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Guardsmen go on alert Wolves

About 2,600 in Idaho - including 350 locals - face likely deployment to Iraq

The Associated Press
The Wife of a soldier, Sonya Nowland has never seen her husband shipped overseas.
That's likely to change later this year or early next year, as Sgr. 1st Class Kent Nowland and about 3,500 other members of the 116th Cavalry Brigade - Including about 350 guardsment in south-central Idaho - have been placed on aler for deployment to Iraq. Gov. 2 Dirk Remphore announced - Monday that the Department of Defense had put 2,600 Idaho Army Nadenal Guard soldiers on alert. The soldiers join



guardsmen from three additional units nationwide for a total of

Kempthorne and Maj, Gen. Jack Kane talk Monday at the Idaho National Guard's Gowen Field in

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18,000 soldiers on alert status.
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the deepening involvement' of bed efforts to quell the insurgency and the deforts to quell the insurgency about 95 percent of the deforts to quell the insurgency about 95 percent of the Idaho Bandstone and somen were notified 'ai', the alert on Sunday, Adjutant General Jack Kane said. If all the soldiers are called to active duty, it will be the single largest deployment of National Guard troops in Idahos history.

The men and women will be mobilized over the next several months to conduct training before their new assignment, the Pennagon said.

Kempiliorne said the deploy-please see GUARD, Page A2

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IN LIKE A LAMB =



Taking advantage of the warm weather on the first day of March, St. Edward's Catholic School fifth-grader Ashton Meeks, left, lokes with sixth-grader work before being picked up from school Monday. Look for high

Search finds marijuana in junior high

By Rebecca Meany Times-News writer

Times-News wilter

TWIN EALLS - Eight students at Robert Stuart Junior High School received citations last week after police found marijuana in the schools.

The discovery was unusual, the schools principal said, and not necessarily indicative of a larger drug problem.

"It's not a common thing." Principal Craig Ainsworth said, "but we have drugs in the community and schools are a part of the communities they're in. Members of the Twin Falls Police Department were called to the school around 103.0 a.m. Thursday With the help of a narcotics dog from Idaho State

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County receives three financing plans for purchase of lumberyard

TWIN FALLS - County commis-sioners Monday opened three pro-posals to finance the purchase of the old Anderson Lumber building to serve as county offices. Meanwhile, they're exploring other options, looking for the best deal they can get for county tax-payers.

payers.
"We're looking for the best bang for the buck," Commissioner Tom Mikesell sajd, "We'll look further into it."

into it."

Commissioners received proposals for a \$3.1 million lease-to-buy loan from D.L. Evans Bank, Erist Federal Savings and Loan and GE Capital Public Finance Inc. Here is a little about what each financial organization had to offer.

D.L. Evans Bank — Ten-year

Building details - A2 loan with semiannual payments of

loan with semiannual payments of \$120,000 beginning in July Loan would have a fixed-4.39 percent interest rate, A non-appropriation clause – which would allow luture boards of county commissioners to decide not to renew the Joan – would be included in the note. There would be no prepayment penalties.

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• First Federal Savings and Loan • The loan would be paid in 19 annual principal and interest pay-ments of \$230.523, with a final payment of all outstanding princi-pal and interest. The loan would have a fixed interest rate of 4.51 percent. Prepayment would be allowed without penalty. The loan would include a non-appropria-

GF Capital Public Finance Inc.

• GE Capital Public Finance Inc.

The company is offering a threeyear agreement for \$800,000 with a
\$89 percent base interest rate and
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remaining \$2.3 million with a 5.01
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Commissioners said they would

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Commissioners said they would review the proposals and pursue the deal that would be best for the county.

county.

"We have to make sure it meets our needs and the needs of the cit-izens of Twin Falls County." Mikesell said.

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doorstep Animals kill cow, calf

near Glenns Ferry

By Jennifer Sandmann Times-News writer

GLENNS FERRY. A ranch west I here lost at least one cow and

GLENNS FHRRY. A ranch west of here lost at least one cow and calleto woises over the past week. Rancher lohn McCallum said Monday there are children who live on the ranch, and they are his biggest concern. He spotted three sets of woll tracks.

"There were fresh tracks this morning. I found tracks 100 feet from my house," he said.

"It's the first year the McCallums have encountered wolves on their ranch north of Hammett. The wofuse are coming down from the Bennett Hills, McCallum said.

"The ranch runs 500 head of cat-die over a large area. The kills have occurred within 100 yards of one ranch house, and the children no longer are permitted to go out-doors alone, he said.

George Graves, assistant state director with the federal Widdlife Senzires, office: in Boiles, said that wolf kills have been confirmed involving a row and a call on the Hammett-area ranch.

"We believe it's more than two wolves involved in the predation," Graves said.

Widdlife Services agents are fed-

agency must take directions where the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; because gray wolves are under federal protection in Idaho. Wyoming and Montana.

The Fish and Wildlife Service wants the animals trapped, litted with radio collars and released again to locate their pack and track is movements, Graves said.

Livestock owners in the area over the past two years have reported suspected losses, to wolves, but these are the first confirmed, Grave's said. The cow died early week said the night before.

The wolves mortally wounded the cow and left her, but they are the calf. McCallhun said, Ile said there has been another calf killed and consumed and another cow willed.

and consumed and another cow killed.

McCallum said he thinks wolves should be limited to a certain migration area and then eliminate of if they pass out of the bound-aries into populated areas.

For wolf reintroduction advo-cates, the apid recovery of the gray wolf population. has been an endangered species success story, Fifteen gray wolves were released in central idaho in 1995. The rein-troduction program affeady has produced 35 verified Idaho wolf-packs and pearly 400 volves in the state, according to the latest counts.

state, activiting to the counts.
But conflicts with people and flowstock continue to be a hot point of contention.
There have been no verified cases of wolves attacking humans, in Idaho.
In 2002, confirmed wolf kills of Idaho livestock totaled nine calves and 15 sheep, the Fish and Wildlife Service reported: There were sevent other cases of protable wolf kills involving calves. Four dops were

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Joyous Haitians greet rebels in nation's capital

U.S. denies it forced out President Aristide

The Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE. Haiti
Thousands of people cheering the
ouster of President Jean-Bertrand
artistide greeted a rebel convoy in the
capital Monday with shouts of
"Liberty" as U.S. Marines and
French troops secured key sites in
the capital.
Dozejs of insurgents packing an
eclectic array of veapons dating to
World War II swaggered around a
posts hotel, where rebel leader Guy
philippe met with members of the
political coalition that opposed

Ariside, Hewas joined by rebel com-mander Louis-Jodel Chamblain, who is a former anny death squad leder and a convicted assessin. With US, military-forces on the grand and more on the way. US, critics questioned whether Aristide resigned of his own accord Sunday.

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After being flown aboard a contracted U.S. government plane to the impoverished Central African Republic, Aristide on Monday reportedly called members of the U.S. Congress and an African-

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part of the vanguard of a multinational force approved by the U.N. Security Council. Right, a looter leaves a market Sunday one block from the National Palace in Port-au-Prince. U.S. Marines take position Monday morning at the International Airport in Port-au-Prin

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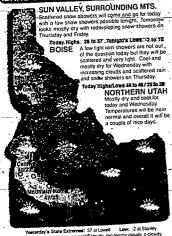
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Highs in the upper 30s.

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TODAY'S NATIONAL MAP Scientists announce galaxy find

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ment was "highly likely" and the soldiers would" replace others already on active duty.
"Probably every Idahoun will feel the impact," he said.
Sonya Nowland said her husband has been lucky that he hasribeen sent overseas during three years in the Army at Fort Hood, Texas, and then 15 years in the National Guard. She said the idea of her husband being sent to serve his never gone away.
"Its always in the back of your mind," she said.

The Nówlands have three children ages 13, 11 and 9-Sonya said they are used to their father being away for short periods of time. But this time could be different.

While the Pentagon did not say how long the soldiers would be on active duty, it suggested it may be less than the 12-month tours required of Guard and Reserve members now in lead and of those heading to 'fraq this spring. However, kane said the soldiers were warned to get their affairs in order for what could be a two-year deployment— the maximum allowed under the presidential authority used to mobilize for fraq. Kennphorne said he will ask doctors, dentists and hospirals to accept the militery neufical Insurance that overs active duty soldiers and their families. Many medical offices do not now accept that insurance, and deployed solders generally are no longer coverad by their employers medical insurance, he said.

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he said.

The governor also said he would ask accountants and automeys to offer their services for free to residents who are preparing for duty in larq. "Idaho soldjers without a daubt are the best in the world,"

For the soldiers and their families

The Idaho Army National Guard has updated its Web site, www.idamg.com, with information for coldiers and the ramilles preparing for deployment, and has a foll-free number. 1866-GUARD-ID (1.866-482-7343 they may call for information.

Information.
The 116th Cavairy Brigade, the ingrest idaho Army National Guard unit, is based at Boise's Gowen Field, and includes units in Idaho, Montana, Utah, Oregon and North Dakota. It is equipped with the M1 Abrams tank.

Kempthorne said. "It is far better to fight terrorists in their country than on American soil."

Kempthorne said. It is far deete of fight terroriss in their country than on American soil. For the approximately 350 soldiers of the 116th in Twin Falls, Jerome, Gooding, 'Hailey and Burley, things are still business as usual until the Guard is officially called to active duty, said Corpital Palalquist, a personnel officer for the 2nd Armored Battalion based in Twin Falls.

"As far as I'm concerned, we're excited." Dahlquist said. "This is what we're trained to do.

The last time the battalion was deployed was in 2002-eviten several members were sent to Hosquis and National Guard's soldiers serve in various capacities around, the country often helping with dissere relief. I. Gol. I'm Arsano, spokesman for the Idaho National Guard's sold of the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of the Country often helping with dissere relief. I. Gol. I'm Arsano, spokesman for the Idaho National Guard's joint force headquarters sent

spokesman for the Idaho Nauona-Guard's joint force headquarters in Joise, 'said, they could be sent 'almost anywhere, although it is likely they-would be involved in the rebuilding of Iraq. 'No matter what it is, we're ready to do it.' Marsano said.

Schwarzenegger says he'd back legal gay marriage

California Gov Arnold-Schwarzenegger said on national television Monday night that it would be "fine with me," if state law were changed to permit same-sex marriages.

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In an interview with jay Leno on NHCS. The Tonight Show With Jay Leno on NHCS. The Tonight Show With Jay Leno. Schwarzenegger also strongly rejective with Jay Leno on NHCS. The Tonight Show With Jay Leno. Schwarzenegger also strongly rejective with Jay Leno. Schwarzenegger also strongly rejective with Jay Leno. Schwarzenegger also strongly repeated to the state state of the state of the

approved Proposition 22 in recent years to limit marriage to a man said a twoman. Schwarzenegger indicated he was open at least to an initiative to legalize same-sex mar-

indicative to legalize same-sex marriage.

"If the people chainge their minds and they want to overpule that that's fine with me?

The author of Proposition '22, Republican state 'Sen. William 'Peter' Knight, said he was surprised at Schwarzenegger's comments and disappointed by the gay marriage issue.

If Schwarzenegger announced support for gay marriage legislation, it would pass, Knight added.

"If he says he'll sign it," said Knight, "it'll whiste through there."

The governor's interview with zeno was his first indication that he is not apposed to gay marriage at a total possession of the proposed of the gay marriage at a total possession beautiful from the same control of the says he'll sign it," said the sa

The governors interview was the first indication that he is not opposed to gay marriage at a moral level, and that if Californians wanted to change the law, he would not be an obstacle. When asked, Schwarzenegger has spoken in favor of gay rights since his days as a body builder in the 1970s.

astronomers say they have detected the farthest galaxy ever observed, a glimmer that dates back to when the universe was still. observed, a glimmer, that dates back to when the universe was still-in its infancy. The galaxy, dubbed Abell 1835 IR1916, is 13.23 billion light-years from Earth – beating by a chunk another galaxy that until now was

PARIS (AP) - French and Swiss

believed to be the farthest known object, said France's state-funded National Center for Scientific Research a major European Search organizations.

Because light from the new find took 13.23 billion years to reach us across the vastness of space, astronomers are seeing the galaxy as it was back then.

Looking for new digs

 What the county is looking for: The goal is to find additional office space for Twin Falls County government workers at the best deal for The goal is to find additional entires space for Twin Folis County govern-ment workers at the best deal for county taxpayers. The Anderson Lumber building deal is still on the table, but commissioners are inter-ested in hearing from developers and others with Ideas on how the county can get the best bargain. Anyone with a concept and an estimated cost per square foot can call Commissioners from Mikecall, Gary Grindsalf and Bill Brockman at 736-4068. What the county needs:

What the county needs:
The county plans to move all its court-house offices, except for those dealing directly with the courts such as the sheriff's office and jail, the prose-

the snern's office and some court services, to another property. The county would also consolidate eight of its remote locations to the property. The county's immediate need would be remote locations to accountly immediate need would be for 29.000 square feet of office space – 14.000 square feet of office space – 14.000 square feet that would come from the counthouse and 15.000 square feet for eight other county properties. It would also need 10.000 square feet of shop space, 10,000 square feet of finise storage space, 10,000 square feet of our open storage space and parking for at feet 200 cars, said Mark Brunnelle, the county's fesserch and

. What the Anderson Building deal

offers: County commissioners in January

signed an agreement with Utah-based Stock Building Supply West on the purchase of the 11.5-seen Anderson Lumber building and property located on Eastland Drives Stock Building Supply West has agreed to share \$1.8 million off the county's purchase of the \$55 million property, and commissioners expect the final set will be between \$3.1 million and \$3.2 million. Commissioners have already made a nonrefundable earnest money deposit of \$5.000, an extend the closing date on the eernest money deposit of \$5,000 to extend the closing date on the property until March 28.

Renovations on the property are expected to cost about \$700,000 and would be taken out of county

reserves.

The property includes 4,923 square feet of finished office-and handicapped-accessible restroom space; 58,860 square feet of box store space which would be converted into offices and public meeting rooms; 26,820 square feet of warehouse space; 9,925 square feet of spenhouse space; 9,925 square feet of greenhouse space, Funellie said. The property also includes 14,995 square feet of green for the form of the property and room for 300 vehicles around the sides and back of the building. The property is already landscaped. After all is said and done, the property, with renovations, would cost the county \$46 a square foot, erty, with renovations, would c the county \$46 a square foot, Brunelle sald.

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Census casts doubt on age claim

The Washington Post-

In-the week since William Coates' death, his family has been immersed in arranging a funeral befittinget man purported to have lived for 114 years — I feat of longevity that, if true, would have ranked him among the oldest people in the United States. But in a final twist to a long life, that is largely shrouded in questions, U.S. Census records indicate that Coates' — who has been celebrated for his supposed advanced age in news stories and public proclamations—was no diefer than 52 when he died Felt. 24 in Prince George's County, Md.

"It was not a legitimate claim in he was not 114," said L. Stephen Coles, a physician and co-founder of the Gerontology Research

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Group, a nonprofit organization that keeps what it says is a carefully documented to user of supercentenarians," or people 110 or older. "We're not saying that anyone in the Coates family was trying to deceive anyone. Coles said-llowever, a researcher for the group, found an old but easily accessable Census, register on the Internet that hiss Coates, his seven siblings and their parents as living together in Prince Georges County in 1930. The census-taker noted that William Coates was the oldes sibling, at age 18.

None of Coafes's relatives—who will gather for his funeral in-a Northeast Washington church Tuesday—claimed he was 114 when he died last week. Rather, they have said they knew few details of his life.

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Commissioners are still looking at a variety of options for space for county offices. Mikesell said he and Commissioners Bill Brockman and Gary Grindstaff have received eals, from developers inquiring about the county's search for more office space.

from developers inquiring about the county's search for more office space.

Commissioners have also been talking with officials from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center about finding space in its down-town location, a three-floor, 80,000-square-foot property location, etc. three-floor, 80,000-square-foot property location, etc. three-floor, 80,000-square-foot property location, a three-floor, 80,000-square-foot property location, and the court has some extra space that could bused by the county. More space could open up in the future depending on the hospital's long-term building plan.

Meanwhile, a committee of the city's Urban Renewal Agency said it has completed an effort to see if

county commissioners were willing to explore options in addition to the Anderson Lumber site and to be a conduit of information. The committee, made up., of left Hepworth. Curtis Eaton, Dave, Woodhead, agency director Dave Medlindin and city Finance Director Gary Evans, met twice and decided its goal had been accomplished. Eaton told Urban Renewal Agency members Monday morning. Now its up to county commissioners to make their own decision on what would be best for the county.

county -"We've -done, what we can,"
Eaton said, "We realize it's county
commissioners "who Thave to
decide."

decide."

McAlindin praised commissioners for being willing to hear other options.

We're appreciative of the fact they were willing to listen."

McAlindin sald.

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON*— The Medleal Marijuana PAC made its first contributions last week saying it would back nedical marijuana supporters in close races. The first batch of \$1,000 contributions went to a bipartisan group of six candidates in close races.

It's "the next step in the evolution

Iraqis hail compromise on interim constitution, but keep details private

The Weekington Post

BACHDAD, Imq I raql politi-cians halled the agreement on the terms of an interim constitution Montiday as a model of compromise between the country's principal religious and ethnic groups that will create the most progressive, democratic government in the Arab world.

Arab world.

The interim constitution's bill-of ights is "something that is unheard-of, unprecedented in this part of the world." said Adnan Pachachi, a leader of the U.S. appointed Governing Council. Another council member, Shite Muşlim politician Mowaffian Mowaffa Rubaie, proclaimed "a historic day in the long march toward building

a new Iraq."

But the council's 25 members, who hashed out the interim constitution in marathon meetings with American and British officials, were reluctant to provide details of the tuton in maruthon meetings with American and British officials, were reluctant to provide details of the document on Monday. Officials with the U.S.-led occupation authority also refused to disclose the specifics. The plan is to be unwelled to the Iriqal public of Wodnesday, after English and Wadnesday, after English and Anabic drafts are reconciled and Shittes finish celebrating a religious Toilday. The final wording still has to be agreed upon, said Jeremy Greenstock, the top British diplomat in Iriqa.

Pachachi was asked by reporters to list some of the liberties enshrined in the bill of rights.

reading from the final draft, he said it included the freedom of expression, assembly, demonstration, privacy thought, conscience and religious belief, among others. He also said it contains a broad social contract that appears far more extensive than some in the Bush administration favor. The document guarantees all traqis health care, education and the right to strike, he said. But one right the document does not endorse, he said, is the freedom to bear arms. The lack of an official summary of just what the interim constitution says, however, has resulted in political leaders describing the language of the fig. article law in ways favorable to them, even if they are not entirely accurate.

Candidates vie for bushel of delegates

John Kerry vowed that he would not be another "wishy-washy,

John Kerry vowed that he would not be another. "wishy-washy, mealy-mouthed". Democrat, pledging Monday to wage a bare-knuckled campaign against President. Bust, as: he sought a Super Thiesday sweep to lay claim to the party's nomination.

Kerry highlighted the short political career of rival John Edwards in an interview with a television station in Georgia. where advisers to both candidates say the freshman North Carolina senator poses the biggest challenge.

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spining to be the nominee," he said in Ohio.

Begardless of today's results, Bush plans to begin a multimillon-dollar TV ad campaign Thursday to reverse his downward trend, Kerry's campaign is considering a modest response designed to put the White House on the defensive, said two-dnior advisers who spoke on condition of anonymity. Democratic Salles may move soone:

Edwards drew 300 people. Lo a University of Toledo rally, three times fewer than a crowd that recently welcomed Kerry to the same venue. Drawing even smaller crowds in Dayton. Ohio, and Cleveland later Monday, Edwards seemed listless and indifferent, stumbling over signature lines in his stump speech.

It seemed prophetic when aides at the Cleveland raily, played Fleetwood Mac's "ou Can Ge Your Own Way."

of medical marijuana as a political issue," the Marijuana as a political issue," the Marijuana Poljey Project's Steve Fox said in announcement, adding that public support for medical marijuana is in the 75 to 80 percent range!

Even so, three of the six – Rep. Bob Beauprez, 'R.-Colo.' Michael Michauld, 'D-Maine; and Rick Larsen, D-Wash. – Just said no ... thanks.

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IRS allows tax break for treatment

The Associated Press

Obess Americans who take drastic, expensive aginot to less weight under a doctor's orders will at least be able to lighten their ax load.

The internal Breenue Service allows taxpayers who are forced to spend thousands of dodlars because of obesity to deduct expenses for stomething the dodlars because of obesity to deduct expenses for stomething the strength of the strength

Some, but not all, insurance plans cover them.

The IRS designated obesity as a disease in April 2002 and established deduction guidelines in its Publication 502. Previously, taxpayers only were allowed to claim the

diease in April 2002 and estab-lished deduction guidelines in its Publication 502. Previously karpay-ers only were allowed to claim the cost of weight loss programs re-temmended by a physician to treat a specific disease associated with obselvy such as hypertension.

The IBs fulling took a lot of peo-ple by surprise, said Morgan Downey, executive director of American—Obesity Association.

This takes a different approach from the normal kind of urging everyone to diet and exercise as a lifestyle recommendation because it recognizes obesity as a major medical problem.

The IBs fulling does not define obesity – generally described, as-excess body far of-30 gounds, or more over ideal body weight, or a body mass index of 30 or more. A doctor's diagnosis: is required before the surgery or nitrition counseling costs can be deducted.

There is growing evidence that obesity, is taking a toll on the nations health. The number of obese adults has doubled in 20

The cost of obesity

The IRS allows a tax deduction for weight loss related expenses. To qualify, expenses need to be over 7.5 percent of adjusted gross income and a doctor's diagnosis of obesity is required.

National medical spending

Out-of-pocket	\$ 6.9
Private -	16.1
Private Medicaid	10.7
Private Medicaid Medicare	13.8
	\$47.5
-	- 2000

iote: Estimates are from a 2003 s formation from 1998.

SOURCE: Centers for Disease

years, and is now up to nearly 59 million people, or almost a third of all American adults. Childhood obesity has tripled, with one child in six considered obese

Drugs 1

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Continued from Al-police, officers found marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia. Detective Scott Smith said. Smith declined to reveal where the drugs and accessories were found, or the amount. Two students were marijuana possession and sent to detention. Smith said, It will be up to a judge to, determine the next

marquant possession and such a detention. Smith said, it will be up to a judge to, determine the next course of action for them.

Six students received citations—three for possession of drug paraphernalia and three for-incorrigibility. Smith said. They were released to their parents.

Ainsworth said the school staff was tipped off by students.

"One of the good things about this is that students are not pathough with (drug use)" he said, receild our character education and accountability. That's part of our culture there.

That copinion, was shared by some pairents.

That opinion, was shared by some pairents.

"I'm thrilled the kids feel comfortable and safe enough to report in," said Michelle Downard, hospitality chairwoman and past president of the schools Parent-Teacher Organization. "I'm pleased the atmosphere is that they can do that, and the administration jumps on it quickly."

on it quickly."

Although there have been similar incidents this year, Downard said she doesn't see cause for

said she doesn't see cause for alarm.
"I don't think there is a big problem, 'she şaid, 'lt's a concern for parents of elementary school junior high and high school kids. But is not something we need to panic about. I have no qualms sending my kids to Robert Suart. The administration and staff are doing all they can to protect our kids."
"I think this proves the system in place is working, 'she added.

Wolves -

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killed. And 32 wolves were killed in

control actions.

Livestock operators can receive compensation for livestock confirmed to have been killed by wolves.

twolves to the control of the contro nent will accept.

Times News writer - Jennifer Sandmann can be wached at 733-0931. Ext. 237. or jsandmann@magicvalley.com.

Officials charge relative with murder of family scattered rain and into the evening hours for the bodies. In a Yazoo

YAZOO CITY, Miss. (AP) - The bodies of three family members who disappeared from their home on Valenthes Day were found in a wooded area of Mississippi on Monday, and a relative was, charged with murder, authorities said

said.
District Attorney James Powell'
told The Associated Press late
Monday that the bodies had been
identified as Michael and Rebecca
Hargon and their 4-year-old son.
An autopsy was scheduled for late
Monday night or Juesday.
The awful. You deal with bad stuff
all the time but rarely where the

all the time but rarely where the whole family was killed," Powell

whole family was killed." Poweil' said.

Bill Hiriz. Rebecca Hargon's father, said the discovery of the bodies gave him a measure of solater, "At least I know where they were at." he said in a telephone interview Monday night.

The discovery of the remains and the charges against Earnest Lee Hargon capped an intense three-week search for clues: in the ease, Hargon, a 43-year-old ruck driver, was arrested on unrelated drug charges, Friday, and authorities sushed to the search area in southern Mississippi on Monday morning.

ing.
Teams of law officers using portable lights searched through



Famest Hargon

for the bodies.

In a Yazoo
County courthouse about
100 miles
away, Earnest
Lee Hargon
heard the three
capital murder

ordered held without bond.
He is a cousin of Michael
Hargon, 27, who disappeared on
Feh, 14 along with his 29-year-old
wife and their son, James Patrick,
Friends and relatives of the family,
many visibly shaken, attended the

many visibly shaken, attended the brief court appearance.

Blood and spent bullet casings were discovered at the family's home in Yazo County after their disappearance. Investigators have not found a 22-caliber weapon that apparently was fired in the house.

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here being congratulated by Kermit Contain, Keans Manufacturing, and Ben Neff, Farmore Irrigation, at Agri-Action in Twin Falls, February 21st. The Vincents won the grand prize of a John Deere Gator, awarded by Reinke and Farmore Irrigation from the nationwide 2003 Reinke Pivot Sales Event.

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Feds want docs barred from testifying unless they provide abortion records

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department sought Monday to bar doctors from testifying in a lawsic tablenging the Partial-Birth Abor-tion Act unless the government gains access to their patients' med-ical records.

tion Act unless the government gains access to their patients' medical records.

The lustice Department motion filed in U.S. District Court in New York alsor points—out—that the National Abortion Federation, a professional association of abortion produces, has argued previously that patient records are essential to determining a procedure's medical necessity.

The Bush administration has been criticized broadily by abortion rights groups and privacy advacates for seeking the records, even though Attorney General John Ashcroft insists that patient named hough attorney deneral John Ashcroft insists that patient named hough attorney deneral John Ashcroft insists that patient named hough attorney deneral John Ashcroft insists that patient and personal information, would be removed before government lawyers got them.

Lawsuits brought in New York Nebraska and California are challenging a new law barring a procedure referred to by critics as partial-birth abortion and by medical organizations as 'intact dillation and extraction.' During the procedure, a feet is legs and torso are pulled from the uterus and its skull spunctured,

The Justice Department is attempting to persuade federal judges to order at least six hospitals and six Planned Parenthood affiliates to provide the abortion patient-records so the government can defend the law. The hospitals and Planned Parenthood are resisting on privacy grounds.

Court: Catholic health plan

Court: Catholic health plan must provide birth control

must provide birth control

SAN FRANCISCO – A Roman
Catholic charitable group must
include birth control coverage in its
health care plan for workers even
though it is morally opposed to
contraception. the California
Supreme Court ruled Monday.
The 6-1 ruling could, reach for
beyond, the 183 full-time employces of Catholic Charities and affect
thousands of workers at Catholic
hospitals and other church-backet
institutions throughout the state.
The high court said Catholic
Charities is no different from other
businesses in California, which is
one of 20 states that require company-provided health plans to
include contraception coverage if
the plans have prescription drug
benefits. In California, 'religious
employers' such as churches are
exempt from the requirement.

White House targets

White House targets prescription drug abuse
WASHINGTON - The Bush

Nation/World in brief.

Snowstorm tears through

Western, Midwest states

Western, Midwest states
Heavys now blown by wind up to
45 mph closed hundreds of miles
of highways Monday in South
Dakota, Wyoming, Colorado and
Nebraska, shutting down schools
and at least one city governitent.
More than a foot of snow had
leilen in parts of Wyoming, with 30
inches in the Colorado mountains,
and snow drifted on roads in South
Dakota on Monday as fast as plows
could clear them.

Dakota on Monday as fast as plows, could clear them.

"It's been snowing since Saurday night," totaling about 15 inches, said manager Norene Dvorak at the Mid-America Travel Plaza at Belle Fourche, S.D. Drifts were 5 fact high, as high as the letters on some stop signs; she said.

The storm was headed toward the northeast, and the National Weather Service issued winder North Dakota and northwestern North Dakota and northwestern Minnesota, saying fight snow and freezing rain were possible.

Putin taps former head

of tax police for key post

of tax police for key post Moscow - Mikhaif Fandkov, a little-known burbaucrat who one headed the feared Russian tax-policy was selected by Presiden; Vadimir Puth on Monday as the curry's new prime minister. Indikov, 53, a, specialist in foreign trade, has held various senior posts under Putin, although he has never been seen as part of the pressumer prime idents; inner circle. For the past year-he

refers the past year he has been statoned in Brussels. Belgium, serving a Russia's representative to the European Union.

Viadinit Putin The selection followed of the previous prime mimister Mikhail Kasyanot, along with the entire Cabinet.

Analysts now are expecting a major realignment of ministries

Analysis now are expecting a major, realignment of ministries and personalities within the government. Futth has prinsised the new lineap will be in place before the presidential election March 14, which he's expected to win in a landslide. That would consolitate his already immense power further. And, with his selection of Fradkov, Putin also gives himself a 'weak' prime minister with expected to carry out the Kremlins wishes and directives.

—compiled from wire reports.

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administration unveiled an expanded enackdown Monday on what it called the growing new menace of prescription drug abuse, which it said now touches and harms more than 6 million Americans yearly.

Top administration officials said the initiative the first comprehen-

Americans yearly.

Top administration officials said the initiative, the first comprehensive one of its kind, would increase state monitoring programs that detect suspicious prescriptions and patients suspected of doctorshopping. It would also increase education to doctors about how to detect potential abusers of prescription drugs.

It will also take on the burgeoning use of the Internet to purchased controlled drugs. Saren, Tandy, the head of the Drug Enforcement Administration, said in a press conference that there are

Enforcement Administration, said ina press conference that there are thousands of Web sites that regularly, offer narcotic medications, otten without a prescription or a doctor wisit.

She said it has been very difficult to move against them because they shut down as soon as they are identified, and then reopen under a different name.



Coast Guard gives up the search for missing crewmen

SEARCH JUT MISSING CREWMEN
NORFOLK, Va. - The Coast
Guard gave up the search Monday
for 10 crewmen missing after a tanker carrying industrial ethanol
exploded and sank off the Vigindad
coast. At least three other crewmen
were killed and six survived.
"It is my sincere hope the friends

were killed and six survived.

"It is my sincere hope the friends and family know we did everything in our power to find their loved ones," said Rear Adm. Saily Brice-O'llara. a Coast Guard districtionmander.

The 570-foot Bow Mariner went down Sautrday night more than 50 miles bast of Chincoteague. The Coast Guard said that the explosion was accidental but that the exact cause was under investigation.

Protesters mark anniversary of Bikini tests

TOKYO (AP) — Thousands marked the 50th anniversary Monday of a U.S. nuclear test on Bikh. Atoll in the Pacific that exposed lapanese fishermen to radiation, laying flowers at the grave of one of the victims and staging a protest against atomic weapons.

About 2.100 marchers carrying photographs of Alkichi Kuboyama, who died six months after the

March 1, 1954, hombing, walked about a mile through his home-town in Yaizu to a ceremony at his grave, police said.

Many also repeated what they call was the property of the

grave, police sald.

Many also repeated what they sald was Kuboyama's dying wish: 1 hope i will be the last victim of atomic and hydrogen bombing.

Kuboyama was a radio operator aboard the No. 5 Fukuryu Maru or Lucky Dragon – when the

United States tested a hydrogen bomb on the atoll in the Marshall Islands, in the central Pacific Ocean, exposing him and 22 other lishermen to radiation

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tishermen to radiation.

The ship, trolling for tuna, was about 100 miles away. The bomb was some 1,000 times more powerful than the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima at the end of World War II, historians say.



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AROUND THE VALLEY

Bill would redefine statutory rape.



BOISE - The House State Affairs Committee on Monday agreed to print a bill that would redefine statutory rape to exclude some cases where the alleged victim and perpetrator are close to the same age and the act was consensual. The bill, 30 pages long and sponsored by Democratic Floor Leader Wendy Jaquet of Ketchum, would repeal the definition of rape as a sexual act with a female. 18 years old or younger, veni lift was consensual.

Instead, it would define statutory rape as sex with a girl under 16 years old, or where the gift is fo or 17 years old and the man is three or more years older than the gift. It would also be a felony crime with a possible penalty of up to life in prison.

Another section of the bill would exemit would a since of the prison.

would also be a felony crime with a possible penalty of up to life in prison.

Another section of the bill would exempt youths convicted of statuctory rape from having to register as, sex offenders if they were under 18 years old at the time of the offenses. Jaqueir referred to these kinds of situations as prom rapes, which may actually be konsensual kex between young people. The bill is opposed by the Idaho Prosecuting Aitorneys Association, which contends that law enforcement already has discretion about whether to proceed with charges against an alleged infender. This bill says its 'OK for a 16-year-old to have sex with a 19-year old, 'said Heather Rellly, who represents - the association at the Legislature. However, Reilly acknowledged that current law could be changed to exclude the kind of 'situations, laquet is trying to avoid.

Judge sets hearing in case of dead woman

case of dead woman

TWIN FALLS - A man facing a first degree murder charge appeared for his arraignment in 5th. District Court Monday, but the defense asked for a delay.

A plea hearing for lody Randall Okley Carr. 31, was set for nextweek, at which time he's expected to enter a plea to the charge. Carr was indicted by a grand lury last week and charged with killing livin Falls resident. Sheri Btrookshiet 31.

Her body was found in a field south of Filer on-Feb. 5.

Carr was arrested in California, transforred to Idaho and was being held in the Twin Falls County Jall Monday.

School helps students appreciate the arts

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TWIN FALLS - Students at Robert
Stuart Junior High School are getting in touch with their inner artists
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Salmon	96%	76%
Oakley	117%	99%
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Little Wood	. 105%	86%
Honrys Fork/Totor	* 109%	88%
Big Lost	106%	82%
Little Lost	95%	71%
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Avalanche kills snowmobiler

By Pedro Salom The Wood River Journal

KETCHUM - Investigation was continuing Monday following a Saturday avalanche that killed a 29-year-old Kimberly snowmobil-

Justin Frederickson died Saturday afternoon after he was russled under the force of the ava-lanche and left buried beneath 6 feet of snow southwest of Easley Hot Springs. An investigation by the Sawtooth National Avalanche Center was taking place at the scene, 16 miles into the backcounr. Justin Frederickson aturday afternoon after

y from the nearest paved road in he Baker Creek area north of

the Baker Greek area north of Ketchium.

Frederickson' was ridling his inodified 2001 Thundercai ZR1800 out illong Apollo Creek with five frenches from the Mogie Valley at 4500 pin. when the slope he was crossing broke loose, the avalanche sucked him in, and he disappeared under the stow. His attime, and none of the others were caught in the slide or injunct.

They weren't being foolish, said Chief Deputy Gene Ramsey of the Blaine County Sheriff's

tions. They were experienced with avalanche rescue gear, and his friends located Frederickson under the show by tracking, his emergency beacon, After 20 minutes of ferce digging, they found his body. The force of the avalanche had ripped off, his helmet, he was not breathing, and he had no pulse.

The Blaine County coroner's report determined that Frederickson died due to the force of the avalanche and the injuries

he suffered, rather than asphyda-tion.

The party placed a 911 call from the Baker Creek trailhead at 5:39 p.m., and search and rescue per-sonnel were dispatched to the scene. However, searchers deter-miped that due to the onset of-darkness and the existing ava-lanche danger, they would post-port the recovery of frederickson's body until the next day. Sunday morning, a rented helicopter from Sun' Valley Heliski delivered Frederickson to the county coro-ner.

er. "This weekend the snow was

very unstable. We've seen several avalanches." Ramsey sald. "Is easy for us to get lulled into the feeling that the snow is melted and compacted. It's construction was a several result of the savetooth National, Forest Avalanche Center has listed the avalanche danger a "considerable" for the past week, meaning, that "human-reigered avalanches are probable. "We are detailing with a snowpack condition that is called deep slabistability. Due to multiple buried weak layers ranging from 12 inches to over several feet deep, the possi-Please see AVALANCHE, Page A7

Council rejects shelter bids



The office cat at the Twin Falls Animal Shelter, O.C., rests atop a perch as Josh Bateman enters the shelter in so The Twin Falls City Council on Monday rejected bids to build a new shelter and will request new bids for a scaled

City will try again with scaled down design

TWIN FALLS – With an \$05,000 discrepancy between available funds and bids for a new animal sheker, the City Council voted imanimously Monday to scrap the bids and start anew. Architect Russ Lively recommended rejecting the current offers and putting the project back out to bid, anticipating a four-to-eight-week delay, There are a number of places that costs can be cut, he said. Changes to the design, including replacing the concrete between kennels, and asking city staff to perform some of the work would save thousands of dollars, he said.

City Engineer Gary Young coun-TWIN FALLS - With an \$85,000

seled against working with the low bidder to try to haggle over cost reduction.

bidder to up to morretreduction.

"Renegotiating contracts before awarding them doesn't work for public entitles," he said.

Rather, the city has to revisit the public process of soliciting bids with the adjustments it deems

with the adjustments it deems necessary.
There is \$600,000 available for the shelter. The estimate was published at \$550,000 because officials were sure bids would come in under estimate, Lively said.
Two companies submitted bids for the proposed shelter. The low bids submitted by Stanley and Associates Inc., was \$685,300, with \$2,530 in alternates. The other bid, \$699,900, was submitted by Stanley and \$600,000 and \$6

Plumbing and concrete costs made up much of the unexpected expenses, Lively told the council. "I've never been able to ritional-ize or explain to city staff why those costs came in as they did." he

those costs came in as they did. The said.

The concrete came in about \$45,000 over budget. Plumbing was close to \$30,000 higher than expected.

Putting the project back out to bid will mean building in the middle of the construction season, possibly increasing costs. That and other unknowns, could bring in bids similar to those the city has now.

"This doesn't mean we're not going to get bids still over \$600,000." Lively said.

The city has earmarked \$400,000 for the animal shelter. People for

Pets has raised \$220,000, which would drop to about \$209,000 after the brick is paid for. Lively said. Councilman Chris Talkington suggested that the council consider another plan of action in case bick come in too high again, saying the city should be prepared to wait a year.

the city should be prepared to wait a year.

Lively said the money People for Prepared was in cash, not petitives, and money in the bank could gather intensa. Money from other means could be harder to come by.

We're still fund-raising, he said, but once this lift the stream of was published, fund-raising going down fast.

Council members opted to forge ahead with the new biddling process in hope of completing the project this year.

Smith says he'll run again for House

Another-potential candidate to replace Noh bows out

By Julie Pence . Times-News writer

BOISE – As of late Monday, Twin alls resident Randy Hansen had no official com-petitors for the District 24 state Smarte sent that



R-Kimber, giving up. Hansen, who served in the state House an 1998 from

from 1998
Gale Kleinkopf through part of 2000, made a formal announcement last week that he would ruin for the office. But while two potential challengers said Monday, they won't ruin against Hansen, another possibility of suit of the contender surfaced.

Rep. Leon Smith, R-Thwist Salik, bad said last, week he was mulling the possibility of running for Nolis seat. Buy, Monday, Smith, Solid, Seat. Buy, Monday, Smith,



intends to fund for re-election to the House. Also bowing out was former Twin Falls Mayor Gale Kleinkopf, 60, who had indicated last week that he was thinking of running to replace Noti

Noh.
For Smith, seniority was one major factor for staying with the House. Only 27 of the 70 representatives remain with whom he served during his first term six years ago, he said.
"Senior legislators can have a Please see CANDIDATES, Page A7

Budget cuts could affect dairy odor study

By Julie Pence Times-News write

Imos-Nows witter

BOSE—It would be a small change in the overall state budget, but it could be significant for the Magic Valley.

Budget writers and the governors officere idecusing the possibility of restoring about \$170,000 or rai quality issues such as dairy odor that had been cut out of the budget adopted by the Joint Flannec-Appropriations Committee last week.

Gow Dirk kempthorne had recommended \$5306,700 for certain ongoing air quality projects under

ommended \$300,700 for certain ongoing air quality projects under the Department of Environmental Quality. But JFAC whacked the budget to \$137,000. or 55 percent.

Chairwoman Maxine Bell, Relevance, contends that DEQ has plenty of money to subsidize the cut.

cut.

The dairy odor funding was intended to cover such things as measuring emissions from large dairies, said Ron Sheffield, an agricultural and waste manage-



ment engineer for the University of Idaho. The university contract with DEO in using equipment to conduct such studies.

In particular, adispute between the Idaho Conservation League and Magic Valley dairymen has Sheffield wanting to find out exactly what and how much of certain taxities. The study is the result of a September lawsui against Eller dairymen Hank Halliger. The Idaho-Conservation League had accused Halliger of not disclosing to the federal government large amounts of ammonia and hydrogen sulfide emissions.

Later the same groun warned a

sions. Later the same group warned a Jerome dairyman before he built a

new 6,000 cow dairy they would sue him if he did-not get permits up front for large amounts of the same emissions.

Sheffield said he is-not sure of the validity the textbook values upon which the Idaho Conservation League is basing its suit.

Conservation League is basing its sult.

"The majority of these values are entirely inappropriate." Sheffield said Still, "good, bad or indifferent, we have to know, where we are so we can start from there.

In addition, he said there are air quality issues in the Treasure yalley regarding how ammonia from concentrated animal feeding operations and other sources will regar with mirrofus oxides and sulfur oxides.

"We have to develop a control

sufur osides.

"We have to develop a control plan that will protect the health and environment of all of Idaho." Sheffield and, "Carting these funds would put the project in jeopardy And to generate programs based on hearsay is, in my mind, negligent."

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Burley judge accepts plea agreement in murder case

By Shelley Ridenour Times-News writer

BURLEY - A Rupert man plead-ed guilty to a reduced charge of voluntary manslaughter in a Monday hearing in 5th District Court.

Monday hearing in 5th District Court.

Lesus Guzman, 21, agreed to plead guilty to one count of manslaughter and one count of rentanced penalty for using, deadly weapon in the crime. The charges stem from the May 24, 2003, beating of Gaudalupe Arredondo in the parking to Quadrague Arredondo in the parking to diurgers Etc. in Burley Arredondo died May 27 as a result of blum trauma to his lead sustained during that beating.

In exchange for Guzmans guilty pleas, Cassia County Prosecuting Attorney Al Barnta amended the charges against Guzman and dismissed a charge of first-degree murder.

Guzman faces a possible maxi-

murder.
Guzman faces a possible maximum prison sentence of 15 years on each count and a possible max-

imum fine of \$15,000.
Part of the plea agreement provides for Guzman to paychild support, to Arredondos two childramunti they each reach the age of 18. The exact amount of that child support is to be determined later, by 5th. District Judge Monte Carlson.

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As the judge laid out what had happened she night of May 24, 2003, Gazman concurred that he and Arredondo and others got into a "sudden quarrel" which occurred "in the heat of passion" and that Gazman hadn't gone to the parking let with the intention of salling Arredondo.

When title judge asked Gazman if he had used a golf club to litt Arredondo in the head and that larved on the head are salled his Arredondo's death, Gazman admitted that had occurred. But Gazman told Carlson he didn't mitted to hit Arredondo so had and that club to the head occurred. But Gazman told Carlson he didn't mitted to hit Arredondo so had and that hit harredondo so had and that hit harredondo so had and that hit harredondo so had

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Marian Louise Anglund Kalbfleisch - Filer

Marian Louise. Anglund Kahlpleisch, born March 10, 1921, in Galesburg, Ill. and long-dine Flier, Idaho, resident died Feb. 28, 2904, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center after a long illness. As a young woman in Galesburg, Marian enjoyed singing, dancing, swimming, fashion, and art. She met ther husband, Paul Kalbleisch, a young radio engineer, in Galesburg, while with mutual friends at lake Story, a favorite swimming spot. They married in Galesburg and lived in several small towns in Illinois while Paul set up the engineering for new radio stations. They moved to downtown Chicago and lived in several small towns in Illinois while Paul set up the engineering for new radio stations. They moved to downtown Chicago and lived in the Loop where Paul worked for CIBS and Marian prayed her interest in art, timing pictures, embroideering and home-making. During World War II, when Paul Was owerseas with the Army Alf-Corps, Marian returned to her childhood home and family in Galesburg and their daughter, Karen, was born.

Three years later, when Paul returned from China, the family moved back to Chicago then on to Paul's family farm in Filer, Idaho, Marian made a lovely home for her family on the farm infusing a sense of Chicago style and her own artistic flare in her home decoration. Three years later their daughter, Paunela, was born and joined the happy family, Paul then started up relevision rad appliance salés and service business, ther moved the business to Filer as part of the family home. Marian advays participated in helping Paul make the business a success.

a success.
Their motto was "Drive out and their customers did Their motto was "Drive out was Save" and their customers did drive out to the family farm to see Paul and Marian and to save and have reliable service. Marian loved greeting customers and being a vibrant part of the business. She



considered the people who visited the store and who worked in the store to be her personal friends. She often served as an informal counselor. hearing, her friends problems and showing them love and kindness.

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and kindness.

Mariar closed the store 10 and a
half years ago, after Phul's death,
but continued to be in touch with
her former customers as friends
and acquaintances. Marian and
Paul were married 54 years. They
loved spending time together,
going out tor dinner, having funand traveling.

Every year for 23 years Marian
and Paul traveled to Hawaii, their
favorite place to vacation. They
also traveled several times to
Europe, Mexico. Canada and
throughout the United States. Paul
was a member of the Twin Falls
Flying Club and Marian and he
liew on many trips in a small plane
that Paul flew. They especiallyenjoyed flying to see their daughters, Karen and Pamela. Marian
and Paul provided continuous love
and support to both of their
daughters and encouraged them
to get their education and to do the
best they could do. Marian continued to love, support and encourage her girls throughout her life.
She was most proud of their successes and happily showed, theil
laves those and articles that they

authored to her friends.
Karen, is now-professor and director of the Center for Math. Science and Technology at Illinois. State University in Normal. Ill. Pamela is now professor and director of the School of Communication at the University of Normal. Budon in Grand Forks, N. D. Both daughters credit their success to Marian and Pauls continued unwavering support. They hope to be like their mother, who was ruly a unique person. Marian always thought the best of others and was quick to show love and kindness. She developed many wonderful friendships. Even when she was most ill, she always asked how others were doing rather than talking about her own concerns. She is well loved by both her oldest and her newest friends. Her family and her many friends keenly feel her loss.

Marian was preceded in death by her husband. Paul Kalbileisch her brother, Jack Anglund, and fier parents. Albert and Dorothy Anglund.

She is survived by her daughter, Karen Kalbüdeisch Lind of Hudson.

by her husband, Paluk Rainiques, her brother, Jack Anglund, and her parents. Albert and Dorothy Anglund.

She is survived by her daughter, karen Kalbfleisch Lind of Hudson. Ill., her daughter, Pamela-Kalbfleisch and Son-in-Jaw, Jan David Gierman, of Grand Forks. N.D.: her brother, Robert Anglund and sister-in-Jaw, Joan Walsh Anglund, of Sand Hook, Corn.; her sister-in-Jaw, Bendah Kalbfleisch Archer of Filer, Idaho, sister-in-Jaw, Barbara Anglund Hawkins of Galesburg, Ill. and many nices, nephews and dear friends.

Service for Martan Kalbfleisch Vill be Conducted at 2 pm., Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at Poete Lattheran Church in Filer, with Pastor Gary Benedix officialing, Interment will follow in Sunset Memorial Park.

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Memorial Park.
Friends may call from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. to 48 p.m. t

Velma W. Hampton - Ammon, Wash.

Velma Woodland Hampton, 84, of Ammon, Wash., passed away unexpectedly Friday. Feb. 27, 2004. at Eastern Idalio. Regional Medical Center in Idalio Falls, which was been made and Medical Center in Idalio Falls. Welliam was born Idalio. Regional Medical Center in Idalio Falls. Welliam was born Idalio. Regional Medical Center Indiana, 1820. in Blackfoot, Idaho, to Leo Morrison and Florence Rollison Woodland. She attended Wapelio and Wicks schools and graduated from Blackfoot Iligh School.

She worked in Pocasello and Blosica as a nanny until Christmas 1937 when she returned to Blackfoot to care for her mother and grandfather, Joseph Teancum, while they recovered from small pox. The following spring, she began working in Jackson, Wyo. in order to put horself through Albion State Normal School.

After receiving her teaching certificate, Welma taught at Ammon, Wash., in Twin Falls and O.E. Bell Schools. How the state University in 1964. Velma completed her career as a seventh and eighth grade English literature teacher at the Ammon, Ir. High Schools.

While in Twin Falls, she met her eternal dance partner, Orin Arthut Hampton, and they were married on July 2, 1946, in Elko, Nev. They were later scaled together in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on Aug. 2, 1975. Together the vector of the proper scaled together in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on Aug. 2, 1975. Together the vector and the passed on Aug. 2, 1975. Together the vector and the passed on Aug. 2, 1975. Together the vector and the passed on Aug. 2, 1975. Together the vector and the passed on Aug. 2, 1975.

on July 2, 1946, in Elko, Nev. They were later scaled together in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple on Aug. 2, 1975. Together they resided in Twin Falls and Blackfoot, Idaho, Henderson, Nev. and Woods Cross, Utah, before moving to



An active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Welma served in vari-bus callings in the-Relef-Society. Young Womens and Primary Organizations. She was a faithful follower and served as girls camp

follower and served as girls camp director for seven years. Velma loved to dance with Orin at the senior centers in Shelley and Blackfoot. She was devoted to her family, and some of her greatest joy came from time spent with her grandchildren.

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Vefma is survived by her husband, Orin, and their six children. Ron (Ellie) Hampton of Idaho Falls, Gary, Hampton of Idaho Falls, Rodger (Debbie) Hampton of Rexburg, Bruce (Renae) Hampton of Grant, Doug (Beverly) Hampton of Layton, Utah; and Margene (Stephen) Reed of Logan, Utah; her brothers, Devon (Dean) Woodland of



Blackfoot, Fred (Doris) Woodland of Blackfoot, Elmo (Betty Woodland of Spirit Lake, Idaho

Woodland of Spirit Lake, Idaho: Iner sisters, Georgia (Carl) "Tedelof For Hall and Oma Iones of Moreland: 18 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister. Elda. A funcral will be, held at 11 am. today. Thesday March 2, 2004, at the Ammon RJ. with Bishop Patrick Mayo officiating. The family wist with friends from 6:30 pm. to 8 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2004, at Wood Funeral Hoine, 273 N. Hidge Ave., and from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the church today.

Ave., and from 10 ain. or all, and at all, at the church today. Burial will be in the Grove City. Cemetery, under the direction of Wood Funeral Home, 273 N. Ridge Ave., Idaho Falls, Idaho, 83402, phone 208-522-2751, fax 208-522-5413.

Dennis Reed Blackwood

Dennis Reed Blackwood. 49, was born Aug. 14, 1954, to Ray and Doris Blackwood. He died Feb. 27, 2004, on his farm next to his loving

2003, on his harm next on is loving wife. wis first and foremost a kind, warm and gentle man. Dennis-loved playing sports throughout his school and college years. He and his sweetheart, Debbie Simponds Blackwood, shared 34 years together riding horses, running rivers, histing, sking, hunding and fishing. They were blessed with three beautiful daughters, Caille, Monica and Anne. They brought great lyo to their

Callie, Monica and Anne.
They brought great joy to their papa. He taught them how to get the most out of life.
Family meant everything to Dennis Ray (deceased) and Doris Blackwood had four children. Ron (Leanna) Blackwood, Larry (Rita) Blackwood, Julie (Wark Keith and a half brother Raymond "Teddy" Blackwood. Dennis loved his



Grindina Olive North who will be 99 this year. Nancy Simonds was like a second mother to Dennis. A large family filled with brothers, ststers. in-laws, nieces, and nephaws made Dennis bearn with low, and joy, He shared his gentle low with all of them,

HIS other great loves were his animals. HIs dogs, Solo, Mogley and Tonto were his loyal and great hunting buddles. Dentils would love to tell the stories of their great ertrieves. Recently he added "Willie", a buckskin horse, to his list of great horses. Horses and dog loved him as much as he loved them.

them.
Service will be held at 3 p.m.
Saturday, March 6, 2004, at
Ascension' Episcopal Church.
Burial will follow at Twin Falls
cemetery. Services are under the
direction of Reynolds Funeral

Chapel.
In lieu of flowers, Dennis would want to know that his daughters would be taken care of. A trust in the name of 'his daughters has been set up at First Federal Savings Bank on Shoshone St.
Living and Joving were, what Dennis did best. We will miss him and keep him in our hearts always.

()BITUARIES -

Doris (Faye) M. Wokersien - Fairfield

On. Feb. 28, 2004. Faye M. Wokersieri passed away quietly in Gooding, Idaho. Her family had the privilege to be there as this preclous woman left the world.

Doris Faye McEachron on Sept. 5: 1928; in Orolino, Idaho; After graduation, she attended the Undversity of Idaho where she met her husband of 55 years. Thomas T. Wokersieri and Faye McEachron or em martied April 30, 1948, in Leviston, Idaho, They moved Go Fairfield where they lived until her died.

death.

Faye was very active in community affairs. She was a 4-H leader, a member of the legion auxiliary and room mother for countless school parties and year-end banducts.

school parties and year-end ban-ques.

Her summers were filled with six children and their friends. The Wokerslen house was a natural gathering place for kids of all ages and usually their pers. For many years they had the only symming-pool in Fairfield. So Faye took on the role of town baby-siter and lifeguard on duty. She wore many hats well. She spent hours behind the wheel of the family car as her kids first words were usually. My mori can drive. She made many life-long friends on Camas Fraire



who will miss her deatly. The little ladies spent hours visiting, playing cards and fishing at the reservoir. — Her paneks, one sister, a grand-son and a son-in-law preceded Faye in death. Survivors include her loving

Son and a Son-in-day preceded Faye in death.
Survivors include her loving husband, form Sue (Dean) Meeks of Nampa, Marilyn (Bill) Dilliad of Faiffield, Greg (Debhy) Wokersien of Gooding, Sandle (Iton) Turner of Emmett, Jodie (Bob) Ivic of Faiffield and Michael (Big Doy Wokersien of Gonding, Sandle (Iton) Turner of Faiffield and Michael (Big Doy Wokersien of Gunnison, Colorado.
One brother, Jack (Joni) McEachron of Ontario, Canada, fourteen grandchildren: three

great-grandchildren; and her favorite Schwan man. Butch Colson of Jeronie. In Jieu of Bowers, send donations to the Cantas County Senior Center. Service will be held at 11' ann. Friday at the Lighthouse Fellowship Church, Interment will be held at a later date. Demarys is in charge of arrangements.

Oh, my loved ones think of me, I am whole again, I am finally free. This tiped body, I leave as a trade, For the next journey, God_has

made.
I now have the chance to float in the air I will dance with the rain and be everywhere.
With the first flowers that you see, Embrace the Spring, for that will be

With the pring for that will be me.

The summer nights will shout my name, I will always be there, I am the same.

When the sound of laughter rings in the air, I am right beside you. I will be there.

I will swim like d fish, so make sure you look At the end of your fly roof in the cold water brook.

The call of the elk, the coo of the dove, always listen, they send the you. So do not weep and do not cry, on the wings of the snow goese away! fly.

Warren Kerrigan Clark - Rupert

n Kerrigan Clark, 89 yearold Rupert resident, died Thursday, Feb. 26, 2004, at the

Thursday, Feb. 26. 2004, at the Burley Care Center in Burley. He was born Nov. 9, 1914, in Columbus, Neb., the son of Curtis L' And Bobecca Mae Perkins Clark. He attended school in Blue Jacket, Okla. He inoved to Idaho in the '50s. Warren worked for Pickett Ranch College. Blue College Blue College. Blue College Blue College. Blue Colleg

Warren worked for Pickett Ranch in Oakley, Blincoe Farms and the Amalgamated Sugar Factory. He loved fishing and hunting and he especially loved animals. Survivors include two daugh-ters. Donna Pool of Rupert and Paula (Joe) Stewart of, Nampa: three sons, Kerrigan (Nancy)

Clark of Pollock Pines, Calif., Donnis (Lynn) Clark of Aumsville, Ore., and Danny (Rita) Clark of San Francisco, Calif., and numer-ous grandchildren, great-grand-children and great-great-grand-

children.

He was preceded in death by his parents, three brothers and

our sisters. A private family memorial servwill be held at 1 p.m. Thursday ice will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday. March 4, 2004, at the Payne Memorial Chapel, 221 W. Main St. in Burley, with Pastor James Woodley, officiating.Inurnment will be in the Paul Cemetery.



SERVICES-

James (Rod) Calhoun of Twin Falls, service at 11 a.m. today at Eastside Baptist Church. (White Mortuary)

Jewell Era Coffman of Shoshone, service at 2 p.m. today at Demaray Funeral Chapel in Shoshone.

R. L. "Tuffy" Larsen of lerome, service at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the lerome LDS Stake Center on North Tiger Drive: friends may call from 6-8 p.m. today at the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in

Reed C. Condle, 61, of Gooding, service at 2 p.m. Friday at Demaray's Funeral Chapel.

DEATH

NOTICES Bertha Mae Holly Close

JEROME – Bertha Med Holly Close, 83, of Jerome died Monday, March 1, 2004, at her home in Jerome.

Jerome. Arrangements will be made by Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in

Gary Dean RUPERT - Gary Dean, a 63 year-old Rupert resident, died Monday, March 1, 2004, at Minidoka Memorial Hospital. Arrangements will be made by Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel.

Barbara A. Wilson

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BURLEY - Barbara A. Wilson, 51,
of Burley, died Sanriday, Feb, 28,
2004, at Saint Alphonsus Regional
Medical Center in Bolse.
At Barbarais request, there will be
no formal service, Burdal will take
place in Afkansis, Arrangements
are in the care of Rasmusser
Funeral Home, 1350 E. 16th St.,
Burley.

Cynthia Dawn Laim Chiles

Chiles
Bolse - Cynthia Dawn Laim
Chiles, 37, of Bolse, formerly of
Twin Falls, died, Friday, Feb. 27,
2004, of natural causes.
Service will be held at 11 am.
Wednesday, March 3, 2004, at
Relyea Funeral Chapel in Bolse;
burial will be held at Morris Hill
Cemetery, Viewing will be held one
hour before service.

Nancy Anne Kruse

Nancy Anne Kruse, 80, of Kimberly, Idaho, died Sunday, Feb. 29, 2004, at her home in Kimberly, Idaho. Arrangements will be made by Parke's Magic-Valley-Funeral Idaho. Arrangements will by Parke's Magic Valley Home of Twin Falls, Idaho.

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Edward Jones

-Obituary-

Justin Dee Frederickson - Kimberly

Justin Dee Frederickson, 29, of Kimberty, Idaho died, Saturday, Feb. 29, 2004.

Justin was born Feb. 21, 1975, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the, son of Dennis and Kathy Whitehead Frederickson. He graduated from-Lawrence High School in Kansas In 1933 and attended Kansas State University for orie year.

On March 28, 1998, he married Dorothy Jean Duke in the Salt Lake City Temple.

Justin served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints in the San Bermardino, Callf. Mission. He was an eagle scott and was also very active in the church serving in the elders quorum as first counselor, he taught primary, Sunday school and was a scout leader. He loved working with children and spending time in community activities of Vade Eidis Instit was a devoted. working with children and spend-ing time in community activities in Yuhr Falls, Isukin was a devoted husband and son and loved spending time with his family. Howel life and lived it to the fullest every day, Justin was always willing to help anyone who needed help.



Justin loved to snowmobile and had been the past president of the snowmobile club. He was employed by Gordon Paving as a sales manager. He also owned his own business called Top Notch Striping, Justin was involved with the Twin Falls Search and Rescue.

—Justin is survived by his beloved with the Chin Falls Search and Rescue.

—Justin is survived by his beloved wife, Dorothy of Kimberly, his parents, Dennis and Kathy Frederickson of Lawrence. Kan; his grandmother. Bonnie

Frederickson and grandparents, Wayne and Jeannine Whitehead all of Twin Falls, Idaho; two broth-ers, Nicholas (Kelly) Frederickson of Dallas, Texas, and Patrick (Amy) Frederickson of Pocatello, Idaho; one sister, Jodi (David) McLaughlin of Mr. Home, Idaho?

and sixnleces and seven nephews.

He was preceded in death by his
grandfather, John C. "Jack"

grandfather. John C. Tlack' Frederickson. Service will be held at noon on Thursday, March 4. 2004, at the Kimberly LDS Stake Center, 3857. N. 3500 E in Kimberly Idaho, with Bishop Blake Gardner conducting, Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls, Idaho, A viewing will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, March. 3, 2004, at White Mortuary Chapel by the Park in Twin Falls and one hour before the service on Thursday A mentorial fund has been set up in Justin's name at the Pioneer Federal Credit Union, 659 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

BOISE (AP) – A Senate-passed bill that would allow county government to permit Sunday liquor sales passed the House State Affairs Committee Monday. Sponsored by the liquor industry, the bill passed the committee 14-4. It would let county commissioners of the county voters to approve the sale of distilled spirits in their county on Sunday.

sale of distilled spirits in their coun-try on Sunday. Idalio law already allows beer, wine, dessert wine, and some pack-aged alcohol cockalas to be sold on Sunday at a county's discretion. Last-year-the-start allowed coun-ties to decide whether they wanted

Bill proposes. property tax break for seniors

break for seniors

BOISE (AP) - An Idea to give seniors over the age of 70 a \$150,000 exemption on their property taxes has a chance of passing the I flotted for the Archandite, but members want to hear about a bill to cap annual property tax likes before acting. House Bill 716, sponsored by Rep. Shirley McKague, R-Merdian, would allow everyone over the compute the list of some of the computed and the result of the resul

to allow fortified wines to be sold in grocery stores. Rep. Jim Clark. R-Hayden, pointed out to the com-mittee that only 16 of Idahos 44 counties have chosen to allow the

sales.

Rep. Wendy Jaquet, D-Ketchum, said the sales were important to resort communities such as Sun Valley, which she represents.

Opposition came mainly from said computations.

Opposition came mainly items social conservatives. Rep. Eulalie Langford, a Christian Scientist from Montpeller, said the only place that sells liquor in her county is a contracted outlet that is also a gas station.

Sunday liquor sales bill passes

Researchers work to improve brucellosis test

IMAPO FALLS (AP) — Eastern Idaho researchers are finalizing a new field test to determine whether actatio or bison exposed to brucellosis are actually infected.

We're in hie validation stage, molecular biologist Frank Roberto said. We need to demonstrate its accurate before the venerinary committee the committee of the control of the

discovery of the discase in cattle herds in western Wyoming. It has cost the state its brucellosis-free status, prompting sanctions from their states, including more rigorous, and costly, testing requirements for ranchers. The state must now go a year without new brucellosis cases before it can regain discase-free status.

Unlike the test commonly used, which only, identifies whether an animal has been exposed to the bacteria, the DNA test being developed by Roberto and Newby confirms that an animal-is-infected. They hope to have the test ready next year.

Their test coulimnent can be con-

They hope to have the test reaup next year.

Their test equipment can be carried in a 55-pound, backpack. Newby said, and can test samples of a variety of tissues, not just blood, using paper strips that extract DNA. One sample takes about an hour and a half to process in the field.

The Park Service is interested in using the test on bison in Yellowstone National Park, Roberto

Yellowstone National Park, Roberto said, particularly after it begins giv-ing buffalo live Brucella vaccines.

"They want to make sure the test picks up the difference between the vaccine live virus and real infec-tions," he said.

NIC students seek cash alternatives to student fees

COEUR d'ALENE (AP) - Students at North Idaho College are lobbying trustees to slow escalating student fees and look to other sources for the cash needed to cover limited support from the state.

support from the state.

"Our pockets are only so deep," student body president Joel Crane

The trustees are proposing an 8 percent increase in fees next year – another 568 to \$916 a semester – after boosting fees 10 percent over

after boosting fees 10 percent over the previous years. It would generate over \$45,000 to offset state support for the 2004-2005 school year that would still be less than provided in 2001-2002. "The administration doesn't take this lightly," college vice president 1kolly furgens said. He worked with sudent leaders and other school officials to come up with the fee increase plan, which is still below the maximum 10 percent annual

increase allowed by lawmakers last

increase allowed by lawmakers last year.

But Crane and others said the escalating cost is coming at a time when more people who have lost their jobs during the economic slump have turned to community, colleges for the extra education and training they need to return to work.

work. The students have already done

The students have already done their part, Crane said. Each year the college sets the goal of education further out of reach. He suggested that the school pick up extra money from property taxpayers, who currently are paying at only about half the maximum levy rate authorized for supporting the school. Property taxes provide \$5.5 million of this year's \$23.6 million budget. Sudents pay \$7 million and the state contributes \$9.6 million. The rest comes from various miscellaneous sources.

sponsored by regional chambers of commerce. The bill was prompted by last September's acquittal of former Bolse Mayor Brent Coles on two misdemeanor charges of illegally accepting a free trip from a company doing business with the city. The jury found that Coles had no-direct discretion over whether Blue-Cross of Idaho would get a health instrance contract with the city, accepting the trip to the 2002 winter Olympic Games in Salt Lake City was not improper.

Gala will celebrate King Center's sixth anniversary

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Bill tightening gift ban for

public officials stays alive

Onympic Games in said Lake Casy was not improper. "What kind of image are we strik-ing with this?" Republican Sen. Cecil Ingram of Boise asked the committee. "I'm concerned about

BOISE (AP) – Legislation pro-hibiting all government employees and officials from accepting gifts or any benefit worth more than \$50 was kept alive on Monday by the state Senates leadership committee.

The fate of the restrictions had been uncertain, but the State Affairs. Committee sent the bill to the full Senate for an amendment to permit ingislatins to continue participating, in the annual and blennial tours sponsored by regional chambers of commerce.

the image we leave behind."
To eliminate any question, Ingrams bill prohibits all gifts over \$50 for all government employees or officials from people or interest.

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suns ot elected officials in Idaho.

Some lawmakers expressed concern that Ingram's bill does not
require an employee or official know that a gift violates the law, but
advocates argued that the bill left no
question about the conduct expected of public officials.

Philharmonic Orchestra; and selec-tions from the recent Moun-Harrison production of "South Philharmonic Orchestra; and selec-tions from the recent Mount Harrison production of "South Pacific" and the upcoming Oakley Valley Arts Council production of "Annie."

Show time is 7:30 p.m. at the King

Show time is 7:30 p.m. at the king Center. Tickets, which are \$5, are available at The Book Plaza and Welch Music in Burley and The Book Store in Rupert, or in the lobby an, hour before curtain time. For more information, call 678-6868.

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Arredondo.

"Do you admit that you swung
the golf colub that hit (Arredondo) in
the skull and (Arredondo). died?"
Carison asked Guzman.

"Yes" was his answer.
Guzman and Arredondo and an
undetermined number of other
then were reportedly involved in a
brawl the night of May 24 to which
police were called.

Carlson reminded Guzman that
by pleading agilty he was no longer
presumed innocent and note innocent and note innocent and note innocent and note innocen

understood what rights he was giving up.
Guzman's sentencing was scheduled for April 15, Carlson reminded
Guzman that "no one can prointies
you what I'm going to do" on the
sentencing day, "because 1 don't
Carlson said he had to review the
presentence report and hear the
testimony planned for April 15
before he'll determine the appropriate punishment for Guzman.
Attorney Greg Fuller's request
that Guzman's bond be reduced
from \$250,000 to a \$100,000 property bond was denied by Carlson.
Fuller offered to have his client
be on house arrest while out on,
bond, but that wasn't enough to
convince Carlson to lower the
bond amount.

convince Carlson to lower the bond amount.

In making his request for the lower bond, Puller pointed out that Guzman is no longer charged with murder, but with manslaughter. Therefore, the lower bond was warranted, he angued, if Guzman was out, of jall, it would be easier for Fuller to meet with his client and to-arrange for psychological tests, Fuller said.

Denuty Cassia County

Deputy Cassia County
Prosecuting Attorney Blaine.
Cannon opposed the request for

Dairy .

bond reduction. Although Guzman is now charged with manslaughter. Cannon said, that is still a serious

crime.

The defendant—has pleaded-gully, Cannon said. There is no longer a question of gult or inno-cence: Were now dealing, with someone who has no chance of acquittal, but someone who will be sentenced.

acquittal, bit someone who will be sentenced.

Cannon said Guzman faces a possible 30-year prison sentence and that foot could mean Guzman might try to flee before, he's sentenced.

We're now dealing with a 'man who's guilty of a very serious crime, Cannon said, 'me of the most serious. A man who admitted he took the life of another human being."

being."
Fuller countered that before pleading guilty to manslaughter, his client faced a possible life sentence, and there's always the pos-

his client faced a possible life sentence, and "there's always the possibility of probation."
Guzman has a with children and family in the area, Fuller said, "the has never, failed to appear, and there's no reason to think" Guzman wouldn't continue to appear areourt proceedings.

After Carlson denied the request to, reduce the bond, he reminded Guzman that any time Guzman serves in jail now would be subtracted from any possible prison sentence he receives.

Guzman's bond has been reduced twice already in the case, but he is still in the Mini-Cassia criminal Justice Center. He was originally held without any possible bond, then had "a \$500.000 bond which was reduced in September to \$250.000.

Guzman was originally charged with aggravated assault in the incident and held on a 51 million bond. The charge was amended and the, bond changed to no dollar amount after Arredond died.

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Police worry about look-alike guns

HARRISVILLE. Utah (AP) – An array of. Bla-shooting air pistols look exactly like real handguns and they re a worry for police with nave only a split second to try to tell which they are.

The replicas include Clint Eastwood's, 44 caliber "hogles" from his Dirty Harry films, a number of Cott. 45 semiautomaties and anses Bond's Walther PK. It was the Walther look-alike had a shoplifter confronted police with on Jan. 28 Inside the Harrisville Wal-Mart.

Wal-Mart.
He was shot four times by a Pleasant View officer after ignoring orders to drop his weapon.
He survived, and on Thursday

was discharged from the hospital and booked into jail on charges of aggravated assault.

"It's been a huge concern ever since they started making the lookalikes, 20 years ago or so," said Harrisville Police Chief Max Jackson. "Unless you had a micromeier out, you couldn't tell it's not a real gun."

Typically, once an assailant produces a gun, he can fire in about one-eighth of a second. "And you san officer have three-eighths of a second at best, it takes that long to react. So you're playing catch-up especially if you're still holstered, lackson said.

Candidates

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Confined from A4great deal more impact than that of
a freshman senator." Smith said.
That clout will help him, be a key
player in resolving the state's budget problems when the 1-cent sales
tax increase sunsets on July 1, 2005.
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But another there's another potential candidate. Magic Valley water gurn Chuck Coiner said he has been approached by a humber of people who think he could fill Noh's positions on the Senate Resource and Environment and the Senate Agricultural Affairs committees. Coiner. who is a Republican, also said the has not been particularly active in the Twin Falls County GOP.

Noh,—who—has—been—in-the-legislature for 24 years, his chalred the Senate Resource and Environment Committee for 22 years. He was a leader in the Swan Falls dispute, which was the state's most monumental water fight and resulted in the largest adjudication—of water rights in U.S. history.

Rep. Bert Stevenson, F.-Rupert,—who heads the House Resource and Conservation Committee, said the current dispute between Magic valley spring users and groundwater pumpers is of the same magnitude as the Swan Falls fallout in the early 1960s. Stevenson said he's worried that after Noh departs, there won't be anyone left on the Senate resource committie who understands the impact of shutting down tens of thousands of irrigated acres on April 1. Some 1,300 wells for cities, businesses, didries, farms, churches, schools and to be shut down due to an order Issued last, week by the Idaho

Department of Water Resources.

"I have concerns that the members of that committee don't have the experience in Irrigation water as we know it in southern Idaho." Said Stevenson, who as a Minidoka County farmer could see some of his own water shut off.

Coiner, 60, is a Twin Falls County farmer who has spent more than two decades in several positions dealing with irrigation issues. He has spent IB years on the board for the Twin Falls Canal Co. and 20 years on the board for the American Falls Reservoir District. He has represented Milner Dam Inc., been the chairman of the Upper Snake River Basin Advisory Group and worked on a local watershed advisory group. Probably Coiner's most induential position is that of representing the Urvin Falls Canal Co. on the Committee of Nine. the group that sets water policy above Milner Dam.

Coiner said he hasn't made up.

sets water policy above MilnerDon. 1

— has mind about whether hell run
for the Senate. He also said he's
concerned about stepping off
some of the water-boards to devote
the necessary time to being a senator. Stevenson agreed that Colner's
invaluable where he is, serving as a
negotiator between spring users
and groundwater pumpers.
Hansen, a former Twin Falls car
dealer, has sat on the Legislature's
owerful budget-writing committies. Ho-said he's interested in getting that seat back. Hansen
dropped out of the Legislature to
fulfill bishop, duties in the LDS
Church. He serves on the Twin Falls
Republican Central Committee.

Times News writer hille Pence

Times-News writer Julie Pence can be reached at 343-5553 or by e-mail at jpence@magicvalley.com.

BURLEY-The Ring Center for the Performing Arts will celebrate its sixth anniversary tonight with the annual gala sponsored by Mount Harrison Heritage Foundation. The event will feature performances by the Burley High School Jazz Band; the Minito High School Reflections; Mac Miller; One Accord; Emily Gomez; cellist Jacobi Harper; Jolene Hobson, Coleen McCall and Marilyn Whiting; pianist Mark Neiwirth; the Magic Avalanche

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bility exists to trigger a deeper, large
avalanche 'that' can' be quite
destructive," center Director Janet
Kellam said Saturday as part of the
daily avalanche report. "The problem with the type of snowpack and
persistent instability that we are
laced with right now is that you
may not see warning signs of avalanche conditions! Multiple people
may be on a slope before it breaks
and sildes."

She explained that a slope can be

she explained that a slope can be like a paper clip, in that the more it is bent, the weaker it becomes until it finally breaks.

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"There's an ongoing concern for this type of avalanche." Kellam said Monday aftermoon, though she was unsure if that was the type of slide Frederickson was trapped in.

Two investigators were on the scene Monday examining snow conditions and taking measurements of the slope. She warned that the lack of new slow or natural slide activity could be deceiving. The only safe recourse is not to go on steep snow."

Frederickson is survived by his wife, Dorothy. The couple recently-built a home in Kimberly. He was a past president of the Magic Valley sho-Mobilers, worked for Gordon Paving Co. in Twin Falls, and ran his own striping business on the side.

The Wood River lournal is a week-

The Wood River Journal is a week-by, newspaper based in Hailey that works in collaboration with The Ames-News, For, more Journal sto-ries, visit the papers Web site ar-www.twoodriver.journal.com.

Avoiding avalanches

for cornices.

• When crossing a slope, stay on gentle ones. Avalanches rarely oc on slopes between 25 and 30

Before you venture into the back-country during winter, call the Avalanche Hotline at 622-8087. Or-check the Web site at www.ava-lanche.org. Avalanche forecasters update.the, avalanche hotline-by 7:30.a.m. each day.

AVAILANCIES

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Kellenn is dead sorlous bloot her
Usuliness, having been trapped in an
availanche hersell in the Baker
Creek area biv operas ago. She
offers several suggestions:

Be prepared with beacons, probes
and shovels – and practice with
them before you ever go out.

Travel smart. Expose day one per
son on a slope at any given time,
and watch every person in your
group.

group.

• Always have an escape route in, mind should there be an avalanche.

• Watch for foll-fale clues that the snow is unstable – a whumping sound, for instance, or crocks in the

Bon't wear your ski straps when traveling in the backcountry. They can drag you down in the debris.
Climb along ridges and watch out.

degrees.

Be aware of your surroundings.
You can trigger an avalanche from above while skiing on the flats, so make sure there's adequate runout.

Call before you go

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Bruce Louks, who is in the air quality division of DEQ, said if the cuts remain, he'll definitely have to

cuts remain, he'il definitely have to limit projects.
This past year, Louke said he had \$21,000 for running dairy odorprojects though not all of it will be spent. The governor recommended \$18,000 for 2005. But JFAC reduced that to \$80,000 for 2005. But JFAC moved that the spent of \$80,000 for 2005. But JFAC for 2005 for 2005. But JFAC for 2005 for 2005. But JFAC for 2005 for

Kempthorne's spokesman, Michael Journee, said Monday the issue was still under discussion, and Bell said she was waiting to hear what Kempthorne staffers have to say.

But she also said many members in the Legislature tend to have a negative attitude toward DEQ, which acts as the states environmental policeman. And that might have contributed to New Plymouth Sen.

Sen.

Monty Pierce's exuberant motion last week in JFAC to cut that portion of the \$5 million air quality

tion of the \$5 milion are year. Dudget.

"The Job they have to do with is not apopular with citizens." Bell said. "We have story after story about how they are heavy handed." But she also ndded, "We have to understand it's a job that has to be done to keep our environment clean. It's tough love."

Popplewell students excel in math

BUHL - Several Popplewell Blementary School students have excelled in math. Students who searned their phonacci awards for the 50-in-a-minute program for the 50-in-a-minute program for the first semester of this school year are: love Delgado Morgan McCarthy, Daniela Arias, Soloaga Awey, Jerry Chavez-Haven - Ford, - Kristin Graffee Emily Hamilton, loel Hamilton, Kyanna Jacobson, Coy James-Adam McLean, Corona Osavaldo, Cephens Strol, LondyWil, Breoma Balle, Steve Highbarger, Alexa Johnson, Kenzi Littlefair, Alexa Johnson, Kenzi Littlefair, Reva Offien, Andrew Olson, Tyce Pearson, Carabi Quigley, Mikayla, Quintana, McKenna Thompson, Sandra Arroya Chantelle Baum, Bachael Beglan, Nancy Cammona, Dustin Clements, Sterra Cooper, Ashley Cox, Chelsse Cress, Jame Golibe, Britany Griffath, Kendyl Homilton, Britney Harvey, Shelby Holladay, Jamie Hopkon, Kelin Holladay, Jamie Hopkon, Cassidder Kippes, Gage Kifegl, Derek Lewitt, Holly Learnons, Shapla Lemmons, Tyler Loroard, Cassion Magana, Tyler McLeod, Andres Melendez, Kurby Mietzner, Kasin Gariba, Miguel Garza, Matt Hamilton; Scolt Harris, Kylie Harvey, Megan Herzinger, Tevor Hite, Kimberly Juker, Justin Jaker, Christina Loza, Blake Mabey, Michael McDonald, Emily Michael, Jacob McDonald, Emily Michael, Jacob



students, from leff, Matt Hamilton, Scott Harris and Ozzle Rodriguez have passed math tests that are two rned their Math Professor status

Morse, Yesenya Nieto, Morgan Pearson, Emily Plew, Ozzy Ramirez, Ozvaldo Bodrique, Shilo Runyan, Irineo Sanchez, Jason Silva, Alvssa Soloaga, Caleb Ussery, Reed Woodruff, Evan Way

certificate of recognition for their efforts.

Matt Hamilton, Scott Harris and Ozvaldo Rodriguez passed math tests that are two grades above level and earned their Math

FFA chapter says 'thank you' with breakfast

Larissa Bilck, Jessica Hill, Jorle Schorzman and Stephanie Guerry.

CASTLEFORD - Showing appreciation to the community was a big
part of the Castleford chaptersNational FIA Week celebration.
The community was invited to
breakfast recently as part. of the
FIA observance, with chapter
members getting up early, cooking
and ready to serve by 7 am. The
free breakfast was open to the public in appreciation of the community's continued support of chapter
programs and projects.
The chapter members designate
dethems dress days during the
week and sponsored a bowling trip
for students in grades eight
through 12. Participants were
alley after school.
The bowling and bus expenses

The bowling and bus expenses were covered by the FFA and the Castleford Safe and Drug Free

Castleford Safe and Drug Free School program.

The Idaho FFA Association has more than 2,900 members. The Castleford Chapter is the fifth largest in the state with more than 900 members.

FFA is a 'youth development organization devoted to preparing students for leadership and career success through agricultural education. The theme of the National FFA Week was 'FFA – Living the Legicy'. FFA Week was "FFA - Living the Legacy."

A nationwide event, it empha-sizes the organization's commit-

efforts.
The students who have finished their Math Master tests (one grade level above) are Dustin Clements, Kevin Costa; Matt-Hamilton, Scott Harris, Ozvaldo Rodriguez and Cabab Lleva.

status They also earned a place on the

Daughters of the American

Prospective members ar to attend. For more info about DAR, call 655-4100. formation

1994 prepares for reunion BURLEY - Burley High School class of 1994 is planning to hold its 10-year reunion Aug. 20-21 in Burley.

reunite for picnic this summer FILER - The Filer High School class of 1954 will meet for its 50th reunion at 6 p.m. July 24 at the Red Lion Canyon Springs Hotel, 1357 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., and a polluck

STORK REPORT

Magic Valley Regional
Medical Center
Logan; James Haney son of
Kandlec and Michael Jay Haney of
Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Feb.
24, 2004.
Ivann Weaver son of Amanda
May and Joshua Daniel Weaver of
Livel use born Tuesday, Feb. 24.

Ivaan Weaver son of Amanda May and Joshua Daniel Weaver of Buhl, was born Tuesday, Feb. 24.

Jaden Anthony Silvaz, son of

Christina Sue and Bobby Dean Silvaz of Twin Falls, was born Tuesday, Feb. 24, 2004. Shelby Lynne mare Turveller, daughter of Jodi Lynne and Anthony, Frank Traveller of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004. Jude Allegianer Hillman son of Mary Jennifer and Peter Sulo Hillman of Twin Falls, was born Wednesday, Feb. 25, 2004.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Stuart students celebrate artistic talent with activities

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TWIN FALLS — Students of
Robert Squart Junior High. 644
Caswell Ave.W., will eclebrate the
artist in each of them.
This week, students will be
exposed to various art mediums in
visual and performing arts.
Activities include a talent show, a
display showcasing student and
staff art and a field trip or Friday to
the Magic Valley School of
Performing Arts to enjoy excerpts
from their spring musical. Les
Missembles.
Parents and the public are invita-

fiserables."
Parents and the public are invit-d to view the art and attend the dent show. About 200 entries will e displayed in the cabinets' round Robert Stuart throughout

around Robert Stuart throughout the week.
Grade-level talent shows will be held in the cafeteria today at the following times: seventh grade at \$1.5 a.m.; eighth grade at \$9.45 a.m.; and ninth grade at \$1.15 p.m. A mixed falent show will be held at 7-pm-in-the Stuart cafernia.

For more information, call Marcia Nielson at 734-8220 or 731-4522 or 731-4522 or 731-0533 or 308-2107.

Revolution holds meeting

TWIN HALLS. The Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at noon Saturday at the Garden Cafe in Ilvin Falls. Vice President General of the national organization. Darley Von Vandergriff, will speak. Prospective members are invited

Burley High School class of

Burley.

Anyone who is a class member or parent of a member should email contact information to the 1994 class officers at burleyhs 1994@yahoo.com.

Notices will be sent out soon.

Filer class of 1954 will

pienic at 1 p.m. July 25 at the Filer City Park : Those people who have not been contacted should call Georgia Cantrell at 54-37404, Nancy Taws at 733-6409, Ken Harrison at (801) 298-4893 or Mary Lou and Dan Lancaster at (208) 244-1392.

Gooding County Jaycees meet to discuss history

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GOODING - The Gooding
County Jayces will meet at 630
p.m. March 9 at the War Memorial
Hall in Gooding
The topic presentation will be
Tlistory Around Us.
The Jayces held its monthly
general membership meeting Feb.
10 at the War Memorial Hall.
Diana Pauls introduced the
Trial Membership Program offering three months of trial membership in the present of the state of th Jaycees National Metro Training Director, Taxey Zechmann, will present Jaycee organization information, including benefits and training, to people and employers. The status of the sidewalk and, the river wall projects also was discussed.

For more information about the Gooding Jaycees, call Diana Pauls at 934-5125.

Wendell United Methodists serves beef, cabbage dinner

WENDELL - Corn beef and cab-bage will be served from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday at the Wendell United Methodist Church, 175 E,

United Methodist Church, 175 E. Main St.
Freewill offering is accepted.
For more information, call Alma, Bltterli at 536-2315.

Gooding Basque Association hosts First Friday Dinner

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GOODING - The Gooding
Basque Association will have a
First Friday Dinner from 6-8:30
p.m. Friday at the Basque Cultural
Center, 599 Railroad Ave.
Entrees will include a buffet of
lamb; chicken and salmon, along
with Basque rice, bread, green
beans, potato and leak soup, salari
bar, mud cake, flan, cake, popt, coffee and a no-host bar.
Dinner Is 314 or 512 for seniors

fee and a no-host bar.
Dinner is \$14 or \$12 for seniors.
A children's menur is available for \$5.
For more information, call Athena Sabala at 934-9067.

Castleford announces latest honor roll names

CASTLEFORD - Cas

Seniors
Keegan Cothern
Stephanie Guerry
Jessica Hill
Tim Hill
Janet Hurley
Wesley Rodgers
Matthew Reinhold
Jorie Schorzman
Heidl Wiseman
Roslo Zavada
Honor roll, 3.0-3.49
PA Middle school Calvin Kennison Bellinda Kinyon Elizabeth Lopez Gabrielle Macha Sixth grade Sixth grade
Courney Allred
Elizabeth Comer
Katylyn DeVries
Katie Eastman
Yoli Hernandez
Nicklas Howard
Allison Rodgers
Maricela Rodrigu
Chase Rout
Tessica Schlund
Traci Wiersma
Callis Micelins Gabriera High school High honor roll, 3.5-0 GPA Freshman

Anna Lopez Anthony Machado Sage Wyatt Sophomores

Amenia Elsner
Sergio Hernandez
Julie Kaminski
Jenna Vulgamore
Jukki Wiggins
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Nathan Graybeal
Zachary Kline
Rachel Rodgers
Honor roll, 3.0-3.49
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Sage Wyatt
Sophomores
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Jessica Bohango
Melissa McCoy
Angela Gontenn
Lauren Kline
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Larissa Blick
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Lindzay Wiggin David Wisemat Sophomorea Brylee Cheney, Nancy Monge Juniors Kobi Bower Andrea Frey Daniela Maya Justin Moore Alycia Parks Marilleth Wats Pete Welch Seniors Pete Welch Seniors Robert Comer Carl Kennison Christopher L Aaron Mayes

Fix up your home

Tract Wiersma Callie Wiggins Michael Wiseman David Zavala Seventh grade Megan Choate Amanda Elsner

A special section on home improvement is coming your way Wednesday.

The Times News

Washington, D.C. with Idaho Sen. Larry Craig in 2002. Student interns for Idaho Legislature committee

T.F. graduate will intern for

ment to agricultural education, leadership, service and student

Erin Burnham, a political science, major at 1808e State University, was awarded an internship with the Idaho Legislatures Joint Finance and Appropriations Committee. state Commerce Department state Commerce Department
Jason MacFarland, an international relations major at Boise
State University has been awarded
an internship with the Idaho
Department of Commerce for the
spring 2004 semester.
MacFarland, is an 1997 graduate of Twin Falls High School. It is

Burnhant, the daughter of Tom and Caryl Burnham, is a 2000 grad-uate of Magic Valley Christian High School in Twin Falls. She also served an internship in

FOCUS ON PEOPLE a past recipient of a Lightfoot Foundation Scholarship and employed at SolarCyclops Productions.

success, while recognizing its business, educational and civic part-

Garland Kyles was served at the Castleford FFA Community Appreciation Breakfast by chapter members, from front,

T.F. graduate receives degree at Utah State

wegire at Otan State
Megan Stallings Niederhauser,
daughter of k Dan and Susan
Stallings, completed her bachelor's
of science degree magna cum
laude in elementary education
from Utah State University, Logan,
Utah, in December.

Former Filer student makes

Seattle Pacific Dean's list

Seattle Pacific Deals 3 is 3.

Maria Ellyn Deklotz of Filor made the autumn quarter deans list at Seattle Pacific University Seattle, Wash. Students on the deans list must have completed at least 12 credits and a 3.5 or higher GPA.

ners at the local; state and national

Stallings, a 2000 honors graduate of Twin Falls High School, is employed at Ellis Elementary in Logan.

Robert Stuart Junior High names honor roll students

TWIN FALLS - Robert Stuart Junior High School announced is first semestre homor mile 3.50 is 3.99 honor roll 3.50 is 3.99 honor roll 3.50 is 3.99 honor roll 4.50 is 3.90 honor roll 4.50 is 3.90 honor roll 5.50 is 3.99 honor roll 5.50 is 3.99 honor roll 5.50 is 3.99 honor roll 5.50 is 3.90 is 3.90 honor roll 5.50 is 3

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4.00 honor roll
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Buckingham, Denim Serr, Rachel King,
Jordan Majors, Dakota Marovich, Kalli
McBride and Mari Nelwith.

Eighth grade 3.50 to 3.99 honor roll

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3.50 to 3.99 honor roll
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Raker, Jameson Bastow, Micfiael
Bildenberg, Timothy Bork, Brandom Cary
Christopher Cowhra, Alex Gores, Tami
Graig, Kristine Downsten, Michiael
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Carig, Kristine Downsten, Michiael
Craig, Kristine Downsten, Michiael
Craig, Kristine Downsten, Lingel
Christopher Cowher, Lingel
Christopher Cownsten, Carlo
Christopher Cowner, Cowner
Mallor, Angelena Mabeug, Adilae
Madomator, Angelena Mabeug, Adilae
Madomator, Amarin-Horg, Casey Hankin,
Tony Saldivar, Erika Sanchez, Cayla
Schenck, Allisas Schuster, Jason Spie,
Erica Solorio, Tuylor Spatiding, Cory
Stechhara, Bason Stokes, Isatin Stokes,
Grayson Stone, Jonath Sweet, Montique

Terry, Keagan Tilley, Amanda Vaughn, Rosemary Wardrip, Kasey Warner, Sharayah Whittemore, Erin Wildman and Kathy Xayaphone:

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Herwin, Alice Cava Belberg, Karanda
London, Alice Cava DeBoer, Karanda
London, Alice Cava Lordan, Hayare, Felice
Lordon, Kyel Hyimas, Lura Johnson,
Baley Laley, Keri Langley, Elizabeth
Larios, Chelsea McBride, David Nielson,
Ama Remover, Chance Requa, Anay
Rodriguez, Shayan Seddigh, Joseph
Simonson, Jessela Statrey, Elizabeth
Williams, Shelhy Woodhouse and Alice
Vegay

Worsell. 4,40 honor roll
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Beele, Brittany, Bowerman, Cheber
Cappe, Luke Chandler, Colleen Garlee
General Lander, Colleen Gorden
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Hawkins, Corrin Hayres, Marie Kim
Missad Krogeic, Jennifer Lewis, Andre
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New T.F. County Fair arena could open in '06

FILER - A new indoor arena could be open for use in early 2006, Iwin Palls County Fair officials said

onday. That is, if financing for the project

That is, if financing for the project can be secured.

During its regular monthly meet-ing the Fair Board heard an update of the effort to build the new arena at the fairgrounds. According to Fair Manager John Pitz, the board's matching funds for the proposed S2.275 million facility total \$394,000 – including in-kind contributions and labor.

S2.275 million iaculty rotal sosy-not per lincluding in-kind contributions and labor. The planned facility is a 220- by 300-foot clear-span building with concrete floors. Construction is scheduled to begin in the summer or fail of 2005 and, depending on the weather, the board is looking as 60-10 90-640 completion date. "We should be up and running for mid-winter cents," Fix said. To accomplish the feat, the Twin Falls County Rair Foundation has already applied for three grants. They foundation board also contracted with Debbie Currier of Media Marketing Services to look for building sponsorships." In a nutstell, this is going to

Media Marketing Services to look forbuilding sponsorships.
"In a nutshell, this is going to have such an impact on the community - especially in the months we're normally stuck inside." Currier said.
While she's looking for a major sponsor for the event center, "someone to put their name on the building," she's open to other key

How to help

For more information about plans for a new indoor arena at the Twin Folts County Feligrounds, call. Fair Manager John Pitz at 326-4396 or write to P.O. Box 257, Filer, 83328.

sponsorships.
This will be a tremendous community asset, and were looking for as much participation as we can garner. Currier said.
In another matter Monday, Kelton Hatch of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game pitched the idea of setting fup a permanent wildlife display booth on the fairgrounds.
To be housed in the south end of the Produce Building, the proposed exhibit would offer fair visitors a collection of furs, waterfowl habitat, mounted eagles, and the art of taxidermy With hands-on activides provided for the kids, harents could hang out and visit. Hatch said.
The displays offerings could his

said.

The display's offerings could be used on a year-round basis for school programs, Scout projects and hunter safety classes, Hatch

said. The Fair Board's vote to include the long-term nature room display was unanimous.

Some weatherizing will need to be done, and the board will seek additional funding and "bodies to help with the work," Piz said.

This year's fair will be held Sept. 1-6.

Jerome council considers housing development

By Dixie Thomas Reale Times-News correspondent

JEROME – A public hearing is scheduled tonight to take public comment on the proposed rezon-ing of property located at 525 16th Ave. E. from Residential 1 to Residential 2.

Residential 1 to
Property Prop

nit development.

City code allows single-family
wellings only in R-1 zones; R-2
ones allow multiple-family

Gity code allows single-family dwellings only in R-1 Zones; R-2 zones; allow ...multiple-family wirelings.

Holley told the Planning and Doming Commission at the public hearing in December that he wants or build rental housing units for people 55 years of age and over. singles and cuples. There would be 30 to 40 units in the development on four arers. Each housing unit would have about 1,000 square feet with two bedrooms. The units would not be low-income housing.

A planned unit development is

Meeting tonight

only owned by one person. Should Holley ever decide to sell the prop-erty, it would have to be sold as one unit and not subdivided, City Administrator Travis Rothweiler said.

Planning and Zoning

said.

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended the City Council approve the rezoning request. Neighboring property owners have been notified of the zoning request and are invited to attend the public hearing and make their thoughts known. In other business, the council will consider mayoral appointments of Amy Rothweller, Mark Korsen, Jennie Wise and Steve Hoffman to the Jerome Tree Committee for three-year terms, to expire Jan. 31, 2007. Public Works Director Bob Culver and Craig Westing of Idaho Power Co. are suggested as assistant members.

The council also will consider the mayoral reappointment of Darroll Hurd, to the city Housing Authority for a term of five years to expire Jan. 31, 2009. Hurd has served on the board since 1999.

Man faces charge in Boise police shooting

BOSE (AP) – Inventino Torres-vargas was charged vith four felonies. Monday for allegedly shooting a local police officer during a routine traffic stop Saurday. Officer Derek Whipps was in critical condition at Saint Alphonsus Regional Medical Center, police spokeswoman Lynn Hightower said.

said.

Torres-Vargas, 28, is charged with two coupts of aggravated battery, one count of assault and battery on a law enforcement officer and one count of using a deadly weapon or figearm.

Authorities claim he shot Whipps three times with a :32-caliber handgun as Whipps walked to the

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Orpheum Personal Checks
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Robinson, and told them he had
been idhanped by US. troops.
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nonsense and absurd And
Charles Wenzoul, minister of foreign diffurits for the Contral Affacts
Republic, denited that Aristide was

eign affairs for the Central African Republic, denied that Afristide was in any way a prisoner.

'In a telephone interview with The Associated Press, Aristide sald: 'No. 1 was forced to leave.'

''Agents were telling me, that if I don't leave they would start shooting and killing in a matter of time.'

Aristide said during the interview, which was interrupted at times by static. Asked no I dentify the Tagents,' Aristide said: 'White American, white military.'

'They came at night ... There were too many. I couldn't coint them' he added.

'A White House official responded, 'He resigned and left on his own accord.'

'Artstide's supporters in the

accord."

Artstide's supporters in the United States said the one-time U.S. ally told them he was being held against his will in the Central African Republic, a charge that country's foreign affairs minister refected.

African Republic, a charge that county's foreign affairs minister rejected.

The administration did make clear to Ariside in the rumulmous hours before he left that he could not count on U.S. protection from the residential pladec and kill him. Secretary of State Colin Provelleyed that message Saturday night to Ariside's Meschington for belayed that message Saturday night to Ariside's Meschington for Colin Provelleyed from the Person of Colin Provelleyed from the Person of Colin Provelleyed from the Co

tion at the palace in one expected assault. Secretary Powell said U.S. forces will have a lead role 'initially restoring order to Haiti following the three-week rebellion that swept Aristide from power. The U.N. Security Council late Sunday approved the deployment of a multinational force to Haiti.

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Rumsfeld estimated that between

1,500 attd-2,000 U.S. troops would
go to Haiti for a "relatively short
period." They would participate in
interim force, which could
include as many as 5,000 troops
from several countries, that would,
stay until replaced by a U.N. peacekeeping force.

Then were no clashes between
the rebel force and the U.S. and
french troops, who were establishing security at diplomatic missions
and other sites. Philippe establishing security at diplomatic missions
and other sites. Philippe artier said
the welcomed the peacekeepers.

Philippe said he plananed to make
preparations for the new president,
former Supreme Court Chief Justice
Boniface Alexandre, to assume
office, as called for in the constitution.

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office, as called 101 at 101.

"Were just going to make sure the palace is clean for the president to come ... that there is no threat there," he said as his convoy of 70 the paragraphed the capital.

there, he said as his convoy of ro-rebels approached the capital. In the capital, there were reports of reprisal killings of militant Aristide supporters accused of terof reprisal killings of militant Aristide supporters accused of ter-rorizing people. An Associated Press reporter saw four bodies at Carrefour, on the outskirts of the capital, three of them with hands tied behind their backs and shot in

capital, unrec os tried behind their backs and shot in the head execution-style. The fourth body was that of a man allegedly shot by police, said witness. Charlie LaPlanche. "He ran out of the tpolice) pickup truck and, then it became a manhunt. He went into a house. They found him, and then they took him out and executed him," he said.

Powell said the did not want certain rebel leaders to take any role in the process of the process. Philippe was an

Powell said he did not want cer-tain rebel leaders to take any role in a new government. Philippe was an officer in the army when it repressed dissident politicians. "Some of these individuals we, would not want to see re-enter civil socjety in Haiti because of their past records, and this is something we will have to work through," Powell said.

said.

Amnesty International called for international peacekeepers to arrest Chamblain and Jean Pierre Buptiste, also a rebel, who escaped from jail after being convicted in the 1994 massacre of 15 Aristide

the 1994 massacre of 15 Aristide supporters.
In the Haitian capital, thousands supporters.
In the Haitian capital, thousands converged on the plaza outside the National Palace, shouting "Liberty" and "Aristide is gone" when the rebel convoy arrived from the western town of Gonaives, where the rebels in the capital. Some residents watched indifferently, their arms folded, as their convoy stopped and rebels jumped out, sweeping their weapons from side—to side, then moved on.

Philippe, the rehel leader, went into police headquarters at the plaza, and his men did not approach a half-dozen armed U.S. Marines on the grounds of the palace.

Among those at the hotel meeting with the rebel leader was Evans. Paul, a former mayor of Portage and a top opposition figure. Paul said Philippe has played an important role.

Industrialist Charles Henry Baker, an opposition leader, said Philippe offered his troops to help maintain order amid reports of continued looting in the capital. Baker said his group welcomed the offer.

offer.
One young rebel told a reporter he shot people. "I shot some looters yesterday. They have to be shot," the rebel who goes by the nom-deguerre "Faustin," said.

guerre Faustin, said

Col. David Berger, head of the
U.S. Marine contingent, said 150'
Marines had arrived overnight from
8th Battalion, based in Camp
Lejeune, N.C., to secure key sites in
the cantial."

the capital."

"People who interfere with that mission, we will handle with appropriate force," Berger told AP.

ISU will teach physics teachers

POCATELLO (AP) - Idaho State

POCATELLO (AP) – Idaho State University will serve as a rural regional center for high school physics and physical science teacher, training for the next four years. The university will host weeklong summer workshops for teachers from Idaho, Myönning, northern Utah, northern Nevada and eastern Oregon with follow-up sessions throughout the school year.

Dr. Stephon Strongthing associates

Dr. Stephen Shropshire, associate rofessor of physics, will coordinate

he program.

He said the program will serve polated rural teachers.

isolated rural teachers.

The American Association of Physics Teachers and the Physics Teachers Besource Agents are co-sponsoring the program. Funding for the center and participating teachers totaling more than \$79,000 is provided by the National Science foundation and will support travel, lodeling and a stinend for marieifoundation and will support travel lodging and a stipend for participants.



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AND I HAVE ONLY JUST BEGUN

Editorial

IDWR's water action can be a positive turn

bomb went off for groundwater users in the Magic Valley last week. But it had been ticking loudly

rs. Idaho Department of The Idaho Department of Water Resources' issued a cur-dilment order last week that was a long time coming. The order requires ground water Our view

Our view: The state's users on the north side of the curtailment order for Snake River to find replacement water for fish groundwater wells could water for fish hatcheries down-stream that have senior water rights be a catalyst for successful water use nenotiations.

north-side What do you think? vell users don't produce enough We welcome viewpoints substitute water by April 1, their ground water wells will be shut

wells will be shut
off. The order will
affect some, 1,300 wells on the
north side – not just dairies and
darms, but water systems for
cities, churches, schools, subdivisions and offer industries as

wisions and other industries aswell.

The curtailment order came
from a water call made by
Rangen Inc., which uses water
from Snake River Caryon
springs. For years, these producers have argued that
groundwater pump wells locate
dabove the springs have cut
into their water appropriations.
And Idaho's first-in-time water
doctrine gives them the senior
claim.

Under the curtailment order,
wells developed after July 13,
1962, will be shut off, unless
well users can restore water to
Rangen in one of two ways:
Submit an approved plan to
give Rangen inc. 16,000 acre
feet of replacement water that
meets fish production water
quality standards, by April 1.

Or have a plan by the same
date that uses 53,000 acre feet of
canal water to help "recharge"
the springs, so that more water
travels down the aquifer.
Idaho's economy and its residents are bound to suffer when
linerests for water appropria-

there are so many competing interests for water appropriations. That's the unfortunate drawback to this scenario.

But perhaps what's more

Correction

Looks like the April Fool's joke is on us. Sunday's editorial mis-stated the filing deadline for

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unfortunate is that this high-stakes—legal—and—political-episode could have been avert-ed through closer management over the years. The overappro-priation of Idaho's water has escalated the water issue to its current level of friction and liti-cation.

Obviously, a number of fac-tors have been at work. Four con-secutive years of drought have

secutive years of drought have brought water supplies to extremely low levels. The conversion from flood irrigation to sprinkler irrigation, which has created more efficiencies in agriculture in recent decades, also reduced the amount of water seeping into the

aquifer.

But it's impossible to ignore the exponential growth of wells that pepper the landscape above the north rim. An overalthat pepper the landscape above the north rim. An overal-location of wells has usurped

location of wells has usured senior water rights. It's worth restating that this scenario hurts all segments of Idaho. No one wins when eco-nomic interests are pitted one against the other for a make-or-

against the other for a make-or-break resource.

The IDWR's action was inevitable – and overdue. If the agency had done so years ago, this year's predicament might have been arverted.

The best possible outcome of this order would be more pro-ductive mitigation talks between groundwater and spring users.

between groundwater and spring users.

The time for negotiation is ripe. Groundwater users with junior water rights will need to use less. Surface water users should be more realistic about expecting a guarantee that their ponds will be refilled.

Shutting down wells could wreak havoc for both private and public water users north of the Snake River, and it should be avoiged at all cost. The law, however, needs to be followed. We're confident an agreement that follows water doctrine and appeases all interests can still be achieved.

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Getting in touch

The deadline is March 19, not April 1. The Times-News regrets the error.

Idaho stands to lose under Kerry

President Bush is leading steady progress toward a more rational, realistic and responsible approach to a host of environmental and resource issues to the hearts of all ldahoans. For three years, the Bush administration has been encouraging stewardship, engaging those who know and understand the issues best. The Idea is that people most influenced by federal policies should play a larger role in developing them. The president is committed to being a partner with local folks in the best interest of people and the resources on people and the resources on which they depend.



REP. BUTCH OTTER

President Bush is working to roll back policies from eight years of big-government, one-size-fits-all thinking on such issues as public lands access, water sovereignty,

bureaucracy's direction can be like urning a battleship - you can't do it on a dime.

Now a presidential election year has us facing the prospect of a renewed War on the West. The bottom line is: If you liked Bill Clinton and All Core, you'll ker John Keny's.

Kerry promises to be "the true environmental president." To me, few things are scarier than a Massachusetts politician imposing his idea of "environmental" on the neople of Idaho. What could be a more inviting canvas for making his mark on that issue than a state where two-thirds of the land already is controlled by the federal government?

Kerry showed his colors in 2001 when the Bureau of Rechmaniles in the Klamath Basin of southern Oregon and northern California. Kerry backed the move to protect suckerfish, and land reading for investigation of the Bush wife of the Bush wife of the Bush wife of the Bush wife of the staking balance now land owhen his friends press laintreach the lower Snake River dams or grab all the water in the Snake River Basin for a wrong.



Kerry showed his colors in 2001 when the Bureau of Reclamation shut of irrigation water to almost 2,000 farm and ranch families in the Klamath ·Basin Kerry backed the move to protect suckerfish, and later called for an investigation of the Bush White House for even considering recognition of humans as a species too.

headed fish liush" salmon strate1834 Kerry clearly considers the
Endangered Species Act the
Supreme law of the land. After all,
the League of Conservation Voters
didn't endorse him for putting the
interests of real people first.
Some of Kerry's most vocal supporters have been working for
years with the Alliance for the Wild
lockies to pass the radical
Northern Rockies Ecosystem
Protection Act. The bill would lock
up 26 million acres of new and de
facto wilderness in Idaho. Montana
and Wyoming, Kerry also says he'd
implement Clinton's contentious
and blogging on more than 50 million aces of national forest lands.
And the'd bar snowmobiles from
Vellowstone National Park "and
other sensitive areas." Yellowstone National Park "and other sensitive areas." Clearly, a Kerry administration would embolden environmental

is as a spectral and aggressive agenda of restricting access and responsible use of public lands. The Bush administration has started the process of scaling back. Inclangered Species Act protection for the non-native Canadian gray wolves transplanted to Idaho in the mid-1990s against the will of most Idahoans. Kerry, on the other hand, eagely talks about implementing the Endangered Species Act that way that "extends the benefits of wildlife and habitat protection to public and private lands." Will griz-dy bears be the next species Teinroduced" do fisplace Idahos livelstock, big ganne—and people? While Kerry supports importing species, he's against getting nuclear waste out of Idaho. He opposes opening the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste repository in Nevada, where the Energy

high-level radioactive waste now at the Idaho National Francisco high-level radioactive waste now at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. That waste will remain above our. Smake River Plain Aquifer if Kerry is elected. It's as simple as that. All that most Idahoans ask of.

clected. It's as simple as that.

All that most idalnoams ask of government is to stay unt of the way. We have a good idea how to take care of our resources, sistain them and even add value, without heart coast help. Well, John Kerry' has affor less trust in the wisdom and good intentions of Idalnoams. Of people in general. He wants to establish a new 'Environmental Enforcement Commission.' It apparently would be a kind of Super EPA to crack down when 'environmental enforcement has been compromised by undue political influence' meaning influence by anyone other than environmental extremiss.

After eight years in the political wilderness, it is been refushing to, have someone in the White House who understands and respects our Western lifestyle and values. Occasionally visting a mansion it San Valley doesn't make John Kerty an Idahena, and we shoulder be footed into thinking this Mussachusetts liberal will listen to us when ultra-green groups remind him of his roots.

11 S. Fins Rutels-Otter. R-Idaho.

U.S. Rep. Butch-Otter, R-läaho, serves in the first congressional dis-trict.

Justices erode religious freedom on college decision

The Supreme Court of the United States made a very bad call on Wednesday in the state named Joshua Davey. Davey was the valedictorian of his high-school class, whose grades and meome qualified him to receive a merit and need-based state scholarship of \$1.123 a year to attend a private college. When the Washington state authorities discrement data the injended to to attent a private consignation of the Washington state authorities discovered that he intended to elect a double major in theology and business administration in order to prepare himself for the Christian ministry, they revoked his scholarship, They did so on the basis of a so-called Blaine Amendment in the state constitution that prohibited the use of public money to fund religious studies.

public money to fund religious studies.

We fin all other respects qualified to neceive the scholarship money. The only question raised by the state was Davey's choice of undergraduate major. Had he majored solely in business administration, his scholarship would not have been revoked, even if he had taken fa large number of theology yoursess.

es.
Davey, who has since enrolled in Harvard Law School, concluded that he was the victim of religious, discrimination and sued for the restoration of his scholarship. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th

DAVID C. STEINMÉTZ

Grenit in San Francisco agreed with him in a 2-1 decision.
Davey's case rests on an interpretation of the First Amendment of the Constitution, especially the clause mandating the free exerced religion. The new American republic decided in its first Amendment of the constitution, especially the case of the constitution of the constitution of the constitution of Europe, which has sponsored state-approved religious groups. For example, no one in 18th - state-approved religious groups. For example, no one in 18th - state-approved religious groups. For example, no one in 18th - state-approved religious fraction and the control of England. Higher education was barred by a religious test. The Blaine amendments, named after the 19th century Republican politician, fames G. Blaine, were intended as anti-Catholic reasures designed to protect Protestantism as the unofficial but of facto majority religion of the United States: They are chieved its end by blocking all use of public funds to support. Catholic pareclaid schools, Meanwhile, the public schools were safely in the hands of Protestant and pority would be well represented.

The public good is rarely advanced by the perpetuation of small injustices.

The First Amendment was written to save Americans from discriminatorylaws like the Blaine amendments, whose end result was the state sponsorship of one religious perspective — in this case-mainline Protestant — at the expense of all competitors, especially Roman Catholle, Blaine represents a relapse into the old establishmentarian mentality of Europe.

escens a tasperson research a tasperson season and tasperson the washington state constitution were, of course, right to believe they were under to obligation to give any public money-at any time to any private person, group, or institution of whatever, kind. But wirm: Washington state officials decided to offer a broad-based scholarship program for college undergraduates, they were obliged on so as impartially as possible. That Washington state deprived foshua Davey of his modest stippend on

provision that is clearly discrimi-natory in its origin seems on the face of it to deny Davey's free exe-cise of religion and so violate the free-exercise clause of the federal Constitution.

rice-exercise clause of the federal Constitution.

That at least is what the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court in San Francisco concluded. But the Supreme Court, evidently worried by the vision of religious organizations hellying up to the public trough, disagreed. It decided 7.2 for the state of Washington and against loshum Dave, By doing so, it may have inadvertently eroded rather than strengthened the ideal of the religiously neutral state. Worse yet, it may have re-established the old and discredited principle that the state can require a religious test for college aid.

The public good is rarely advanced by the perpetuation of small ripulstices. Americans can surful find a way to draw a reasoniable line between church and state without doing so at the expense of college students who are smart. religious and page.

David C. Steinmetz is the Arios.

David C Steinmetz is the Arnos Ragan Kearns Professor in the Divinity School of Duke University in Durham, N.C. He wrote this commentary for the Orlando Sentinel.

By Bruce Tinsley

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Jefferson's vision included a religious belief

a religious belief
For many years now, we have
constantly heard the expression
'espantion of church and state'
authorized to Thomas Jefferson as
the explanation of the First
Amendment to the U.S.
Constitution. When the issue of the
Ten Commandments display at
Boise came up, I decided to do
some checking.
As a member of the Continental

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As a member of the Continental
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from another of Thomas Jelferson's letters. On April 21, 1803, to Benjamin Rush, he wrote "To the corruption of Christianity, I am indeed opposed; but not to the genuine precepts of Jesus himself. I am a Christian." DELORIS THAETE Rupert

Hospital should accept local competition

I've just read the article on the roposed new St. Benedicts facility

at Crossroads.

After reading what Magic Valley
Regional Medical Center has done
to stop St. Ben's effons to build this
facility, I'm angy to think they can
believe they have the right to stop
competition and to use these tactics to do it. This is a prime example of how the power acquiredfrom a non-competitive market
can affect the public's interest.
Since when is it a negative to
have more medical cane in this
areat Competition, especially in
the medical field, benefits us all in
cost and gaining better profession
al services.

Magic Valley Regional Medical
Center has had almost total control
of service in this area far too long.
And it has beert even more obvious
since its purchase of the downtown
clinic. There's an attitude of 'it is
here or nowhere. We can always
use another medical facility of the
quality that St. Ben's has to offer.
The extent that Magic Valley
Regional went to stop this is totally
arrogant on their behalf. I question
their integrity in the process. What
are they afraid of but not being
able to have total control over this
marker? I have just recently, and
some in the past, talked to people
who were trying to get into a doctor with a medical condition
requiring unmediate care and having to wait far too long to get in.
Wouldn't this new facility bring in
more doctors to meet these needs?

- I'm not saying Magic Valley
Regional Medical Center's cure and
facility is not of high quality. It is,
But that should only ensure them
that the competition will be a good
and healthy thing. Shame on them
for how they have interfered to the
extent they have. They've tried to
to get new legislation to stop it, itself
offors, and even claimed to the
Economic Development
Administration that this new facility
to sop St. Ben's loan and grant
efforts, and even claimed to the

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they kidding? A new medical hospital is always one of the top performers in creating new Jobs, directly and indirectly.

Ladvase the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center to get off its high horse and fight this the homost

Wolves come to Idaho. unwanted and unneeded

Getting into a spitting contest is not my favorite endeavor, however, Mr. Pierre Tusow's letter needs a

not my favorite endeavor. however.
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file by wolves in Vellowstone in
the winter of 2002. Wolf recovery
biologists are quite reluctant to
classify a kill as a wolf kill. Usually if
they don'ts ee the wolves eating a
freshly killed animal, they lay the

IT'S COMING...

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blame elsewhere. A vulnerable time for elk is during the calving season. Calf kills are hard to find. The proof is in seeing a herd of 10 to 15 cows with only two or three calves or less in late summer. I've yet to see a wolf running through the woods with a stethoscope around its neck checking the health of an animal before the kill. The wolves probably do get the weakened animals. The wolves must have thought the herd of 28 elk they killed near Shoup were sick, as they left most of them to tot. Ranchers must appreciate the wolves coming around nat killing off their weak livestock. I find it hards to believe that reintroduction of wolves is responsible for all, these wondrous but very nebulas improvements to Yellowstone. Mr. Tusow asked, "How can you classify wolves theirs and elks ours?" First, one needs to go back prior to the reintroduction of wolf in the greater Yellowstone ccosystem and central Idaho. The preponderance of the public's input was con reintroduction. Also, the state governments of Idaho. Montana and Wyoming were against the reintroduction of wolves. The federal Fish and Widling Service decided to reintroducte the wolves anyway. As a nesi-

dent I leel a far greater sense of ownership in the Idaho wildlife than the 760 wolves, even if some of my tax money was used for their reintroduction and narruning. From all the magnificent things the wolves have accomplished in Yellowstone, I have no objections to their staying in the confines of the park, Outside the park, I don't feel they are needed. If buffar once passed through and grazed what is now I'win Falls, do they need reintroduction here? With an wolves-needed everywhere where they once rosmet?



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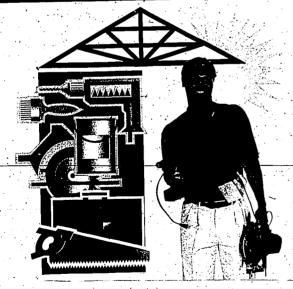
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ARLON, Belgium (AP) — Belgium's public enemy No. 1 and three co-defendants went on thal Monday on changes of kidnapping, abusing and killing young girls in a mid-1990s crime spree that shocked the country—as much for the inept police work as for the depravity of the acts.

Marc Dutroux. 47, his ex-wife and two other defendants sat silently during selection of a 12-member jury and, 12

alternates. At one point Dutroux seemed to nod off. Your client is going to fall asleep. Judge Stefane Goux told one of Dutroux three lawyers.

The case deepened on the eve of the trial, when Dutroux said in a letter to VTM television network that he was part of a criminal network with tentacles in Belgian have enforcement. He said codefendant Michel Nihoul; a 62-year-old Trussels lawyer, played a key role in the

wider organization.

Durioux is charged with kidnappingsix girls and killing four of them. The
girls, two of them just 8 years old, were
abused in the cellar of a house owned by
Dutroux. At the time the former eleptrician was free on parole for abducting
and raping young women.

Dutroux is also charged with killing
an accomplice. Bernard Weinstein,
whose body was found in a yard next to

one of Dutroux's seven homes.

A parliamentary probe found that rival police units inherend the search for Dutroux, who was finally arrested Aug. 13, 1996.

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Investigating magistrates have bick-ered over whether he was a loner or part of a pedophilia network. One magistrate was even removed for showing bias when he attended a benefit event for the

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SPORTSQUOTE

See you in the movies.

- lose Canseco to reporters after a poor tryout performance for the Dodgers. Canseco plans to become

IN BRIEF

Region 18 tickets remain on sale

TWIN FALLS - Unsold reserved seats and general admission tekers to the Region 18 men's and women's college basketball tournaments are now on sale from 720 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily at the College of Southern Idaho gymnactures are now fire.

College of Southern Idaho gymna-sium's main office.
General admission tournament prices will be \$30. Individual ses-sion prices will be \$6 for adults and \$4 for students. Kids under six get in for free.

Pomerelle Ski Resort hosts Competition X

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ALBION - Pomerelle Stä Resort
will host Competition X 2004: A
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snowboarders are encouraged to
compete to see who is the fastest
down the course.
The event will start at noon and
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a parent is required for all competitors under 18 years of age and is
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for the top three placers in each
dis tsion. For more information,
please call 673-5599.

Burley amateur baseball registration starts soon

BURLEY - The Burley Amateur Baseball Association with Ind reg-istration for children ages five to 17 at Mountain View Elementary School starting Tuestlay, March 10 from 6-8 p.m.

from 6-8 p.m.
Registration will continue on Friday, March 13 from 9-12 a.m. and Wednesday, March 18 from 5-8 p.m. Sponsors and coaches are also needed. For more information, please call Mike Alcocer at 677-2454 or Kathy Marker at 878-777

Jerome Cal Ripken plans registration time

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IEROME - The Jerome Cal
Ripken League or players ages 912, will hold registration March 13
and 16 at the Jerome Recreation
District, 2037 South Lincoln.
A parent or legal guardian must
be present at registration and
bring a valid birth certificate.
Players should bring a baseball
glove to participate in a skills
assessment. Players will be sized
for uniforms and and receive
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should take no longer tunn as minutes.

On March 13, nine and 10-year-olds will register from 10 a.m. to-hoon while the older kids will sign pfrom 1 to 3 p.m. On March 16, all ages register from 5.30 to 7 plm. The fees are \$50. The season runs from April 17, through June 7 with each team playing about 15 games. Playing time is guaranteed for each player.

Jerome Babe Ruth signups are next month

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JEROME – The Babe Ruth
league for players ages 13-15 will
hold registration April 3 from 10
am. to noon at the ne district
offices and from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
on April 6. The fee is 565 for the
season, which runs May 1 through
June 25. If enough players register,
there will be separate 13-3 and 14-15-year-old leagues.
Traveling teams will be selected
from each league to compete in
toiumaments during June and July.
For more information on the
leagues, call Larry or Debbie Bos
at 324-3200; Mike McDonald at
324-8580 or Leisi Parker at 3244881.

Webber's H.S. refuses to forfeit titles

BEVERLY HILLS, Mich. – Chris-Webbers' high school-refused Monday to forfeit three state cham-joinship basketball titles he helped win, a day after the-Michigan High School Athletic Association ruled he should not have been allowed to nay because of his relationship with a former Michigan booster.

lated his amateur standing and was ineligible during the time he played at Detroit Country Day, the governing body said Stunday. The association had left it up to the school to decide whether to forfeit games in which Webber played, including three state championships.

Country Day Headmaster Gerald Haftsen said there was no trustworthy basis to support the MHSAAS

claim that Webber was incligible.
"The assertion is based upon unproven innuendo, suspicion and speculation," sald Hansen, reading from a prepared statement. speculation," sald Hansen, reading from a prepared statement, "Because Country Day has been given no credible evidence that Mr. Webber violated his amateur status while a student here, the school felt champlenships and to protect the school sucreos in the statement of the school statement of the statement of the school felt champlenships and to protect the school sucreos."

executive committee strike the team and Webber's performance from its basketball records. However, the executive committee decided only to delete the refer-

Monday, "That would be the most appropriate." Roberts said he wasn't surprised by the school's refusal to forfeit the

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Roberts said he wasn't surprised by the school's refusal to forfeit the titles. Ed Martin, who died flist year, said he gave Webber and his family 2280,000 from 1988-93, a period extending from Webber's freshman year of high school through his sophomoru season at Michigan.

Wright hopes to salvage career

KISSIMMEE, Fla. - Remember

KISSIMMEF. Fla. – Remember Jaret Wright? You know the guy who was only 21 when he started Game 7 of the World Series. The guy with the 95 mpt fastball and the slider that buckled knees. The guy with the 95 mpt fastball and the slider that buckled knees. The guy who could have been the next floger Clemens. Well, seven years and two operations later. Wright has a chance oget his star-crossed career back on-track with the Atlanta Braves.

"It took al to of town to get to this point." Wright said. Sitting at his locker in the Braves' spring training flubhouse. I never thought once. What if this doesn't work out? I just riged to stay focused every day. Sill just 28, Wright already has been through enough eshilarating highs and crushing lows to last a baseball lifetime.

But the Braves, who picked him into the freed mean.

baseball lifetime.

But the Brawe, who picked him up for the final month last season, believe his career is salvageable. Wright is getting a short or make the starling rotation. If that doesn't work out, he might take a key setup role for John Smoltz in the bullpen.

Total him with his stuff, he should be able to get out every right-handed hitter he faces, pitching coach Leo Mazzone saying seven years ago. After beginning, the 1997-season in Double-A. Wright was in the Gleveland Indians' rotation by late 'unec' Come October, with the season down to one game, he got the ball for the World Series finale against the Florida Marlins.

At that point, Wright already had a 3-0 record in the postseason, including the win that knocked the, defending champion New York Yankees out of the playoffs.

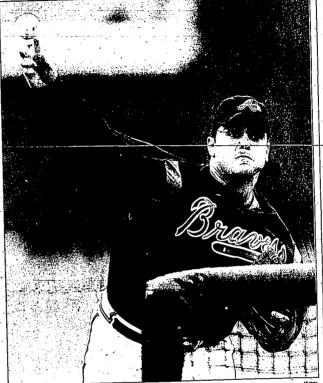
The son of former big league pitcher Clyde Wright wasn't all that nervous about going out for Game 7 in the World Series.

It definitely came fast, 'Jaret Wright remembered.' I didn't really have a chance to slow stuff down and teally enjoy what was going on.' Of course, if had tried to slow it down. I probably would have screwed up on-the mound.'

He sure didn't screy up Game 7. even though he was the second-youngest pitcher ever to start such an important contest.

Keeping his eyes firmly on his catcher — "You can have 100,000 in the stadium, but it only looks like 5,000 behind the plate" — Wright moved down the first Series champinoship since 1940.

But Bobby Botilla homered in the seventh off Wright, the leads of the lead in the minth and Edgar-



batting practice at spring training on Friday, Feb. a Vista, Fla. Still Just 28, Wright already has been Atlanta Braves pitcher Jaret Wright throws from the mound during batting practice at 27, 2004 at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex in Lake Buena Vista, Fla. Still jus through enough exhilarating highs and crushing lows to last a baseball lifetime.

through enough exhibitarating highs and Renteria won it for the Marlins with an IRBI single in the 11th.

The ending is still painful for Wright, who allowed just two hits in "Two only seen it on tape once or twice." he said. "It was definitely tough. We were very close to being world champions."

If Wright, thought that was ough, he was in for a rade awakening After weldining 12 games as sophomore the injuries began to pile up. He went on the disabled list twice in 1999. Shoulder surgery in 2000 was followed by another

operation the next year. His career in Cleveland - once so promising-came to an end after his EIR scared to 15.71 in 2002.

After signing with San Diego, Wright appeared to hit rock bottom a year ago, He was a had pitcher (1-4, 8,74 EIR) on a bad team, having totally fallen off the radar of most teams. But, when the Padres put him on waivers in August, a surprising team put in a claim.

Wright went from best statements

were impressed with Wright's velocity and saw a glimmer of that hard-throwing rookle from '97. He took to the move right away, going 1-0 with a 2.00 ERA in 11 games to earn a spot on the postseason roster.

"There's nothing more you can ask for than going to a team in the last month that's going to the play

offs," he said. "It was amazing."

Wright believes his shoulder is fully recovered, and have seen

There's anxiety in Athens

The Olympic stadium and swimming pool remain roof-less. Housing is unfinished. the marathon route is still not all

aved.
Five months from opening cereconies, the 2004 Athens Games are

montes, the 2004 Athens Games are looking like a big fat Greek mess. Throw into the mix a possible government shake-up in next sunday's national elections, the firebombs of Greek anti-Olympic activists and the threat of international terrorism, and it's no wonder anxiety is high.

These are an Olympics that

STEVE WILSTEIN

ought to be majestic, a return to the roots of the games, surrounded by the beauty and history of Greece, and hosted by some of the worlds most charming and convivial peo-ple. If anyone knows how to throw party, not to mention a discus, the Greeks do. Instead, work stongues position

Greeks do.
Instead, work stoppages, politics
and procrastination threaten to
turn the ancient home of the
Olympics into a modern-day fias-

Olympics into a modern-day fiasAthers has had seven years to get
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before the opening ceremony on
Aug. 18, so much remains to be
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doesn care anymore. The missing
roof may hold Greece up to ridicule
and hart the country's self-esteem,
but it won't stop the track and field
competition.

The missing roof at the swimming venue is another story. That's
where it will affect racing times,
leave athletes and spectulors roastting in the sun, and hurt cleevision
the marathon course needs to

broadcasts.
The marathon course needs to be finished, as do the housing and te trum and light-rail lines.
"It's going to be challenging, but its feasible." Rogge said of all the work to be done.

Portis, Redskins agree to \$50M, eight-year deal

By Dave Goldberg Associated Press writer

WASHINGTON - On a day other teams were figuring out ways to cut costs to get under the salary cap, the Washington Redskins - as usual - were spending

nimey,
The Redskins agreed
Monday to a \$50.5 million,
right-year deal with running
back Climon Portis, all but
completing the trade that will send
four-time Pro Bowl cornerback
Champ Bailey and a second-round
draft choice to Dewis

until Wednesday, the start of the free agent season. A lot of NFL players lost jobs and others got new deals as teams pre-pared to get under the \$80.6 million cap. Another player got an early surprise Carson Palmer was desig-nated the starting quarterback by the Cinchinal Bengals even though he has yet to take an NFL snap. Drew Rosenhaus. Ports' agent, confirmed the deal for his client,

who gained 1.591 yards for the Broncos last season. The package-includes S17 million in bonuses. Bailey was still working on a con-tract with the Broncos, but the sides

Hailey was still working on a contract with the Broncos, but the sides appeared close.

"Excepthing is skating right along on Schedule," said his agent, lack Reale. "Things could be wanped up quickly, maybe by tomorrow."

In Galestanati, meanwhile, coach Marvin Levis awarded the Bengals quarterback job to Palmer, the 2002 Heisman winner and the No. 1 oberall pick in last year's draft.

He will replace Ion Kitna, who was the NFL Comeback Player of the Vear last season for keeping the Bengals in playoff contention until the final weeks of the seasons.

Lewis said the reason he made the announcement now was to get the other players prepared for the change.

"It puts the plessure on the rest of our football team," he said, "That's why right now is the time to do this. Please see NFL Page Bg

Judge clears way for defense questioning of Bryant accuser

EAGLE, Colo. - Kobe Bryant's

EAGLE. Colo. – Kobe. Bryant's defense team can ask the 19-year-old woman accusing the basketball star of rape detailed questions about her sexual-past when she makes her first appearance in court, the judge ruled Monday.

The decision raises the likelihood of a long day for the woman when she testifies behind closed doors the star of the woman when she testifies behind closed doors the star of the woman when she testifies behind closed doors the star of the woman when she testifies when the same room with Brant since the alleged attack at a mountain resort last summer.

The defense subpoenaed the woman to testify saying Bryant has a right to confront his accuser. The move prompted complaints from the presceution and women's advocates that the defense is simply try-ing to 'embarrass' and 'litemiliate' let.

state District Judge Terry Ruckriegle, however, rejected a

prosecution bid to limit defense questioning as he determines whether the womans sexual con-duct is relevant to the case and can be used against her

and can be used against her at trial.

Byant, 25, has said the two had consensus sex in Los Angeles Lakers star faces four years to life in prison or 20 years to life in prison or 10 years to life on probation if convicted of the felony sexual assault charge.

The woman has told police she had sex with someone two days, before the alleged attack, while the defense has said she slept with multiple" partners that week including someone less than 15 hours after her encounter with Bryant. defen

hours after net grant hours after net grant. The defense says the woman had a "plan" to sleep with Bryant to attract the attention of an expoyriend. Bryant's attorneys also say injuries found during a hospital examination of the woman could have been caused by other sexual seatings.

Legal experts said they don't believe defense attorneys Hal Haddon and Pamela Mackey vall be allowed to hound the woman about all her sexual experiences. "The judge will said protection and provided the said protection and the said the said protection and the said th

woman had sex with two underni-fied prosecution witnesses.

Prosecutors said the defense based its arguments on rumor and influendo.



lined for five to 10 days due to foot injury, team says

Achilles injury makes Prior sit out games

By The Associated Press

When the Chicago Cubs start spring training games, Mark Prior will be resting his right foot instead of firing fastballs. The hard throwing right-hander will be out five to 10 days because of an inflamed Achille's tendon, soreness he first felt last Sentember.



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When 1 started working out again in January on the mound it started back up and 1 got here and it got inflamed. Prior said Monday in Mesa, Ariz.

"They just want to get rid of it. They don't want me to change anything to favor it, so I'm going to take some time off."

An MII showed no stinctural dainage or tear. Both Prior and Cubs trainer Dave Groeschuer said the 23-year-old star will be ready for opening day.

But it could be nearly two weeks before he can pitch in an exhibition game. After he is cleated to, build his arm strength backup. The Cubs begin exhibition play Thursday.

"It's early in the spring and we

ound ms arm strength backup. The Cubs begin exhibition play Thursday.

"It's early in the spring and we can up this in the buid and make sure he's ready for the season." Groeschner sail.

Prior is slated to be the No. 3-starter in Clicago's stellar rotation behind Kerry Wood and Greg Maddux, bur is already considered the age of the staff by some. He's confident he can catch up quickly, even if he doesn't get as much work in spring games as he planned.

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"There is no real timetable on it." Prior said. "The first two starts, anyway, we only throw like two or three innings. I'm not really work reied about that. As long as I can get on the hill a few times and see some hitters in game situations. I feel like that's all I need." Prior was 18-6 with a 2-43 ERA and 225 strikeouts last year, his first full season in the majors. He made the NI, All-Star teart and finished third in voting for the CV Young Award.

If helped pitch the Cubs to the NI, Central tide, going 10-1 over the final two months of the season. In the playoffs, he was 2-1 with a 2-31 ERA in the result of the season in the playoffs, he was 2-1 with a 2-31 ERA in three starts.

"It's my push-off foot and when I drive, it just pinches. It's a minor thing, but it's something 1, don't want to get serious. Prior said.

In Tampa, Fla., Yankees right-hander Mike Mussian was scratched from his first spring training start following the death of his father-in-law.

Also, New York center fielder Bernie Williams was back at spring realings, one day after being released from the hospital. He had his appendix removed last

Thursday, removed last Thursday, In Tucson, Ariz, White Sox reliever Shingo Takatsu, Japan's career saves leader, threw an inning of relief in an intrasquate and lastled a tricky change-up.

"Sometimes it kind of looks like it can defy a little gravity sometimes," pitching coach Don Coopersaid.

Lightning down Avs in battle of division leaders

DENVER (AP) — Vincent Lecavalier and Martin St. Louis scored third-period goals, Nikolai Khabibulin had his 35th career shutout and the Tampa Bay Lightning, beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-0 Monday night.

Brad Richards also scored for the Lightning in their fifth straight win. They set a franchise record for road wins in a season at 18.

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The Lightning are 9-0-1-2 in their last 12 games.
Khabibulin had 16 saves in his third shutout of the season. Colorado's David Achischer had 26 saves.
Colorado's home-ice wors continued.

The Avalanche are winless in their last seven home games (0-4: 2-1) and have scored only six goals in those games.
They also are 1-51-1 in their last.

They also are 1-5-1-1 in their last eight games overall.

Tampa Bay outshot-Colorado 10-4 in the third period, scoring

twice.

Lecavalier made it 2-0, coming down the right side, faking left and scoring through an opening on the right side of the net. It was his 25th goal of the season.

goal of the season.

St. Louis added an empty-net goal with 1:05 to go, his 32nd.

Tampa Bay had a 15:5 edge in shots in the first period and led 1:0 on Richards 21st goal. Fredrik Modins shot ricocheted just right of the goal, and Richards put it in.

of the goal, and fuchards put in.
Aebischer kept the score from
being more lopsided, stopping
Martin Cibak on a partial breakaway and later making a sprawling
save to rob Lecavalier.

Colorado's Milan Hejduk hit the goalpost during the Avs' lone power play.

In a scoreless second period. Aebischer had a save off Richards on a two-on-one rush. Khabibulin on a two-on-one rush. Khabibul had nice saves against Teem Selanne and Hejduk and a glo-save off Steve Moore.

save off Steve Moore.

Colorado had a prime scoring chance on a two-on-one early in the period, but Travis Brigley whiffed on a shot in front.



Tampa Bay Ughtning goalle Nikolal Khabibulin of Russia reaches up to stop a shot off the stick of a player on the Colorado Avalanche in the Lightning's 3-0 victory in Denver on Monday.

Canadiens 2, Devils 1

Canaciens 2; Devis 1

MONTREAL—Jason Ward scored
a power-play goal with 24 seconds
left in regulation Monday night and
the Montreal Canadiens extended
their season-fligh winning streak to
fire with a 2-1 win over the New
Jersey Devis

Ward seofred his third goal with
New Jersey captain Score

Sred his manager in the penalty box, who would of Francis

Martin Brodeur.
Richard Zednik scored his first goal in over a month and Jose Theodore stopped 28 shots for the Canadiens, who are 6-1 in their last

Carpanes.

Montreal, seventh in the Eastern
Conference with 76 points, moved
within two points of sixth-place

New Jersey.
Turner Stevenson scored 7:58
into the third period to tie the

New Jersey lost its third in a row

Blackhawks 2, Predators 2

MASHVILLE, Tenn. - Chicago goaltender Adam Murio earned a tie in his first NHL game Monday night, stopping 33 shots as the Blackhawks tied the Nashville Predators 2-2.

awks' top pick in the

called up two weeks ago.

Chicago tied it with 1:44 remaining in regulation when Matt Keith scored his first goal of the season. By pushing the puck under goalie by pushing the puck under goalie Tomas-Vokoun from a crowd in

Tomas-Vokoun. from a crowd in front of the net. Chicago needed only three sec-onds on the power play to score the first goal of the game. Tyler Amason got the puck off a faceoff on the right wing and fired it past Vokoun for the only goal of the first period.

Giricek propels Jazz past Pistons, 94-86

SAIT LAKE CITY (AP) - Reserve Gordan Giricek scored 24 points and lead the Utah Jazz past the Detroit Pistons 94-86 Monday night for their fourth straight with Control of the Jazz in a trade from One of the Jazz in a point of the Jazz in the

Celtics 117, Magic 96

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BOSTON – Mark Blount had career highs
of 28 points and 21 rebounds – the Celtics
first 20-20 game in 10 years – and Boston
scored the first 25 points of the fourth quarter
Monday night in beating the Orlando Magic
117-96.



Detroit Pistons center Rash the shot attempt by Utah Jazz fo Andrel Kirlienko during the fourth quarte Monday in Salt Lake City. The Jazz beat the Pistons 94-86.

The Celtics won their third consecutive game and just their fourth under interim coach John Carroll, who took over when Jim OBrien resigned on Ian. 27. Blount had his fifth consecution with nine assists for Boston. Tracy formly the NBAS leading scorer fact Grandy the NBAS leading scorer four their playing just two minutes in the first quarter because of four trouble.

Wizards 111, Hornets 106, OT

***MASHINGTION — Gibbert Arenas scored eight of his 35 points in overtime; and the Wizards recovered after blowing a 21-point second-half lead; The Wizards scored more points in the five-minute overtime (15) than they did in the entire fourth quarter (10). Jarvis Hayes, starting for injured swingman

Wizards, who shot \$2 percent and naw worthere of four.

Baron Davis scored 18 of his 33 points in the fourth quarter and overtime, and added 11 assists for the Hornets.

Jamal Mashburn scored 28 points, and ald rebounds. New Orleans has lost four straight reced traines.

Bulls 92, Cavallers 81

CHICAGO – Kirk Hinrich continues to impress, this time outplaying his more her-alded rookie counterpart to lead Chicago over Cleveland.

over Cleveland.

Two days after becoming the first rookie with a triple-double this season. Hinrich came close to a second with 22 points, eight rebounds and seven assists. He had 11 points during a critical third-quarter spurt and made several shots worthy of a highlight reel including a rare dunk.

When I limich left the game with less than ing ovation.

ing ovation.

Letton lames had 18 points, but he shot just 7-of-17 with three rebounds and three assists. Zydrunas Ilgauskas had 19 points and 10 rebounds to lead Cleveland, which lost for bloozer had 13 rebounds.

Hinrich has been on a tear recently with the triple-double and a season-high 25 points on Feb. 21. But facing James seemed to bring out his best.

Grizzlies 81, Spurs 80

SAN ANTONIO - Lorenzen Wright put back his own missed shot with 19.2 seconds remaining to cap a 14-point rally by Memphis

Memphis
The Spurs, who played a second game
without injured Tim Duncan, made only one
field good in the filial 3:27.
Earl Watson led Memphls with 13 points,
while Wright had 12 and Pat Gasol 11.
The of Turkogiu praced Sur Antonio with 19
points and Rasho Nesterovic addigd 18 and 10
rebounds.

the county.

A group calling itself "Pheyos and Athena"
- the names of the Olympic mascots—said in
a call to an Athena newspaper the attack was
ted to the meetings of the IOC and the
Association of National Olympic
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This is a welcome message to the members of the International Olympic Committee," the caller told the newspaper.

The attack was in the western suburb of lion, about six miles from the central Athens hotel where the Olympic meetings took place.

That sturely added to the anadety surrounding these games, where expectations have been lowered to the point that everyone will feel relieved if they simply go on as scheduled with no violence and a minimum of problems.

lems.

If the Greeks push ahead down the stretch to complete the stadium roof, let's hope ino one tries to save time by leaving out a few cru-cial rivets:

Steve Wilstein is a national sports columnist for The Associated Press. Write to him at swilstein(at)ap.org.

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I want everybody to understand the responsibility that comes to them."

Kitna, the only quantigback to take every snap for his team last season, said the team was essentially starting over. "I thought offensively we were prety good and wed really done some positive things and did some things that people said we couldn't do, both individually and as an offense," he said.

In other moves:

Buffalo cut eight-time Pro Bowl guard Ruben Brown, who would have been duca \$1.8 million roster bonus. Team president

Ruben Brown, who would have been duca \$1.8 million roster bonus. Team president Tom Donahoe said other factors figured into the release, although he did not spec-

Smith, who could have become a restricted free agent. Smith led the Panthers last season with 88 receptions for 1,110 yards, then had 19 catthes for 424 yards and three touchdowns in the playoffs as Carolina made it to the Super Bowl. The Panthers also re-signed defensive lineman AlWallace, a key reserve.

• Running back ferome Bettis agreed to hefty pay cult from Pittsburgh. The 32-year-old Bettis, sixth on the NPTs career rushing list, will make St million, with St million in incentives. He was due to have made \$3.75 million piths a \$750,000 roster bonus.

• Linebacker Mo Lewis, who started 200

Linebacker Mo Lewis, who started 200 games for the New York Jets for all 13 of his NFL seasons, was released in a cap move.
 The Jets also released both starting safeties

from last season, Sam Games and Tyron

from instance.

Carter.

Chicago released Kordell Stewart, ending a disappointing one-year run with the quarterback who lost his job to rookie flex quarte Grossman. Stewart signed a two-year, \$5 million deal as a free agent nearly a year

e Bears also released defensive end n Daniels.

enillip Daniels.
Cornerhack Ray Buchanan, an 11-year veteran dubbed "Big Play Ray," was released by Atlanta. Buchanan struggled the last two seasons with the Falcons. Also cut was 10-year veteran linebacker Sam Rogers.

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Sam Rogers.

Jason Taylor agreed to a six-year, \$45 million contract that reduces the Dolphins' 2004 salary-cap figure by \$4 mil-

lion, a source close to the negotiations said on condition of annonymity. The defensive end will now be under contract through 2009.

The Dolphins also are negotiating a new contract with quarterback lay Fiedler, who also received permission to seek a trade.

Tennessee reached agreement on a multipear contract with receiver Drew Bennett, who could have become a restricted free agent. Another receiver in that ratgory, Justin McCareins, received a tender ofter that will require a first-round draft choice as compensation.

Among inters to re-sign with their teams were center Mike Flynn of Baltinger, defensive tacke Josh Williams of Indhampolis, and guard Russ Hochstein of Newlyngland.

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The IOC issued a strong warning to Athens organizers in 2000 after three years of chronic delays. Rogge said the situation improved marketly after the government increased its involvement and Gianna Angelopaulos-Daskalási took over the organizing committee.

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Very much has been achieved, much remains to be done, Rogesaid. There is still enough time to have excellent games, provided our Greek friends continue at a fast pace. I remain confident.

Rogge told Athens to concentrate on a few vital "areas -ensuring safe games, good conditions for the allufets, smooth imaporation, well-nu neunes and compelling television images.

Tam interested in the core delivery of the games, Rogge sald. "If we have the stadium without the roof, but still functioning well, I am perfeely happy."

ICA member Kevan Gosper of Australia has been impressed with the progress the Greeks have made since his last visit is months ago.

There is some nervourses because normally this close to the games you would see the venues and infrastructure complete, Gosper told. The Associated Press. "I think they'll get there, but there's no room for any disruption.

Disruption, though, is almost certainly guaranteed, whether from labor, politics or protests.

Much attention has been focused on secturity for these Summer Games; the first since the Sept. 11:2001, terrorist attacks. U.S. athletes are being warmed to prepare for a hostic reception in Athens, and more than half of Americans surveyed in a recent AP poll say they believe a terrorist attack is likely. Four out of 10 say American adultetes are most likely to be the target of any such attack.

Security remains the highest priority, with more than \$300 million budgeted to protect affects and affects. The main worries have been about interrational certorists, yet last week's firebousibing of two environment ministry trucks showed that dangers' lut within the country.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF-

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lome winning streak in women's
college-basketball history ended
when Seward County
Community College has 64-50 to
Hutchinson Community College,
breaking bly-lady Saints's string of
home victories at 135.

The Lady Saints were just two
home victories short of the overall
college record, set by the two-year
College of Southern Idaho men's
team. That streak ended in 1992.
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Klefer advances in Franklin Templeton Tennis Classic

Klefer advances in Franklin
Templeton Tennis, Classic
SCOTTSDALE: Ariz. - No. 7.
Nicolas Kiefer, the only, seeded
player in action Monday at the
Franklin - Templeton Tennis
Classic, beat Brian Vahany 6-3, 6-3
to advance to the second round.
The 26-year-old German.
The 26-year-old German.
Anked 46th after reaching his first
ATP final on U.S. soil last week in
Memphis, broke Vahaly once in
the first set and twice in the second, ending the match in 1 hour.
14 minutes.
Earlier, Lars Burgsmuller of
Germany was extended by luckyJoser Alex Kin before pulling out a
6-43-36, 7-5 victory. Kim didn't get
into the 32-riam field until fitthseeded, Taylor Dent withdrew
because of a stomach illuess.
Russian Dmitry Tursunov
defeated by Karlovic of Croatia 63, 6-1 and Wesley Woodie of South
Africa beat France's Antony
Dupuis 6-7 (6), 6-2, 6-2.

- U.S. Open champion - Andy
Roddick, the world No. 1 at the
end of last year, will debur in
Scottsdale on Tuesday, facing
Dutchman John Van Lottum.
Second-seeded Martin Verkers of
The Netherlands also will play in
the event for the first time
Tuesday against Swiss player Yves
Allegro.

Canseco fails to Impress

Canseco falls to Impress in Dodgers' open workout VERO BEACH, Fla. – Jose Canseco better hope the book he claims to be writing is more successful than his performance in anopen tryout with the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Canseco probably wrote his final chapter in baseball at Mondays workout, looking nothing like the slugger who intimidated opposing pitchers in the late 1980s and 90s.

"I think he swimg the but good," former Dodgers manager Tom Lasorda said afterward.
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said afterward.

Now a senior vice president with the Dodgers, Lasorda seemed to realize he was being overly kind.

'This is probably going to be my last attempt — see -you in the movies.' Canseco told reporters afterward as he signed autographs.

afterward as he signed auto-graphs. A six-time All-siar, who has 462 career homers, Canseco hit one ball over the fence in 18 batting practice swings and wasni partic-ularly impressive otherwise against pitcher Itara Bustabad, the htting coach for the Dodgers Vern Beach farin team.

Canseco had two singles in six official at-bats with a walk and two strikeouts in the intrasquad game.

Kidd has bone bruise on knee, no structural damage

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EAST RUTHERFORD, N.I.
lason Kidd has a bone bruise onhis left knee, and the Nets' All-Star
point guard is listed as day to day
hat revealed no structural damy
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traveling to Denever to start a fourgame-road trip.
The 'njury was disclosedSunday night after Kidd spent the
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bench in a 100-83 loss to the Los
Angeles Lakers.

Wild-card Testud knocks off eighth-seeded Serna

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DOHA, Qatar - Wild-card entry
Sandrine Testud knocked off
eighth-seeded Magui Serna 6-3.
6-2 Monday in the first round of
the Qatar Open.
It was Testuds first round of
the Catar Green.
February 2003.
In the only other singles match
of the tournament's opening day
Iclena Kostanic advanced when
Petra Mandula withdrew because
of a right thigh Injury.

Congressman seeks hearing

Congressman seeks hearing Into Oolorado sex scandal WASHINGTON - A flouse Democrat, requested congressional hearings into accusations of sexual misconduct and recruiting tactics by the Colorado football program. Michigan Rep. John Conyers said Monday that recruiting practices at the university and at other schools are "spiraling dangerously out of control." Conyers, the senior Democration the House Judiciary Committee, asked in a letter that an oversight hearing be held in connection with the Violence -Against Women Act. In all, seven women have accused football players of sexual assault since 1997, though no charges have been filed. Football coach Gary Barnet was usispended after criticizing the ability of former kicker Kaite Hindia after she said she was raped in 2000.

He has said his statements were taken out of context and insisted the school did everything it could for India.

Texas' Ian Crocker sets

Texas' lan Crocker sets 50-meter butterfly record

50-meter butterfly record
AUSTIN. Texas - Texas swimmer lan Crocker set a world record in the 50-meter butterfly at the Big 12 conference time trials, pending werification by the sport sturmational fedleration.
Crocker's time of 23.30 seconds Sunday, a day after the Big 12 championship meet concluded, beat the mark of 23.43 seconds set by Marthew Welsh of Australia in July 2003.
Crocker also holds world records in the 100 butterfly (50.98) and as part of the 400 medley relay team (33.15.4), both set at the 2003 world championships in Barcelona, Spain.

Philippoussis, Schuettler,

Henman lose in first round

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DUBAI, United Arab Emirates
Seeded players Mark
Philippoussis, Tim Henman and
Rainer Schuettler all were eliminated in the first round of the
Dubai Open on Monday,
No. 5-seeded Philippoussis, las
year's Wimbledon runner-up, lost
to Olivier Rochus 6-2, 7-6 (8), No. 6
Henman was beaten by Tomas Zib
6-4, 3-6, 7-6 (4), and No. 5
Schuettler was knocked off by
Philipp Kohlschreiber 3-6, 6-4, 6-4.
It was Schuettler's fourth firstround exit this season.

Poole, Hamilton earn players of the week honor

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OGDEN, Utah - Weber State
guard John Hamilton and Idaho
State guard Marquis Poole have
been named the Big Sky
Conference men's busketball coplayers of the week.
Hamilton scored 31 points,
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The senior from Greenfield, Ind., also scored 20 points in the Wildrats 71-57 win over Portland State on Saturday.

The victory over PSU clinched a spot for Weber State in the Big Sky Championship.

Poule averaged 27-5. points in two home victories over Portland State and Eastern Washington. Poole made the game-winning Jayup with 6.3 seconds left in Idalus States 91-90 double over in Idalus States 91-90 double over including Jayup with 6.3 seconds left in Idalus States 91-90 double over including Jayup with 6.3 seconds left in Idalus States 91-90 double over including Jayup with 6.3 seconds left in Idalus States 91-90 double over including Jayup with 6.3 seconds left in Idalus States 91-90 double over fastern Washington on Saturday.

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San Francisco 49ers delay decision of Garcia's future

- SANTA CLARA, Calif. - The San Francisco 19ers have delayed their decision on quarterback leff Garcia's future until Tuesday.

Garcias future until Tuesday.

Garcia, a three-time Pro Bowler, is expected to be released by the 49ers unless his contract is dramatically restructured. Last week, general manager Terry Donahue said a decision would be made Monday - two days before Garcia is due a \$500,000 roster bonus.

is due a \$500,000 roster bonus.
Garcia, San Francisco's starter
since 1999, has made little
progress in recent negotiations
with the 44gers, who yount to
reduce his \$509 million satary for
next season. Garcia's release
would save the 49gers \$17, million
against the salary cap, while the
quarterback gould be one of the
leagues, most attractive free
agents.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

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BRIEFLY IN MONEY

I.C. Penney offers build-a-ring online

DALIAS - The new buzz in the retail business is about customiza-tion. Not just for the wealthy - but for everyone.

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everyone. Made-to-fit jeans. Dell personalized desktop computers.

So LC. Penney Co, hopes its online
Build-a-tling store will be a hit with
couples about to the the knot. Penney
plans to add other customized jewelyoptions to its online store throughout the year, said John Kendig, vice
president of merchandising for JC.
The site offers 150,000 váriations
of the diamond engagement ring
starting with a 22 carat diamond valued at \$210 all the way up to, just for
jun, a 5.29 carat diamond solitaire
priced at \$123,700.

Shoppers select from a choice of
5,000 diamonds, 14k and 19k gold,
white gold and platimum and a variey of setting styles. The made-toorder ring arrives by Fedlex in about a
week.

Farmer training program receives more funding

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MOSCOW — A University of Idaho
extension project that trains farmers
to improve their finances or pursue
new careers will receive nearly.
\$900,000 from the U.S. Department
of Labor for a two-year extension.
The funding from the department's Employment and Training
Administration targets increased
employment, earnings and retention
of farmers in rural communities.
The Alternate Careers for Idaho
Farmer's Degan in November 2001.
Since then 182 participants have
enrolled and 83 have completed
training programs.

enrolled and as have completed training programs. Paul McCawley, extension associ-ate director, said those who complet-ed training programs reported they almost doubled their incomes, and 61 remained on their farms.

Sprint combines PCS and FON stocks into one

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OVERLAND PARK, Kan. – Sprint
Oorp, will combine the company's
two tracking stocks into a single
common stock under the FON symbol on the New York Stock Exchange.
In 1998, the company created a
tracking stock for its wireless business, Sprint PCS, which trades on the
NYSE under the symbol PCS. Sprint
has just over one billion PCS shares
and about 906 million FON shares
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and about 906 million FON snares outstanding. Sprint PCS has a store in Twin Falls. PCS common stock will be climi-nated and each share of PCS com-mon, stock will be converted into one-half share of FON common stock on April 23, leaving about 1.4 billion total shares outstanding after the preambination.

Cell phone companies prepare to do battle

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NEW YORK - Say goodbye to one
national cell phone company, and
hello to two more.
While the industry is hopeful that
the buyout of ATET Writeless by
Gingular Wireless will ease compention by eliminating one national
rival, two other telephone companies are poised to crowd the market
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Owest Communications, the log-phone company in Magic Valley and across the flocky Mountains and Northwest, expanded its regional service on Monday with the introduction of national goverage and

duction of national goverage and calling plans.

"The services will be provided over Spriin Corp's wirdless network under the Quest Wireless brand, which currently has nearly 1 million subscribers on regional calling plans."

The Quest launch comes only daysafer Ariel Corp, former parent of ATER Wireless, asserted that it too would likely introduce a "virtual" mobile phone service using another company's network.

Potlatch paper towels will compete with big brands

LEWISTON – Podatch Corp. says that within days of startup, its new Through.417-Dried tissue machine in Las Vegas began producing paper towels for the company's private label customers.

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Several U.S. retailers was market Podatch's new towel.

"This was an extremely smooth startup, which was key to our strate-gy of getting the product on our cus-tomers' shelves' without delay," said Craig Nelson, Potlatch vice

Compiled from wire reports

with bovine spongiform encephalopathy, commonly called mad cow disease. I think at least through the

METALINE FALLS, Wash. - For the first time in nearly three decades, trucks carrying zinc ore concentrates are rumbling out of the Pend Orelile Mine. bringing a ray of economic sunshine to this hardscrabble corner of Washington State (1997).

Stillne to this hardscrabble corner of Washington state. Teck Cominco American Inc., a subsidiary of Vancouver, British Columbia-based Teck Cominco Ltd., has spent about \$70 million to reopen the shuttered zinc and lead mine it bought in 1995. The mine had been lide since 1977.

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The renewed mining activity comes to this mountainous county that perennially has some of the state's highest unemployment rates and

of the state's highest unemployment rates and poverty.

Even conservation groups — while not embracing mining — have gone easy on the county's newest employer, despite its ongoing fight with regulators over pollution.

Tex Cominion and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency are battling over heavy-met als pollution from the company's Trail, British Columbia, smelter. The contaminants flow into the Columbia River and end up in Lake Rossevelt in Washington state.

In Pend Orelile County, which traditionally relied on resource extraction industries of logging and mining unemployment hovers around 10 percent, well.

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ers will earn about \$43,000 a year in an area where the median household income is less than \$25,000. The prospect of steady paychecks has created a buzz in northern Pend Oreille County, where a sawmill and, a giant cosed in the 1990s.

"Especially being resource-based these of the source of the saw of the

spring, we're kind of set up for as much production as the market wants to handle, so that's going of depress prices for a while. Gray sald. In the longer term, we're looking pretty good.

Cattle generated about \$1.1.bil.

of the lotal receipts to many oc-culture. Continuing drought and the dis-covery of mad cow in Canada last year drove up demand for local beef, resulting in recore. high cat-tle prices, Gray said.
But December's discovery of mad cow in Washington ended the hom.

cattle prices in the Northwest and throughout the country if those markets open up, then all the markets open up, then all the markets are there for another good year. Knight said.

Meanwhile, a high rate of cattle entered the feedlost for fattening last fail. Gray said: and they are expected to hit grocery shelves this month.

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"We're going to see a bit of a bulge in beef going to market." Gray said.

Idaho ranchers appear to be rebuilding their herds, Gray said, keeping about 5.5 percent monthers or the bulger of the producers are keeping nearly 2 percent fewer beliers.

BOISE – Recent activity in U.S.: Bankruptcy Court included these! Magic Valley filings: Chapter 7, nonbusiness. under \$50,000

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Experts: Spring beef prices won't rise

BOISE - Beef prices will likely be depressed throughout the spring but could increase by this summer or fall as foreign markets reopen, their borders to American beef, cattle experts predict.

C. Wilson Gray, an extension economist with the University of Idaho's Twin Falls Research and Extension Center, blamed the low prices, on increased, supply und last year's announcement that a cow in Washington was infected with bovine spongiform encephalopathy.

mad cow in Washington ended the boom. "I don't expect to see prices that high again in our lifetime." Gray

said. But the timing is not as bad as it could have been — we were exporting about 10 percent of our beef, so that extra 10 percent that's going to be here for a while were better able to deal with.

Lloyd Knight, executive vice president of the Idaho Cattlemen's Association, said live cattle prices dropped about 20 percent after the mad cow announcement, while wholesale meat prices dropped as much as 30 percent.

In the months since, Knight said, the domestic market has "Obviously, the big question is when are our export market sping to open up again? That's going to have the most impact on

Mine reopening sparks county's economy

Pend Orelile Mine EMT Colleen Miller prepares for a day of work at the Metaline Falls, Wash., mine. For the first time in nearly three decades, trucks carrying zinc-bearing ore are leaving the mine, bringing a ray of economic sunshine to this hardscrabble corner of the state.

ray of economic sunshine to this hardscrabble common." Metaline Falls Mayor Jane Reed said. "You do lose a lot of young people from the community Were excited about the prospect of keeping some of our young people at home." The company winnowed 2,000 applications and hired 1400-workers - about half of them locally, but many others with experience in under ground mines in Aladas, Neada and Idaho. Almost overnight, the mining company became the second-largest private employer in this country of about 12,000 people. A public hospitalistic in Newport, the country seat, is the control of the property of the country of about 12,000 people. A public hospitalistic in Newport, the country seat, is the control of the property of the country of about 10 years, when the mine likely will close again.

Mine manager Mark Brown said startup production problems have limited output to albut 1,000 tons a day, or half the mines capacity. Failed the treather the workt.

duction problems have limited output to about 1,000 tons a day, or half the mines capacity. Earlier this month, trucks full of zinc concentrate began making trips to Teck Comincos strictler ar Trall, British Columbia.

The mine's proximity to the Trail smelter, about 50 miles north, was a major factor in the Canadian company's decision to reopen. The U.S.-Canadian border is just 11 miles north of the mines its

the mine site.

Teck Cominco's smelter historically has been a major source of Columbia River pollution, but opposition from environmental groups has

opposition from environmental groups has been mutted.

The smelter has, dumped as estimated 10 million to 20 million tons of waste slag – a byproduct with toxic metals such as lead, asenie and mercury—into the Columbia.

Teck Cominco has maintained the pollution came from several sources and it shouldn't be saddled with all the costs, as the EPA has

sought.
Water from the underground mine will be treated and pumped into the Pend Oreille River, which flows north into Canada before emptying into the Columbia just north of the border.

Union Pacific drops first-quarter outlook

After being decord for nearly time decords the Pand Oralle Mine of Motaline Falls will reopport mining for zarc ore operation should, help the need for jobs in the depressed area.

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OMAHA, Neb. – A \$30 million court judgment against. Union Pacific Corp. as well as severe winter weather, high fuel costs and a crew shortage, prompted the company Monday to cut its earnings forecast for the first quarter.

Union Pacific, owner of the protone barees railroad, will not

Union Pactitic, owner of unation's largest railroad, will not meet its targeted 30 percent to percent growth over the 57 cents per share from continuing operations recorded in last years first quarter, chairman and chief exceutive Dick Davidson said.

the quarter, our outlook is unclear," Davidson said.

The economy continues to improve, more train ziews are being hired and March train ally is the railroad's strongest month for first-quarter revenue, Davidson said.

"Were looking for better days." Davidson said.

The Arkansas Supreme Court on Thursday upheld a \$30 million judgment against the railroad for a 1998 grade crossing accident that rijured a. man. The man's family sued saying the railroad had been rold the crossing was unsafe but did not adequately clear brush along the tracks.

The railroad might appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court, Davidson said. But the expense of the verificit. including \$54' million in interest, will be recorded in the first quarter ending March 31. The judgment will cost the company about 8 cents a share, Davidson said.

Heavy snow and severe cold this

"We have winter every year, but this is one for the record books."

Davidson said.
Heavy snow and severe cold this winter have hampered service at the railroad, which covers 23 states in the western two-thirds of the country. In Magic Valley, Union Pacific has a freight office in

Davidson said. Salt Lake City and other have-had-heavy snow this

Salt Lake City and other areas have had heavy snow this year, affecting rail traffic beyond northern lines that primarily carry coal and hampering the entire network, including delivery of attomobites, toys and other goods, Davidson said.

"We really got hammered right in our jugular vein, so it really affected everything else," Davidson said. Itoweyer, demand for the rail-

Davidson said.
However, demand for the rail-raid's service is growing as the economy improves and by the end of the first quarter Union Pacific plans to have added 1:000 people to its train crews, Davidson said.

Several weeks ago a reader asked how to stop subsidizing her adult children. So many of you respond-ed with thoughts and strategies that I've included your responses in two columns. This is the second of

that ree includes year to be second of those columns. This is the second of those columns. Dear Liz This is our solution to giving money to our adult children. I opened a money fund and called it 'the kids' account.' Any children with, a financial emergency could borrow from it.

When we started this account, I required a signed IOU, white included the number, amount and frequency of payments proposed. I charged a fall 10 percent interest to ensure that the fund could survive and grow. And I made't I clear that failure to repay the fund was to cheat the other siblings and would har the defaulter from any further loans. These days I get repald with-



MONEY TALK Liz Pulliam Weston

in a few months so we skip the for-malities, although I always restate the guidelines.

the guidelines.
Comment: You're obviously comfortable with your unique arrangement, and it seems to be working for your family But I does the question: Why are financially comfortable adults continuing to have "emergencies" for ing to have "emergencies" for which they need a parental loan? Part of being a financially responsi-ble adult is setting aside money for

rainy day. Here's another perspectiv

Dear Liz: More than the parents own sanity, saying "no" preserves the sanity of our grown children and their children. I wonder if "real emergencies" happen less often when the child knows that Mom and Dad are not available to sweep

up the mess.

My husband and I, married 35 years, set in motion a plan to raise not only financially but also emotionally independent children. And we did. Was it difficult to say no?

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Yes. But we knew it was the only
way to raise independent children.
Dear Liz. With Jive children we
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We have a warm and happy relationship with the kids who know that they have their independence that they have the control of t

vinced that a gleentonsy to vinced that a gleentonsy to set rate solidifies the seriousness of our lending expectations. Dear Liz I couldn't agree more with your advice not to linancially subsidize grown children. I am a Certified Public Accountant and have sweath clients who are still supporting their adult children—so much so that they are sacrificing their own lifestyle to avoid running out of money. I have counseled clients on several occasions that at some point.

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Parents give advice about lending money to grown children

Disney might lose famous official

The Washington Post

Almost as much as Mickey Mouse, Michael Elsner hus been the public face of the Walt Disney Co. Visitors to the company's theme paris are greeted by a sculpure of Mickey holding hands with founder Walt Disney. But, for the samiliar a centerpiece as amiliar a centerpiece as Cinderell's Center That may be the samiliar a centerpiece. The many services of the samiliar and the samiliar as centerpiece. The samiliar as centerpiece as That may be the samiliar as the samiliar and the samiliar as the samiliar as the samiliar as the samiliar and the samiliar as the samiliar

huge pay packages, such as former New York Stock Exchange chief Dick Grasso.

At the world's best-known entertainment company, there is a shareholder rebellion. Eisen; 61, is feeling the heat from shareholders trying to take Disney's leadership into their hands. Eisner also had to deal with a unsolicited S56 tillion takeover offer from Comeast Corp. which Disney has spurmed.

Eisner and his 10 fellow board meithers are up for re-election at Wednesday's annual shareholders meeting in Philadelphia. And, though the 20-year Disney chief dices no opposition candidate, as many as 35 percent of Disney shareholders are likely to withhold their votes for Eisner's re-election. company officials said, sending a powerful signal to the rest of the board that Eisner must go.

At issue is Eisner's power and performance.

Some corporate-povernand

magazine as recently as 2000. Others disagree, calling it a B-list panel still too timid to stand up to Eisner.

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There is far less disagreement on Disney's financial performance over the past decade. Eisner's fication where every the envy of the hadded, eisner's first magic touch has been all the constraint of the manufacture of the constraint of t

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pathy with hiscillent. They argue intelligence has not mulphshed over the board, and seek his ouster. It is a fresh tack.

The traditional approach is "the Wall Street way," said Sarah A.B. Teslik, executive director of the Council of Institutional Investors: buy the company, which is what Philadelphia-based Concast is attempting to do with the unsolicited takeover offer it made 'Feb. 11.

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Eisner has become a polarizing figure, splitting board-watchers and investion.

Court documents unscaled last week/go example, paint Eisner as a unlateralist, alleging that he hired his friend Michael Orlez as Disney president in the most Orlez as Disney president in the most of view of the company of the

Stocks rise sharply on manufacturing data

NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow Jones Industrial average and Masdaq composite index, posted their strongest gains since early February on Monday on new that the improving manufacturing sector has managed to create jobs — a key piece of the economic recovery that, to date, has been lacking.

Manufacturing further expanded in February, although at a slightly slower pace than expected, according to the Institute for Supply Management Analysts said the sector, was consolidating its gains and preparing for stronger growth in the future.

Although the SSM's main bustiness index fell to 61.4 in February compared with a revised 63.6 in January, analysts noted that the group's subindex for employment was surprisingly higher.

This helps support the feeling that the employment picture is improving said Peter Dunay, chief market strategist at Wall Street Access, "Everything we've been seeing is that employment is getting better, but it of so it where every one wants it to be."

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The Dow jumped 94.22, or 0.9

percent, to 16.678.14, its biggest one-day point gain since Feb. 11.

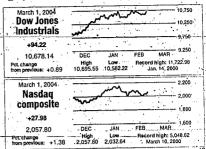
The technology-focused Nasdaq rose 27.98, or 1.4 percent, to 2.057.80, posting its biggest gains since Feb. 6 despite concerns about the strength of semiconductor stocks.

ocks. 'The Standard & Poor's 500 index

The Standard & Poor's 500 index was up 11.02, or 1 percent, at 1,155,96, posting its biggest one-day gain since Feb. 17.

Another indicator of employment growth will come-Friday as the government issues its report on job ereation during Februáry. Andrew Valerie, senior vice president and equity strategist at LPL Financial Services, said that number will come under close scrutiny. "The data has to find a really line in of not being overly strong over

line of not being overly strong over overly weak," Valerie said. "Too low, you get wornes about the lack



of jobs. Too high, you start wondering about interest rate hikes.

Before the session began, the Commerce Department reported consumer spending rose 0.4 percent in January, in line with economists expectations and just slight lower than the strong 0.5 percent rise from December. After tax incomes rose 0.8 percent in January, up from 0.3 percent the month before.

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looks for the near term.

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Sepracor Inc., whose insommin medication received tentative approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, skyrocket as 15,99, or 55 percent, to \$44.30. Another pharmaceutical firm to \$44.30. Despite somewhat disappointing earnings last week. Sprint Corprose \$1.48 to \$192.7 alter Goldmar Sachs upgraded the stock due to a better 2004 outlook. With closing arguments under way in Martha Stewart Strain Martha Stewart Omnimedia Inc. down 61 cents to \$13.92. The judge in the case dismissed the most serious of the charges last week.

The Russell 2000 undex of smaller companies was up 92.1, or 1.6 percent, at 594.77. It was the Russell 2000 s biggest one-day gain since Feb. 17.

Advancing issues outnumbered

2000's biggest offerday gain ance feb. 17.
Advancing issues outnumbered decliners by about 3 to 1 on the New York Stock Exchange, where consolidated volume came to 1.88 consolidated volume came to 1.88 billion shares, compared to 1.96 billion on Friday.

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Consumers boost spending habits 0.4 percent in January

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WASHINGTON (AP)
Consumers boosted their spending by a solid, 0.3 percent in Junuary, a fresh sign they are keeping their pocketbooks and walkers sufficiently open to keep the economic recovery going. The oct of the Commerce percent of the commerce consumers of the commerce consumers of the commerce came after a bigger 0.5 percent rise in December; which was slightly stronger than first estimated a month ago.

In other economic news, factory activity expanded in February. The Institute for Supply Management said its manufacturing indice was 61.4 last month, following a reading of 63.6 in January, An index reading above 50 signifies expansion, while one below 50 indicates contraction.
Construction spending, meanwhile, dipped by 0.3 percent in January, the first decrease since May, as bad winter weather in some parts of the country delayed the start of new projects, the

Commerce Department sald.
The decline followed a revised
0.6 percent increase in December,
which marked a stronger performance than previously estimated.
Although conomists were calling
for a 0.3 percent increase for
January, even with the drop, the
level of construction spendinghovered near an all-time high.
On the consumer front, disposable incomes – what's left after
taxes – rose by 0.8-percent in
January, up from a 0.3 percent
increase the month before.
January's sizable increase was
helped out by a number of factors,
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Looking ahead, tax refunds, which the government will mail out this spring, should help support consumer spending and price judge to the economy in the first half of the year, analysts say.

Prosecutor: Martha thought 'she would never get caught'

NEW YORK (AP) - Martha Stewart and her stockbroker conceived a llimsy cover story about why the homemaking icon sold her ImClone Systems stock and left a "trail of evidence" exposing their lies, a federal prosecutor said Monday in closing arguments.

In a methodical three-hour closing argument, prosecutor Michael Schachter told jurors that Stewart and broker-Peter-Bacanovic believed they would never get caught.

Siewart and Bacanovic face nine federal counts related to the sale of about \$225,000 worth of stock on Dec. 27, 2001, the day before the stock tanked on news that the government declined to review an inclone cancer drug.

ernment declined to review an ImClone cancer drug. Prosecutors say Bacanovic sent word to Stewart that ImClone CEO Sam Waksal and his family were frantically dumping their shares. On Monday, Schachter tried to dismande the centerpiece of the pair's defense – that they had

er get caught?

struck a deal before Dec. 27 to sell Stewart's shares when ImClone stock dropped below 860. The prosecutor called the story pinony. "Silly and "simply an attenth-fact cover story."

Stewart took notes during the arguments and, as she has done throughout the trial, maintained a giving poker face. Her lead attorney was to make his case Tuesday, with the jury to begin deliberating acady as Wednesday. The prosecutor listed seven reasons juros would know, the 860 agreement Is a lie. Among them: The pair have no record of having made the plan, other than a work sheet produced by Bacanovic with the trust of the pair have no record of having made the plan, other than a work sheet produced by Bacanovic with the form of the pair have no record of having mother marks on the page.

Schachter task listed the consistencies mistakes, he called them—In the saries Stewart and Bécanovic told federal investigators looking into the ImClone trade in early 2002.

Advice

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they have to say no to their grownup children and make them stand
on their own two feet. If they fall
on their faces, it may be the best
thing that happens to them. At
least the children may learn to be
fiscally responsible, and not do
things they can't afford. What are
these people who have a straw
stuck in their parents' checkbook
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They probably don't think about the fact that their parents have their own bills to pay. It's up to the parents, as always, to draw the line in these cases. It's one thing to share with your adult children when you have more than enough. It's quite another to sacrifice your own retirement or other goals because your kids have yet to learn responsible money management.

Questions can be sent to Liz Pulliam Weston: at asklizweston@hotmail.com or malled to her in care of Money Talk, Business Section, Los Angeles Times, 202 W. First St., bos Angeles, CA 90012.

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Performance on the go

eMachines laptop offers quality at inexpensive price

By Matthew Fordhal
Associated Press writ

Associated Press writer

7. In the not-too-distant past, computers with 64-bit processors were called workstations, servers or mainframes. They lived in university research labs, corporate data-centers and government officers where they ran gigantic databases and simulated nuclear explosions. Now, eMachines Inc., which built a reputation for selling low lend computers, is offering a 64-bit laptop for \$1,359, including a 64-bit laptop for \$1,359, including a 64-bit laptop for \$1,594, including a 64-bit laptop for \$1,594, including a ferbate. The M6807 is loaded with features and is an excellent performer to boot.

Too bad those attributes have nothing to do with the processor's ability, to handle data in 64-bit stury is a great marketing hook, there's almost no

abulty to handle data if of schurks.

Though the 64-bit story is a great marketing hook, there's almost no consumer software that can yet take advantage of it. Microsoft's 64-bit Windows XP operating system fermains unreleased, in beta resting. Until it's released, there's little point for other software companies to sell 64-bit programs.

But that's not a problem for the 'M6807, which performs very well in the 32-bit world. Its processor—an Advanced Micro Device mobile Arthlon 64 – runs today's software without any performance penalty.

without any performance penalty.

After all, it's still just an x86 chip
with 64-bit extensions.

The laptop is stylishly designed,

gadgets go from

silly to sublime

Remember when the wildest gadget going was a pocket calculator? or?

These days, devices boggle the nind with their ingenuity, ranging rom the silly to the sublime.

There's a cell phone that doubles is a minikaraoke machine made

is a ministrator management of the trums into a mirror when not in use, made by German-based ad notan. From the seemingly endless list of nifty electronic and mechanical management available now or soon

of nity electronic and mechanical, contrapions available now or soon to come, we have picked two standouts.

Coolest gamer:
Product name: Wireless Air Flo Controller for PS2. Available: End of February. Manufacturer: Nyko Fredmendese, Price: S50
For gamers' out there with over-heated digits; your days of suffering are over. Los Angeles-based Nyko's line of computer game consoless solves a problem non-gamers had no idea existed. It seems people who spend hours rapidly twisting and turning game sticks get hit hands and sweaty palms, a condition which can lead to low scores, and worse, lost games. The Nyko-device solves the vexing problem by pumping a steady stream of cooling, air-to-the, linger_region. Ashthi. Let the games beginner.

By Martha McKay "Knight Ridder News Service

High-tech



eMachines Inc., which once had a reputation for seiling low-end computers, is offering this 64-bit M6807 notebook laptop for \$1,549, including a rebate. It is loaded with features and is an excellent

a black plastic clamshell with a distinctive silver swoosh and "e" on the lid. Status lights softly glow an attractive dark blue. The keyboard is rugged, too. And the track pad has a nifty area that controls vertical scribbars.

scrollbars. lobody will mistake the M6807 a thin-and-light notebook. It's ghly the dimensions of a coffee roughly the dimensions of a conectable book and weighs a helty 8.7 pounds with the power adapter. It

kicks off considerable heat, making bare-skin laptop computing a bit uncomfortable.

uncomfortable.

I tested the unit for several weeks and never noticed a computational stumble. Games played smoothly and DVD movies, impressive on the wide screen, did not stutter—a problem of systems with underperforming processors and graph-

Firm works to develop wireless tracking devices

Imagine swarms of tiny sensors sltting in your office, seeing, listen-ing and maybe even smelling everything that goes on around

you.

"smart dust sensors are under development by start-ups like Dust of Berkeley, Call, to be used in everything from heightening security in offices to observing enterny troop movements. Dust was set to announce Wednesday, that the CIA's venture branch. In-Q-Tel, and two other invested S7 million to help it in its rutes!

nest.
Dust is one of the leading makers
"smart dust," or miniature senors that measure heat and vibraon, analyze chemical compounds or smart dust, or minature sensors that measure heat and vibration, analyze chemical compounds and observe surrounding movement. "Smart dust," is a niche in the
to "adio frequency identification
industry, where companies are racing to develop versions of a technology that uses wireless sensing to
track movements and products.

Dust, which employs 27 people,
is battling still competition from an
emerging group of start-ups
focused on the smart-dust market.

With smart dust, sensors are
packed in a tiny box together with
small chip, a battery and a radioand use these components to pass
along data to other boxes that liemearby in a so-called "mesh network." Each of them also commuincates wirelessly with a central
network platform.

Dust has focused so far on helping the military to do things like
observe enenytroop movements.
But soon it and others want to sels
swarms of these tiny sensors to big

corporations to observe energy usage, monitor for security and do things we don't even know about yet – which is when privacy inplications might come in.

Dust wants companies and military agencies to buy the \$20-ods ensors (the price isn't set, but will come down as they're produced in quantity) in big batches.

"This is going to spring open.a whole new category of possibilities," said Paul Koontz., of Foundation Capital, which led the investment. He was joined by in-Q-Tel and venture firm IVP.

Kris Pister, chief executive of Dust, has spen I dy years working to create the miniature sensors, and has shrunk them to about match box size.

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In the next year or two, he wants to shrink them to the size of a bottle cap or aspirin. Bulky batteries are limiting the progress.

Dust has alrgady announced it has six contracts with the government that will unfold over the next two years.

wo years.

The CIA's backing will help Dust
in its competition with two other
venture-backed rivals, Ember and
Millenial Net, both of Boston.
Pister and his backers say Dust's
competitive advantage is its heritage — more than 10 years of,
research at University of CaliforniaBerkeley labs. Pister led a Berkeley
project, launched in 1937, that
aimed to build a sensing and communication package within a munication package cubic-millimeter-size

coined smart dust.

Pister left a year ago to build Dust and market the technology. The company already has revenue but won't be profitable for at least a

Gateway only seus computers intel processors. The M6708 is the perfect note-book for replacing a desktop system. Because of its size and weight, it will seem most at home on a destor a coffee table. Yet thanks to the wireless features, it can be lugged around for mobile work or weight training. Cameras, cell phones prove handy tools for students who want to cheat

By Suzanne Pardington Knight Ridder News Service

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. — Teachers thought they had seen it all when it comes to cheating. A tiny cheat sheet tucked up a sleeve. A math formula saved on a calculator. An essay pulled off the Internet. But now sneaky students have found a new high-tech way to ask friends covertly for help on tests.

Students can send silent questions and answers to one another right under teachers noses on cell phones with built-in cameras and text messaging.

Jan Bunten, a math teacher at College Park High in Pleasant Hill, Calli, was shocked last fall when a student showed her a picture on his cell phone of a test question sent to him by a friend in another class.

class.

The also has heard of students taking pictures of tests and posting them on the internet.

"Catching kids cheating is just a nightmare," Bunten said. "Its not nearly as easy as it used to be."

Cell phones — considered a must-have accessory by chatty, teenagers and a security measure by many parents — are pervasive at middle and high schools, and

cameras and text messaging are increasingly common features. A 2002 state law permits cell phones on school grounds in California, but most schools do not allow them to be used, or even visible, during class.

Still, it' can be hard to spot a small cell panoe in a large class. Some teenagers are so good at spelling out text messages on phone key pads that they can do't without looking, while the phone is hidden up a sleeve, in the big front pocket of a hooded sweat-shirt or under a desk.

It is also not only ions when a student is taking a picture, because some cell-phone cameras do not make any loise.

some cell-phone cameras up not make any noise. Some students said text mes-saging is more likely than taking pictures as a cheating tool, but they have heard of both happen-ing.

ing.

Mike, a College Park High student who asked that his last name not be used, admits to having used text messaging to cheat. For example, he might send a student on the other side of the classroom a message saying something like "What's the answer to number one?" Teachers do not seem to notice, he said.

"People rarely do it, but if it's a

Product review

nected to my home Wi-Fi network

with no bassle.

The lithium ion battery's life was impressive for a large laptop. From a full charge, the eVachines notebook lasted 25 hours while i surfed the Web over my home network. With the DVD drive playing a movie, the battery lasted 1 hour, 55

movie, the battery lasted 1 hour, 55 minutes.

The system also sports a very good 15.4-inch widescreen display. DVD burner, memory card reader, 60-gigabyte hard drive, 52 megabytes of memory and a host of other features like fast FireWire and USB 2.0 ports.

On the software side, eMachines bundled the basic Microsoft Works productivity suite, Microsoft Money, Roxios CD/DVD burning program and a free 90-day subscription to Symantee's. Norton AntiVirus 2004.

The notebook will continue to be sold even after Gatteway's \$235 miles in completed next month. Currently, Gatteway only sells computers with Intel processors.

The M6708 is the perfect note-

really important problem and it's too hard to figure out, you go and ask someone else, he said. A friend once sent him a photo of a test question. He laughed when he saw it, because he didn't realize a camera phone could be used that way. In addition to cheating, some teachers and administrators are worried that students will take

In addition to cheating, some teachers and administrators are worried that students will take photos of other students underssed in locker rooms or in the result of the property of the problems with students in other school district, first heard reports of problems with students in other school district, should prove the problems with students in other school district. Oh my God, the job has just gotten harder.

The four high schools in the neighboring Acalanes, Callf. district are planning to post signs in locker room saying that cell phones are not permitted. No cases of unauthorized locker room photes have been reported down before it becomes a problem, said Beverly Sadder, associate superintendent.

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's just a new temptation with w toy," she said.

Display size on your laptop depends on the dot decision

By James Coates Knight Ridder News Service

Q.I have a little problem with my, laptop computer and was wondering if you might be able to help. When I purchased the Dell Japtop. an Inspiron, I wanted that model because it had a nice full screen. However, when I go to my home Web page or play solitaire, the text and images are miniscule. They, only take "up a small part of the screen.

screen. The tried to enlarge them, but I just get the background enlarged, not the items, i.e. the cards remain about 25-inch big, as opposed to my old worknorse desktop where the images fill the screen. Do you know how to enlarge these programs?

grams?

—Melanle Girard,
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thought a presbyopic was a
Protestant minister, Ms. G., and
now that I am a nearsighted (pres-byopic) as a barn owl. I have
learned both a big word and howto
make the display on your laptop as
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Let's start with how to make the
icon displays bigger, which is the
easlest fix. Move the cursor arrow

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out onto the dektop and press the right button and select Properties. Select Appearance from the tabs at the top of the display. Now click on large irons. That will make your dektop irons bigger by a bunch. Now on to increasing the size of programs that get displayed, such as your Web home page.

The trick hier is to change the Windows XP display settings from 95 dots per inch to a larger 120 dpl. It's this simple. Move the cursor arrow onto the desktop of that fine Inspiron laptop, right-click and pick Properties. Select the tab for Appearance and then select Settings. Then select Advanced. Look for the tab called General. Open it and you will find the command for dots per inch.

You will be startled at how different your screen looks after making the change from 98 to 120 dpl. If it seems too profound you can use a customize option on the same menu to set a lower number than 120, say 110.

And remember, you can always return to the current settings just by reversing these instructions.

Yahoo's new search engine earns rave reviews

By Frank Barnako Knight Ridder News Service

Knight Ridder News Service

If Yahoo has not built a better mouseurap, it's at least developed one just as good.

The new Yahoo 'search engine introduced to its U.S. sites recently is her say good, according to Carchinghovarich, compense consultant; said, "But it is engine consultant; said, "But it is my compensed to the proper consultant; said, "But it is my compensed to the proper consultant; said, "But it is my compensed to the proper consultant; said, "But it is my compensed to the proper consultant; said, "But it is defined to the proper consultant is said, said in the proper consultant is said, said in the Yahoo scarch engine captures more page text than does Google, and includes references to file types including PDF and Microsoft Office documents as well as ITIML pages, Sherman wrote in a review Wednesday morning.

The search results also include links to a Web site's available MM/JRSS syndicated content that users can choose to have delivered to their My/Yahoo (tinty/Imy, yahoo.com/) personal home page. This is a fantastic way of creating your own news feed from Web sites

"This is a fantastic way of creating your own news feed from Web sites and blogs, right on your page." Sherman added.

He said this kind of personalization is bound to be a "major focus" for search companies. "The more hey can understand your intent as searcher, and meet your interests, the more loyal you will be and more fequently you will visit, "Sherman said.

Yahoo said its experience with anti-spam filtering will enable its search results to ignore "irrelevant, redundant and low-quality URLs and links."

The Yahoo Search Technology, so nly being used for Web searches now. Google is still delivering image results and news search is produced by a combination of technology and human editorial editorial states where the control of the combination of technology and human editorial editorial states where the next several weeks. The company plans to generate revenue from the new search engine through paid inclusion of advertisers in sponsored results and-licensing the technology, to other companies.

In other search-related news search capability in more languages to its MSN service. MSN Newsbot (http://uk.inevs.bot.msn.com/worl world.easps) has been extended to Malaysia, Singapore, Indiia, South Africa and Latin America.





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By Art Sansom & Chip



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As son plans wedding, mom won't let go

DEAR ABBY: I am 22. My fiance, "David," is 23. We are both busy with our internships, working and finishing our degrees. David and his older bother still live at home, but now that we are planning a wedding and preparing our aparment, he sometimes spends the evening with me – having dinaming doing homework, etc. Occasionally he stuys over. This has caused his mother, "wonda," to freak out.

Vonda says she's not used to him

freak out.

Vorida says she's not used to him

being away from home. (My apartment is only mile away). She
makes abig use about him not eating dimer with them or not callingso they true to his plans. She conabout mot spending more time
with them But at 23, neither David
nor I think her requests are appro-

priate.
Two days ago Vonda e-mailed
my parents and accused them of
allowing me to do whatever I want.
It's ridiculous, because I have lived

DEAR ABBY Phillins

on iny own for three years and my barents have no part in this. It's almost like she doesn't take us seriously and that's why were being treated like children. The next few months are supposed to be for us to plan our wedding. I don't want to have to deal with this. I don't even want to be in the presence of David's parents now because of their lack of respect and civility. Must I tolerate his mother's behavior? Am I compelied to spend time in his parents house?

—TURNED OFF IN TOLEDO

DEAR TURNED OFF: David's

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from acute separation anxiety. Both of her adult sons still live under her roof and eart after table. She looks at you – an independent woman – and sees a worldly rival who's allowed to do whatever she wants, 'stealing her boy away.

David is long overdue for a serious talk with his parents, While, in a sense, he will always be 'their little boy,' he is a man now and will soon be striking out on his own-However, if he's not going to behome for dinner and plans to stay then hight a. your place, it would be considerate of him to let his parents know so, they won't be concerned.

corned.

Most you tolerate/Youda's behavion? Yes, for the time being, Are you
compelled to spend time with your
future in-laws? You will if you're assmart as I think you are. There's
much to be gained from strong,
family ties, if it is possible to maintain them. I have a hunch You'da. feels very isolated right now. A step in the right direction would be for

you to ask her for some input on those wedding plans.

Dose wedding plans.

DEAR ABBY. When a person is asked what is wrong with him or her, are they obliged under the rules of good manners to give an unambiguous report of their illness, even if their milady is a result of AIDS. TB, VD, mental illness or any of the other diseases to which humankind is subjected?

My question stems from an intensive interrogation, Your response will be deeply appreciated.

-WONDERING
IN RANCHO CUCAMONGA

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DEAR, WONDERING: Although
the "interrogation" may have been
out of concern for you and wellintentioned, you were under no
social obligation to give a specific
reply, if it happens again, smile and
say, "If that were any of your business, you'd already know the
answer."

Eskimos' lifestyle prevents fatty diet from causing harm

Q. Records out of the North suggest heart disease is none too common among the Eskimo, even though they eat a dot of fat. Howdo you account for that?

A. Those qualified to account for it say cold climates make bodies burn lat before it has a chance to do much damage.

Q. What good would a hobby do me!



anything else. That can get depressing, Trick is to find something that interests you even more than you interest you, something you can get lost in for a while. You prety much have to make a trial-and-error pastime of the search. There are people, it might be noted, who never can find hobbies. This, according to the experts.

Statisticians say the French cat

500 million snails a year. O. What do hearing

Q. What do hearing specialists mean by the 'cockanl party effect'?

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Is it your birthday today? Take care when expressing your opinions

If MARCH 2 IS YOUR BIRTH-DAY ... you can take pride in your sense of fair play and feel secure in your heart, you may receive negative feedback You can at times champion opinions too vigorously and cause yourself some discom-fort.

few days are very special if you are willing to drop your defenses. Allow yourself to be more understanding

HOROSCOPE Jeraldine Saunders

and imaginative.

TAURUS (Apr. 20-May 20): The complicated stellar lineup on March 4 could be very beneficial for you if you can drop prejudices and allow your better side some free rein.

ee rein. GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Straddling the fence of opinions may find you at odds with everyone. Even if you choose sides, you may find yourself expressing insincere "isms" to maintain the peace.
CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your belief system may be important to you, but sometimes it is best to allow other to express their opinions.

ions, too.

IEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Over the next few days, remember that those who are bloated with self-

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get for those with needles.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): In preparing for the buildup of cosmic energies on March 4, try to temper opinions with charity and under-

spanding.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):

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SAGITARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It will be disy to become overly enthused in the next few days. You may also feel challenged by broad sweeping statements at odds with your personal belief system.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):

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On today's deal you need to plan the play in three no-trump after West-leads a club. If you decide to make the natural play of a diamond to your queen, you will be concerned with what might happen if the finesse loses to West's king. When West returns a club, you will have little option-but to hope for diamonds to be 2-2, with the heart finesse working for you. However, if the diamonds do not behaive, you will have made only three diamond tricks when upparently you need at least four for your contract.
Your best chance for four diamond tricks is to start by cashing the ace, which is a safety-play, guarding against today's specific lie of the diamond stit. But the problem with making this play is that you do not yet know whether you need four diamond tricks or five. In the latter case, leading a diamond to your queen would indeed be your best chance.

To resolve that particular problem, you should start by leading to the heart queen at trick two. If it holds, as it would here, you cash the diamond ace, then concede a diamond trick and claim nine winners. If the diamond king does not apper, you cross to a club to lead up to your diamond queen.

However, if the heart queen loses to the king, you would get to dumny with a club in due course hoping that the suit splits 2-2 with the king right.

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NORTH

À Q 10 7 6 ♥ 10 6 • 8 7 3 2 ♣ K Q J,

EAST ♠ A K 5 4 ♥ K 5 4 2 ♦ J 10.5 ♣ 9 8 ♣ 10 7 6 5 3

The bidding:

West North East Pass 2 & Pass Pass 2 NT Pass All pass South 2 ♥ 3 NT

Opening lead: Club five

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South holds:

↑ 8 2 ▼ A Q 9 ↑ A Q 9 6 4 ♣ A 4 2

South West North East

ANSWER: Bid three no-trump. This does not come with any guarantees of course, but bidding three diamonds does not get your hand's potential in no-trump across, doubling is unacceptable without both majors, and passing is strictly for wimps! In no-trump, you hope to be able to duck a round or two of clubs to kill, that suit altanother.

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