

Good morning

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Black vs. Morningside

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Land swap factions meet

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Key GOP anti-crime bill passes

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House passed the centerpiece of the Republican anti-crime package Tuesday, voting to create block grants for local governments while eliminating President Clinton's program to hire more police.

But the latest milestone in the House GOP's "Contract with America" agenda faces a far less certain future in the Senate. And Clinton, who has demanded that his police program remain untouched, has threatened to veto it if it reaches his desk.

"I'm not going to let them wreck our crime bill, which is putting 100,000 new cops on the street," Clinton said Tuesday in an interview with Huntington, W.Va., television station WSAZ-TV.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said the Judiciary Committee he chairs will have to rewrite the House package to secure Senate passage and come up with a bill that Clinton will be compelled to sign.

The sixth and final bill in the crime package, passed by a 238-192 largely party-line vote, replaces crime-prevention programs and a commitment to help put

100,000 new cops on the streets — two corners of the 1994 anti-crime law — with a \$10 billion block grant that local governments can use as they see fit to fight crime.

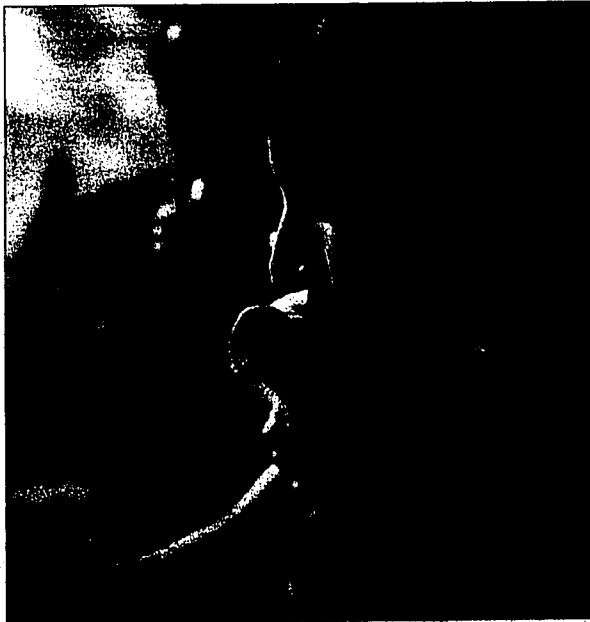
Overriding a presidential veto would require a two-thirds vote by each house. "We are very much in the non-forezone," said White House spokesman Mike McCurry. "If a bill come here in the form the House has passed it, it will be vetoed."

The vote was immediately criticized by police groups.

Passage gave the new Republican majority their fifth major legislative triumph less than halfway through the 100 days in which their "Contract With America" promised votes on a number of issues. The House GOP previously won passage of a balanced-budget amendment, a measure giving the president a line-item veto on spending bills, a bill to end unfunded mandates on state and local governments and a bill, already signed into law, making lawmakers abide by the same employment laws private employers must obey.

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Porcine payoff



BILLY CHARLES MANGROVE/Times-News

To the chianti of "Kiss the pig," Assistant Principal Bill Brulotte plants one on the snout of a young swine before the student body of Lincoln Elementary School Tuesday in Twin Falls. The school held a "Kiss the pig" contest to raise funds for a beautification project to bring back trees and shrubs along Second Avenue West and Seventh Street West. After the students earned more than \$230, Brulotte and Principal Kay Jones, below left, had to kiss the pig.



Fox aide Forrey likes Moonies but not media

By Frank E. Lockwood
Times-News writer

BOISE — Robert Forrey, the state Education Department's legislative analyst, has never been afraid of controversy.

In 1985, he flew to Washington, D.C., to greet the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and to celebrate the end of Moon's 11 months in prison for tax evasion.

The following year, he fought successfully to repeal Idaho's compulsory education laws, struggling to liberate six people who were jailed for trying to home-school their children. As a lawmaker, "I had no problem standing up for what I believed in," Forrey says.

Now, Forrey is working for state Schools Superintendent Anne C. Fox. The former state

representative and home-school proponent spends his time drafting new legislative proposals — and making recommendations on pending legislation for the superintendent.

Fox was warned by members of the House Education Committee not to hire Forrey — cautioned that his track record as a legislator and his past votes on education would make him a liability.



Forrey

But so far, Forrey has kept a low profile in the Fox administration, quietly poring over legislation in an office across the street from the Statehouse. A frequent critic of Idaho schools in the past, the evangelical Christian says he is now working to make Gem State schools so good, parents wouldn't think of sending their children anywhere else.

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New doctors will learn proper abortion skills

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Programs that train doctors in obstetrics will be required to teach abortion skills under a policy adopted Tuesday by the group that governs graduate medical education.

Programs that refuse to do so risk losing accreditation, which teaching hospitals need to qualify for federal reimbursement for services that medical residents provide to patients. Also, most doctors must graduate from accredited training programs to get certified as competent in their specialties.

The unanimous decision by

the 23-member Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education was prompted by reports that teaching hospitals have neglected to ensure that residents have adequate training in the procedure.

The revision was supported by the American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology, which certifies obstetricians, and by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the professional society for the specialty.

"Ob-gyns should be trained in all facets of obstetrics and gynecology, and this is one facet," said Dr. William C. Andrews, president of the society.

Navy may be testing Batt resolve on nuclear waste

The Associated Press

BOISE — The nuclear Navy's top officer appears to be testing Republican Gov. Phil Batt's new resolve against any more waste shipments into Idaho.

In a Feb. 10 letter responding to Batt's declaration three days earlier that "Idaho is no longer available," Admiral Bruce DeMars, chief of Naval Nuclear Propulsion, left no doubt that the government would pursue radioactive shipments far beyond the eight former Gov. Cecil Andrus opened the door to and Batt declined to block.

"I am sorry you feel that you must stand against further naval spent fuel shipments into Idaho beyond those of our recent agreement," DeMars wrote. "This is a matter that must be decided by the rules of law and the Navy will proceed accordingly."

Batt, stung by the public outcry because he refused to go to court over the eight additional shipments the Navy was sure to be authorized, advised DeMars, President Clinton and others last week that his concession was not to be seen as an invitation to make Idaho the nation's nuclear waste dump.

And as he has since the public outcry

began a month ago, Batt reiterated his commitment to resist with every means available any new shipments until there is real progress toward opening a permanent dump outside Idaho. He has not ruled out using State Police to stop shipments at the border as Andrus did.

Batt spokeswoman Amy Kleiner said the governor had no comment on DeMars' letter, considering it a response to his.

Outraged that the administration had decided to concentrate all nuclear waste storage at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, Hanford, Wash., and in South Carolina, Batt maintained that with 600 shipments of Navy waste already stored at INEL the state has done its part for the national defense.

But DeMars disputed that contention, claiming Idaho has not been disproportionately disadvantaged.

"Considering the 39 states that currently have spent fuel within their borders, Idaho ranks about 30th down the list," the admiral wrote.

And he contended that Idaho has benefited substantially from the Navy waste activity at INEL, claiming the value at \$8 billion over the past four decades but only after including all the inflation of the past 30 years.

Her close encounter was a cougar at 8 feet

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

ELBA — When Lovina Tuttle, 77, flipped on her porch light Friday evening, she saw a mountain lion sitting on her pump house, 8 feet from her front door.

"I've been in this country for 78 years, and it was the first time I was face to face with a cougar," Tuttle said in a telephone interview Tuesday.

Twice Friday, Elba residents pursued the female mountain lion that killed a dog and a cat Friday and another dog about a week ago. A federal predator control specialist eventually shot and killed the lion, which he turned over to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Tuttle had been watching the news Friday evening when she heard a heavy thump outside. At first, she thought the wind might have blown something over. She later learned that the thump was the lion killing her cocker spaniel, she said.

When Tuttle saw the lion on her

pump house, she called her neighbor, Paul Ward. His son-in-law, Scott Morris, came over and found the lion in Tuttle's back yard, eating the dog, she said.

He shot at the lion but missed. Paul Ward said his wife had seen the mountain lion sitting in a field across from their home Friday morning. But when neighbors' hunting dogs tried to track the lion they had no luck, Ward said.

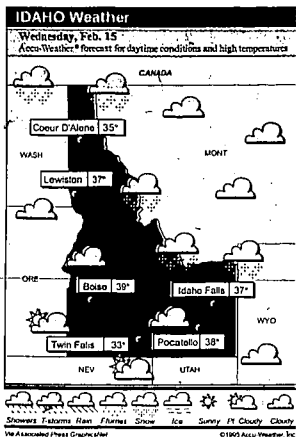
"I haven't heard of one down here like this. Ordinarily you don't see them," Ward said. "They are secretive." But after Tuttle's report, U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal Damage Control Specialist Mike Santini of Elba set a snare in Tuttle's yard using the dead dog as bait.

Less than an hour later, Santini and others discovered that the lion had ripped off the dog's head, he said.

The dogs tracked the lion to an old pig pen in Tuttle's yard, where they found it chewing on the dog's head, Santini said. He shot and killed the lion.

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Weather



Idaho forecasts

Magic Valley

Mostly cloudy today with patchy morning fog. A slight chance of afternoon snow. Highs 30 to 35. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy. A slight chance of evening snow. Lows 20 to 25. Thursday mostly cloudy. Warmer. Highs around 40.

Extended region forecast

Friday and Saturday warming trend. Partly cloudy with a slight chance of valley rain and mountain snow showers. Locally breezy. Lows in the mid-20s to the lower 30s. Highs mostly in the 40s.

Sunday mild. Partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s to the upper 30s. Highs in the mid-40s to the 50s.

Wood River Valley

Cloudy today with a chance of snow. Highs in the mid-20s. Tonight cloudy with a slight chance of snow. Warmer. Highs in the lower 30s.

Treasure Valley

Mostly cloudy today with areas of morning fog. A slight chance of snow and rain. Highs in the mid-30s. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy with areas of fog. A slight chance of snow. Lows near 25. Thursday partly cloudy with patchy morning fog. Warmer. Highs 40 to 45.

Northern Nevada

Mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the upper 30s to upper 40s. Tonight fair and cold. Lows 5 to 10. Thursday mostly cloudy. Increasing clouds in the afternoon west portion. Highs 30s cast.

Northern Utah

Partly cloudy today. Highs near 40. Tonight fair and cold. Lows in the teens. Thursday mostly sunny. Highs lower 40s.

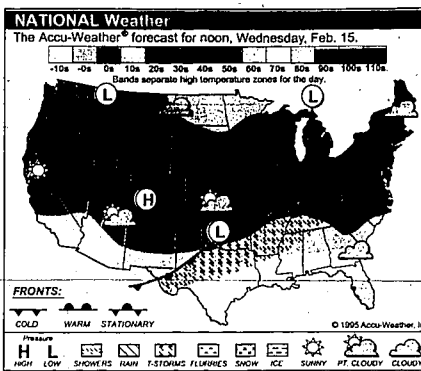
Idaho weather summary

The storm that covered Idaho with a blanket of snow moved eastward into Wyoming and Colorado Tuesday. Spotter reports from southeastern Idaho reported snow depth as little as an inch to 10 inches and more Tuesday evening.

At midnoon, skies opened up and allowed the sun to shine at Pocatello, Idaho Falls, Burley, Hailey, Sun Valley, Spencer, Salmon and Mountain Home. Snow still fell at Boise and in the areas of Elko, Nev., Salt Lake City, and Rock Springs, Wyo.

At mid-afternoon temperatures were generally in the 20s after readings ranged from near 10 to the mid-teens Tuesday morning. Gusty northwest winds blew across the south with gusts of 20 to 25 mph and higher.

The low pressure system of British Columbia continued to move southeast, bringing some clouds and a little moisture.



FRONTS: COLD WARM STATIONARY. Precipitation: H, L, SH, S, R, T, F, SN, S, IC, S, W, PT, CL, C.

Temperature extremes

Idaho: High, 40 degrees at Emmett. Low, 9 degrees below zero at Challis. Nation: High, 88 degrees at Lajitas, Texas. Low, 27 below at Hibbing, Minn.

For up-to-the-minute weather information

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHZ or call 423-4423.

National temperatures

Table of National temperatures with columns for location, Max, and Min. Locations include Albuquerque, Atlanta, Boston, etc.

For road conditions

For current road conditions, call these numbers: Twin Falls, 736-3070; Boise, 334-3731; Pocatello, 233-6724; Rigby, 745-7278; Utah, 801-964-6001; Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

Almanac

Almanac table with columns for Idaho locations (Boise, Burley, Fairfield, etc.), Max Min Pcp, and Yesterday.

Skywatch

Sunset today 6:10 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow 7:34 a.m. Lunar phase: Full, Feb. 15; last quarter, Feb. 22; new, March 1; first quarter, March 9.

Forrey

Continued from A1. The controversy some predicted hasn't materialized. 'I'm not getting into the politics at all,' Forrey said earlier this week. Instead, he's doing whatever he can to help his boss.

Cougar

Continued from A1. at about 11:45 p.m., he said, noting that he had consulted Idaho Fish and Game beforehand.

Crime

Continued from A1. Elsewhere in Congress Tuesday: The Senate rejected a Democratic bid to exempt Social Security from a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution.

Idaho road report

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Department of Transportation reported icy, snow-covered roads in many parts of the state Tuesday. Road conditions: U.S. 95 — Riggins-Whitebird Hill, icy spots; Oregon Hills, icy spots; Grangeville-Winchester, icy spots; Winchester-Lewiston, icy spots, snowing; Lewiston-Moscow, dry; Weiser-New Meadows, dry, broken snow floor, snowing; Marsing-Oregon line, dry; Interstate 90 — Fourth of July Canyon, broken snow floor, snowing; Lookout Pass, broken snow floor, snowing.

Idaho lottery

BOISE (AP) — Winning numbers drawn Tuesday in the Banko Double game are: A10-A12-K24-K25-O35 (A ten, A twelve, K twenty-four, K twenty-five, O thirty-five). Estimated jackpot: \$95,000.

Correction

A story Tuesday about the Cassia County School District's \$21.9 million bond issue proposal should have said that the district bought 30 acres half a mile south of Burley High School. It also should have said that Park Avenue Associates David Price, Boyd Paulson, Grant Wyatt and Marvin Miller sold the land for \$45,000.

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Defense zeroes in on ice cream

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The first police officer on the scene of the murders in the O.J. Simpson case acknowledged Tuesday he didn't examine a melting cup of ice cream or check the temperature of Nicole Brown Simpson's bath water — evidence the defense suggested could have helped fix the time of the slayings.

But Officer Robert Risko repeatedly told jurors it wasn't his job to gather evidence. He said he was there to look for victims and "secure the scene" while a police photographer and other experts did their job.

And he said that just because he doesn't know of any pictures being made of the ice cream or flickering candles in Ms. Simpson's bathroom doesn't mean photos weren't taken.

Defense attorney Johnnie Cochran Jr. undertook an item-by-item dissection of the evidence in a campaign to cast doubt on police work in the case and suggest that investigators overlooked or mishandled evidence.

Cochran and prosecutor Marcia Clark questioned Risko closely about what he reported was a cardboard cup of Ben & Jerry's ice cream found melting on a banister in Ms. Simpson's condominium about 12:30 or 12:40 a.m. on June 13.

That's more than two hours after the prosecution alleges the slayings of Ms. Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman took place outside her door. Simpson had left home for the airport around 11 p.m. on June 12 for a trip to Chicago.

The defense is expected to argue that the melting rate of the ice cream suggests the crime took place later in the evening than alleged.

Risko said the ice cream wasn't immediately photographed and he didn't know if it ever was. The officer also said he had no idea what flavor it was or whether it might have been yogurt. He said he didn't lift it to see whether it left a ring on the banister.

Clark suggested that Ms. Simpson might have put the ice cream in the freezer and then taken it out later, and that a pink plastic



Los Angeles Police Sgt. David Rossi, a 25-year veteran of the force, takes the witness stand Tuesday morning during the O.J. Simpson double-murder trial. Rossi was one of the first police supervisors called to the murder scene.

spoon on the floor beneath the cup had fallen out of the ice cream as it melted.

Risko also said candles burning in Ms. Simpson's bathroom weren't immediately photographed, and he never checked the temperature of her bath water. Ms. Simpson had apparently filled the tub for a candlelit bath when death came to call.

The officer said repeatedly that he was careful not to disturb any evidence because he wanted to preserve the crime scene for the investigators.

Risko said he did not check trash cans inside the home, did not turn off the television or the music playing on the stereo, did not try to open a Jeep whose passenger door was slightly ajar, and did not check Ms. Simpson's blood-spattered dog for evidence.

Meanwhile, ABC reported Tuesday that two jurors are under investigation for possible miscon-

duct. One bet a co-worker a week's pay before he was selected as a juror that Simpson would be acquitted; the other had a map of Chicago in his room, the network said. Jurors are not supposed to do any investigating of a case on their own.

Late Tuesday, Risko's boss, Sgt. David Rossi, a 25-year member of the force at the time of the slayings, became the second officer to testify that a single bloody glove was found at the crime scene before Detective Mark Fuhrman arrived.

The defense has suggested Fuhrman took one of two bloody gloves from the crime scene and planted it at Simpson's estate nearby.

F. Lee Bailey, in his first cross-examination of the trial, went on the attack with Rossi, suggesting police failed to immediately try to notify Simpson of his ex-wife's slaying even though he, too, might have been in danger.

"There was also the possibility he, too, could be a target of whatever force had done her in?" Bailey asked.

"I suppose so," said Rossi, who watched over Simpson's children the morning their mother was found dead.

Bailey also took Rossi to task for not simply asking Simpson's daughter, then 8, for the phone number to her father's estate. Instead, officers spent nearly an hour trying to get the number from Simpson's security company.

Ultimately, detectives say they scaled a wall at Simpson's home about 4:30 a.m. after finding blood outside. They testified last summer that it was an emergency and that they were concerned that there might be victims inside.

Why did you, after 5 o'clock in the morning, having not lifted a finger to notify Mr. Simpson for over four hours, suddenly declare an emergency?" Bailey belted.

Pursuing a defense tactic of portraying the police as bunglers, Bailey also noted that officers did not immediately call the scene, thereby losing an opportunity to more closely establish the time of death.

During Risko's testimony, the officer said he used a phone in Ms. Simpson's house to call his supervisors, unaware he might be obscuring fingerprints on the phone.

He said he used the phone rather than a walkie-talkie because he knew reporters listen to police communications on scanners.

"I didn't want to broadcast ... that there was a possible double homicide involving a celebrity," Risko said. "The media would beat my backup there."

Cochran used blowup pictures of the bloody crime scene to try to plant doubt in the jurors' minds.

He noted that in one picture, a red tennis shoe is seen near a glove. It has been identified repeatedly as Goldman's shoe. But in a picture of Goldman's crumpled body, he is wearing white tennis shoes and the glove is farther from his body.

When Clark questioned Risko said the sneaker's color might have been altered by blood and dirt.

Study: Transfusions help AIDS patients

WASHINGTON (AP) — AIDS patients experienced some benefit, including a delay in symptoms, when treated with blood from HIV-positive patients who hadn't developed the disease, French researchers say.

In a study published in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Dr. Daniel Vittecoq and Dr. Jean-Jacques Lefrere reported that patients receiving such transfusions every 14 days were less likely to die during the experiment period, were disease-free longer and had fewer infections than patients who did not receive the transfusions.

An American AIDS researcher said that similar studies in the U.S. have produced inconclusive results. The French study involved 82 AIDS patients, about half in a control group and half in a treatment group. All were in about the same health.

For over a year, the treatment group received transfusions every two weeks of plasma from patients who were positive for human immunodeficiency virus,

or HIV, which causes AIDS. None of the donor patients had symptoms of AIDS and all of the plasma was heat treated to kill the virus. The plasma was rich in HIV antibodies.

The control group in the study received plasma that was negative for HIV antibodies.

After a year, 16 patients in the treatment group and 27 in the control group had developed at least one new AIDS-related infection or cancer.

Eighteen of the 82 patients died. Seven of the deaths were in the treatment group, one of them a suicide. In the other group, there were 11 deaths.

After the first year of the study, the transfusions were reduced to monthly and the remaining patients were followed for another year. At the end of this follow-up period, 21 of the treatment patients had died, including three suicides, and 25 had died in the control group.

The authors said the study shows that the transfusion therapy, called passive immunotherapy, is safe and offers some clinical benefit.

Firm charged with duping consumers

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Florida firm that sold programs to help consumers set up travel agencies at home has been charged with numerous deceptive practices, government regulators said Tuesday.

The Federal Trade Commission said consumers paid between \$2,000 and \$5,000 for "certification," training materials and other assistance from the Independent Travel Agencies of America Association Inc., or ITAA.

But after completing the program that the company advertised, buyers discovered they were ill-prepared to run an independent travel agency out of their homes, the FTC alleged.

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Clinton's trusty putter nowhere to be found

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — President Clinton is going into probably the biggest golf game of his life without his favorite putter.

Clinton, scheduled to tee off in the Bob Hope Classic on Wednesday, said he discovered his 35-year-old Bullseye putter was missing Tuesday morning and speculated he must have inadvertently stuck it in the bag of one of his golfing partners.

"I've got a gazillion (putters), but that's the one I play with," Clinton lamented. "It looks like something you'd find at an aging miniature golf course."

That's not the only reason Clinton is a little anxious about the game at Indian Wells Country Club near Palm Springs. He's playing in a pretty high-powered five-man and he says he hasn't had much practice lately.

Clinton's partners will be Bob Hope, former Presidents Ford and Bush, and defending tournament champion Scott Hoch.

"I'm a little nervous about it," Clinton said, adding that he hasn't been golfing as much because "I've been fixated on my work."

The president played down the competitive aspects of the tournament.

"The great thing about golf is that you're always competing against yourself," he said.

Questioned about his well-known practice of taking free shots, or mulligans, Clinton laughed and promised, "I'll give them mulligans."

The president talked about his love of golf during a chat Tuesday

with reporters aboard Air Force One as he flew to California for a two-day trip that combines business and pleasure.

He insisted that the business part — a full day of education speeches Tuesday — was scheduled first and that the golf game was an afterthought.

Clinton said Hope had tried to get him to play in the classic in previous years but it never fit into his schedule. This year, the timing was perfect.

Plus, Hope dangled the promise of an added benefit.

Clinton recounted: "This year he called me and said, 'I really liked your State of the Union but you'd speak even better if you come play golf with me.'"

Clinton said he probably plays golf an average of twice a month and added the historical footnote that Dwight Eisenhower got in 800 games over his eight years as president — an average of more than eight a month. He said he's planning to fix up the White House putting green.

Clinton's trip took him away from home on Valentine's Day. But he made sure to celebrate the occasion before he left.

With Hillary Rodham Clinton headed off to Iowa on a health-care trip and daughter Chelsea bound for school, the family had to hold its party early.

"We all had to leave at 7:30, so we all celebrated Valentine's Day this morning in our pajamas at 6:30," Clinton said.

Horseradish overpowers cook

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — It brought tears to many an eye.

A woman who whips up batches of horseradish at home accidentally spilled her heretofore secret spice Monday — and it took a hazardous materials crew to clean it up.

"That must be some hellacious horseradish," police Sgt. Mike Doonan said.

Ellen LaBombard of Fairmount, a Syracuse suburb, spilled 1 1/2 quarts of alyl isothiocyanate, used to flavor her spiciest jars. LaBombard

Horseradish comes in four varieties:

Regular Hot, X Hot, XXX Hot, and "Too Dam Hot."

LaBombard tried to air out the basement by plugging in a fan, but the overwhelming vapors quickly forced her out.

Even the masked Fairmount Fire Department who responded to her 911 call were overwhelmed — they called in the Onondaga County Hazardous Materials Unit.

Fire Chief Paul Montondo said the liquid spice is dangerous if inhaled in large amounts and can cause skin and eye irritation.

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Nation

Hanoi diplomat opens up shop

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hanoi's new diplomat in Washington is barely settled but already he is comfortable talking about a society of hard-working entrepreneurs with their new houses, new cars and hunger for the good life.



**Le Van Bang
Mr. Capitalism**

That's his own country that Le Van Bang is talking up as an example of enterprise and economic opportunity, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

He's got tax breaks to pitch to U.S. business, visas to give visitors and a tale of reform he believes would entice Americans by surprise. "A very dramatic change in attitude," he says — although not a change that encompasses political freedoms to match those of the market.

The former U.N. ambassador and career-long Foreign Ministry officer has become Hanoi's representative in Washington under an agreement setting up the first liaison offices in each other's capital.

Vietnam War veteran James Hall is chief of the U.S. office in Hanoi. Only days after opening their modest temporary quarters, Bang and a small staff have been nearly swamped by prospective tourists and business people wanting contacts.

"The work is so hectic and demanding," he said, and evidence it was time to "come together." He punctuates the phrase with clasped hands.

Bang, 47, graduated from high school in 1966 and joined a youth brigade fixing Hanoi roads being torn by U.S. bombs. Now his 18-year-old son is second in his class at his U.S. public high school.

Vietnam War. There are still lingering feelings of the war ... and it's not an easy task.

This year marks the 20th anniversary of the fall of Saigon to communist forces, on April 30, 1975.

The ideology that fired the battle for Hanoi no longer is considered enough to lift the country out of poverty. "The old theory of socialism in Vietnam — we think it didn't work," Bang says. "The egalitarian society — it didn't work."

"We hope that in balance, we will keep the better part of socialism in Vietnam and the better part of a market economy." Under reforms that began in the 1980s, price controls on most goods were phased out, private business was allowed and property rights were guaranteed.

"Now we are able to feed our people," Bang said. "People are happier. I think."

"Many new cars, new houses. But we still classify as a poor country" and one so insecure it "cannot afford" political pluralism.

"So we are going ahead groping our way," he said, with no exact model. China, for example, is so large some provinces can become laboratories for change while others are held back.

"In Vietnam, we cannot afford to do that. If you open, you open the whole country."

Washington lifted a 19-year embargo against Vietnam, last February and more than 50 American companies already have set up there.

Now, Bang's schedule is filling up

in the land of his former enemy.

He went to a breakfast to hear U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor talk. He's going to seminars, calling on other diplomats and preparing to move into the old South Vietnamese Embassy after its renovation.

Bang used his U.N. job in 1993 and 1994 to make informal contacts with U.S. officials and veterans groups.

"He's always been very willing to talk," said John Sommer, in charge of Vietnam War issues at the American Legion. "We can carry on a dialogue."

But Sommer is not convinced Vietnam is doing all it can to account for Americans missing from the war. And he says further normalization of relations should wait until that happens.

Jan Seruggs, a driving force behind the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, welcomed the opening of the liaison office.

"It's about time," he said. "The U.S. and Vietnam are on a positive and irreversible process of reconciliation. This is what happens when the war ends." Bang visited the memorial one day, the black granite wall that is the focal point of American remembrance and anguish.

It wasn't an official visit, he was quick to say. Only on this subject does he speak flatly.

"I think this reflects the emotion of the Vietnam veterans here and they deserve something like this monument to remember their experience in Vietnam," he said.

"I don't have the same emotion, like the others."

Cubans come ashore

MANASOTA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — At least 30 Cuban rafters, some suffering from severe exposure, came ashore on a southwestern Florida beach this morning and more were arriving, the U.S. Coast Guard reports.

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Helms: Who's in charge?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Declaring the way presidents execute U.S. foreign policy is "a mess," Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms said Tuesday he would push his plan for radical changes despite the opposition of Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

Helms also challenged the Clinton administration's \$13.2 billion foreign aid budget and said "We've got to draw a line in the sand" against Russia for helping Iran to rebuild a nuclear power plant near the Persian Gulf.

The North Carolina Republican senator told reporters after a committee hearing that aid to help Russia dismantle nuclear weapons and to promote economic and political reform should be reconsidered. "All of it, and start over again," Helms said.

Christopher defended the decision to forgo consideration of merging of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency and the Agency for International Development with the State Department.

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Lawyers association says 'No' to school-prayer amendment

MIAMI (AP) — The American Bar Association went on record Tuesday against a Republican-led attempt in Congress to return officially sanctioned prayers to the nation's public schools.

However, the 370,000-lawyer group chose as its president-elect a Birmingham, Ala., attorney who favors school prayer. N. Lee Cooper, 55, said he hopes to use his leadership position, which he will assume in 1996, "to moderate some of the association's views."

Cooper told reporters he favors officially sanctioned school prayers as one step in bringing about "a spiritual revival in our communities."

"I would not testify against school prayer," he said. "Someone else would have to" present ABA policy.

The ABA's policy-making House of Delegates voted to oppose amending the Constitution to allow church organized prayers. The action came on a nearly unanimous vote by 538 delegates as the ABA concluded its weeklong national convention.

"Children (already) can pray in school, they can say grace at lunch, can pray in groups ... as long as they do so in a way that does not interfere

with the educational process," New York City lawyer Peter Zimroth told the voting delegates.

"Politicizing religion is a prescription for disaster," he said. "This is simply not the business of government."

Albuquerque, N.M., lawyer Roberto Ramo, who in August will become the ABA's first female president, called the proposed amendment a "terrifying step" toward government interference with religious faith.

Despite Cooper's stated position, no one spoke in favor of the proposed school-prayer amendment. The new president-elect also told reporters he opposes the ABA policy favoring the availability of legalized abortion.

"I'm strongly pro-life," Cooper said after calling himself a "Southern Democrat, which is probably a Republican." He said ABA should be neutral on abortion.

Cooper noted that ABA policymakers had taken direct, critical aim at Republican proposals for changes in welfare and legal services to the poor and state efforts to cut financial aid for illegal aliens and their children.

He said the association's paramount goal "must be to enhance the current

focus on the improvement of America's system of justice."

"We're not a trade association for the protection of lawyers and lawyers' pocketbooks," he said.

The ABA's House of Delegates took these other actions Tuesday:

Opposed a Republican proposal that would force losers in some lawsuits to pay the winning side's legal costs.

Voted to support and recommend adoption by the states of a uniform adoption law proposed by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.

Unlike previous years, the two-day House of Delegates session rarely featured significant differences of opinion. One exception was the considerable resistance met by a resolution involving alcoholism and drug addiction among lawyers.

The ABA's Young Lawyers Division won, by a 221-193 vote, the association's support for lawyers completing at least one hour of training every three years "related to the prevention, detection and treatment of chemical dependency in the profession."

Clinton, Congress clash over quake costs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration refused Tuesday to bow to congressional Republicans' demands that it find spending cuts to pay for billions of dollars Southern California needs to rebuild from last year's earthquake.

President Clinton requested the assistance last week as part of an emergency \$10.4 billion spending measure. Congressional GOP leaders have said they will not approve the assistance unless the president finds ways to pay for it. The admin-

istration's refusal raises questions about aid destined for a state whose governor is Republican Pete Wilson.

"We believe our supplemental request should be treated as an emergency and should not require offsets" in the form of cuts in other programs, White House budget chief Alice Rivlin told a House Appropriations Committee hearing.

Asked by panel Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La., if that meant the administration would not supply a list of proposed cuts, Rivlin

responded, "That is correct, Mr. Chairman."

In a letter to Clinton last week, Livingston, House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and other GOP leaders wrote that they would not act on the requested disaster aid until the president proposes offsetting cuts in other programs.

"Whether these activities are emergencies or not, it will be our policy to pay for them, rather than to add to our already immense deficit problems," the GOP letter said.

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Oscar voters opt for box of chocolates in 'Forrest Gump'

The movie that studios forgot earns 13 nominations

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Warner Bros. didn't want it. Paramount Pictures spent more than three years twiddling its thumbs.

Oscar voters showed no hesitation, though, "Forrest Gump" was it, Tom Hanks' improbable march through history collected 13 Academy Award nominations Tuesday — the most for a single film since 1966's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" and one shy of "All About Eve's" record 14 in 1950.

Voters also embraced independent Miramax Films, giving it a leading 22 nominations — as much as major studios Disney, Columbia and Universal combined.

"The studio movies are formulaic," said Harvey Weinstein, Miramax's co-chairman. "It's really, really exciting. The revolution has begun."

In another surprising decision, "Hoop Dreams" wasn't nominated in the documentary feature category, despite some of the year's best reviews.

"Forrest Gump" earned nominations for best picture, best actor for Hanks, best director for Robert Zemeckis and best supporting actor for Gary Sinise — after gathering dust for more than 5 years at Warner Bros. and spinning in movie purgatory for 3½ years at Paramount.

But it came up blank in the best supporting actress category, where co-stars Sally Field and Robin Wright were contenders.

The next-closest films — "Pulp Fiction," "Bullets Over Broadway" and "The Shawshank Redemption" — had seven nominations apiece.

"Forrest Gump" was topped only by "The Lion King" as 1994's highest-grossing release with more than \$300 million in domestic ticket sales.

"It's a textbook example of how word-of-mouth works," said co-producer Steve Tisch. "It's taken nine years, two studios, and a lot of blood, sweat and tears to hit the screen."

Also nominated for best picture were "Four Weddings and a Funeral," "Pulp Fiction," "Quiz Show" and "The

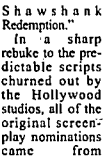


Best Picture		Best Foreign Film	
"Forrest Gump"	"The Shawshank Redemption"	"Before the Rain" Macedonia	"Burnt by the Sun" Russia
"Pulp Fiction"	"Quiz Show"	"Eat Drink Man Woman" Taiwan	"Farinelli: Il Castrato" Belgium
"The Shawshank Redemption"		"Strawberry And Chocolate" Cuba	

Best Actor		Best Actress		Director	
Morgan Freeman "The Shawshank Redemption"	Jodie Foster "Nell"	Woody Allen "Bullets Over Broadway"			
Tom Hanks "Forrest Gump"	Jessica Lange "Blue Sky"	Robert Zemeckis "Forrest Gump"			
Nigel Hawthorne "The Madness of King George"	Miranda Richardson "Tom & Viv"	Quentin Tarantino "Pulp Fiction"			
Paul Newman "Nobody's Fool"	Winona Ryder "The Edge"	Robert Redford "Quiz Show"			
John Travolta "Pulp Fiction"	Susan Sarandon "The Client"	Krzysztof Kieslowski "Red"			



Sarandon



Foster



Hanks



Allen

Woody Allen earned his 11th screenwriting nomination for "Bullets Over Broadway," one shy of Billy Wilder's record.

Rescued from an acting career offering roles no better than "Look Who's Talking" sequels, John Travolta was nominated for best actor for his depiction of a hapless hit man in "Pulp Fiction," a violent, sexy and often comic journey through the Los Angeles underworld. His last Oscar nomination was for "Saturday Night Fever" 17 years ago.

"I never dreamed it would take so long to get another one," Travolta said. "I'm so delighted that I was able to be part of the game again."

Travolta will face Hanks, Morgan Freeman from "The Shawshank Redemption," Nigel Hawthorne in "The Madness of King George" and previous winner Paul Newman for "Nobody's Fool."

The best actress nominations included a performance from a movie made in 1991 — Jessica Lange in "Blue Sky." The film, about a woman Army wife and her atomic engineer husband, was shelved while Orion Pictures went through bankruptcy.

Some quotes from nominees for the 67th Academy Awards:



Ryder

"I'm shocked and thrilled. 'Little Women' is a project so close to my heart. That means a lot to me." — Winona Ryder, best actress nominee for "Little Women."

"After the history of this film to get this kind of attention is great. It's like a gift out of the blue." — Jessica Lange, best actress nominee for "Blue Sky."

"I always thought of it no differently than 'Public Enemy No. 1' or 'White Heat' or something like that. This kind of violence has been in the movies since the gangster films. But I think because of the style of the movie and the avant-garde nature to some degree I was kind of impressed by the success of it." — John Travolta, best actor nominee for "Pulp Fiction."



Foster

Also nominated for best actress were Jodie Foster for "Nell," Miranda Richardson for "Tom & Viv," Winona Ryder for "Little Women" and Susan Sarandon for "The Client."

"Hoop Dreams" not only was rejected in the documentary category, but lost its bid to become the first documentary named in the best picture category. The story of two young basketball hopefuls was seven years in the making.

Director Peter Gilbert cited a long list of acclaimed documentaries — "Roger & Me," "The Thin Blue Line," "The Civil War" — that have been ignored by the documentary committee of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

Nominated for best supporting actor were "Pulp Fiction's" Samuel L. Jackson, "Ed Wood's" Martin Landau, "Bullets Over Broadway's" Chazz Palminteri, "Quiz Show's" Paul Scofield and "Forrest Gump's" Gary Sinise.

Dianne Wiest and Jennifer Tilly were nominated for best supporting actress for "Bullets Over Broadway," as were Rosemary Harris for "Tom & Viv," Helen Mirren in "The Madness of King George" and Uma Thurman in "Pulp Fiction." In a reference to her most dramatic scene in



Travolta

fears to hit the screen. It was clearly worth the nine years it took to make." — Steve Tisch, co-producer of best film nominee "Forrest Gump."

"I was eating some cabbage in the canteen and it got quite stuck in my throat." — Rosemary Harris, best supporting actress nominee for "Tom & Viv."

"What an honor to be part of this remarkable group and particularly my colleagues from 'Bullets Over Broadway.'" — Dianne Wiest, best supporting actress for "Bullets Over Broadway."

"The cast and department heads worked very hard and I'm very happy they were recognized. I know it means a lot to them." — Woody Allen, best director nominee for "Bullets Over Broadway."

Redford ("Quiz Show"), and nomination was "like a shot of adrenaline to my heart." — Krzysztof Kieslowski ("Red") were nominated for best director. The Oscars will be presented March 27 and televised on ABC.

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From Hollywood with love: Nominees ecstatic

LOS ANGELES (AP) — From Hollywood with love, the entertainment industry's finest get Valentine's Day telephone calls in sometimes far-flung locations with word their dreams had come true — an Oscar nomination.

"I've got a champagne glass in my hand, and the fact that it's Valentine's Day makes it a double whammy," said Duncan Kenworthy, producer of best picture nominee "Four Weddings and a Funeral."

The Academy of Motion Arts and Sciences announced Oscar nominees at 5:38 a.m. during a Beverly Hills ceremony designed to give national exposure to the morning network TV shows. The winners will be announced March 27.

"We've got Valentines to hand out this morning," said Arthur Hiller, president of the Academy.

"Pulp Fiction" star John Travolta, who turns 41 on Saturday, was ecstatic about his best actor nomination.

"It is 100 percent a thrill for me. You have no idea. It is really exciting," said Travolta, who was on the Los Angeles set of his latest film "Get Shorty" when word of the nomination came.

Travolta's come a long way from the western of a child actor. Winnie Barbarino on TV's "Welcome Back, Kotter" to gyrating disco king on "Saturday Night Fever" and the mechanical bull riding cowboy on "Urban Cowboy."

"It's been 17 years since my last nomination ('Saturday Night Fever'). I never dreamed it would take so long to get another one. I'm so delighted that I was able to be part of the game again," Travolta said.

"Forrest Gump" co-producer Steve Tisch set his alarm on hour early.

"I didn't want to miss it," said Tisch, whose film led with 13 nominations. "I was up at 4:30 watching the digital clock tick down to 30. It was thrilling."

"It was also his 46th birthday. It's a great birthday present, it's a great Valentine's Day," he said. "Tom & Viv" star Miranda



Richardson

Richardson, a best actress nominee, was at work in a London studio when the nominations were announced.

"I rang through to see if there was any news during a break. I'm very pleased. It's very nice to be there," she said.

The little-seen "Blue Sky" won a best actress nomination for Jessica Lange, who's been nominated several times and won an Oscar for "Tootsie." She plays the wanton wife of a nuclear engineer in the film, which sat on the shelf for three years while Orion Pictures went through bankruptcy.

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Hebron mosque massacre still causes anger, bloodshed

HEBRON, West Bank (AP) — Fulfilling a dream, Mafeda Mujahed is building a new house for her seven children with the compensation she received after her husband was killed in the Hebron mosque massacre.

But happiness remains elusive for the 32-year-old widow. She's lonely and worries about her 12-year-old son, who openly talks of staging a suicide attack on Israelis to avenge the death of his father and 28 other Muslims a year ago.

"I told him I don't want another martyr in the family," Mrs. Mujahed said Tuesday as Hebron marked the anniversary of the massacre by Jewish settler Baruch Goldstein. His shooting spree set off a series of revenge bombings by Muslim militants.

Even while Mrs. Mujahed spoke of the need for restraint, the tensions generated by the mosque killings claimed new victims Tuesday.

In the Palestinian refugee camp of al-Fawar, just south of Hebron, high school students threw stones at soldiers to mark the anniversary. Troops opened fire, killing one protester and wounding four, according to hospital officials and camp residents.

At Hebron's Tomb of the Patriarchs, site of the massacre, prayer leader Taysir Tamimi told 300 worshippers during a memorial service that co-existence with the Jews was possible.

"I'm calling on our people to defend the holy shrines," said Tamimi, a leader of the Muslim militant group Hamas. "We don't accept it that Jews share our mosque."

The fundamentalist Hamas group promised five attacks in reprisal for the massacre. Islamic militants from Hamas and the smaller Islamic jihad group — both of whom opposed peace with Israel — have killed 58 Israelis in five suicide bombings the past year.

The fortress-like Tomb, built over



AP photo

An Israeli soldier frisks a Palestinian worshipper on his way to the Tomb of the Patriarchs in the occupied West Bank town of Hebron Tuesday. Israeli security forces have been on high alert after receiving warnings that Palestinian militants planned to avenge the Hebron massacre that occurred one year ago.

the graves of biblical figures Abraham, Sarah, Jacob and Isaac, is sacred to both Muslims and Jews. Since the Feb. 25 massacre, Muslims and Jews have been entering through separate gates and pray in different halls.

Palestinians marked the anniversary Tuesday according to the short-

er Muslim calendar, which is based on the lunar cycle.

Outside the Tomb, Jewish settler Noam Arnon sparred with a group of Palestinians, bringing up the 1929 massacre in which 67 Jews in Hebron were killed by Arab rioters.

"Your fathers have massacred us, and Hamas is killing Jews," Arnon told the group.

PLO activist Khaled Hurani shot back: "You are occupiers. This is our land. Don't expect me to give you flowers for taking my house."

Hebron's mayor, Mustafa Naiche, said there would be no peace unless Israel pulled out the 450 Jewish settlers living in six enclaves of Hebron, a town of 80,000 Palestinians.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin reportedly came close to evacuating the settlers after the massacre but changed his mind out of concern it would ignite protests in Israel.

Rabin warned Tuesday that he would not tolerate attempts by militant settlers to justify Goldstein's actions. "This is incitement to murder, and those responsible for law enforcement ... must deal with them," Rabin said.

The Kiryat Arba settlement, where Goldstein lived and was buried after he was bludgeoned to death following the attack, is planning a grave-side memorial service Thursday.

Goldstein's marble tombstone reads, "Clean of hands, clean of heart, he died as a martyr."

The grave has become a site of pilgrimage for right-wing Jewish activists, and Kiryat Arba residents claim Goldstein's shooting spree has helped deter Arabs from attacking Jews.

Mrs. Mujahed, the Hebron widow, said her son Shalan seeks vengeance. "My son wants to be a martyr. He told me last night he saw a place for himself in paradise," she said. "I told him, 'Don't think this way. Concentrate on your studies.'"

Chiapas head offers to resign

TUXTLA GUTIERREZ, Mexico (AP) — The governor of Chiapas offered to resign today in an effort to end a year-long standoff with rebels who charge he won office in the southern state through fraud.

Gov. Eduardo Robledo Rincon also called on the rebels to disarm, on the opposition to give up its claim to his job, and on a Roman Catholic bishop to stop aiding the rebellion.

There was no immediate response from the Zapatistas National Liberation Army which has frequently called for Robledo's resignation.

The Zapatista rebels launched an insurgency last year to demand basic rights and better living conditions for the impoverished Indian peasants of Chiapas. More than 145 people were killed in the uprising before a Jan. 12, 1994, cease-fire.

Robledo took office in December amid threats of renewed fighting. He said in his inaugural speech that he would step down if the rebels would disarm. He pledged to govern for everyone, and as a sign of good faith quit the governing Institutional Revolutionary Party.

It was not immediately clear whether Robledo was acting on his own initiative, or was being pressured by officials in Mexico City. The national government maintains the conflict over Robledo's election is a local affair, but a number of governors were forced out by former President Carlos Salinas de Gortari to resolve similar disputes.



Russian search and rescue workers place Valya Udobakhlyeva, 61, on a stretcher for evacuation from Grozny Monday.

Artillery leads off shaky truce

NAZRAN, Russia (AP) — The percussion from artillery fire riddled across the Chechen capital of Grozny early Tuesday, the day a limited cease-fire between Russia and Chechnya was to take effect.

Chechen missiles were reportedly fired at Russian tanks southwest of Grozny.

Despite an uncertain start to the cease-fire, peace talks were to resume today in Slepsovsk, in the neighboring republic of Ingushetia, officials there said.

The limited pact to stop the use of heavy artillery was reached Monday in talks between Col. Gen. Anatoly Kulikov, commander of Russian troops in Chechnya, and the chief of separatist Chechen forces, Aslan Maskhadov.

Both sides also agreed in principle to work out an exchange of prisoners and the dead.

Previous agreements have failed to end the battles in this mountainous region 1,000 miles south of Moscow, and many on both sides were skeptical about this one.

"It is impossible to reach agreement with them because their hands are stained with blood," Russian Lt. Gen. Lev Rokhlin, a top commander in the two-month war, told the ITAR-Tass news agency.

Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, meanwhile, said Moscow was ready for talks with Chechen field commanders, the

Interfax news agency reported. Many Chechen fighters act independently of Chechen President Dzhokhar Dudayev, whom Maskhadov was representing.

Emil Pain, an adviser to President Boris Yeltsin, told ITAR-Tass the cease-fire agreement "gives hope for a non-military settlement of the Chechen conflict."

He said a "cooling period after combat operations" was needed before political negotiations could take place.

But shelling began in the early morning in Grozny. And the Interfax news agency said Chechens fired Grad missiles on Russian tanks near Gotti, 12 miles southwest of Grozny.

The Russian Interior Ministry told Interfax on Tuesday that six Russian soldiers had been killed since Monday morning in Chechnya and that Russian artillery had been in action again.

The report said Russian artillery fired near the towns of Noviyev Promysly, Alkhan-Kali and Argun, in regions south of Grozny. It was not clear if they were shelled before the cease-fire took effect or after.

The war now is being waged mainly in such areas and in southern parts of Grozny.

Russian helicopter gunships continued to fly over Chechnya from their base in Beslan, about 75 miles west of Grozny, but no air attacks were reported.

Cease-fire called in border dispute

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — A cease-fire between Ecuador and Peru went into effect Tuesday in a border war that both sides claim to have won.

Ecuador and Peru both declared victory in their nearly three-week conflict, which has left at least 49 people dead and 100 wounded.

The rain forest at the heart of the battles has been fought over by both sides three times since 1941. Peru's President Alberto Fujimori announced a unilateral cease-fire Monday night over the disputed area at the headwaters of the Cenepa River.

Although there was no report of

fighting Tuesday, Argentine President Carlos Menem said Fujimori warned him clashes could still occur because it was impossible to immediately inform all the soldiers in the isolated area of the truce.

The disputed jungle zone is filled with snipers who may not have heard of the cease-fire, so there could still be fighting, Menem quoted Fujimori as telling him in a telephone conversation.

Ecuadorian officials said troops would remain on maximum alert until there was a confirmed end to hostilities in the area 220 miles southeast of Quito and 590 miles north of Lima, the Peruvian capital.

Winnie Mandela apologizes for criticism

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — President Nelson Mandela accepted an apology Tuesday from his estranged wife for calling his government weak and unresponsive.

but it took two tries for Winnie Mandela to get the text right.

In response, the president sternly warned that top officials had a responsibility not to show disrespect for his government.

Mrs. Mandela made the apology

in the second of two letters she sent her husband Monday.

In his response, Mandela called Mrs. Mandela's criticism "inconsistent" with her position in the government, but said he accepted the apology.

Mrs. Mandela is deputy minister of arts, culture and technology in the Cabinet formed by her husband after the African National Congress won the nation's first all-race election last April.

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Weather agency reports record lows in ozone

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — Scientists say the Earth's protective ozone layer has shriveled to a record low over Siberia and shrunk about 10 percent over the western United States.

Measurements taken over the last two weeks show the ozone layer is a record 35 percent below normal over the mountains, forests and tundra of Russia's Siberia, the World Meteorological Organization said Tuesday.

These figures come after the region was 25 percent below average in January, said Dr. Rumen Bojkov, special advisor to the group's secretary general.

Ozone forms a protective layer about 60 miles above the Earth which filters out excessive ultraviolet radiation from the sun. Such radiation can cause sunburn and skin cancer, destroy some microscopic organisms and damage plants.

Bojkov said scientists expect increased concentrations of chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, over the next 10 years, causing frequent dramatic drops in the ozone layer.

CFCs, commonly used in aerosols and refrigerators, are believed to trigger chemical reactions in the stratosphere that cause a thinning of the ozone layer.

Despite an agreement signed in 1987 by most countries to phase out the use of CFCs, ozone levels in the atmosphere will not start to recover until the next century, the meteorological group says.

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Briefly

Idaho Power reports rise in theft

BOISE — Idaho Power Co. says incidents of electricity theft by its customers jumped 50 percent last year compared to 1993. A record 452 cases were reported in 1994 compared to 302 the year before. Idaho Power estimates it lost \$35,700 as a result of last year's diversions.

Bob Smith, an energy diversion specialist, said one of the reasons for the increased number of reported cases may be the Idaho Power Revenue Protection Department's aggressive effort to reduce losses.

Idaho Power said 389 cases were reported in the company's Central Division, mainly the Boise, Nampa, Caldwell and Mountain Home areas. The Eastern Division, largely composed of the Pocatello, American Falls and Blackfoot areas, had 38 reported cases.

The Southern Division, including Twin Falls and surrounding communities, reported 24.

Condor egg boosts hopes of breeding

BOISE — Boise has its first new California Condor egg, boosting hopes the breeding program at the World Center for Birds of Prey will expand the endangered species' population.

Piru, 11, has laid an egg at the Peregrine Fund's center near the Boise Airport. The egg is in an incubator, but biologists do not expect it will prove to be fertile when they check it in about 10 days.

Condors usually do not breed until they are 6, and Piru's mate, Tumussi, is only 5, fund science director Lloyd Kiff said. But there's a very good possibility Piru will lay another egg this year, Kiff said.

Utah Senate committee backs gun bills

SALT LAKE CITY — A Senate committee Tuesday endorsed a pair of gun bills that would give the state sole control over gun regulation and make it easier for Utahns to carry concealed weapons.

Both measures, sponsored by House Majority Whip Michael Waddoups, R-Taylorsville, were passed unanimously by the Energy Natural Resources and Agriculture Committee.

They already have cleared the House and now go before the full Senate. Waddoups' first bill would allow only the state to implement any law dealing with firearms legislation. His second bill would loosen requirements for Utahns wanting concealed weapons permits.

As the law stands, the state requires an applicant to justify the need for a permit before it is issued.

Police: Teen truthful about double slaying

LAS VEGAS — Las Vegas Metro Police say a 14-year-old girl is probably telling the truth in connection with a bizarre double slaying over the weekend.

Police are holding Altrina Griffin in custody, but have not charged her in the case.

Police say 16-year-old Clydette Griffin fatally stabbed her 8-year-old daughter, Carissa Griffin, with a butcher knife Saturday, saying the devil made her do it.

They say she then told her 14-year-old daughter to kill her and the teenager complied by stabbing the seven-year in the chest with a butcher knife.

Detectives interviewed the teen-ager and placed her in custody at the county juvenile detention center.

Mother of abandoned baby charged

ONTARIO, Ore. — A 16-year-old Ontario, Ore., girl has been charged in the death of her newborn daughter — three weeks after workmen discovered the infant's body among rags in a cardboard box.

The girl, who has confessed to leaving her child outside an empty house, faces two felony counts: criminally negligent homicide and abandonment of a child.

Manhattan County District Attorney Pat Sullivan said the girl will be tried as a juvenile. The maximum penalty the 16-year-old faces is five years in a juvenile detention facility — until she turns 21.

2 men charged in death of woman

VERNAL, Utah — Two men have been charged in the death of a 30-year-old Vernal woman, whose daughter found her with a slashed throat Friday night in the family's home.

Scott Mardock Reed, 30, and Lucas Ray Black, 33, were formally charged today with first degree murder in the death of Connie Richens. The two made their first court appearance in 8th District Court late this morning.

Richens was preparing to meet her husband, Jeff, at a Vernal bowling alley when the two men came to her house, said Uintah County Sheriff's Detective Keith Campbell.

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House sidetracks game license sales plan

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho House delayed passage of the Fish and Game Department's plans to move into computerized sales of hunting and fishing licenses.

Even though sponsors argued sportsmen were overwhelmingly in favor of the plan, the House voted 39-30 Tuesday to put it up for amendment. Some members expressed concern the state agency wouldn't use all the new revenue generated by the system to pay for it.

Sponsors said Fish and Game hopes to install terminals at the 975 locations where people buy hunting



and fishing licenses so licenses can be issued instantly. It would cost sportsmen an extra 50 cents. To save money, many vendors who also sell lottery tickets will be able to use the same equipment to issue licenses.

That would generate about \$900,000 per year, Fish and Game officials say the new system would

cost about \$1.5 million.

Rep. Tom Dorr, R-Post Falls, pointed out to House members that this measure says Fish and Game "may" use the extra license revenue to offset the cost of the computer system. He led the drive to put the bill up for amendment to require the money be spent on the new system.

Other members said they wanted to make other changes to the bill.

"This brings fishing license vendors into the electronic age," said Rep. Lynn Loois, R-Ashton, "It's a substantial improvement in how we sell licenses," said Rep. Doug Jones, R-Filer.

But Rep. John Tippets, R-Benning, said, "It is not true that all vendors favor this."

He said people who sell licenses get \$1 each. Under the computerized plan, the charge will be \$1.50 per license but vendors will get only half of it.

If vendors don't already have a computer line installed, it will cost them \$7 per week, so small vendors have to sell 10 licenses a week just to break even, Tippets said.

"For the large vendors, there's a tremendous benefit," he said. "But small vendors oppose it."

60 protest welfare proposals

BOISE (AP) — About 60 people weathered a light snowfall on Idaho's Statehouse steps at midday Tuesday to protest plans by the Republican congressional majority to revamp the nation's welfare system.

Organizers warned that GOP efforts were punitive and would hurt the most vulnerable citizens — children.

The Boise rally was among

protests staged in 79 cities across the nation as Republicans in the House continued work on the welfare plank in the Contract With America.

The GOP's blueprint for welfare reform bars states from using federal money to provide single mothers under the age of 18 a monthly check. It is on a fast-track and is expected to go to the full House for a vote before Easter.

Fire kills 1; officer saves another

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — An Idaho Falls woman was killed in an apartment fire and a policeman's quick actions may have saved another resident.

Bernie Beamer, 38, was found dead in her main floor apartment Tuesday when fire crews arrived to fight the blaze reported at 5:46 a.m. She apparently fell asleep on a living room couch while smoking and a cigarette set the couch on fire, the Idaho Falls Fire Department reported.

Idaho Falls Police Officer Douglas Ericson noticed the fire while on routine patrol. He was able to wake basement apartment tenant John Keaveny, 26, and get him out of the house. Keaveny was uninjured.

The other two apartments in the converted home were vacant. Beamer apparently lived alone.

Smoke from the fire started by the smoking cigarette may have overcome her while she slept, Detective Ken Brown said.

Legislative log

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For Monday, Feb. 13

Introduced in House
HC121 (Health and Welfare) — Directs director of Health and Welfare to study the reimbursement of out-of-state care facilities for the mentally retarded.
HC113 (Health and Welfare) — Modifies national Government's rules regarding day care care so rules follow requirements of Department of Health and Welfare rules and day care statutes.
HB245 (State Affairs) — Takes 3 percent of revenue generated by televised or simulcast horse races for a fund to be distributed for public live horse racing tracks.
HB246 (State Affairs) — Amends definitions in law on donors and planners of food.
HB247 (Local Government and Taxation) — Provides for issuing certain licenses such as processors and pawn brokers.

Changes state income tax brackets to reflect inflation.
HB363 (Agricultural Affairs) — Increases membership of Seed Administration Council.
HB264 (Agricultural Affairs) — Clarifies that penalty for cheating without a license is a civil penalty.
HB265 (Agricultural Affairs) — Eliminates a ground water management district to implement a plan for a water artist well.
HB266 (Health and Welfare) — Provides for registration and regulation of complementary health care practitioners by a created board.
HB267 (Revenue and Taxation) — Clarifies deadline for filing appeal of property tax assessment with a hearing session well.
HB268 (Revenue and Taxation) — Drops sales tax from 5 percent to 2 1/2 percent in Payette and Wood River canyons well.

Introduced in Senate
SR186 (Local Government and Taxation) — Reinstates property assessment increases to 4 percent annually until sale of property.
SCR115 (Health and Welfare) — Amends regulations on control of air pollution.
SCR116 (Health and Welfare) — Amends regulations on control of air pollution.
SCR117 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Amends regulations on plumbing safety.
SCR118 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Authorizes creation of medical savings plan with a state tax deduction.
SCR154 (Health and Welfare) — Modifies exemptions from law government medical practice without a license.
SCR155 (Health and Welfare) — Creates the Developmental Disabilities Family Support and Assistance Act.
SCR156 (Health and Welfare) — Imposes annual adjustments in the reimbursement rate for health care under Medicaid.
SCR157 (Health and Welfare) — Requires interviews of children suspected of being abused to be preserved on videotape.
SCR158 (Education) — Redefines school age for children not attending kindergarten.
SCR159 (Education) — Renames the executive director of the Board of Education the university executive.
SCR160 (Education) — Modifies determination of education and experience credit for teacher salaries in the school aid distribution formula.
SCR161 (Health and Welfare) — Creates the National Clinical Pastoral Council.
SCR162 (Judiciary and Rules) — Makes community property during marriage liable for debts of either spouse after marriage.
SR163 (Judiciary and Rules) — Keeps state regulations in force for another year until mid-1996.
SR164 (Judiciary and Rules) — Limits police reporting requirement to injuries sustained by firearm.

SB1186 (Education) — Requires the state to accept federal money under the Goals For Education by 2000 program.
SB1187 (Education) — Adopts federal requirements for education under the Indiana for 2000 program.
SB1188 (Education) — Locks in a salary increase for public school teachers in the state aid distribution formula.
SB1189 (Education) — Requires expulsion of students caught carrying guns to school.
SB1190 (Commerce and Human Resources) — Revises requirements for conflict resolutions over state grazing leases.
SB1191 (Local Government and Taxation) — Revises state motor carrier regulation laws.
SB1192 (Local Government and Taxation) — Expands the city limits of Bellevue.
SB1193 (Local Government and Taxation) — Creates the Property Tax Deferral Act.
SB1194 (Resources and Environment) — Revises requirements for conflict auctions over state grazing leases.
SB1195 (Resources and Environment) — Requires licensed outfitters and guides to be Idaho residents.
SB1196 (Resources and Environment) — Precludes enforcement of cleanup requirements on property with environmental damage that has been acquired by a state or local government through default.
SB1197 (Resources and Environment) — Places serial numbers and prepaid mailing cards on game tags.
SB1201 (Local Government and Taxation) — Sets up an assessment schedule for personal property not used year-round.
SB1202 (Resources and Environment) — Deletes nonresident mountain lion tags from fee schedule.
SB1203 (Local Government and Taxation) — Limits the 50-50 homeowners exemption to people who have lived in the state for three years or longer.
SB1204 (Local Government and Taxation) — Extends authority to create subdistricts of water and sewer districts.

HB248 (Local Government and Taxation) — Deletes certain laws on the siting of manufactured homes as a required component of a comprehensive zoning ordinance.
HB249 (Agricultural Affairs) — Entitles irrigation districts, canal or ditch companies to right of way to perform repair and maintenance work.
HB250 (Health and Welfare) — Provides minimum qualifications for clinical laboratory practitioners, clinical laboratory technicians and clinical laboratory categorical specialists.
HB251 (Health and Welfare) — Provides that counties are not required to provide financial assistance for residents of residential care facilities beyond amount provided by the state.
HB252 (Health and Welfare) — Expands definition of an estate to enhance the state's ability to recover under medical assistance payments.
HB253 (Health and Welfare) — Changes Cancer Tumor Registry Fund to Central Cancer Registry Fund.

HB254 (Health and Welfare) — Clarifies application of lease provisions to reimbursements for intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded.
HB255 (Health and Welfare) — Provides that mentally ill indigent persons must be a resident of this state; provides that no person shall be eligible to receive county medical assistance who was not a resident at the time of the illness or injury.
HB256 (Transportation and Defense) — Exempts vehicles hauling manure from supervision by Public Utilities Commission.
HB257 (Transportation and Defense) — Allows fuel distributors or dealers to claim a refund of a portion of fuel taxes paid to Highway Distribution Account if retail sale of the fuel turns out to be an uncollectible sale.
HB258 (Transportation and Defense) — Repeals last year's changes in laws on motorcycle endorsement on driver licenses.
HB259 (Transportation and Defense) — Provides additional conditions for which issuance of a salvage certificate for vehicle with known value of \$6,000 or more can be issued.

HB260 (Transportation and Defense) — Amends 1872 territorial law requiring support salaries for members of the National Guard or Reserves during military training; allows county to pay officers' salary minus amount of military pay they draw during drill.
HB261 (Revenue and Taxation) — Exempts from taxation property used in recycling solid waste.
HB262 (Revenue and Taxation) —

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Meridian pulls 3 texts called 'too liberal'

MERIDIAN (AP) — Instead of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson or even Bill Clinton, one American government textbook proposed for the Meridian School District had pictures on the title page of Hillary Clinton and Supreme Court Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sandra Day O'Connor.

The book, which also included an essay on the increasing role of women in government, was among three high school social studies texts the Meridian School Board voted to pull from consideration Monday.

"The board looked at them and a couple of board members thought they were too liberal and they needed some time to compare with other textbooks," Superintendent Bob Bailey said. "The biggest concern was that they were moving away from the basics of the establishment of the government."

Board members themselves would not detail their specific criticisms.

But citizens involved in the textbook selection say trustees are concerned about the amount of history of minority groups presented and the emphasis given to negative views of the United States, such as the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II.

Ann Patterson, a mother of three Meridian High graduates, says she hopes to move into the 20th century.

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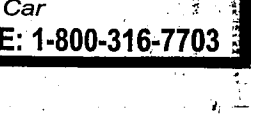
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Bean dishes

warm up winter

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — In response to a reader request for bean recipes, Jeri Cox of Castleford sent in several winning recipes from this year's Filer Bean Festival.

This week, we're sharing her first place (main dish) recipe for Many Bean Bake Casserole, plus the second place (main dish) winner, Black Bean and Chicken Fajita Casserole, from Pat Schweitzer of Filer.

MANY BEAN BAKE CASSEROLE

- 2 large onions, chopped
- 1 pound bulk sweet Italian sausage
- 2 cans (16 ounces) B&M Baked Beans
- 1 can (16 ounces) red kidney beans, undrained
- 1 can (16 ounces) hot chili beans, undrained
- 1 can (16 ounces) great northern, drained
- 2 cans (16 ounces) butter beans, drained
- 1 can (16 ounces) pinto beans, drained
- 1 teaspoon liquid smoke
- 1 can (10 1/2 ounces) tomato soup, undrained
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato paste
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1 cup medium cheddar cheese, grated

Brown Italian sausage and chipped onion in skillet; drain. Combine with remaining ingredients, except cheese, in a 5-quart casserole or small roasting pan. Bake, uncovered, at 325 degrees for 1 1/2 hours. Sprinkle with grated cheese, serve hot or cold.

Yield: 16 generous servings

BLACK BEAN & CHICKEN FAJITA CASSEROLE

- Marinate:
- 1 1/2 cups green chili salsa
 - 3 tablespoons lime juice
 - 8 skinless, boneless chicken breast, diced
 - 3 cloves garlic, minced
 - 1 1/2 teaspoons ground cumin
 - 1/2 green pepper
 - 1 1/2 small onion
- Sauté onion or low-fat yogurt
- 6 cups black beans, rinsed and drained
 - 12 ounces chunky salsa
 - 12 taco shells, diced

Mix green chili salsa, lime juice, garlic and cumin in plastic zip bag. Add chicken and marinate overnight.

In large pan sprayed with Pam, add peppers and onions. Cook 5 minutes over medium heat. Add chicken and cook until chicken is done (about 10 minutes). Pour into 4-quart casserole dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 to 30 minutes.

Garnish with yogurt or sour cream and more salsa if desired.

You may also want to leave out diced taco shell and spoon in mixture for regular fajitas.

For dessert, we have a recipe for Jeff Davis Pie, sent in by Jackie Ansel of Glenns Ferry. It's from James Beard's "American Cookery."

JEFFERSON DAVIS PIE

- 1 cup coffee cream (10 percent cream) or evaporated milk
 - 1 cup milk
 - 1 egg (whole)
 - 2 egg yolks
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 5 tablespoons flour
 - 1/4 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon cinnamon
 - 1/4 to 1 teaspoon cloves
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla
 - 2 tablespoons butter
- Baked 9-inch pastry shell or crumb crust

Scald cream and milk in the top of a double boiler. In a bowl, stir together the egg and egg yolks and add the sugar, flour, salt and spices (the amount of cloves varies among recipes, but even 1/4 teaspoon is very strong).

Slowly stir some of the hot cream or milk into the mixture. Pour this back into the hot milk and cream, and stir over low heat or boiling water until mixture is thick. Remove from heat and add the

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By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — When your home is begging for a makeover and your checkbook is begging for a break, there is still hope.

Area designers say it's possible to give your home a new look and also have enough money left over to make the mortgage payment.

"You will probably not be able to change the style of the major pieces (of furniture) on a small budget," said Greg English, owner of At Home with the English Group on Main Street in North, "but you can update your rooms."

Color

Color evokes emotion and is the backbone of interior design, English explained. It can bring fresh new feelings to a room, by way of a coat of paint well-appointed on a wall.

"Not eggshell white," English said. "One of the reasons I decorated the store the way I did — with bold colors — is to let people know you don't have to be afraid of it."

Annetta Glavin, manager of Inspirations, with stores in Twin Falls and Burley, agreed. "A new picture can add color," she said, "and an area rug is a wonderful way to give a room a flash of new color."

You can purchase a good quality area rug for as little as \$150.

The area rug can be a bridge between carpet and upholstery, according to English. For example, a family might move into a 15-year-old house with carpet that doesn't match their furniture. An area rug is a lot cheaper than new carpet.

"Everything spins off each other in a house, so you are looking for a base tone, which is usually dictated by floor covering," English said. "Choose your base color from the floor, and do a window treatment from it."

Maybe you choose blue. Make sure you use the color a minimum of five times in the room, designers say. But, even the color of a magazine cover on a coffee table counts as one use.

Accessories

Accessories can mean a huge change in a room for minimal investment, English said. But he also said that most people either don't have enough accessories or don't group them properly.

"Accessories were never intended to stand by themselves," English said. "They should always be grouped."

English likes to change floral arrangements with each



Sharon and Tony Warner enjoy the music room which was transformed with the help of Greg English. A hardwood floor was hiding under carpeting, new wallpaper and furnishings were added to existing decor.

season, and he contends that most people have great accessories in their homes, whether they know it or not. Family pictures hanging on four walls, for example, could become one family gallery wall. Or, art pieces and collectors' items purchased on trips could be brought together to create a theme.

Teresa McKinstler, an interior designer at L'Herisson's, with stores in Twin Falls and Burley, likes to encourage clients to decorate with whatever they have — teapots, large plates, vases or books.

"Even a cup and saucer your parents had can sit on a

"I think it's very important to get an outside perspective, and I don't just say that because I'm in the business," English said. "Sometimes you are too close and you just can't see, so you need to get a professional involved."

English said many designers make fee house calls at no obligation. Then, if the customer decides to use the services, the business might charge a retainer fee to be applied as credit against purchases.

It's up to the client to decide what to spend. Or, as English put it, "Good taste costs no money."

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book and can be very attractive," she said. Changing a light fixture can update a room, too.

"Even changing the lampshade can help," Glavin said.

And the newest craze is throws, especially chenille, in any color.

"Draped over the end of a bed or recliner or sofa, a throw can really soften a room," English said.

Accent pillows are also popular, as are plants.

English recommends silk plants for today's busy families with no time to raise the real thing. Tabletop greenery can be purchased for as little as \$25 to \$50, he said, with small mixed plants running about \$50 and silk trees selling for between \$100 and \$300.

The basics

In the kitchen, an old dark walnut cabinet can be spray painted for hundreds of dollars rather than replaced for thousands. You can even have your refrigerator painted for around \$100 to \$150, English said.

In the bathroom, a glass shower door, soap dishes or potpourris are fairly inexpensive additions. Or, you can have any fabric plasticized and made into a shower curtain to match a new towel set.

Windows can be given new life with shades, blinds or valances. And furniture can always be rearranged.

"There are lots of options for rearranging furniture that people don't always see," English said.

McKinstler also likes to use trunks or storage cabinets instead of end tables, and music in the room can enhance the whole arrangement.

"If you have a sound system, you can route small speakers throughout the house," English said.

But there is a "don't try this at home" disclaimer.

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PIZZA SALAD PITA POCKETS

- 4 (6-inch) pitas
- 8 cherry tomatoes, cut in half
- 1/2 medium red onion, chopped
- 1 cup sliced mushrooms
- 1 (13 1/2-ounce) can artichoke hearts, packed in water, very well-drained
- 1 cup chopped romaine lettuce
- 1/2 cup grated low-fat mozzarella
- 1/2 ounce pepperoni slices, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup pizza sauce
- 3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt

Slice a 1-inch piece off one side of each pita.

In a medium mixing bowl, stir together the cherry tomatoes, red onion, mushrooms, artichoke

hearts, romaine, mozzarella, pepperoni, pizza sauce, vinegar and garlic salt.

Fill each pita with the pizza salad and serve.

Makes 4 pita pockets.

BREAD CRUST MINI QUICHES

- 12 slices white bread
- Vegetable oil cooking spray
- 2/3 cup part-skim ricotta cheese
- 3 tablespoons egg substitute
- 1/4 cup plain, non-fat yogurt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/3 cup grated, reduced-fat cheddar cheese

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Cut the crusts off the bread. Flatten each side of bread by firmly using a rolling pin. Spray 12 muffin cups with vegetable oil cooking spray. Press a slice of bread into each cup. Bake 7 to 8 minutes, until brown. Set aside to cool.

Divide the broccoli among the 12 bread crusts. In a medium bowl, beat together the ricotta, egg substitute, yogurt, nutmeg,

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It's not just fish wrap anymore

The best reason not to use plastic as a mulch came from a most unlikely resource.

A Maine rose lover wrote to American Rose magazine to bemoan his malady, "Disappearing Lawn Syndrome," a sure-fire symptom common among rose nuts.



Cathy Walworth
Green thumbprints

There is no cure for "rose-itis," as he named the disease shared among rose lovers worldwide. So we might as well eliminate the existing lawn in the quickest, most thorough method possible.

With plastic.
This column has denounced plastic as a mulch in the past, citing the fact that it is not biodegradable, is not water nor nutrient permeable and is a lousy mulch. It manages to get itself torn so that it can flap energetically in the wind, high above whatever it's planted around. And it doesn't even scare weeds.

Back to the disappearing lawn syndrome. Mr. Jackson, the rose grower, said that he efficiently dispatches large chunks of lawn by spreading a large sheet of clear plastic over the lawn that he intends to turn into a rosebed.

He spreads it out in fall or spring and anchors it down. It stays in place for about a month. The plastic gathers the sun's heat and bakes the lawn underneath to an even, sterile denatured. "Sometimes at very high temperatures," he wrote.

He continued, "The goal is to kill the grass and hopefully weeds and weed seeds as well, to the depth of the roots, which is why the plastic is left in place for a month or more."

Another benefit of lawn baking that Mr. Jackson found is that the process releases a lot of water from the turf. That makes the sod easy to turn once he lifts the plastic.

"The toasted turf will already contain a fair amount of organic material, and you can add additional topsoil or amendments as necessary."
For those who want to kill plants efficiently, plastic is the way to go. For mulching in his new roses, however, Mr. Jackson uses his favorite: three sheets of newspaper. Well, he uses two sheets, except for a two-foot diameter around each rose. Then he pushes down a thick layer of organic mulch over that and waters in his new roses.

Newspaper is probably the world's best mulch. It is biodegradable, is usually gone in one season, lets water, air and nutrients through to the soil, keeps weeds away — and the price is right.

What's bugging your garden? Send your garden questions to Cathy Walworth, in care of The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83703.

Looking for a quick warm-up?

Q: How energy efficient and safe (around my children) are electric radiant wall picture heaters? I need a heater to produce warmth fast for my bathroom in the morning and for the children's playroom. - D. R.

A: Radiant wall picture heaters are energy efficient. They provide heat quickly, just like feeling the radiant warmth of the sun on a cold day. I use one on my basement wall across from my pool table for quick heat.

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In case they get knocked off the wall, some models have tip-over automatic shut off switches. They plug into a standard 120-volt outlet.

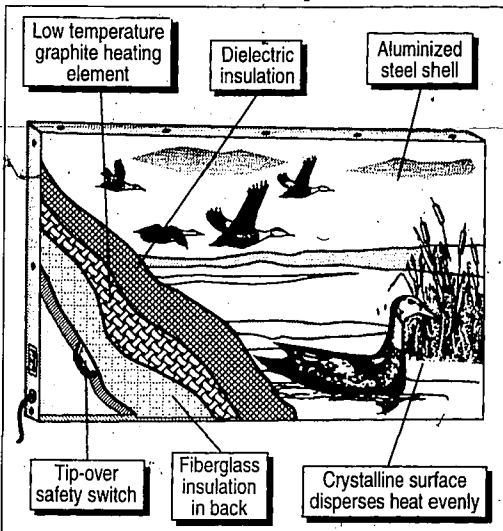
These are called picture heaters because they look like a wall painting (one inch thick). Many are landscapes, sunsets or snow scenes. If you are artistic, order a less expensive blank heater and paint your own scene with acrylic paint. A decorative frame can be added without reducing efficiency.

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James Dudley
Cut your utility bill

each room can have its own thermostat. Flat (one-inch thick) radiant panels can be attached under a ceiling or recessed in it. Other options include electric heating wires, fiberglass cloth or plastic sheets with wires or graphite conductors embedded inside.

For simple installation, some drywall is made with the wire already inside.

Write for Utility Bills Update No. 656 listing 12 manufacturers of picture, cove, ceiling and floor radiant heaters, heat outputs, dimensions, prices, and available picture heater scenes.

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Finish the interior walls with large openings between rooms. For efficiency and a contemporary look, build curved walls and transitions between rooms.

National Gypsum makes bendable dry-wall (called Flex) for this purpose.

It is one-quarter inch thick, so two layers are needed.

Carbon monoxide detectors raise ire

The Hartford Courant

The television ad for the First Alert carbon monoxide detector shows a group of smiling people, each of whom, it says, was saved by the device.

The detectors do warn about life-threatening levels of carbon monoxide. But what the ad doesn't say is that a new breed of detectors — First Alert's included — is being blamed for frightening thousands of people by sounding alarms with little or no carbon monoxide present.

There have been thousands of nuisance alarms since the detectors arrived in late 1993, fire safety and utility officials say. Last December, overwhelmed Chicago firefighters responded to about 1,800 such calls in one day.

Some detector owners around the country now are ignoring or disconnecting the devices. And safety officials are asking what went wrong with a government-backed effort to develop an effective and nuisance-free detector. Some also fear that efforts to fix the problem will just create more troublesome models.

The issue began in 1991, when federal consumer officials — concerned about deaths and illness from the colorless, odorless gas — called

for a new industry standard for detectors. The Consumer Product Safety Commission hoped a combination of education and laws requiring detectors in all homes would encourage millions of people to buy them.

That's exactly what happened. Sales were further boosted by press coverage of carbon monoxide poisonings, including the 1994 death of tennis star Venus Williams. First Alert has sold more than 3 million detectors, priced at about \$45.

But months after the first sales, firefighters and utilities noticed a growing number of calls to homes where detectors sounded but virtually no carbon monoxide was found.

First Alert, the market leader, said the detectors were fine. It said gas companies and safety officials did not properly investigate the alarms indicating carbon monoxide, a byproduct of burning fuels such as gasoline, natural gas and oil. In June, the gas industry, fire safety experts and federal authorities agreed to set up panels to find out what was wrong. In December, before those panels met, nearly 10,000 detectors sounded in Chicago over 48 hours. The incident was blamed on an unusual temperature inversion that trapped auto exhaust and other pollutants near the ground.

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Rose honors late actor, gardener Henry Fonda

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A new yellow rose from Jackson and Perkins honors the late actor Henry Fonda. The hybrid tea was selected by the Fonda family to commemorate the legendary star of "Grapes of Wrath," "Mr. Roberts" and "On Golden Pond."

Fonda's 2½-acre California garden included many fruit trees and roses, along with chickens and beehives. His favorite gardening pastime was tending his yellow

roses, according to children Peter and Jane Fonda, who chose the commemorative rose.

The Henry Fonda is a 4½-inch bloom of deep yellow. The flowers are disease resistant with exceptional keeping quality, according to Jackson and Perkins.

The 1995 introduction costs \$14.95 for the rose only and \$19.95 for the rose and a commemorative bronze marker for the garden. Information: (800) 292-4769.

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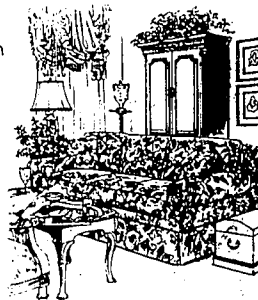
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Despite its small size, the Coulee doesn't feel cramped inside.

This plan offers close to 1,300 square feet of living area in a compact 47-by-48-foot package. It fits comfortably on a standard lot. Varied rooflines, a lofty arched entry and a high, wide multipaned window add street appeal.

Standing at the stove, you can ladle soup directly from pot to bowls on the eating bar. The dining room has windows on two sides, with the rear set being sliding glass doors that open to a covered patio.

Despite its small size, the Coulee doesn't feel cramped inside. In fact, vaulted ceilings in the entry and great room give these areas a feeling of spaciousness.

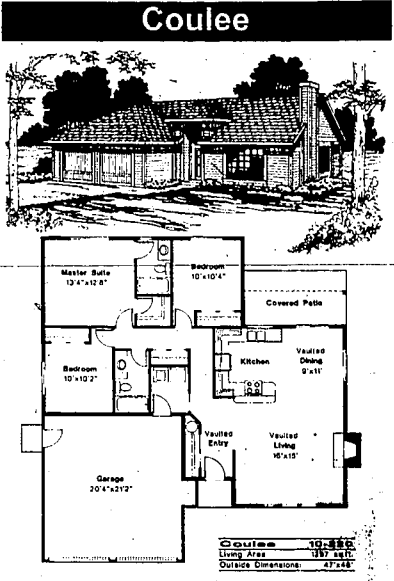
Utilities are close by, tucked in a pass-through space that provides access to the garage.

Arched multipaned windows over the front door provide natural illumination for the entry, while the wide expanse of glass in the living room portion of the great room makes this area bright as well.

Parents with small children will appreciate the close proximity of all three bedrooms. And the Coulee's master suite has a private bathroom.

The fireplace adds color and warmth when the weather turns nippy. The U-shaped kitchen is designed with convenience in mind. Sink, range, oven and refrigerator are

near set being sliding glass doors that open to a covered patio. Parents with small children will appreciate the close proximity of all three bedrooms. And the Coulee's master suite has a private bathroom. For a review plan, including sealed floor plans, elevations, section and artist's conception, send \$15 to Associated Designs, 1100 Jacobs Drive, Eugene Ore. 97402. Please specify the Coulee 10-220 and include a return address when ordering. A catalog featuring more than 150 home plans is available for \$12. Call (800) 634-0123.



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Based on the surveys, Associated Designs will custom tailor a home to meet the combined specifications of readers from your region. In addition, after compiling nationwide results, the firm will also create the 1995 Home from the Heart. Survey results, floor plans and artist's conceptions of both homes will appear on these pages approximately two months from now.

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So if you want your preferences, sharpen your pencil, and tell Associated Designs what your ideal home looks like.

Know your herb teas or chance illness, death

By Cathy Walworth
Times-News correspondent

TWIN FALLS — Herb teas have been around since boiling water, but that doesn't mean they're all good for you.

ure if taken in large amounts. Pennyuh said. Although pennyuh oil is often used as a flavoring, it is also poisonous in large amounts. Pennyuh is known to cause spontaneous abortion in pregnant women.

Drink catnip tea and you could find yourself with a strong urge to either urinate or have a giant clump of catnip in the garden, says George Pinyuh, Washington State extension agent.

Other plants to avoid are yarrow, wormwood, St. John's wort, senna, lobelia, hyacinth, horsetail, gold-crocod and alfalfa, Pinyuh said.

"Catnip and chamomile are two herbs that many gardeners grow and sometimes brew into teas," Pinyuh wrote recently. "In the case of catnip, nervous system irregularities may develop."

Even though many of these plants have been the base for many a cup of tea, it pays to be prudent in their use.

That's the time to get rid of the catnip, he said.

"Even though teas made from rosehips, peppermint, orange, and some others are known to be safe, we can't conclude from this that all herbal teas are okay," Pinyuh said. "Too much evidence" is based on folklore, hearsay and tradition, but very little on scientific evidence."

Chamomile is supposed to make you feel sleepy when you drink tea made from it, but in some people, it causes allergic rhinitis or anaphylactic shock. Those same people are allergic to ragweed, asters, chrysanthemums or other members of the composite family.

Foxglove is another pretty flower that has found its way into a tea cup or two.

We also use foxglove, or digitalis, to make heart medication. It is considered extremely poisonous and has caused serious illness and death many times, Pinyuh said.

"In 1979 in the Spokane area," Pinyuh said, "an elderly couple died within 24 hours after drinking tea brewed from foxglove. Ironically, they thought they were brewing comfrey leaves, which would have been any good for them, either."

Marijuana, another member of the composite family, should be avoided by people with allergies. They're safe to grow, but not to eat.

Licorice root can cause edema, a drop in blood potassium levels, elevated blood pressure and heart fail-

Design: The hot hues this year

By Linda Hales
The Washington Post

These new colors apply mainly to decorative pieces for the home, such as clocks, picture frames, lamps, tableware and pillows. Such smaller, often-seasonal purchases can change a room with less commitment than a switch in wall color, carpeting or upholstery would require. As a result, design trends race more quickly through this market sector than the others.

NEW YORK — People who ride the latest color trends are busy latching onto a new rainbow.

"What you are starting to see is pastels," says Roth, who stocked up on pinks, yellows and baby blues.

The heavy jewel tones of last season are looking a little grim. The gilded opulence of yesterday is undeniably tarnished as a decorating statement.

He also is fond of a line of two-tone cashmere pillows by Archipelago, a New York company. They come in muted hues of moss, sea green, or aubergine on one side, and a coordinating, restful color on the other. Edges are trimmed with pinkish shears. They are soft as a spring breeze.

What next? Try a basketful of colors fresh from the garden: basil, sage and lavender, celery and aubergine.

Fashion often leads the way in color shifts, followed by fabrics. Already in some Coastal, a nationwide outlet for fabrics, the garden influence is making itself felt. Buyers there see a range that extends from the orchard (peaches and oranges) to the herb garden (basil and sage).

The market-basket approach to color was in the ascendancy at last month's New York International Gift Fair, the East Coast's one-stop bazaar for gifts. That's what led Jeff Roth, owner of the Urban Country store in Bethesda, Md., to proclaim 1995 "the Year of the Vegetable."

Of course, no trend is all-inclusive, and rugged color individualists need not worry. A tour of the gift show's Accent on Design section, which is reserved for designs of special merit, revealed plenty of variety.

Actually, they're vegetables, says the Color Marketing Group in Alexandria, Va., which forecasts color for industries from textiles to automobiles. In colorist terms, the vegetables for 1995 are "growing, living" naturals. But don't confuse these hues with equally natural earth tones. The new colors are described as cleaner, truer. For example, New Meadow, a shade of green, is described by forecasters as "truly Nature's green."

Tableware sparkled in neon brights, with gilded edges or simply in bolder contemporary patterns. Lighting fixtures waved in the wind, often with colorful shades.

Another quality that distinguishes the new shades from the old is elegance. Think of it as the difference between Tony Ferragamo's silk stockings and Birkenstocks with bare feet.

Miami designer David D'Imperio showed his handmade low-voltage lighting fixtures, which are notable

Shoe fashion notwithstanding, an Italian accent is apparent. Color expert Linda Trent of Sherwin-Williams Co. in Cleveland, calls the new palette *gelato* colors, taking the name from the Italian word for ice cream. They're fresh, clean colors with a circus connection, she says, waxing eloquent on limes, lemons and oranges.

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Ken Cotten — vice president of national sales for Beaver Industries



Do it yourself
Gene Austin

of St. Paul, Minn., which makes SquidGee Dry — said the system costs about \$5 a foot, or about \$600 if installed around the entire 120-foot perimeter of a typical basement. Cotten said many installers use SquidGee Dry on only one or two "wet walls," so the cost is sometimes \$300 or less.

Cotten said SquidGee Dry was introduced about two years ago as a do-it-yourself companion to a somewhat similar Beaver product, called the Beaver System, which was sold

primarily to contractors for about eight years.

So far, Cotten said, SquidGee Dry has been sold mostly by mail and through home centers in the Midwest. Efforts are being made to interest home centers in other areas, and mail sales will continue in the interim. Beaver supplies a step-by-step installation guide with SquidGee Dry, which can be used in both poured-concrete or block basements. When installed along hollow block walls, a series of water-entry holes are punched or drilled in the blocks at floor level. No holes are needed in solid-poured concrete walls.

A strip of floor about three inches wide at the base of the wall must be thoroughly cleaned. Tiles or other flooring must be removed from the strip to expose bare concrete. An

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New books

"The Family Handyman Helpful Hints" (\$25 hardcover, Reader's Digest) is a collection of short tips

covering hundreds of workshop and home-maintenance topics. Some examples: To sweeten fresh-paint odor, add a little vanilla extract to the paint; hang a hammock over the hood of a car to expand garage storage, for bulky items without interfering with parking; make a shop vacuum easier to clean by putting old pantyhose over the filter.

Regular readers of "Family Handyman" magazine will recognize many of the tips in "Helpful Hints," since about half of the 2,000 tips in the book originally appeared in the magazine. However, this is a fine book for browsing, and contains many ingenious solutions to common problems. The tips are organized into sections, such as "Basic Tools and Equipment" and "Paint and Wallcoverings," and there is an

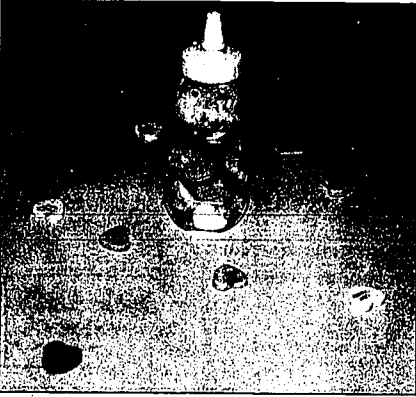
index. About 1,200 drawings illustrate the tips.

Creative Homeowner Press has added three new books to its paperback "Quick Guide" series. The new titles are "Trim & Molding, Interior & Exterior Painting," and "Ponds & Fountains." Each of the 80-page "Quick Guides" sells for \$6.95. These books are well illustrated with drawings and give excellent basic coverage of their subjects.

"Interior & Exterior Painting," which includes a section on decorative or faux finishes, is an especially good candidate for do-it-yourself libraries.

Readers' questions and comments should be sent to Gene Austin, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Box 8263, Philadelphia, Pa. 19101.

A sweet gift for someone special



TRACY DALIN/The Times-News

Valentine's Day candles and a honey container make for a special crafts item for that someone special.

If you are looking for a honey of an idea to give to a beary special person, you won't have to look beyond your kitchen cupboard and your honey container.



Tracy Dalin
Valley crafts

Once the container is empty, clean the plastic bear thoroughly. It is important to let it dry completely to eliminate moisture. When it is entirely clean and dry, you can fill with almost anything. I used candy hearts for Valentine's Day, but any small sweets or items will work.

Try jelly beans, gumballs, or gumdrops. This is a great way to recycle and give a gift all in one, plus it's a beary good idea!

Tracy Dalin welcomes comments on crafts or requests for craft instructions. Write to her at Box 312, Fairfield, Idaho 83327.

Martin buys Beverly Hills home

By Ruth Ryan
Los Angeles Times

Steve Martin, who stars in the upcoming sequel to his hit film "Father of the Bride" and wrote the play "Picasso at the Lapin Agile" — on stage through March 26 at the World Playhouse in Los Angeles — has purchased a house in the Beverly Hills area for about \$3 million, sources say.

Martin bought a nearly 10,000-square-foot English Country-style house on about an acre, sources say. The home has been described as "cozy and charming." One of Hollywood's most popular stars, Martin, who is in his late 40s, started out as a stand-up comic and was known in the '70s as a "Wild and Crazy Guy" on "Saturday Night Live," which he periodically guest hosted.

Around the house

- Spray kitchen curtains with a fabric protector. Curtains that hang directly over a sink are particularly vulnerable to splashes and spills.
- Hang small wicker baskets on bathroom wall for extra storage. Each family member's basket can hold razors, toothpaste, toothbrush and other items.
- Remove coffee stains from the inside of a thermos. Place crushed ice, a small amount of water and several teaspoons of salt inside thermos, shake vigorously, then rinse.
- Avoid scraping ice from the windshield of your car. Slip a portion of a paper shopping bag under wipers that are pointing straight up. The next morning, simply remove bag and windshield should be clear.

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Clergy who 'hoist a few' have a friend in Jesus

DEAR ABBY: I've been reading your column for years and never thought I'd write, but when I read the letter from J.V.P. of Canada, concerning the men of the cloth who had "hoisted a few," I had to write.

The Sunday that particular column ran, my pastor had presented his sermon "Turn to the Lord." The Gospel lesson was John 2:1-11, the wedding in Cana where the wine ran low and Jesus turned the water into wine — no less than 120 gallons of it! (Reference to this miracle was made in your column by Stu of Coos Bay, Ore.)



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

"Carl," and I have lived on the West Coast for six years. We are very happy in jobs that pay well; we live in a great neighborhood and have wonderful friends.

We recently had our first child, and suddenly Carl wants to move back to the East Coast so our child can grow up around their grandparents (his parents and mine, too).

Abby, I could hardly wait to call my pastor. It was ironic that the two messages were aired on the same day. My pastor and his wife really had a super chuckle when they read it. I, too, am of the opinion that "men of the cloth" are human, just as Jesus was also a man, and that all things, in moderation, were created for goodness.

I am of the Lutheran faith, and for the record, my pastor is not a teetotaler — he is loved and admired by all. You may use my name.

— KATIE S. STEEN,
PASCAGOULA, MISS.

Carl wants to move to a town about a four-hour drive from here. He says our parents won't be alive forever, and we owe it to them. (I suspect his folks may be putting some pressure on him.)

Abby, both sets of grandparents live in the same town. They are retired and can afford to visit us at least twice a year. Also, we can afford to fly back there once a year.

I say, Why disrupt our lives to move to a new place where we may or may not be happy, accept jobs with lower pay, and start all over again? Who do you say?

— TROUBLE IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR TROUBLE: Since your parents and his are in good health and financially able to visit you several times a year, in addition to your

visiting them, there is no reason to disrupt your present lifestyle to move east.

Perhaps your husband is not as happily settled on the West Coast as you are. Or his parents could be putting more than "a little pressure" on him to move east. Whatever is motivating him, this is an issue only you and he can decide.

DEAR ABBY: Hoorary for the mother of the tethered toddler! My active 15-month-old son loves the freedom to walk and explore the five-foot circumference his leash allows. Strollers aren't easily maneuvered in many situations — and who can carry 30 pounds continuously?

On our recent trip, many travelers in airports and appreciative shoppers commended us for our responsible use of a leash. The terror of losing a child is much worse than occasional disapproving glances cast by ignorant people.

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DEAR KATIE STEEN: You will never know how much your letter meant to me. I've had some rather ugly letters taking me to task for approving of men of the cloth "hoisting a few" in public.

DEAR ABBY: My husband,

Valley happenings

Homemade sausage supper set Thursday

JEROME — A homemade German sausage and pancake supper is planned for Thursday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1301 N. Davis. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and dinner is planned for 5 to 8 p.m. Free-will offerings will be taken. Proceeds will benefit the church's expansion fund. For more information, call 324-2841.

Chili feed, auction planned Friday

JEROME — A free chili feed and auction is planned for 5:30 to 8 p.m. Friday at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1301 N. Davis. The sheriff and his deputies will be auctioned off for four hours of labor per "buyer." For more information, call 324-5188 or 324-2404.

Celebration of song scheduled Friday

KIMBERLY — A "Singspiration" is planned for 7 p.m. Friday at the Eternal Life Christian Center (White's Kimberley Chapel), 712 Center St. W. Pastors Johnny and Heidi Hanchey will lead the service. For more information, call 423-6234.

Open house honors man's birthday

TWIN FALLS — An open house to help Ralph R. Newberry celebrate his 90th birthday is planned for 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday at his home, 736 Cherokee Lane. The event is being hosted by his three daughters and his grandchildren. No gifts please.

4-H club sets 2nd annual Winter Circuit

TWIN FALLS — Denim Dusters 4-H Club has planned its second annual Winter Circuit Shows. An event will be held beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Rock Creek Stables.

Reining, western riding, quality and pleasure are some of the scheduled events. For more information, call Jesse Muro at 734-4562 or Gail Hopkins at 423-4340.

The Times-News welcomes news of community events. Send material to The Times-News Valley Happenings, PO Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303-0548. Please submit news at least a week in advance and include a phone number where you can be reached.

CSI program will delve into Jung psychology

TWIN FALLS — Scott W. Hyder will present a program, "An Introduction to C.G. Jung & the Psychology of the Soul" from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday in the mini-auditorium of the Aspen Building at the College of Southern Idaho.

The program features a brief introduction to the life and ideas of the Swiss pioneer of depth psychology, Carl Gustav Jung, followed by a showing of parts of the video portrait "Matter of Heart" where Jung is seen in his element and time.

A question and comment session will follow a break. No previous familiarity with Jung or psychology is necessary. The public is invited. Admission is free per person.

Hyder is a diploma candidate of the C.G. Jung Institute in Zurich, Switzerland. He graduated from Jerome High School in 1974, where he was student body president.

He was an L.H. Gipsen Scholar at the College of Idaho and an English teacher with the Peace Corps in Morocco. He also has a license in musicology from the University of Paris VIII.

He currently lives in Jerome and is doing short-term individual therapy, weekend workshops and/or long-term dream/process groups.

For more information, call 324-5654.

Befuddled by chocolate's mysterious ways

By Russ Parsons
Los Angeles Times

This will probably put me in a minority of about 1 percent and attract enough hate mail to fill a post office, but I just don't get chocolate.

Don't get me wrong: I'll eat chocolate; it's not an allergy or anything like that. It's just that for me, chocolate is a Johnny One Note thing. Elegant and complex it isn't. At least not in the same way a fruit dessert is.

I do like this spice, or, chocolate cake from Carol Field's "The Italian Baker" (Harper and Row, 1985). Here, cocoa powder is used as just another flavoring, along with nutmeg, cloves, ground cinnamon, and raisins. It contributes a dusty, very faintly chocolatey taste that emphasizes the spicing.



Los Angeles Times photo by KIPR MCCOY

Don't tell anyone, but this country spice cake contains (gasp!) chocolate.

- 1/2 cup plus 1 tablespoon Dutch-process cocoa
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 heaping teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg

- 1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup plus 1 teaspoon warm espresso, or 3 tablespoons instant espresso powder dissolved in 1/2 cup plus 1 scant tablespoon hot water
- Powdered sugar
- In bowl, soak raisins in warm water to cover 15 to 30 minutes. Drain. Cream butter and granulated sugar in bowl until light and fluffy. Add egg and beat thoroughly. Stir 1/2 cups flour, cocoa, baking powder, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and salt together. Beat in flour mixture alternately with espresso in 3 additions, beginning and ending with flour. Toss raisins with 1 tablespoon flour. Fold into batter.
- Butter and flour 8-inch cake pan. Pour batter into pan and smooth top.

Bake at 350 degrees until cake shrinks slightly away from side of pan. Cake should still be slightly moist inside, about 40 minutes. Cool on rack. Invert cake onto serving plate. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Serve with whipped cream. Makes 8 servings.

Chess championship set for this weekend

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The 1995 Idaho Closed State Chess Championship is planned for this weekend at the Obenchain Building, 264 Main Ave. S. Registration is set for 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Rounds will be played at 9 a.m. and 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Sunday and 10 a.m. Monday. First- and second-place trophies will be awarded in six divisions. Entry is \$22 plus payment of United States Chess Federation dues.

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Letters of thanks

Thanks to all who made cross country ski day fun

The Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation and Madsen Gorge State Park would like to thank all of those who participated in the Cross Country Free Ski Day on Jan. 14 at the Magic Mountain Ski Resort. We would also like to thank all the great sponsors who donated their time and equipment to make it all possible.

Magic Mountain Ski Resort; Sawtooth National Forest; High Desert Nordic Association; Mix 103 Radio in Jerome; Kat Country Radio and Evergreen Nursery/Nordic Sports, both in Burley; Riverwear in Twin Falls; Outdoor Adventure Program at the Mountain Home Air Force Base; Mike Sandman; and Steve and Denna Thompson of Hagerman.

JACK YARBROUGH
Hagerman

Fire Fighters appreciate generous donations

The Twin Falls Fire Fighters Association Local 1556 wishes to extend its thanks to each individual, family and business who donated to its first celebrity National Football League All-Star Basketball Game on Jan. 21 at the College of Southern Idaho gymnasium.

As we stated in our ticket sales promotion, we have donated portions of our proceeds to the Muscular Dystrophy Association and the Magic Valley Safe Kids Coalition, and we are currently

CSI refugee center thanks bank for car-seat donation

On Feb. 7, the Twin Falls Branch of First Interstate Bank presented 34 brand-new infant/toddler car seats to needy families and organizations through its "Buckle Up Campaign." Donations from bank employees and patrons combined with a generous discount from Century Products Co. made this event possible. In total, First Interstate distributed 750 car seats throughout four states.

The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center would like to thank First Interstate Bank for the generous donations that it received on behalf of its refugees. The "Buckle Up" program helped many families that cannot afford car seats for their young children. Because of this generous donation, we can teach our refugees about American safety laws and provide them with the tools necessary to obey them.

Thanks to all of the businesses and individuals that helped to make this extraordinary event happen.

ANNA FIERSON
CSI Refugee Center
Twin Falls

Christmas Eve carolers greatly appreciated

We would like to thank all the people who came to the Christmas Eve Caroling Service at the Murtaugh Methodist Church.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who donated money to the Murtaugh/Hansen Quick Response Unit. Your contributions are welcome and much appreciated. We operate on a very small budget that comes mainly from donations from people like you. We used some of the money to replenish the van and the rest we keep on hand for future expenditures.

Again, a big thank you to all the people of our community. God bless you all in the year to come.

ALYSON WHITE
Secretary, and members of the Quick Response Unit
Murtaugh

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WELL, I'M OFF TO MY DANCE CLASS. EMILY IS PROBABLY WAITING TO DANCE WITH ME AGAIN...

HERE I COME, SWEET EMILY! HERE COMES YOUR DANCE PARTNER!

WHIRL AROUND THE FLOOR WITH ME, EMILY.

"SOME ENCHANTED EVENING..."

BONK!

Calvin and Hobbes By Bill Watterson

GRAPHIC VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA.

DOES IT GLAMORIZE VIOLENCE? SURE. DOES IT RESISTIVE US TO VIOLENCE? OF COURSE. DOES IT HELP US TOLERATE VIOLENCE? YOU BET. DOES IT STUNT OUR EMPATHY FOR OUR FELLOW BEINGS? SURE.

DOES IT CAUSE VIOLENCE? WELL, THAT'S HARD TO PROVE.

THE TRICK IS TO ASK THE RIGHT QUESTION.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

YOU'RE WASTING YOUR TIME.

Garfield By Jim Davis

WELL, IF IT ISN'T "MISTER GLUTTON!"

HOW ARE YOU, "MISTER I THINK I'D EAT TWO DOZEN DOUGHNUTS IN ONE SITTING"?

TAKING A NAP "MISTER STUFF MY FACE TILL I PASS OUT"?

JUST DON'T CALL ME "MISTER LARPO!"

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

AM I PRETTY, MOM?

YES, DOT, BUT DON'T FORGET...

BEAUTY IS ONLY SKIN DEEP, IT'S WHAT'S INSIDE THAT COUNTS.

UH-OH! THAT IS NO "PRETTY SIGHT"

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

THIS MAN HELD UP THE BANK!

WELL!

MOM MADE ME DO IT!

...SO MUCH FOR FAMILY VALUES

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

I CAN NEVER HAVE A DISHEASTY FATHER WITH YOUR FATHER!

WHY NOT?

HIS MOUTH IS ALWAYS FULL!

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

WELL, IT'S ALMOST TIME TO START WORK.

NOW!

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

FAILED FIRSTS THIS WEEK: INVENTORS

EDISON THE ELECTRIC BLUB

The Bom Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

MY AUNT AND UNCLE BOUGHT A QUARTER HORSE!

BIG DEAL...

MY GRANDPARENTS OWN A WHOLE PONY!

For Better or For Worse By Lynn Johnston

BUT I DIDN'T WANT ANYTHING!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

THIS IS THE MOST UNUSUAL PARROT I'VE EVER HAD IN HERE—HE SINGS LIKE A BIRD!

THIS I'VE GOTTA HEAR!

GO AHEAD, PETEY. SHOW HIM!

SQUACK! I'LL BE COMIN' AROUND THE SQUACK! I'VE SAID HE SINGS LIKE A BIRD!

HE IS A BIRD!

Pickles By Brian Crane

WOULD YOU GAV I LOOK "HARRICALLY"?

OF COURSE YOU'D. BUT WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?

UH OH!

WOULD YOU GAV I LOOK "HARRICALLY"?

OF COURSE YOU'D. BUT WHAT DO YOU EXPECT?

Dennis the Menace By Hank Ketchum

WHATEVER HIS TEACHER'S SALARY IS, IT'S NOT NEARLY HIS ENOUGH.

The Family Circus By Bil Keane

"Grandma is visiting Miami."

"Someday, can I visit your ami, too?"

Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF FEBRUARY 15 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: You're musical, have unusual voice, enjoy luxury, comfort and romance. You can be self-indulgent, sweet tooth should not be obeyed. Keep resolutions concerning diet, nutrition. You are diplomatic, affectionate and for you love always plays leading role. People in your life include Taurus, Leo, Scorpio. Current cycle highlights marital status, variety, novel activities that include writing, reporting. March and December most memorable for you in 1995.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You bring together people who enjoy clash of ideas. Individuals who drew from your emotional energy will be saying, "Adios." Attention revolves around music, entertainment, marriage.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Lock on door removed; you will be privileged to enter, to check utilities, to decide whether to take up residence. Love relationship flourishes. Pisces represented.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Others realize you mean business—you'll meet deadline, could hit financial jackpot. Capricorn declares, "Without you the whole thing would fall apart."

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Emphasis on distance, language, communication, declaration of love from Aries individual. Financial pressure relieved, funding obtained, now take charge of your own destiny. Libra also involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Apparent loss will boomerang in your future—as you read these words your future is being discussed by an Aquarian and another Leo. Focus on tradition, music, creativity, showmanship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Cycle moves up, intuitive intellect on target, spotlight on parenthood proposal, marital status. For added wisdom, study Leo message. Lost object retrieved, confidence restored.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Last chance! Everything going your way, you can win friends and influence people. Set your agenda, don't veer from objective.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): What you felt was impossible becomes plausible. Toss aside stress, stress, stress, stress enthusiasm, passion, willingness to fight if cause is right.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Promotion incoming, going your way, you for the asking. Focus on music, diplomacy, willingness to put promises on the line. Read and write, teach and learn.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Flower-Keystone's Venus—quoting to music, flowers, declarations of love. Attention revolves around home, domestic adjustment, decision relating to partnership, marriage.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Illusion! Define terms, separate fact from fiction. What you imagine becomes reality—must hunch, give full play to intuitive intellect. You might be humming this refrain, "It's magical!"

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Spotlight on public appearances, special assignment, legal agreement that requires closer look. Marriage or business partner talks about funding; expanding operation, advertising.

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YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE SOLVED:

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2nd Tolstoy wrote propaganda

Q. Didn't the great Russian author Tolstoy send out writing propaganda for the Communists?

A. That was Alexei Tolstoy, a distant relative of the more renowned Leo Tolstoy. Alexei, too, was a novelist. He made money by "reforming" making money became unpopular. Leo died in 1910, Alexei in 1945.

Two out of five hotel rooms will be empty tonight, if the averages hold.

A. A study of applicants at dating services show men most frequently want to meet women who are "attractive," "warm" and "at least five years younger." And women look for men who are "ready to make a commitment," "successful" and "taller."

On New York's Wall Street is a table-service McDonald's with a doorman, piano player and stock ticker.

Your ancestors and mine, or somebody's, created more than one hundred thousand words of English language with only about three dozen different sounds. Pretty clever.

People who resting pearls for a living were grateful for monofilament fishing line. At first. Because of it, fewer pearls need restringing. They're not as grateful anymore. That's people for you.

Q. How do you explain survey results that show 45 percent of the people are afraid to speak before groups while only 31 percent are afraid of death?

A. They have a better grasp of what it's like to speak before groups.

Q. Don'techips at last report were folding at a rate of 150 a year.

A. They know William Blake, the "Tiger, Tiger burning bright" poet. What he thought of himself is curious. Of his own birth, he wrote: "My mother groan'd, my father wept, / Into the dangerous world I leapt; / Helpless, naked, piping loud, / Like a fiddler in a crowd."

Of great interest to medical researchers is the fact that some fish can repair their injured spinal cords.

L.M. Boyd
What's what?

Food

Leaky roof puts cook in mind for ribs and lentils

By Russ Parsons
Los Angeles Times

My little corner of normally sunny Southern California was deluged recently with almost a foot of rain — a fair percentage of which, it seems, trickled down the wall of my study from a roof leak I thought I had fixed.

After realizing that any further roofing repairs were clearly beyond my limited means, I turned to messing with things I could do.

I made breakfast. Not just any breakfast, though. I made crusty brown sour cream waffles and then a perfumed compote of dried fruits poached in vanilla-scented syrup. And then steaming bowls of caffe latte.

That succeeded in distracting me from the roof for at least an hour and, more important, restored my sense of being at least somewhat in control of my situation.

Later, after climbing up into the attic to measure myself if that those assorted drips, plunks and plops I was hearing all night were not signs of imminent ceiling collapse, I resolved that the only thing that was going to keep me sane was more cooking. So I rounded up a couple of friends for dinner and set to it.

To my mind, nothing fights the cold and damp like lentils, so I knew I would start with them. Wandering the grocery store, I noticed a special on those meaty pork short ribs, the ones that are usually labeled "country style."

Ribs by themselves wouldn't be enough, so I picked up a hank of smoked



Sausages and ribs with wine-braised lentils: Just the dish for a cold, wet winter evening.

pork sausage (it's funny how pork loves company — in many country-style dishes,

you'll find two, three and even more cuts of pork partnered). I considered adding

some smoked pork chops, but that would be a bit too much meat for the amount of lentils I had.

I browned the ribs and sausage in hot oil in the bottom of a cast-iron Dutch oven, letting them get nice and crusty and leaving lots of brown bits sticking to the bottom of the pan.

I added carrots, onions and garlic to make a flavoring base, then deglazed the pan with some leftover red wine, which I cooked down to a good syrup before adding the tomatoes, lentils and water to cover. I nestled the meat in the bed of lentils, slapped on a cover and stuck it in the oven.

When the lentils were tender, there was still a lingering taste of raw wine, so I removed the lid and cooked the stew on top of the stove for another five minutes or so to let the wine evaporate some (in testing the recipe a second time, this wasn't a problem — tasting before you serve is the only way you'll be able to tell).

This is one of those hearty, flavorful dishes that we don't get much of a chance to cook in Southern California. The tanginess of the red wine is a perfect foil for the smokiness of the sausage and the richness of the ribs.

Underlying the whole thing, of course, are the lentils, somehow meatier than the meat itself.

After the stew, we shared a salad made with fresh goat cheese, toasted walnuts and fresh greens and chervil I'd just brought in from the garden.

We drank a couple of bottles of Chianti, ate a little dessert and talked about climbing mountains and West Texas ice storms.

SAUSAGES AND RIBS WITH RED WINE-BRAISED LENTILS

- 2 tablespoons oil
 - 1 pound kielbasa or other smoked sausage, cut into 2-inch sections
 - 1½ to 2 pounds country style pork ribs
 - 2 carrots, coarsely chopped
 - 2 onions, coarsely chopped
 - 4 cloves garlic, minced
 - 2 cups red wine
 - 1 cup prepared tomato sauce or tomato puree
 - 1 pound lentils, rinsed and picked over
 - 1 bay leaf
- Heat oil in heavy-bottomed Dutch oven over medium-high heat. When very hot, add sausage and lightly brown on all sides. Remove sausage from pan and reserve on plate. Add more oil, if necessary, and add ribs, turning to brown on all sides. Remove to plate with sausage and cover to keep warm.

Reduce heat to medium, add carrots and cook until they begin to darken. Add onions and garlic and cook until onions are tender. Turn heat to high, add wine and cook, stirring, until wine is reduced to syrup. Add tomato sauce and lentils and stir well. Add bay leaf and enough water to barely cover lentils, about 1 cup. Place sausage and ribs atop lentils, bring to boil, cover tightly and place in 350-degree oven.

Cook until lentils soften and liquid is mostly evaporated, about 1 hour and 15 minutes. Remove cover, stir well to distribute meat, and return to oven another 10 to 15 minutes, until most of liquid evaporates and any taste of raw alcohol is gone.

Makes 8 to 10 servings.

Battle the February blues with aromatic foods

If Mother Nature had a garbage can, February would be in it.

It would be crunched down somewhere between the egg shells and dandelions. After all, what kind of a mother would put up with a child like February?

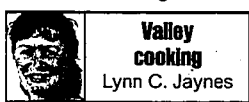
I vote for letting Mother Nature handle Grand Canyons, Red Fish Lakes and geodes. But we should give February to my sister. She'd have it whipped into shape inside of a three-day weekend.

First she'd make it apologize for its meanness. Then she'd sweep its mud back into the fields where it belongs. And, if February's grass had to be brown, at least she'd have it standing at attention. And she'd make the whole month smell good, like baked bread or vanilla milk.

She wouldn't stand for February's bland vegetables in the produce section, either. No, no! For good measure, she would throw in a decent fabric sale and officially declare it No More Dippy TV Shows Month.

This is the same sister, however, who would probably tell me to quit whining. Maybe Mother Nature doesn't need to be fired as much as she needs to find a good sister.

To help encourage Mother Nature in the



Valley cooking
Lynn C. Jaynes

right direction, maybe we could help her in the aroma department with these bread recipes.

GARLIC BREAD STICKS

Any yeast bread or yeast roll recipe. Roll out dough ½-inch thick and place on cookie sheet. Melt one cube butter and stir in ½ cup mayonnaise, 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese and 1 teaspoon garlic salt or garlic powder. Spread over dough. Score the dough with a sharp knife into bread stick shape. Bake at 375 degrees for 15 minutes until golden brown.

EGGNOG MUFFINS

½ cup butter or margarine
1½ cups sugar
2 eggs
3 cups flour
3 teaspoons baking powder
2 cups eggnog (commercial or recipe below)

1 cup chopped candied cherries
Cream butter and sugar. Beat in eggs. Combine flour and baking powder and add alternately with eggnog. Fold in candied cherries.
Pour into well-greased muffin pans. Bake for 30 minutes at 325 degrees or until browned. (My recipe calls for a powdered sugar glaze to frost with, but I find them sweet enough to stand on their own.)

EGGNOG

4 cups milk
1½ cup sugar
1 package instant vanilla pudding
2 egg yolks
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 egg whites
Beat milk, sugar, vanilla pudding, and egg yolks together. Stir in vanilla. Beat egg whites until stiff, and fold into mixture. If desired add ½ teaspoon nutmeg to achieve the commercial flavor.

BANANA BREAD (with variations)

½ cup margarine
1 cup brown sugar or ½ cup each white and brown sugar
2 eggs
2 cups flour

1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon allspice
¼ teaspoon nutmeg
1 cup mashed banana, very ripe
1½ tablespoon liquid (sour milk, buttermilk, or fruit juice)
Cream margarine and sugar; add eggs and beat well. Sift dry ingredients together; add egg mixture with banana and liquid; mix thoroughly. Bake in greased loaf pan for 1 hour or until bread tests done. Cool on cake rack.

- Variations:
1. Use 1 cup whole wheat flour plus 1 cup white flour in place of white flour.
 2. Change spices to suit your taste or even leave them out.
 3. Use applesauce in place of part or all of banana.
 4. Use old jam to replace banana; reduce sugar to ½ cup. If jam is very thick, add a bit of liquid.
 5. Quit whining about February.

Lynn C. Jaynes welcomes comments on recipes. Her address is 2148-B E. 3800 N., Filer, Idaho 83328.

Food experts stand ready

Knights-Ridder News Service

Keep these by the phone: (800) 522-WINE (9463), anytime, gets you a copy of "It's a Great Time to be French," a guide to French wine, spirits, cheeses and ham, from the marketing company Food and Wines from France.

(800) 231-3438 puts you in touch with registered dietitians with Ask Cooking Light. The hot line, sponsored by the healthy-cooking magazine, was to end in December but has been extended. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays.

(800) 777-4959 is the Fleischmann's Yeast Baker's Help Line, specializing in yeast and bread-baking questions, including advice on using bread machines. Hours are 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. weekdays.

Tomato relish spices up chicken dinner

By Pat Dailey
Chicago Tribune

Chicken breasts have catapulted to popularity, driven by an array of appealing attributes: They're quick to prepare, versatile and low in fat and calories.

A lot of cooks turn to them for any or all of those traits but are quickly hindered by a lack of new ways to prepare them.

The best uses for chicken breasts highlight their simplicity. Steaming, sauteing, poaching, grilling and broiling all are options. In any of these methods, the meat cooks more quickly and evenly if you flatten the breasts slightly, to a thickness of about half an inch.

A flavorful tomato relish adds color and flavor. A simple rice pilaf and green beans complete the menu. Almost any fresh herb can be used in the relish in place of basil. Cilantro, tarragon, dill and sage all are good options.

SEARED CHICKEN BREASTS WITH TOMATO RELISH

- 5 plum tomatoes, diced
- 4 green onions, thinly sliced
- 2½ tablespoons seasoned rice vinegar

- 2 tablespoons minced fresh basil
- ¼ tablespoons olive oil
- Salt, freshly ground pepper to taste, optional

4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves

1½ tablespoons Dijon mustard

1. For the relish, combine tomatoes and green onions in a small bowl. Add 1½ tablespoons of the vinegar, the basil, 2½ teaspoons of the oil and salt and pepper. Set aside.

2. For the chicken, place a breast half between 2 sheets of plastic wrap. Using a meat pounder or a heavy skillet, pound the meat 8 to 10 times to flatten it to a uniform thickness, about ½ inch. Repeat with the 3 other breast halves. Combine the remaining 1½ tablespoons vinegar and the mustard in a small dish.

3. To cook the chicken, heat a large, non-stick skillet over high heat. Add the remaining oil and heat briefly. Meanwhile, spread some of the mustard mixture over 1 side of each breast half.

Add chicken to skillet, mustard side down, and reduce heat to medium. Brush remaining mustard mixture over each breast. Cook, turning once or twice, until chicken is no longer pink in the center, 4 to 5 minutes.

4. To serve, spoon equal amounts of the tomato relish on each breast. Serve hot or at room temperature.

PARMESAN PEPPER RICE PILAF

- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- Pinch crushed red pepper flakes

1 cup converted long-grain white rice

1 can (14½ ounces) reduced-sodium chicken broth

½ cup grated Parmesan cheese

Freshly ground pepper to taste

1. Melt butter with red pepper flakes in a 2½-quart saucepan over medium-high heat. When it is sizzling, add rice and stir so it is well-coated with butter. Add broth.

2. Cover and heat to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer until liquid has been absorbed, 15 to 17 minutes. Remove from heat and let stand, covered, 5 minutes. Add cheese and ground pepper and mix with a fork.

GARLICKY GREEN BEANS

12 ounces fresh green beans, trimmed

1 tablespoon olive oil

½ teaspoon salt

1 large clove garlic, minced



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Freshly ground pepper to taste

1. Heat 3 quarts of water to a boil. Add beans and cook just until tender, 5 to 7 minutes, depending on their size and age. Drain well and set aside.

2. Place a non-stick skillet over high heat. When it is hot, add oil and salt. Add beans. Cook, shaking pan often, until beans begin to sear at the edges, 3 to 4 minutes. Sprinkle with garlic and pepper and remove from the heat.

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vanilla and butter. Cool to room temperature and turn into the baked pastry or crumb crust — a graham cracker or chocolate wafer crust is good for this. Top with meringue and bake at 350 degrees until brown.

Variations:
In some old recipe books, 1/4 teaspoon allspice and 1 teaspoon nutmeg (freshly grated) were used instead of cloves and cinnamon; or brown sugar was used instead of white or 1 cup chopped dates or 1/2 cup chopped dates and 1/2-cup raisins were added to the cooled filling along with broken pecan meats.

Meringue:
2 egg whites
1 teaspoon cream of tartar
Pinch salt
6 tablespoons sugar

Beat egg whites until they form soft peaks. Add cream of tartar and pinch of salt; continue beating until the whites are stiff but not dry. Add sugar, a little at a time, beating it well. Spread meringue over the pie, being certain to cover the surface completely, including the edge of the crust.

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Bread

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salt and pepper. Spoon the filling over the broccoli. Sprinkle the cheddar over the tops of the quiches. Bake until firm and lightly browned on top, about 15 minutes. Makes 12 3-inch quiches.

TIC-TAC-TACO FONDUE

9 slices bread
Vegetable oil cooking spray
1 package mild taco seasoning
1/2 cup grated, reduced-fat cheddar cheese
1 cup tomato sauce
2 tablespoons tomato paste

Preheat the oven to 450 degrees. Tear bread into 1-inch bread chunks (enough for 8 cups). Spray a sheet pan with vegetable oil cooking spray. Spray the bread lightly with vegetable oil cooking spray. Spread the bread chunks on the sheet pan and sprinkle them with 2 teaspoons taco seasoning. Bake until crisped, about 3 minutes. Set aside.

Fondue
Microwave method: In a microwave-safe bowl, stir together the remaining taco seasoning, the cheese, tomato sauce and tomato paste. Cover with lid or plastic wrap and microwave on high for 30 seconds. Stir well and then heat again if necessary until the fondue is hot and smooth.

Stovetop method: In the top of a double boiler, stir together the remaining taco seasoning, the cheese, tomato sauce and tomato paste. Warm the fondue over medium heat, stirring until it is hot and smooth.
Spoon the fondue into a bowl, set the bowl on a large plate or platter and surround it with the bread. Give each child a long fork with which to skewer the bread and then dip it in the fondue.

Serves six as a snack.

RAISIN' A TOAST

4 slices bread
1/2 cup applesauce
2 tablespoons apple butter
1 tablespoon honey (optional)
1 tablespoon cinnamon
2 tablespoons raisins

Toast the bread.
In a small bowl, stir together the applesauce, apple butter and honey. Spread some of the apple mixture on each piece of toast. Sprinkle with cinnamon. Top with raisins. Cut into triangles or squares and serve.

Serves four.

Quick-change artist: Tips for decorating

By Judy Rose
Knight-Ridder News Service

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. — Have we got the person to help with your house.

She's Harriet Brandt of Farmington Hills, Mich., queen of the builder's models in Michigan. Brandt sweeps into the builders' new houses and makes them look great a few weeks later — fast, fairly cheaply and with the least possible trouble.

Brandt, who owns interior design firm Candle Lite II, brims with ideas that are relatively easy and relatively cheap. So we followed her to two of her projects for a crash course in Brandt basics. Here we go:

BORDERS AND MOLDING: Brandt's biggest punch-for-the-peso secret is her use of wide wallpaper borders. They are faster, cheaper and easier than wallpaper, but give a room a shot of personality.

For real impact, she combines wallpaper borders with painted strips of wood molding. This makes wide, dramatic accents in a room, without any major expense.

"Of course, you have to be able to do molding," she says.

If the right border doesn't exist, Brandt will create one by slicing up a roll of wallpaper that has a good design.

The \$500,000-plus Emerald model that Brandt decorated at Kingspointe subdivision in Oakland Township, Mich., shows several ways to use borders, with and without molding, to create accents sharp enough for this high-end house:

- Dining room: She emphasized the room's slanted pan ceiling (common in new houses now) with an 8-inch, black-and-white border of cherubs. She made this more emphatic by enclosing the border between two strips of carved molding, painted taupe.

- Powder room: In this smaller room, Brandt used the same technique, but scaled down, at the top of the wall — a 3/4-inch strip of wood trim at the ceiling, a three-inch paper border below, then a one-inch, painted wood border — "lots of impact."

- Child's room: She used three wallpapers to edge the ceiling — one flat against the wall, surrounded by two that are on raised borders. The black-and-white comes from a real border. The others are cut-up wallpaper, given an important look by being glued to a board.

- Master bedroom: It's a large room, so



Grouping items creates a theme look in the Sharon and Tony Warner living room in Twin Falls.

along one long wall, next to the floor molding. Brandt put a wide wallpaper border of Grecian women. "The room gets so large, it needs this piece of interest," says Brandt. "Put it on a long, blank wall, and you don't have to buy a piece of furniture."

Master bedroom to bathroom, living room to dining room, two bedrooms and their shared bath: She uses the same border through two adjoining rooms, to pull them together.

- Girl's bedroom: To give the effect of a wainscoting, she puts a paper border at the height of a chair rail. The wall below can be plain or wallpapered.

SOFT, AIRY WINDOWS: Brandt almost never uses heavy drapery. Her favorite window treatment takes a long strip of fabric — like a long scarf — with the ends cut on an angle and hemmed. She loops this casually across the top of the window, and lets it hang part way down the sides.

This can be a single fabric, or a combination of two fabrics. It's wound around special hooks, which mount on the wall, called tulip

hooks because of their shape.

To figure the length of the fabric for this window treatment, first take the width of the window top and add 12 inches to let the material drape down in the middle. Find the length you want it to hang down the sides, then multiply by two, to allow for both sides. Add that to the top measurement. Finally, add 10 inches for every tulip clip you're going to use to hang the fabric.

HIGH-IMPACT ART: Brandt likes good art, but doesn't like the fact that people on a budget can only buy small pieces. Rather than insignificant size art, she buys large posters by very good artists — Robert Motherwell, for example, and Mark Rothko. Then she frames them to go with the room, and groups them with existing furniture clusters.

"Hang it low over furniture pieces," she says, "so it makes one continuous form. Don't leave too much space between the object and the picture."

If you have a small piece of art, don't hang it over a piece of furniture; it will look out of

scale. Hang it on a side wall.
SEE-THROUGH FURNITURE: A Brandt interior feels open, because the furniture is chosen to let the eye sweep across the room. If you have the chance to buy furniture, consider these tips:

- To keep a room open, use coffee tables, end tables or dining tables with glass tops and slender legs, so the eye keeps moving.

- In a small dining room, you can even use a table with a glass top and glass pedestals. In the tiny 8-by-8-foot dining room at Village Green on Lake St. Clair, Brandt used an all-glass table, which she bought inexpensively at Globe Furniture Rentals, which sells off furniture from time to time. It mixes well with pretty wood chairs.

- In a small or medium room, use furniture you can see past. The wood chairs in that tiny dining room have open backs, not solid backs, and they're made of light-colored wood.

- In a small or medium-sized living room, use sofa and chairs in which upholstered bulk stands up on legs, so they don't look like a monolith.

If you have the choice and it suits your taste, use woods that are light, not dark.

SUSPENDED SHELVES: A dining room typically needs a big buffet for serving and storage. But those are very expensive, and they shrink the room.

Instead, Brandt builds a long serving shelf, and paints it the same color as the wall. It's a handsome architectural accent, but there are no legs and no bulk to interrupt the sweep of the floor. There's also no big price tag for a buffet.

She covers the top with a laminate like Formica, often in faux marble pattern. To keep the illusion alive, she hides the laminate edge behind a chair.

FURNITURE PLACEMENT: It's not good to enter the house and run into a big piece of furniture; it's not good to enter a room and walk into the back of a sofa. Don't use more furniture than you need.

In a smaller room, a comfy sofa and a couple of chairs.

In a larger room, a sofa and love seat, plus one or two chairs.

In a very large room, a large sectional sofa, plus a couple of chairs.

In all these rooms, use a cocktail table in the right scale. Big, casual pine is nice in a large room. In a medium or small room use a glass top.

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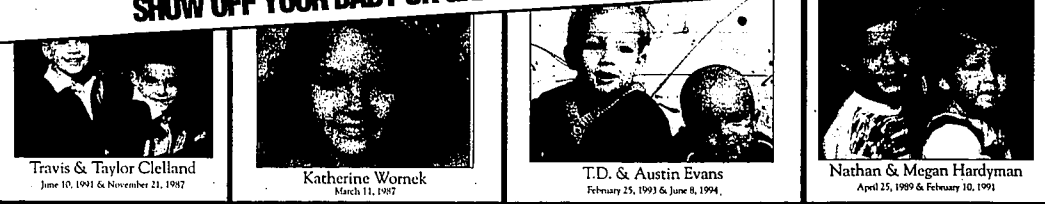


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