty 4x4

5 Speed, P.W., Pl. Trk, Cruise, Roof Rack, Temp & Compass Gauge, Tire Monitoring System, Hill Start Assist, MPG Player

RETAIL \$22,345
Ranch EP Price \$20,845
Rebate \$2,000
Military \$500

ONLY \$18,145



YOU SAVE
\$4,200

\$249/MO
20% down 72 Mos. 5.39% O.A.C.

2008 Ford F-150 Crew Cab XLT 4x4

RETAIL \$30,135
EMPLOYEE PRICE \$28,949
Rebate \$3,550
FMCC Bonus Cash* \$500
Military \$500

ONLY \$22,999



YOU SAVE
\$15,136

2008 Dodge 2500 Diesel Quad Cab SLT



RETAIL \$48,995
Ranch EP Price \$37,999
Rebate \$4,500
Military \$500

ONLY \$32,999

YOU SAVE
\$15,966

\$418/MO
20% down 84 Mos. 6.39% O.A.C.

2008 Ford Edge

RETAIL \$29,131
Employee Price \$24,999
Rebate \$2,000
FMCC Bonus Cash* \$500
Military \$500

ONLY \$21,999



YOU SAVE
\$7,132

2008 Jeep Patriot 4x4



RETAIL \$20,800
Ranch EP Price \$18,815
Rebate \$2,000
Military \$500

ONLY \$16,115

YOU SAVE
\$4,485

\$219/MO
20% down 72 Mos. 5.39% O.A.C.

**Employee Pricing on All New Models
Plus You Keep all the Rebates!!!**

2008 Calliber BE

YOU SAVE
\$2,287

RETAIL \$18,025
EP Pricing \$18,025
Rebate \$1,000
Military \$500

ONLY \$14,538

\$199/MO
20% down 72 Mos. 5.39% O.A.C.



WE PAY MORE FOR TRADE-INS

2008 Dodge Nitro SXT

5 Speed, P.W., Pl. Trk, CD Player

RETAIL \$20,755
EP Pricing \$18,025
Rebate \$5,000
Military \$500

ONLY \$18,535

\$219/MO
20% down 72 Mos. 5.39% O.A.C.



2008 Ford Mustang

4.0L V6, A/C, Aluminum Wheels, Premium Sound

RETAIL \$18,999
Employee Price \$18,999
Rebate \$1,000
FMCC Bonus Cash* \$500
Military \$500

ONLY \$14,999



YOU SAVE
\$16,361



YOU SAVE
\$10,100

RETAIL \$35,000
Employee Price \$29,999
Rebate \$3,500
FMCC Bonus Cash* \$500
Military \$500

ONLY \$25,450

2008 LINCOLN MKZ

AWD, Heated Seats, Premium Sound, Leather



ONLY \$25,450



"We needed a car for our daughter right away!"
We asked for and got the bottom line without any fast talk. It's a pleasure to shop locally and not playing "Big City" Prices. We wanted a Focus because of Consumer Report Recommendation

*Elizabeth Casso Lopez
Mountain Home, ID

Don't Wait!
After 2008
It's Too Late!
Sale Ends, Dec 31, 2008!



"We drove 50 Miles from Meridian just to pick up 5 different dealerships"
"We came to the Auto Ranch because they had what we were looking for and because they offer outstanding Customer Service! Great place! We'll be back!"

Jenny Burghardt
Meridian, ID

All New! MOUNTAIN HOME
AUTO RANCH

1-800-GO-RANCH www.mhautoranch.com

All prices plus tax, title & doc fee of \$288.00. Dealer not responsible for typos. Pictures for illustration only. May affect transaction price of vehicle. Invoices may not reflect dealer cost.

1010 Autos
DICK '03 LaSalle custom 56,800 miles, 170k wheel drive, loaded features, exc. Cond. 30 mpg \$6,800
 Call Stephan at 733-4940 days thru Sat. 316-4048 even. or Sunday

1010 Autos
CADILLAC '08 DTS, black cherry, half of retail value at \$23,499. 643-4152

1010 Autos
CHEVY '08 Malibu LS 2.5 V6, 30 mpg, PW, PL, info. center, 30K mi., 36K bumper to bumper warranty, 100K drive train. Gray/Grey like new. \$13,400/offer. Call 208-443-8080

1010 Autos
Classified Private Party Ads
 Require pre-payment prior to publication. Major credit/direct cards, & cash accepted.
 733-0931 ext. 2 Times-News

1010 Autos
FORD '07 Focus SE, auto, air, PW, PL, AM/FMCD, factory warranty, \$6999. #2093
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

1010 Autos
FORD '07 Mustang, V6, CD, PW, PL, AC, PS, cruise, 25K miles, only \$16,900.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

1010 Autos
FORD '98 Escort, CD, AW, AT, great reliable car, \$1600.
 208-420-8722

1010 Autos
HONDA '03 Civic \$7,000, silver 66,000 miles, 2004 color (condition) Call 208-668-0780

1010 Autos
OLDSMOBILE '06 Cutlass, loaded, great tires, 28 mpg, \$26,000/offer. 208-532-4832

CARS WANTED!
 Sell your vehicle for immediate CASH TODAY!
 Buying all years, makes and models 1-800-574-1248.

CHEVY '04 Impala Local trade, PS, PW, PL, AM/FM, CD player, certified, \$7995. Stock #2103A
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

CHRYSLER '07 Sebring, 8-year/80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$12,999.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '05 Crown Victoria, 33K miles, leather, AC, PW, PL, cruise, \$12,500.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '07 Fusion SEL, V6, power leather seats, AM/FM, 6 disc CD, tinted glass, one owner, #2007 \$13,900.
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

HONDA '00 Accord, 2-door, leather, loaded, sunroof, nice car, only \$8950
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

HONDA '05 Civic, 2 door, 45,000 miles, CD, air, great condition, silver. \$6500 book value! \$9,800. Call 208-423-4942.

MERCUY '03 Grand Marquis, 76K miles, local trade, leather, loaded, excellent condition, only \$7950
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

TOYOTA '02 Camry 214,187 miles, 4 door, needs engine - \$5000 208-733-7662

CHEVROLET '99 Lumina, only 73K miles, PL, PW, AC, one owner, only \$4950.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

CHEVY '05 Malibu 8 cyl. 58K mi. Like new. \$6995. 420-9187/733-7051/733-2223
LUTHIA 275 S. Idaho St. Call 208-733-5776

DODGE '08 Avenger, 8 year/80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '05 Taurus, AC, automatic, PW, PL, 71K miles, good gas mileage car, only \$9550.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '07 Fusion, PW, PL, AC, CD, automatic, 34K miles, only \$13,900.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

HONDA '04 Accord Local owner. Was \$16,498. Now \$13,988. #119007A
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-733-7700

HONDA '05 Accord, auto, air, PW, PL, AM/FMCD, 100K miles, certified Honda warranty 517,777 #2096A
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

MERCUY '96 Marquis, \$1868. Stock #563062E
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-736-2480

MERCUY '97 Marquis LS, 110K miles, loaded, runs good, clean \$3100/offer. 208-662-3255

CHEVY '00 Corveta 6 speed, convertible, leather seats, power everything, \$19,900, 208-324-0069
 28118 Lincoln, Jerome SmalleyMotors

CHRYSLER '07 PT Cruiser, 80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
LUTHIA 275 S. Idaho St. Call 208-733-5776

DODGE '08 Avenger, 8 year/80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '05 Taurus, AC, automatic, PW, PL, 71K miles, good gas mileage car, only \$9550.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '07 Fusion, PW, PL, AC, CD, automatic, 34K miles, only \$13,900.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

HONDA '04 Accord Local owner. Was \$16,498. Now \$13,988. #119007A
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-733-7700

HONDA '05 Accord, auto, air, PW, PL, AM/FMCD, 100K miles, certified Honda warranty 517,777 #2096A
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

MERCUY '96 Marquis, \$1868. Stock #563062E
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-736-2480

MERCUY '97 Marquis LS, 110K miles, loaded, runs good, clean \$3100/offer. 208-662-3255

CHEVY '00 Corveta 6 speed, convertible, leather seats, power everything, \$19,900, 208-324-0069
 28118 Lincoln, Jerome SmalleyMotors

CHRYSLER '07 PT Cruiser, 80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
LUTHIA 275 S. Idaho St. Call 208-733-5776

DODGE '08 Avenger, 8 year/80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '05 Taurus, AC, automatic, PW, PL, 71K miles, good gas mileage car, only \$9550.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '07 Fusion, PW, PL, AC, CD, automatic, 34K miles, only \$13,900.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

HONDA '04 Accord Local owner. Was \$16,498. Now \$13,988. #119007A
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-733-7700

HONDA '05 Accord, auto, air, PW, PL, AM/FMCD, 100K miles, certified Honda warranty 517,777 #2096A
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

MERCUY '96 Marquis, \$1868. Stock #563062E
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-736-2480

MERCUY '97 Marquis LS, 110K miles, loaded, runs good, clean \$3100/offer. 208-662-3255

CHEVY '00 Corveta 6 speed, convertible, leather seats, power everything, \$19,900, 208-324-0069
 28118 Lincoln, Jerome SmalleyMotors

CHRYSLER '07 PT Cruiser, 80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
LUTHIA 275 S. Idaho St. Call 208-733-5776

DODGE '08 Avenger, 8 year/80K Powertrain warranty, auto, power W/LM, cruise, 2 to choose from, \$19,999.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '05 Taurus, AC, automatic, PW, PL, 71K miles, good gas mileage car, only \$9550.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

FORD '07 Fusion, PW, PL, AC, CD, automatic, 34K miles, only \$13,900.
Assist AUTO BROKERAGE, 275 S. Idaho St., Wendell 208-536-1900

HONDA '04 Accord Local owner. Was \$16,498. Now \$13,988. #119007A
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-733-7700

HONDA '05 Accord, auto, air, PW, PL, AM/FMCD, 100K miles, certified Honda warranty 517,777 #2096A
Turley Car Sales
 802 N College Rd. TF 208-737-1200

MERCUY '96 Marquis, \$1868. Stock #563062E
MIDDLEKAUFF 208-736-2480

MERCUY '97 Marquis LS, 110K miles, loaded, runs good, clean \$3100/offer. 208-662-3255

LAST CHANCE! **TO RECEIVE UP TO \$60,000 IN IRS DEDUCTIONS**

IT ALL ENDS DECEMBER 31ST

BUY A NEW MIDDLEKAUFF FORD, LINCOLN, MERCURY, OR HONDA AND YOU COULD QUALIFY FOR UP TO A \$60,000 WRITE-OFF!

IRS DEDUCTION \$60,000

IRS DEDUCTION \$60,000

BIGGEST SAVINGS IN AMERICAN HISTORY!

IRS DEDUCTION \$60,000

IRS DEDUCTION \$60,000

Middlekauff AUTOMALL

Blue Lakes Blvd. N. • Twin Falls, Id 83301 • www.bigmdirect.com

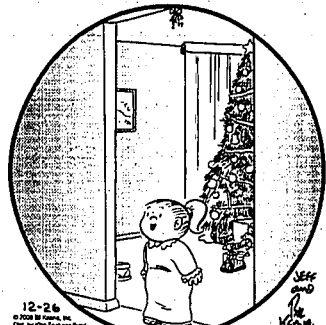
*NOT ALL CUSTOMERS OR VEHICLES WILL QUALIFY. OAC, SEE DEALER FOR COMPLETE DETAILS. **NOT INTENDED AS TAX ADVICE. CONSULT YOUR TAX ADVISOR FOR COMPLETE INFORMATION ON IRS PROGRAMS AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS.

Used-Car Buyers CHECKLIST

- Decide which make and model is sought
- Research asking price with Kelley Blue Book
- Research prospective vehicle history using online and printed resources
- Set daytime appointment
- Before test drive, check undercarriage, engine and body for rust or damage
- Check interior for cleanliness, comfort and size
- Inspect tires for wear
- Check all for proper level and color
- Check coolant and radiator for leaks or corrosion
- Drive on highway to gauge acceleration and handling
- Test brakes
- Test steering and alignment
- After test drive, inspect engine for leaks, noise or smoke
- Request and review service records, receipts and title
- Have specialist or mechanic inspect your vehicle selection

THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane

Unfurnished Homes BUHL 1 bdrm, 1 bath, ... \$375 + \$300 deposit. ...



"Daddy! Somebody left a gift for you here under the mistletoe!"

C.J. Property Management For Rent... LANDLORDS Exp Professional Property...

Husband's insults in public humiliate embarrassed wife

DEAR ABBY: I love my husband, but how do you make a man stop embarrassing you in public? ...



DEAR ABBY Jeanne Phillips

throwing temper tantrums. Abby, I don't want to be a role model. I am older than his parents. I enjoy talking to him after services, but I do not want to be his buddy. ...

Yesterday we went out to lunch and on the way to the restaurant I had a big fuss about it with the cashier, then loudly informed me it was my 'fat a--' meal that cost so much. ...

DEAR ABBY: I am a bachelor by choice. I love my freedom. If I were interested in raising children, I would have married and had some.

My problem is a young man I'll call 'Kyle.' Kyle is 14 and attends the same house of worship that I do. He has become attached to my hip.

Kyle is extremely intelligent, multilingual (which I am not), but small for his age. Whenever I go there, he changes seats to be near me. ...

The boy has few friends, probably because he's more intelligent than most teens. His father, also an intellectual, often puts Kyle down.

His mother told me Kyle talks about the often at home — when he's complaining up to his younger brother, raging at his parents or

NOT LAUGHING IN CINCINNATI

DEAR NOT LAUGHING IN CINCINNATI: I see your article about Henny Youngman something new? If it's something new, your husband needs his head examined. ...

Your husband's behavior is inexcusable. But, if necessary, two can play that game. ...

DEAR SOLO: You should not be placed in the position of trying to solve this troubled family's problems. Kyle isn't looking for a father. ...

DEAR SOLO: You're not the father. You're the grandfather. You're the advisor and explaining what you know about Kyle's family situation. ...

DEAR SOLO: You're not the father. You're the grandfather. You're the advisor and explaining what you know about Kyle's family situation. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes SHOSHONE Newer 3 bedroom, 2 bath, available now. \$850. Call 208-628-7154

602 Unfurnished Homes TWIN FALLS Newer 3 bdrm, 2 1/2 bath, 2 car garage, gas fireplace. No smoking. ...

604 Unfurnished Apts. and Duplex JEROME Move-In Special! \$59 fill card at time of move in. ...

JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

603 Furnished Apts. and Duplex BULWER/RUPERT Free laundry self Don't miss this offer. ...

JEROME Elderly, Handicap Subsidized Housing. Now taking applications for 1 or 2 bdrm apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$950. For rent. S99 no money down. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes TWIN FALLS Nice location. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes WENDELL 3 bdrm, 1 bath, 251 East Ave. ...

604 Unfurnished Apts. and Duplex JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

603 Furnished Apts. and Duplex BULWER/RUPERT Free laundry self Don't miss this offer. ...

JEROME Elderly, Handicap Subsidized Housing. Now taking applications for 1 or 2 bdrm apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$950. For rent. S99 no money down. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes TWIN FALLS Nice location. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes WENDELL 3 bdrm, 1 bath, 251 East Ave. ...

604 Unfurnished Apts. and Duplex JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

603 Furnished Apts. and Duplex BULWER/RUPERT Free laundry self Don't miss this offer. ...

JEROME Elderly, Handicap Subsidized Housing. Now taking applications for 1 or 2 bdrm apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$950. For rent. S99 no money down. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes TWIN FALLS Nice location. 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 car garage. ...

602 Unfurnished Homes WENDELL 3 bdrm, 1 bath, 251 East Ave. ...

604 Unfurnished Apts. and Duplex JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

JEROME No Money Move-In Move in now pay no money down and no rent until Jan 1, 2009. ...

603 Furnished Apts. and Duplex BULWER/RUPERT Free laundry self Don't miss this offer. ...

JEROME Elderly, Handicap Subsidized Housing. Now taking applications for 1 or 2 bdrm apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, 1 bath. \$950. For rent. S99 no money down. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

TWIN FALLS 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

SHOSHONE 1 bdrm, kitchen apts. 2 bdrm, kitchen apts. ...

IF DECEMBER 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Aim for the best and highest in the year to come. Put your most important plan into motion during the month of January or beginning of March for the best success and to guarantee good fortune. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

HOROSCOPE Jeralkine Saunders

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Always check for the other shoe you will be at your best during the first half of March and the month of May. ...

TODAY IN HISTORY

Indian Ocean. In 2006, former President Gerald R. Ford died in Rancho Mirage, Calif., at age 93. ...

Indian Ocean. In 2006, former President Gerald R. Ford died in Rancho Mirage, Calif., at age 93. ...

24/7 Classified Ad Placement magicvalley.com

USA Legal

NOTICE OF BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Twin Falls School District #411, Twin Falls, Idaho will receive sealed bids for supplying canned foods, meat and non-meat products...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MINIDOKA MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV-2008-970 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of MARVIN R. ALLEN, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 08-5453 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of ROBERT C. JONES and WILHELMINE, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CASSIA MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF IDAHO, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF TWIN FALLS MAGISTRATE DIVISION

Case No. CV 2008-1357 NOTICE TO CREDITORS In the Matter of the Estate of LUCILLE M. HOWARD, also known as LUCILLE MARY HOWARD, formerly known as LUCILLE M. SALKOVICS, and LUCILLE MARY SALKOVICS, Deceased.

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

USA Legal

ADVERTISMENT FOR SALE OF TENANTS PERSONAL PROPERTY

AJZ Enterprises, LLC, 1773 Highland Ave. E., Twin Falls, Idaho will sell auction service and disposal of its used equipment...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008 and Jan 2, 2009

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Pursuant to Section 58-10(4) and 58-1301, et. seq., Idaho Code (The Lake Protection Act) and rules of the State Board of Land Commission...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

Under Deed of Trust Trust File Order No: 080918-0280 Parcel No: 0807400185 S.S. No. T08-423011-D NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. located at 1411 Falls Avenue East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83401...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

BE BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot 6 Block 2 of Five Point Addition THENCE North for a distance of 131.7 feet...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 60-113 OF IDAHO CODE...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

USA Legal

PUBLIC NOTICE

Actions planned and taken by your government are certain in public notices. They are part of your right to know and to be informed of what your government does for you...

IMPORTANT

Please address all legal advertising to: The Times-News, PO Box 848, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0648

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

UNDER DEED OF TRUST Trust File Order No: 080918-0280 Parcel No: 0807400185 S.S. No. T08-423011-D NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. located at 1411 Falls Avenue East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83401...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

BE BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot 6 Block 2 of Five Point Addition THENCE North for a distance of 131.7 feet...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 60-113 OF IDAHO CODE...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

USA Legal

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 06-011169 Order No. 080908668IDIGNO Parcel No. RP-17581001010 Notice of the following described property...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

UNDER DEED OF TRUST Trust File Order No: 080918-0280 Parcel No: 0807400185 S.S. No. T08-423011-D NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. located at 1411 Falls Avenue East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83401...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

BE BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot 6 Block 2 of Five Point Addition THENCE North for a distance of 131.7 feet...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 60-113 OF IDAHO CODE...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

USA Legal

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 06-011169 Order No. 080908668IDIGNO Parcel No. RP-17581001010 Notice of the following described property...

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

UNDER DEED OF TRUST Trust File Order No: 080918-0280 Parcel No: 0807400185 S.S. No. T08-423011-D NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PIONEER LENDER TRUSTEE SERVICES, LLC...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

On Thursday, April 23, 2009 at the hour of 10:30 o'clock A.M., of said day, in the office of Alliance Title & Escrow Corp. located at 1411 Falls Avenue East, Suite 1315, Twin Falls, ID 83401...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

BE BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of Lot 6 Block 2 of Five Point Addition THENCE North for a distance of 131.7 feet...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE TRUSTEE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY, BUT FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 60-113 OF IDAHO CODE...

PUBLISH: Dec 26, 2008, Jan 2 and 9, 2009

Find it Fast in the Times-News Classifieds

Do-It-Yourself Ideas - Reverse applique quilting involves cutting a layer of fabric, turning the edges under and hand stitching to a contrasting background fabric...