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Good morning

Today's forecast:
Cloudy today with a chance of rain. Highs in the mid-40s. Tonight cloudy with a good chance of rain. Lows 30 to 35.

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Softball rates may go up
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Evidence claims revive MLK case

The Associated Press

The latest chapter in the mystery that still clings to the 28-year-old murder case unfolds like this:

"I was here one day and a man called me," says lawyer Lewis Garrison. "He said, 'My wife has some information you'd probably be interested in. I've been trying to get her to come forward for 25 years. But she's scared.'"

"They came in the next day or two. They never asked for any money. She said she had known 'Raul' down in Texas. ... She had a photograph of this Raul's cousin. She gave the investigators names of people who knew him."

Garrison pauses, recalling his apprehensiveness when he first heard all of this — especially that name, Raul. Then, he says: "Everything has checked, just like the sun rising and setting."

Many considered the case solved decades ago, and yet it has never seemed to rest. Perhaps because of all the sleuths and diehards drawn to its heroic victim. Perhaps because of its taciturn villain. Or perhaps because of the tragic irony of a single lead slug stopping history.

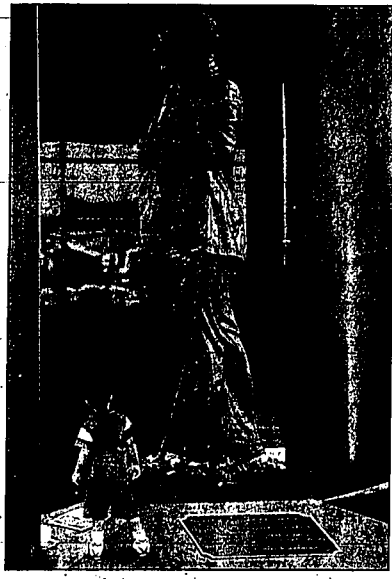
The murder victim those 28 years ago: Martin Luther King Jr.

As the nation marks a day of remembrance today for King; the spellbinding preacher whose nonviolent crusade for civil rights won him the Nobel Peace Prize, there will be many speeches about his life.

But King's death on a motel balcony in Memphis on April 4, 1968, will loom in the background, along with an extraordinary new round of claims about who caused it.

There's the claim of Glenda Grabow, who told Garrison about "Raul," leading some to believe they finally had found the shadowy,

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Paul Miles Jr., 5, looks up at the statue of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Saturday in San Bernardino, Calif.

Serb, Croat troops leave front lines

The Associated Press

OKRUGLICA, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Several thousand government, Serb and Croat troops withdrew from their front-line trenches and bunkers across central and northeastern Bosnia on Sunday, beating a deadline to create buffer zones between the forces.

The withdrawal came five days before the Jan. 19 deadline for the creation of 25-mile buffer zones along former front lines throughout Bosnia.

"The deadline is part of the U.S.-brokered peace agreement signed last month, under which Bosnia is to be partitioned into two ethnically based entities and a 60,000-man NATO-led peacekeeping force deployed."

"This is a tremendous beginning," Maj. Allister Ross, a NATO spokesman, said at this front-line village, 120 miles northwest of Sarajevo.

"It's too early to say the peace will hold, but what we're seeing today hasn't been achieved in almost four years of war."

The buffer zones — marked by orange paint on tree stumps and roads and by stretches of orange wire — are off-limits to all military personnel other than the peacekeepers.

Emerging from a clump of beech trees concealed in thick fog, a unit of front-line Bosnian Croat troops beamed at waiting reporters as they filed across the orange line guarded by British troops.

Health-care reform near death

State, national lawmakers shove promises to back

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

WENDELL — When 28-year-old Angela Edwards Anderson couldn't walk across a parking lot without stopping to rest, she thought she had severe asthma.

Several visits to her asthma doctor failed to correct her shortness of breath, however. Finally, a chest X-ray revealed a rare ailment: Anderson's heart was enlarged, and her blood was clogged.

"They think that I just caught some virus, and it went in to destroy the heart muscle," Anderson said Friday. "It just kind of came along and zapped me one."

Her heart now pumps less than 20 percent of the blood it should. And while Anderson is a good candidate for a heart transplant, Anderson's health insurance won't pay for the operation — which costs \$150,000 before surgeon fees — until June.

Doctors don't know if Anderson can survive without a transplant much longer.

"We were trying to (wait), but they're starting to think we're not going to be able to," said the married Anderson, who has doctors' appointments in Salt Lake City weekly. "If we can't wait until the insurance comes through ... I don't know what we're going to do."

Anderson can't count on the government to reform health care. That idea — which dominated political debate for two years — has practically died.

Health-care reform

In mid 1994, massive health-care reform to try to meet the needs of all Americans was still a top priority in Washington, D.C. The Idaho Legislature also passed several



insurance-reform policies earlier this year. Now talk on the national and state level is focused more on welfare reform and cutting government expenses. Yet the latest U.S. Census Bureau estimates show 14 percent

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At 28 years old, doctors believe Angela Edwards Anderson suffers from a virus which is destroying her heart. In need of a transplant, she is frustrated and must wait until June for her insurance company to come up with the cost.

Transplant fund

A fund has been set up at First Security Bank in Gooding to raise money for Angela Anderson's heart transplant.

Funds can be mailed in her name to First Security Bank, 445 Main St., Gooding, Idaho 83330.

For more information, call Darrel Edwards at 536-8608, Arvilla Conner at 536-6153 or Billy and Shirley Anderson at 536-2369.

"We don't want people to think we're just trying to get money," Angela Anderson said. "It's hard to try to ask for money from people."

Federal fiscal impasse leaves state budgets in limbo

The Washington Post

Budget deal prospects not bright

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Saying "we're universes apart," House Budget Chairman John Kasich on Sunday gave little chance for a balanced budget deal this week. But he said Republicans probably would agree to raise the debt ceiling, avoiding a government default, even without a budget compromise.

Democrats, blaming the Republicans for intransigence, were only slightly more hopeful about reaching a budget agreement soon. The White House and Republicans are due to make another stab at compromise on Wednesday.

Kasich, R-Ohio, said Republicans would likely shift strategy if the budget impasse continues by raising the debt ceiling and targeting only federal programs they dislike for another government shutdown.

Unless the debt ceiling is raised, the nation risks becoming unable to pay the interest on its debts. "You don't want to mess around with defaulting here in the United States," Kasich said.

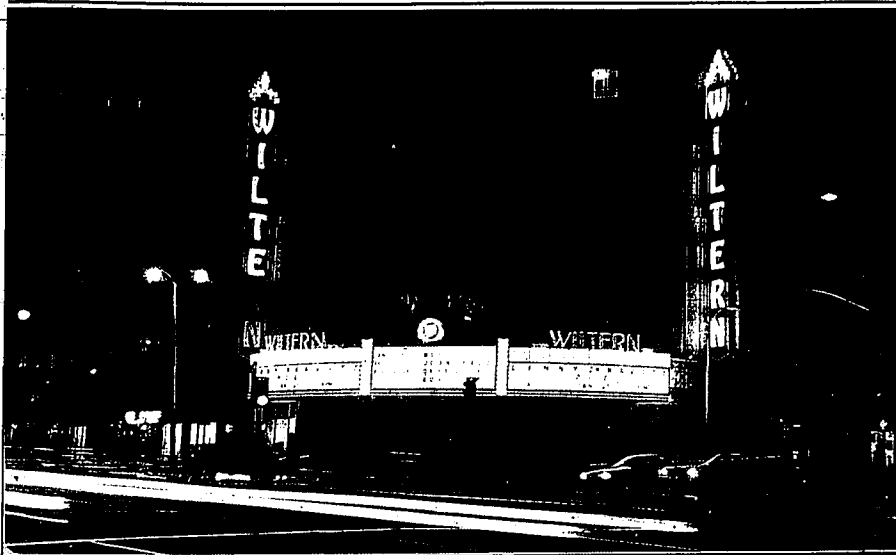
Also, a long-term balanced-budget bill that could dramatically alter large entitlement programs, such as Medicaid and welfare, is deadlocked between Republicans and President Clinton. And last week Clinton vetoed a separate welfare bill that would have turned control of the program over to states.

As a result, state officials, who might have expected to have many of those questions resolved months ago, are left in frustrated suspense.

"We're all out in the field of unknowns," said George Delaney, director of Colorado's office of planning and budgeting. "For every nuance of change coming out of Washington, we're trying to quickly put together numbers."

In Colorado, as in many other states, planners have plugged "status quo" numbers for federal revenue into their budget request, hoping they can shift resources if they need to cover a shortfall when more is known about federal revenue.

States also are finding it difficult to proceed on revisions in their welfare programs, not knowing if Congress and the president still could include block grants in a balanced budget bill or rewrite separate legislation.



Neon lights adorn the front of the famed Wilshire Theatre on Wilshire Boulevard in Los Angeles.

Star light, star bright

City of Angels tries to revive nostalgic glow of 'neon corridor'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The City of Angels hopes to revive the glow of Wilshire Boulevard's historic "neon corridor" by repairing the flashing rooftop signs that became beacons for Raymond Chandler's private eye Philip Marlowe.

To devise some visual magic for neighborhoods rent by urban decay and riots, the city will spend \$300,000 to fix and relight three dozen neon signs that once illuminated Wilshire just west of downtown.

The city is aiming for a gala relighting ceremony in March, said Adolfo Nodal, director of the Los Angeles Cultural Affairs Department.

"Raymond Chandler loved the neon," Nodal said. "Chandler lived right off the Wilshire corridor for much of his life. His work was tied to the night lights of L.A."

Lined by elegant hotels, apartments,

business buildings, churches and synagogues, Wilshire Boulevard dominated the social and commercial life of the city through the end of the 1940s.

Hollywood stars, the wealthy and notorious frequented the bygone pleasure domes of the Ambassador Hotel and its Cocoanut Grove nightclub where Lena Horne and other entertainers performed.

Part of the faded street's magnetism emanated from the big neon signs flashing atop fashionable apartments and hotels — the Gaylord, the Ansonia, the Normandie, the Piccadilly.

Two British chemists discovered neon gas in 1898, naming it after the Greek word for "new," and the lighting system using the gas was introduced by a French inventor in 1910. Neon first splashed across the West Coast in 1923. Automobile dealer

Earle C. Anthony returned from a Paris visit with a pair of orange-and-blue neon signs to display above his Packard dealership.

Dozens of businesses followed suit, lighting the night sky for miles.

"They stopped traffic," said Michael Webb, a Los Angeles architectural writer and author of the book "The Magic of Neon."

Neon lighting and the then-fashionable residences of Wilshire figured in Chandler's noir fables about the Los Angeles underworld, including "The Little Sister" and "The Lady in the Lake."

In "The Little Sister," Chandler rhapsodized, "The lights were wonderful. There ought to be a monument to the man who invented neon lights. ... There's a boy who really made something out of nothing."

A World War II panic blacked out

the neon corridor in 1942. The Japanese dive bombers never arrived, but many of the lights that delighted the star-struck remained dark after the war.

The blackout signaled a long fade for the midtown Wilshire neighborhoods, with the fashion set migrating to Beverly Hills, Century City and the salons of the west side.

In recent years, mid-Wilshire became more like "the mean streets" Chandler created for gumshoe Marlowe's gritty world. The Ambassador Hotel closed in 1989, a haunting reminder of the corridor's bygone glamor.

Nodal, who spearheaded the neon revival project, calls it a relatively low-cost method of beautifying an area that's been battered by riots, shaken by 1994's earthquake and disrupted by subway digging.

Ticket agencies pay homeless to stand in line

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Many loyal Bruce Springsteen fans who lined up for concert tickets over the weekend were out of luck after ticket agencies paid 100 homeless people to camp out for tickets.

The homeless lined up Friday night and bought most of the \$30 tickets when they went on sale Saturday morning. By

Saturday night, ticket agencies were reselling them for as much as \$400.

"I think it's wrong because I don't think the homeless people understand how bad they're being used," attorney Steve Boney, who waited for tickets Friday, told the Austin-American Statesman. "I think he (Springsteen) would be sick if he saw this."

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Pop-top patent holder dies at 91

CINCINNATI (AP) — Inventor Ralph J. Stolle, who developed the machinery that manufactures pop-tops for metal cans, has died at age 91.

He died Saturday at his Lebanon home.

Stolle, a businessman and inventor, held the patent for the Stolle Can Machinery used throughout the world for production of cans.

In 1923, he founded the Stolle Corp., which developed the tab opener and the machinery for its production. He sold it to Alcoa in 1975 but remained as chairman.

Stolle's daughter, Mary Jo Cropper, said he was humble about his success.

"If you were in a crowd with him, he wouldn't tell you he had the pop-top patent," Cropper said. "Family was really the center of everything with my father."

Stolle also founded the Ralph J. Stolle Co., which owns and operates about 20 subsidiaries in the metal-work and milk biologics industries. He is listed as inventor on more than 30 patents.

Storyteller Red Thunder Cloud dies of stroke at 76

WORCESTER, Mass. (AP) — Red Thunder Cloud, a singer and storyteller who was the last known speaker of the Catawba American-Indian language, died after suffering a stroke. He was 76.

Thunder Cloud, who lived in Northridge and also was known as Carlos Westez, died Jan. 8 in St. Vincent's Hospital, friends said.

In addition to his singing and storytelling, Thunder Cloud also sold his own line of herbal teas made from plants he collected in the woods around his home.

The Catawba language, related to the Sioux family of languages, has no written form, said Carl Teeter, emeritus professor of linguistics at Harvard University. He said there were once about 500 languages in North America but only about 100 still are spoken.

In the 1940s, Thunder Cloud made a recording of all he knew of the language for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also recorded some Catawba songs for the Smithsonian Institution.

Although Thunder Cloud was believed to be the last speaker of the Catawba language, estimates of the number of living Catawbas range from several hundred to more than 1,000. The tribe originally lived in South Carolina and parts of North Carolina and Virginia; its headquarters is in Rock Hill, S.C.

Montana legislator won't seek re-election

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Rep. Pat Williams, a liberal Democrat, 18 years, has decided against running again, becoming the 33rd congressman not to seek re-election.

"It is a simple matter. Carol and I are homesick. We miss Montana," Williams, 58, said at a news conference Saturday. "Because, for example, on my way to the next meeting in the next town, I drive by the fishing holes, but can't cast my line. I drive by the hiking trails and want on them."

Williams, a former teacher, has been an advocate for organized labor and abortion rights. He opposed U.S. intervention in the 1991 Gulf War. He generally has had the support of environmental groups.

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Nation

Astronauts eagerly await spacewalk

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Endeavour's astronauts dropped off a NASA science satellite Sunday for two days of free flight in orbit; then geared up for the next big event: the first of two spacewalks.

Leroy Chiao and Daniel Barry couldn't wait to step outside early Monday to practice orbital construction techniques 200 miles above Earth.

"I think the word is 'excited,'" Chiao said. Neither man has performed a spacewalk before. Neither has Winston Scott, who will accompany Chiao on spacewalk No. 2 on Wednesday. That's the point: the National Aeronautics and Space Administration needs experienced spacewalkers to help assemble an international space station in a few years.

The three men will try out new construction tools and connectors as well as modified suits designed to keep them warm in the dead cold of space.

"We'll be evaluating the (station) design concepts, the maintenance concepts and the assembly concepts ... to make sure that we come up with a design and methods that will work," Chiao said.

Before they could turn their attention to Monday's 6½-hour spacewalk, the six crewmen had to release NASA's science satellite.

Japanese astronaut Koichi Wakai freed the shiny, boxy satellite as Endeavour circled the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of Brazil. A day earlier, he had used the shuttle's robot arm to retrieve another science satellite, launched



Space Shuttle Endeavour commander Brian Duffy, front, and astronaut Leroy Chiao work around the feet of Brent Jett to prepare for the deployment of the HOST Space flyer Satellite Sunday.

by his country last year. The \$10 million NASA satellite is to be retrieved Tuesday. Among other things, it contains spacecraft contamination, laser and amateur radio experiments. The astronauts got an unexpected

visual treat Sunday, three days into their nine-day mission. Just minutes before the satellite release, a Delta rocket carrying a Korean communications satellite blasted off from Cape Canaveral. The astronauts were able to watch

the rising rocket — a bright, white ball of light in the pre-dawn sky. "It was a beautiful sight, up above the atmosphere with a long plume," Barry said. "It was truly something."

Unapproved drug use can save or kill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Cynthia Richardson was prescribed an asthma medication to stop premature labor, even though the drug's label warned doctors that it could be dangerous. She suffered a massive heart attack soon afterward.

Dr. Albert B. Einstein Jr. learned the breast cancer drug taxol might be a better cancer patient drug than were out of other options — even though taxol is not government-approved for them.

Millions of Americans take medicines for reasons never approved by the Food and Drug Administration. This so-called off-label drug use can save lives but it also can kill — and Congress is struggling to find a balance as it debates legislation that could unleash a flood of new off-label prescriptions.

"It's important that patients have access to appropriate, scientifically supported medicines, even if it's not on the label," said Dr. Nancy Dickey of the American Medical Association. "But how much can you loosen up ... without sabotaging the approval process that's there to protect patients?"

A drug goes on sale only after the FDA determines it is safe and effective against a particular disease. But once on the market, doctors can prescribe that drug for any disease. Some 40 percent to 60 percent of all prescriptions are for uses the FDA has not approved.

Doctors learn about new uses for old drugs from medical meetings or scientific journals. Under federal law, drug makers cannot tell doctors about new findings, or even hand out copies of studies. The idea is that doctors are supposed to keep up with the latest science, not be swayed by a salesman.

Now Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., has written legislation to let drug companies push unapproved uses of their products. Companies could give doctors certain research data, such as studies published in medical journals

or presented at accredited education programs, as long as they reveal it is not FDA approved.

Mack, whose brother Michael died of cancer, wanted to ensure that patients get every shot at the latest medical findings. "I would hate to think that something more could be done for people like Michael but for the government's unwarranted limitation on what a physician may be

told about new treatments," he said.

But critics say patients could be hurt, because drug makers would reveal only the promising research and withhold the negative.

"What it really does is allow some local-yokel doctor with no advanced training to find a balance as it debates legislation that could unleash a flood of new off-label prescriptions."

Richardson, the heart-attack victim, fears more off-label use without consideration of the risks. "I'm a prime example of what that can do," she said.

When the Nashville, Tenn., woman went into labor five weeks early, her doctor prescribed the asthma drug Brethine. The drug's label warns: "Serious adverse reactions may occur after administration ... to women in labor," including life-threatening heart problems.

Her baby boy was born hours after Richardson suffered a severe heart attack. She's suing; her doctor couldn't be reached for comment.

But obstetricians nationwide commonly use Brethine because of reports in medical journals that it works better than the FDA-approved alternative and is much cheaper, said the AMA's Dickey. She prescribes Brethine herself and was surprised to learn about the warning.

Doctors need drug makers' help to keep up with all the latest medical research because they don't have time to read all the scientific journals, said Einstein, an oncologist at Moffitt Cancer Center in Tampa, Fla.

Bush says he made error in judging Saddam

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President George Bush says he underestimated Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein's political staying power after the Persian Gulf War and regrets that the allies didn't do more to undercut Saddam's authority.

Iran interview with David Frost to be aired Tuesday on PBS, Bush said he still thinks Saddam will be overthrown by his own people. But Bush recalled that during the 1991 Gulf War he and others felt a sound military defeat would lead to his downfall.

"I miscalculated," Bush said. "I thought he'd be gone." Bush reiterated his oft-stated view that it would have been a mistake to order the U.S. military to hunt down Saddam in Baghdad, and that it was a correct judgment to end the war after having evicted Iraq's occupying army from Kuwait.

But the former president, in the interview taped last Dec. 12 in his Houston office, said Saddam fooled him when he used his surviving military power to quickly crush postwar revolts by Kurds in Iraq's north and Shiites in the south.

While expressing no regret at his decision to end the war with a cease fire on Feb. 28, 100 hours after the ground war was launched, Bush said he now thinks mistakes were made in the armistice meeting held March 3 at Safwan, Iraq.

At that meeting, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the commander of the U.S.-led coalition in the Gulf War, agreed to an Iraqi request that it be permitted to fly armed helicopters anywhere inside Iraq so long as they were not near U.S. forces. Saddam used that air power, combined with tanks and other heavy ground armor that survived the war, to kill thousands of rebelling Kurds and Shiites.

"We might have handled the flying of helicopters differently," Bush said. "So I think there's room for some ex post facto criticism here."

"I think he took us by surprise."



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Comics

Peanuts: MY REPORT? YES, MAAM... I'M READY... SORRY, MAAM... I DON'T MOVE AS FAST AS I USED TO... WHEN YOU GET OLD, YOUR KNEES START TO GO...

Mother Goose & Grimm By Charles M. Schulz By Mike Peters

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM: LOOK, BOYS, DOWN! LET'S STRINGER UP... A GOOD HOLSTEIN STEAK IS A GOOD HOLSTEIN STEAK... GLORIA SOON LEARNED THAT THE TOWN WAS LACTOSE INTOLERANT.

B.C. By Johnny Hart

B.C.: Dear Miss Know-it-all, why is it that so many people lately, are turning to God? CAUSE IT'S A LOT MORE FUN WALKING ON WATER THAN TAP DANCING ON FLAMES.

Garfield By Jim Davis

Garfield: IT'S A BEAUTIFUL MORNING... DEPENDS ON WHERE YOU'RE SITTING.

Hi and Lois By Chance Browne

Hi and Lois: WHY DO THEY PUT FRUIT IN A BIG STACK LIKE THAT, LOIS? SO LITTLE BOYS CAN PULL ONE OFF AND TAKE THE WHOLE THING DOWN... NO, WHAT IS SARCAZM?

The Wizard of Id By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

The Wizard of Id: ROBBER HOOD HAS GONE TOO FAR THIS TIME! WHAT DID HE DO? HE'S DECLARED A TAX REDUCTION FOR HIS 'GIFTS TO THE POOR'.

Hagar the Horrible By Chris Browne

Hagar the Horrible: YOU COULDN'T EVEN WAIT TILL I GOT IN THE DOOR TO GREET ME, COULD YOU, MY LITTLE BUNDLE OF PASSION? NO! THERE'S A MOUSE IN THE KITCHEN.

Beetle Bailey By Mort Walker

Beetle Bailey: BEETLE, I'VE TRIED REASONING WITH YOU, BEGGING YOU, AND BEATING YOU, BUT YOU STILL GOOF OFF! WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH YOU? TRY BEGGING ME AGAIN, I KINDA LIKED THAT.

Frank and Ernest By Bob Thaves

Frank and Ernest: BANK "STICK-UP NOTE"? DIDN'T YOU GET MY FAX?

The Born Loser By Art Sansom & Chip

The Born Loser: GLADYS, CAN YOU TELL IF MY NEW "MIRACLE GROWTH" HAIR TREATMENT IS WORKING ON MY BALD SPOT? BY GOLLY, I THINK IT IS! THAT ONE HAIR IN THE MIDDLE LOOKS A LITTLE LONGER TODAY!

For Better or For Worse: I'M GETTING DOWNSTEIN, ELIZABETH. DO YOU WANT TO COME? I DONNO... I'LL BE LEAVING IN 30 MINUTES. IF YOU'RE COMING, YOU'LL BE AT THE DOOR WITH YOUR COAT AND BOOTS ON... BREATHE... I HATE GOING PLACES WITH MY MOTHER. RATHER BE WITH PIN-BOOBY BUT MY MOTHER'S BEEN WITH YOUR MOTHER MAKER. YOU LOOK LIKE A TORNAL KISS!!

Blondie By Dean Young & Stan Drake

Blondie: MEAT MAN! FISH MAN! PRODUCE MAN! HUNGRY MAN!

Pickles By Brian Crane

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Opinion

Other views

Whitewater leaves little left of Clintons' credibility

From the Chicago Tribune

Forget, for a moment, the special Senate committee and the Resolution Trust Corp. and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and all the other sleuths who have been investigating the Whitewater affair. The legal issues will sort themselves out in time.

But one thing has now become all too clear: Bill and Hillary Clinton and their aides have made a concerted effort to deceive official investigators and the American public with half-truths and outright lies.

To their detractors, that will come as no surprise. But for anyone who attempted to give the Clintons some benefit of the doubt, well, the benefits are expiring.

It's not clear what the Clintons want to conceal, but it's clear that they have made extraordinary efforts to do so. They have thereby bought the trouble that now engulfs them.

The latest evidence, perhaps the most damning to date, came last week when the White House released copies of billing records that detail the hours of legal work Hillary Clinton did at Little Rock's Rose law firm on behalf of Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan whose failure cost the government \$47 million.

The records show that Mrs. Clinton had several business discussions with Seth Ward, an Arkansas businessman who was involved in a land deal that led to a \$4 million loss for Madison.

These records were subpoenaed by

investigators in 1994. They had disappeared from the files of the Rose firm, and the Clintons claimed to have no knowledge of them.

Yet, miracle of miracles, copies showed up in the White House not long after the RTC decided not to bring a civil lawsuit against the Clintons and closed its doors.

The records flatly contradict Mrs. Clinton's contention that she had no involvement in the land deal that caused the \$4 million loss and little to do at all with Madison Guaranty.

Time and again, the Clintons and their allies have protested their innocence, only to be contradicted by a paper trail or the testimony of others.

One more case in point: Hillary Clinton's role in the 1993 decision to fire the White House travel office staff and give the work to an Arkansas firm with Clinton connections.

The Clintons came to the White House with an election victory, but one provided by a skeptical electorate.

The president's credibility had been rocked by initial allegations about Whitewater and questions about his character. The first lady's professed faith in her husband had given him a political boost.

Now their credibility is in tatters. Even if the Senate Whitewater committee and the special prosecutor were to close up shop tomorrow, the stain would remain. The Clintons decided that deception and delay were better than forthrightness. They were wrong, deeply wrong.

O'Leary's wasteful attitude dips into taxpayers' pocket

From the Omaha (Neb.) World-Herald

Hazel O'Leary has played fast and loose with the Department of Energy's travel budget, globe-trotting from one foreign destination to another, sometimes with a large party of associates, at taxpayer expense. She needs to be reined in.

A government audit showed that Ms. O'Leary, the secretary of energy in President Clinton's Cabinet, failed to account for expenditures of \$255,000 on two trade-promotion trips. Overall, she and her party spent nearly \$2 million on the two trips. Ms. O'Leary has taken

more than 100 foreign and domestic trips, usually flying first class, since Clinton appointed her in 1993.

Since when did the promotion of trade become a major responsibility of the secretary of energy? What's wrong with leaving the promotion of trade with the Commerce Department, the president's trade representative and the trade specialists in the Department of Agriculture?

Ms. O'Leary displays an attitude of hubris, reflecting little regard for the obligation of all public officials to spend taxpayers' dollars responsibly.



Flat tax fairness not quite what it seems

And now for a Really Bad Idea! Brought to you by Malcolm "Steve" Forbes Jr., heir to a fortune worth between \$90 million and \$400 million. This Champion of the Little People wants to make you life easier by allowing you to file your entire income tax return on a postcard! Oh boy!

Yes, my friends, right here in River City, all we have to do is buy into the flat tax, I said, flat tax. It starts with F, it ends with X, and it cuts the Internal Revenue Service right out of your life. It's neat, it's simple, it's elegant. It whitens your teeth and cleans your breath, vote flat tax, yes, flat tax.

Look out for this flat tax, fellow citizens, because it is a lemon. Yew-wooo, just like biting right into that yellow fruit. Why, what could be fairer, cry Steve "The Music Man" Forbes. You pay 10 percent of your income, I pay 10 percent of my income, we can both get it here on this tiny, bity postcard, and all have better sex lives to boot.

Sure, you pay 10 percent of your \$10,000 salary and you have \$9,000 left to live on. Forbes pays 10 percent of his \$10 million income and he's got \$9 million left to live on, right? Wrong. The flat tax exempts all capital gains and interest income. Forbes pays zero. You're working 40 hours a week for yours, and Forbes is clipping coupons for his. Earned income is taxable under the flat tax; unearned income is not.



Molly Ivins

You're savin' like Scrooge to buy all the house you can afford on \$9,000 a year, and Forbes is livin' in that nice New Jersey hunk-country mansion he got from his daddy, but hey, neither one of you gets to deduct mortgage interest payments, so ain't that fair?

Neither one of you gets to deduct for giving to church or charity, so ain't that fair?

Suppose you're the CEO of MegaMedi-MeMger, worth every penny of your \$10 million annual salary, so you'll be paying a big one all to the treasury, right? Not unless you're a damn fool. You'll be arranging with your board to take every penny of your salary also stock options and bond income so you won't owe Uncle Sam a nickel.

Now, such scholars of the economy as House Majority Leader Dick "Scrap Social Security" Arney say the flat tax will encourage rich folk to put their money into productive investments, the economy will grow, and dear old Trickle Down, which did us all so much good in the 1980s, will create a rising tide to lift all boats. Hold that football, Lucy!

The reason that Forbes knows rich folks will

invest their gelt productively is because he watched his daddy, Malcolm, who inherited a lot of money and productively invested in the following:

- The largest collection of Faberge objects outside the Queen of England's, including 12 Imperial Easter eggs.
- A collection of homocentric art.
- The family plank named Capitalist Tool that Junior uses to campaign in.
- Hot-air balloons with gold leaf on the gas bag.
- A chateau in France.
- Five yachts, each grander than the next.
- A bottle of Thomas Jefferson claret for \$157,000.

The flat tax is the most backwards, unfair, pin-headed proposal yet pushed by a deluded zillionaire who mistakes his own best interest for the country's. I'll tell you what a fair tax system is: a progressive income tax that starts at 0 percent until working folks have managed to struggle above the poverty level (\$15,150 for a family of four), goes on to a low percent until folks have managed to struggle up to median income (\$37,000) and then goes up along with income until it reaches 50 percent for the richest Americans.

Molly Ivins is a columnist for the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Letters

Speak to community as a whole

Your editorial of Jan. 9 was very offensive to me. The whole tone was condescending. The very title, "Area's Hispanic community should respond to crime" was insane.

If there is crime in a community, the whole community needs to act. Don't try to divide us by ethnic background.

TRIS WOODHEAD
Twin Falls

Equality key in Wendell council

This letter is in reference to the letter to the editor on Jan. 9 with the headline, "Wendell tries to do well," by John and Jody Werts.

I strongly believe that no one on the City Council that any objections to the Werts purchasing a hook-up fee before it was raised. However, if you go by the old ordinance, which included that fee, you should go by it in its entirety. Ordinance 316 states, "All persons desiring to have water lines extended may make application to the City Council." It also states "that the entire cost of such application shall be borne by the applicant." None of this was done that I or the other council members know about. If an application had been made by the Werts, the council and the Werts would have known who was responsible for these costs.

The Werts commented they didn't think they should pay for a line that was going to be extended anyway. Who told you this? Could someone please tell me why the city was supposedly extending this line and who said this was going to take place? No one on the council was aware of this. Superintendent Paul Isaacson should have consulted the council about this extension, and a 6-inch line could have been put down the alley

instead of a 1-inch line to you, the Werts. All this work for one hookup and a line so small that it cannot or should not be extended to accommodate any other hookups in the future as our city develops.

City Superintendent Isaacson has done some things with council approval but is doing things without our knowledge, like the Werts extension. This needs to stop, and the council is taking steps to remedy this.

I would also like to comment about the remarks the Werts made in regard to George Benson. I can't apologize for someone else, but I do feel that the remarks that they made and directed at him were uncalled for and out of line.

As far as the Werts' comment about "some people being afraid that someone will benefit and it won't be them". Let me assure the Werts that we have a very good, hard-working City Council, and we want to make sure everyone is treated equal. We want to make sure that no one will benefit more than the next person.

BRAD CHRISTOPHERSON
City Councilman
Wendell

All can share 1 airport

I have serious reservations about the proposal to build a new airport in the Mini-Cosia area. The larger aircraft should land at Twin Falls and passengers drive the 40 minutes to Burley. This is done in every major city in the United States, many with much longer driving distances than 40 minutes. It works quite well.

Cassia County cannot afford another tax burden. We must join with other regions and cooperate. The logical place for a regional airport is Twin Falls because it is already

quite large and has a lot of surrounding ground for expansion. We cannot continue to hold isolationist attitudes. As we look to the future, we must weigh the costs of each county need, who it actually benefits and how it will be funded. In the case of a new airport, it seems like property owners will be asked to fund something we already have. People used to talk about getting by with less. Now is the time to try getting by with cooperation. We need to cooperate with the Twin Falls area to maintain that airport.

We must prioritize spending! We are fighting unfunded mandates, our needy and indigent fund is being drained, we are in a health-care crisis, the utility and water rates need to rise to meet expanding costs, we have many children in the area who lack coats, shoes and even homes, and the area's crime rate is among the highest in the state. It is obvious that our county law enforcement agency is highly understaffed, undertrained and underpaid. We will soon be asked to finance a new judicial building, the cost of which has been quoted to be between \$3 million and \$6 million. Please explain to me how a new airport takes any precedence over the area's basic needs and law enforcement needs.

Recently, I talked with a relative who lives in Texas. Unregulated, uncontrolled spending has pushed the property tax on their modern-sized home to \$200 a month! That is \$2,400 a year, three times what folks here pay for the same size home and yard. Those kinds of taxes are what we will be paying if the trend to spend, spend, spend continues. We must outline our priorities and budget and plan ahead so that our children will not be forced to pay the price of poor planning.

CAROLYN HONDO
Burley

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Letters

Politicians should be leaders

I think our "budget crisis" could be settled if we had leaders and not politicians in the federal government. They don't care about the citizens or our country - all they want is more money, more benefits and more privileges for themselves, plus a huge bonus when they're "tired of serving," us.

If, instead of furloughing our lower-paid federal employees, they would have cut off the salaries for themselves and their staffs, this would have been settled with only one "short" day in the GAP.

As far as senior citizens demanding a cost-of-living increase, I'm sure that more than 80 percent of them don't want or need it. I'm a senior citizen and we learned to pull in our belt when times were tough and we can tighten it again. Just leave us a belt. I'm sure there are senior citizens who receive the very least amount who do need a cost-of-living increase. Give it to them, but let the rest of us man-

age - We'd rather see our country solvent.

MARJORIE BAUGHMAN
Twin Falls

Mistake made in comparison

I want to thank the Twin Falls City Council for the recent opportunity to discuss the Department of Energy's spent fuel agreement with the state of Idaho. I also wanted to correct a misstatement I made during that meeting.

I used a faulty comparison when talking about the amount of radioactivity in the spent-fuel storage basins at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. While the amount of activity is very low (about one-tenth of a curie), it is more than what is found in the normal human body (about 22 microcuries).

I apologize for the incorrect comparison and thank you for letting me set the record straight.

DONALD W. MACDONALD
Executive Assistant
DOE, Idaho Operations Office

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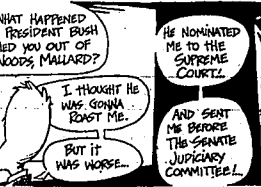
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World

Chechen rebels wage war of nerves

Tensions run high on day 6 of hostage crisis

PERVOMAYSKAYA, Russia (AP) — Russian tanks and armored vehicles roared closer to this bleak, mist-wrapped village where Chechen rebels held about 100 hostages, then backed away Sunday, the sixth day of a nerve-flaying standoff.

While the hundreds of Russian troops made a show of force, loudspeakers incessantly blared a message at the rebels: "Free the hostages — Your lives are guaranteed."

The rebels patrolled Pervomayskaya's perimeter, armed with grenade-launchers and anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons.

The tension escalated at sundown with a report that the rebels had opened fire at the troops, a report quickly denied by other officials.

Russian troops have been walking a narrow path in the hostage crisis, trying not to give ground to the rebels while doing nothing to endanger the hostages, which include women and children.

The rebels have threatened to shoot the hostages if they are not granted safe passage back to Chechnya, the secessionist republic where rebels have been fighting Russian troops since December 1994.

The rebels had seized up to 3,000 hostages Tuesday in Kislaya, a town in the neighboring republic of Dagestan, but released most the next day and headed for Chechnya in buses. They were stopped by Russian forces at Pervomayskaya, about a mile from the Chechen border.

Since then, the small settlement on the bleak fields has been the center of an increasingly edgy standoff. On Sunday, several hundred Russian troops moved closer to Pervomayskaya, passing by reporters' cameras in what seemed a calculated show. Several helicopter gunships and fighter jets flew over the village.

The troops pulled back later in the day, marching the tough mud with sharp-shooting rifles and anti-aircraft rockets slung over their shoulders, but said they weren't going far.

"We'll move back if we're ordered," said the commander of one group of special forces.

A Russian Interior Ministry official in Moscow, who declined to be identified, said that as the troops pulled back Sunday evening, the rebels shot at them and fired rockets

at two helicopters. The official accused the rebels of trying to provoke a Russian assault.

But an official of Dagestan's Interior Ministry, who gave his name only as Lt. Col. Musayev, denied the report, calling it a "provocation."

In the nearby village of Sovetskoye, no gunfire could be heard.

Gen. Mikhail Barsukov, head of the Federal Security Service, and Interior Minister Anatoly Kutikov arrived in Dagestan on Sunday to oversee the operation, the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

"If even one hostage is shot, I will act immediately," Barsukov said Saturday. He did not say what steps he would take.

Earlier, a Russian assault on the hostage-takers seemed imminent.

"We are preparing the operation. There is a deadline of 10 a.m. (12 a.m. MST.) We start then," Maj. Gen. Alexander Mikhailov, spokesman for the Federal Security Service, told reporters early Sunday. But that deadline passed with no action and it was not clear for how long it was extended.

Mikhailov said there would be no pardon for the raid's leader, Chechen rebel Salman Raduyev, or his lieutenants.

He has a lot of blood on his hands," Mikhailov said.

In neighboring village and towns, thousands of Dagestanis held demonstrations demanding the Chechen fighters leave their territory.

The Chechen attack has deeply offended many Dagestanis, fellow Muslims who fear the war may spread to their region. The republic of Dagestan is a patchwork of dozens of ethnic groups that so far has avoided the bloodshed that has engulfed so much of the Caucasus.

Moscow showed no sign of bucking down from its demand that all hostages be released unconditionally.

In a similar hostage crisis in June, Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin held televised negotiations with the rebels and allowed them to escape to Chechnya, where they released the last of their hostages.

The time, the Kremlin and the Russian public, exasperated by the 13-month-old war and continuing rebel raids, might support the use of force.

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Arafat likely to prosper as Hamas dodges vote

The Washington Post

JABALIYA, Gaza Strip — Until a couple of weeks ago, Emad Falouji was by any measure a leading figure in Hamas. He represented the group at public events, edited its official newspaper and, as best any outsider could tell, participated in Hamas decision-making.

Sunday Falouji was disowned as a turncoat by Hamas spokesman Mahmoud Zohar, his newspaper closed and his expulsion from the Islamic Resistance Movement.

The reason is visible just about anywhere in the streets of this northern Gaza neighborhood. Large color posters proclaim Falouji's candidacy for the Palestinian legislative council to be elected Saturday to govern the Gaza Strip and areas of the West Bank where Palestinian self-rule has been established.

Falouji is running even though Hamas decided not to do so. The new council would not exist but for an agreement negotiated between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organization; and that is

still anathema to Hamas.

Yet the Islamic movement, whose charter calls for the wrest "every inch of Palestine" from the Jewish state, vacillated for months on whether to sponsor candidates and suspend the "suicide bombings" that killed dozens of Israelis since the self-imposed ceasefire.

When Hamas hard-liners, most of them abroad, finally vetoed a draft deal with PLO leader Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority, Falouji and a handful of other local Muslim militants rebelled.

The long flirtation with compromise, and the splintering of the movement in its aftermath, reflect the dilemma that the first popular ballot in Palestinian history presents for Hamas.

"Everyone knows most of our people agree to these elections, and there is great popular support for the idea of a vote," Falouji said, with two armed guards nearby, in the campaign headquarters he fashioned from a warehouse, his family's soda distributorship. "The Islamic opposition must have some power, and that means it must have some members inside the new council."

Monk charged in British tourist's death

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) — A drug-addicted Buddhist monk was charged with murder and robbery Sunday after he confessed to killing a British tourist who had been missing for more than a month.

Police arrested the monk soon after finding the body of Johannes Mashedier in a ravine near a Buddhist temple in Kanchanaburi, 70 miles west of Bangkok, and said they were questioning three others.

The monk, Yodchat Sumpo, 24, confessed to killing Mashedier after robbing her of a camera and the equivalent of \$24.

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Western Days planners set meeting Tuesday

TWIN FALLS — Western Days organizers are trying to lasso some help. Anyone interested in planning the 14th annual Twin Falls celebration can attend a meeting at 6 p.m. on Tuesday in City Hall. Officers will be elected for Western Days to be held from May 31 to June 2. For more information, call Deputy City Clerk Sharon Bryant at 736-2245 or Western Days Chairman Randy Guilbert at 733-8100.

Hospital board meets tonight to discuss annual audit

TWIN FALLS — Board members at their monthly meeting tonight will hear a report on Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's annual audit. The meeting will be at 7 p.m. in the hospital's doctors meeting room. Also at tonight's meeting, board members will get an update on what is happening with the Southern Idaho Medical Information Network. Members also will discuss whether to adopt a comprehensive strategic plan that has been prepared by hospital administrators.

Comment sought on forest's travel regulation plan

KETCHUM — Anyone with an opinion on the Sawtooth National Forest's plan to regulate travel within the Sawtooth Wilderness has until Feb. 12 to submit written comments. Anyone who wants to learn more about the plan is invited to public meetings on Jan. 24 at the Ketchum City Hall, and Jan. 25 at the Stanley Community Center. Both meetings will begin at 6:30 p.m. Earlier dates had been set for the meetings and comment deadlines, but forest officials pushed the dates back following the recent federal shutdown.

Jerome County commission meets Tuesday at courthouse

JEROME — The Jerome County commissioners will meet in the Commissioner's Chambers, 3rd floor of the courthouse, at 9 a.m. Tuesday. The meeting has been moved in observance of Martin Luther King Day. Items on the commissioner's agenda include the swearing in of new commissioner Harriet Weikel, and an open house for out-going Commissioner Jerry Ridley.

Workshop set for school board members, superintendents

JEROME — The Region IV Idaho School Board Association will conduct a workshop for Southern Idaho school board members and superintendents. The workshop, titled "Let's Get Together," will be held in the Jerome High School Auditorium from 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday. According to association Vice-President Steve Marshall, this meeting provides an "opportunity for school board members and superintendents to meet and share common ideas and concerns." For further information, call Association President Scott Tverdy at 337-6959, or Marshall at 337-6960.

Buhl police plan to arrest boy, 13, in stabbing case

BUHL — Police are planning to arrest a 13-year-old boy whom they suspect of the stabbing of a 21-year-old woman on New Year's Eve. Michelle Munson suffered a two-inch gash in her back, and was briefly hospitalized, said Buhl Police Chief Ron Romero. The boy, of Buhl, apparently stabbed her during a confrontation among a large group of people on the evening of Dec. 31 on the 900 block of Broadway, he said. Romero declined to reveal who the boy is, but said he is protecting the privacy of juveniles. Romero said he was uncertain what led to the stabbing.

Legislators plan town meetings in Gooding, Halley

BOISE — District 21 legislators will hold electronic town meetings on Jan. 23 using the College of Southern Idaho's Distance Learning Centers in Gooding and Halley. Sen. Clint Stennett and Rep. Wendy Jaquet, democrats from Ketchum, and Rep. Tim Riddinger, a Shoshone republican, will discuss the 1996 legislative session. "Folks will be able to ask questions, voice their concerns and help us develop strategies for the session," Stennett said. The Gooding meeting will be from 4 to 4:30 p.m., and the Halley meeting will be from 4:30 to 5 p.m.

Compiled from staff reports

Softball fee hike on City Hall agenda

By Virginia S. Garber
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Men's league softball players will pay more to play if the City Council today approves a proposal by the city's Parks and Recreation Commission. The fee would increase about \$10 this summer and another \$10 in 1997 under a new fee structure based on the number of games played rather than the number of league players. Coed and church-league softball players would see a smaller fee increase over the next two years, but fees for women's league players would not increase. The City Council meets at 4 p.m. today in City Hall to hear the Parks and

Recreation proposal and other business, and a public hearing begins at 6 p.m.

Under the current system, four independent softball associations pay the city \$18 per player — \$23 for out-of-town players. The remainder of the player fees, which range from \$45 for men's league to \$18 for church league, go toward the associations' umpires and other costs.

Those fees cover only 80 percent of what the city pays to maintain and improve fields at Harmon Park, Frontier Field and South Park.

To keep the city's 20-percent contribution — about \$5,800 per year — from growing as costs increase, fees must go up, parks commission member Carl Legg said.

The commission's proposal would make the leagues pay a flat \$40 per-game fee; the increase would be phased in over two seasons.

Another wrinkle in the commission's proposal would double the \$5 surcharge that out-of-town players pay. Leagues would pay the city \$10 a season for each player living outside the city limits.

Even if the City Council approves the new fee structure today, Legg said rising costs will keep the softball program in the red, and the issue will have to be revisited within five years.

Also at today's City Council meeting, Water Superintendent Mike Trabert and City Engineer Gary Young will speak about a flow-monitoring system for

water sources at Blue Lakes and Alpheus Creek.

Operators of Mongolian House Restaurant — formerly Hawaiian Gardens Restaurant — will ask to serve beer and wine with meals. The public can comment at the 6 p.m. hearing.

The city's planning and zoning commission last month recommended denial of the permit request after the neighboring Episcopal Church of the Ascension protested. Both businesses are on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

Du N, and Nancy A. Ly, who run the Mongolian House, said serving beer and wine wouldn't affect their neighbors, and the restaurant would have no live or jukebox music.

Sunshine day



Three-year-old Karil Magnelli and her great-grandmother Theima Reid of Jerome, enjoy a sunny day at Jerome City Park. With Mom, Dad and the grandparents all working, Reid said she was the lucky one who got to baby-sit. Karil is the daughter of Jeff and Chasity Magnelli of Gooding.

Wendell sets date for bond issue meetings

By Steve Koehler
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — The City Council has set two public meetings before a \$700,000 water bond issue election.

The election is planned for 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Feb. 6 at the Wendell Senior Center. The first meeting is at 1 p.m. Jan. 24 and the second is 8 p.m., Jan. 31. Both will be at the American Legion Hall, 640 W. Main St.

Speakers will be Carleen Herring of Region IV Development Association in Twin Falls, and City Engineer Scott Bybee. Both have been helping the city with grant

applications that are part of a \$1.4 million plan to improve the city's water system.

City water has had several bacterial contamination in recent months, and the state fire marshal has outlined shortcomings in the present water system, one of which is inadequate supply.

The city has passed the first screening by the state Department of Commerce for a grant to buy an 800,000 gallon water storage tank, an improvement that would solve the supply problem.

Much of the proposed \$700,000 bond issue would be spent on 2½ miles of pipeline and fire hydrants.

In other business the council authorized

City Attorney Craig Hobday to pursue all legal recourse to prevent an apparent delay under construction within the city's one-mile impact zone.

The construction site is on the north side of the extension of East Main Street and three-fourths of a mile from the city's Gooding Street well.

The council also authorized Mayor Lynn Nelson to represent the city's irrigation water shares at the North Side Canal Co. meeting Monday.

There have been communications problems with the canal company because a city representative has not attended past meetings, Nelson said.

Mexican bands find audience in Jerome

By Rob Lundgren
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Jerome has become a popular spot for professional Mexican bands.

About seven years ago, El Sombrero restaurant owner Rosa Paiz began promoting Hispanic community dances at Jerome County's fairgrounds.

"The Mexican community needed something to do," Paiz said. "And I was looking for a way to keep my business going during the slower winter months. Offering a dance about once a month supplied the extra income I needed to survive, and provided an opportunity for our Mexican community to get together and visit."

Dancers come from all over the Magic Valley, and Paiz brings in professional bands from California and Mexico.

"These bands, whose music is played on Mexican radio stations, call me to ask if I can play here," Paiz said. "We have become a very popular stop on their tours."

Paiz needed a large facility, with

ample parking space, and a remote location so late-night band music would not disturb the neighbors.

The Jerome County Fairgrounds was the perfect solution. About 75 percent of the fairgrounds' annual \$135,000 budget — \$101,250 — comes from self-generated revenues, fairgrounds Manager Pam Kubik said.

"We profit approximately \$15,000 with our fair and rodeo each year," she said. "We do about \$6,000 on Rosa's dances, so you can see the dances are one of our biggest money-makers."

Over the years, the arrangement between Paiz and the Jerome County Fair Board has evolved into a rental price of \$500 per night, which takes into account the sale of beer to adult dance patrons.

The fairgrounds are not the only beneficiary of the dances.

"In the Mexican community, if they have a little bit of money, they want to do something together — it's a community-sharing time — it's part of their culture. And if they are going to spend money, let's try to get them to spend it

right here in Jerome," Paiz said.

In return for permission to sell beer during her dances, Paiz agreed to donate the profits of the beer sales to the Jerome Pool Committee, and Jerome's Catholic church.

Jerome City Councilman Dennis Moore said the committee needs to raise about \$20,000, and about \$60,000 in donated labor and materials for the pool. "Rosa has donated about \$1,200 to the pool committee, which makes her our largest contributor," he said.

Paiz also donates \$100 from each dance to the St. Jerome Catholic Church. She said the money is used to sponsor a Mass in Spanish on the local radio station.

"Rosa offers a nice family-type dance. Many parents bring their children. Functions like this are good for the community," said county Commissioner Roy Prescott, who oversees the fairgrounds.

"And these dances draw a lot of people from out-of-town who spend money downtown while they are here."

The next dance is scheduled for Saturday.

Crossroads progress moves on

But plans for highway interchange may be lagging behind

By Rob Lundgren
Times-News correspondent

JEROME — Business development near the intersection of Interstate 84 and U.S. Highway 93 may have outpaced plans for a cloverleaf interchange.

State Department of Transportation plans to ease the congestion complicated by freeway traffic merging and crossing Highway 93 are a couple years later than ideal, Department of Transportation's District IV Engineer Larry Van Over said. "We are in partnership with Crossroads Ranch, Petro 2, the Idaho Farm and Ranch Museum, Jerome and Twin Falls. We are not going to operate in a vacuum," Van Over said.

But the real problem may be that final plans may not even be determined until 2001, he said.

"We're in the concepts phase right now," Van Over said. "We're looking at all the alternatives of how we can effectively solve the growing traffic problem around the I-84 and Highway 93 interchange."

Meanwhile, the department plans an intermediate measure to alleviate traffic congestion with traffic signals at the ramps this summer, Van Over said.

"Our first priority is to serve the traveling public by providing the safest and most effective method of entering and exiting traffic," Van Over said.

New on- and off-ramps to the interstate are built with federal funds controlled by the Idaho Transportation Board. But the board's current five-year project development program is already set. Nothing can be done before 2001, Van Over said.

If the Legislature raises gas taxes, as has been discussed recently, that would increase the funding available for projects, Van Over said. "Then it would be a matter of what newly proposed projects ranked highest."

In addition, he said, the time from planning to the beginning of construction is five to six years because of environmental review, public involvement in the planning, and purchase of rights of way.

A corridor of preservation area will be needed for future transportation projects, and the department is working with developers to ensure they do not build in these areas, Van Over said.

"Right now, I feel very good about the working relationship and cooperation between the Department of Transportation and the developers in this area," Van Over said. "Mistakes were made in the past, but we're all working together to make sure the traffic problems at I-84 and Highway 93 are solved, for good, as soon as possible."

Police have no leads in park discovery case

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — Police were still investigating Sunday the discovery of a pair of human testicles in Rock Creek Park.

Testicles and bloody boxer shorts were found Saturday next to Rock Creek and appeared to be freshly severed with a knife, according to Sgt. Steve Ryan of the Twin Falls Police Department.

A park visitor had called police about the discovery. Witnesses said a razor blade also was found, but it was not there when police arrived.

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Kids at play



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Unseasonably warm weather last week had youngsters enjoying their playground at Mountain View Primary School in Burley.

Airport expansion options explored

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

Meeting set

BURLEY — The best place to build a Mini-Cassia area airport would be in the Heyburn-Paul area, according to a consultant's study.

A study by Armstrong Consultants Inc., of Grand Junction, Colo., rating options for improving the Burley airport or building an airport lists the best site for a new airport about six miles northeast of Burley, between 200 South and 300 South.

The best improvement option at the existing airport would be to extend one runway by 180 feet. The other alternative would require moving a portion of the Eastern Idaho Railroad.

A public meeting to discuss the study will be at 7 p.m. Jan. 31 at Burley City Hall in the council chambers.

Representatives from Armstrong Consultants will be on hand to explain the study and answer questions, said, Minidoka County Commissioner John Rensberg, chairman of a local airport technical advisory committee.

The airport study doesn't mean a new airport would be built or improvements will be made at the existing airport, Rensberg said.

"The people in the area don't want a new airport, ... I don't suppose anything will happen," he said. The same is true if people don't want to improve the existing airport, he said.

The study gives two options for lengthening runways at the existing airport. It also rates seven sites for a new airport. The ratings are based on engineering and environmental factors considered by the consulting firm.

But some of the factors are questionable, Rensberg said. Moving the railroad lost points for one of the expansion sites, because it would

A public meeting on a study of the options for expanding the Burley airport and possible sites for a new airport is set at 7 p.m. Jan. 31 at Burley City Hall in the council chambers. A copy of the study is available for public review at Burley City Hall or the Minidoka County Courthouse.

halt rail transport, he said. But that truck is seldom used, he said.

Tying for next best locations for a new airport were: a site five miles northwest of the Cassia County Courthouse between 300 South and Interstate 84; a site 14 miles east of the courthouse and south of I-84; and a site five miles southwest of the courthouse.

Other sites were: five miles northwest of the courthouse between 200 South and 300 South; 13 miles northeast of the courthouse and north on I-84; and five miles southwest of the courthouse between 100 South and 200 South.

The airport has two runways. The study rates as the best option for improving the existing airport a plan to extend the east-west runway at the east end by 180 feet.

"The improvement option would require moving a portion of an Eastern Idaho Railroad spur, which is located only 152 feet from the west end of the east-west runway. By relocating the railroad, the runway could be extended 335 feet at the west end and the 180 feet at the east end.

Criteria Armstrong Consultants considered in rating the alternative airport sites included, but were not limited to weather conditions, air obstructions near the sites, available infrastructure such as electrical service, freeway access, soil characteristics, wetlands and topography.

Man in snowmobile crash goes home

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A Hansen man, who crashed into a tree on his snowmobile in the South Hills Sunday afternoon, was released from Magic Valley Regional Medical Center on Sunday.

Tom Colson, 31, missed a curve

in the trail leading to Grouse Springs, losing control of his snow machine and striking a tree with his right side and back, said Twin Falls County range deputy T.L. Peterson.

An emergency medical helicopter flew Colson to the Twin Falls hospital after the 3:30 p.m. Saturday accident.

Survey: Idaho residents go skiing, not broke

The Times-News

BURLEY (AP) — Idaho skiers love their sport, but they are stingy.

A new study shows they ski an average of 12 times a year — almost exclusively on day trips. They economize by bringing their own lunch or by skipping lunch altogether, and the single biggest expenditure of their ski trip appears to be a lift ticket.

And Sun Valley is the king of all Idaho ski resorts, even if Grand Targhee is counted as an Idaho rather than Wyoming resort. Out of \$66 million in skier income — counting resident and non-resident dollars — Sun Valley accounts for two-thirds of the total, said John Hunt, a professor of recreation and tourism at the University of Idaho.

Hunt reported on alpine skiing trends to the Idaho Travel Council last week.

The alpine trends will be contained in a three-part Idaho Winter Sports and Recreation Study, Hunt said. The other parts involve snowmobiling and cross-country skiing, the results of which have yet to be released.

About 8,000 skiers were contacted in lift-line interviews for the study, which also examined skier visits, resort income and more.

"There's no question that Sun Valley is the grand daddy of them all," Hunt said. "Skiers rate their experience at Sun Valley real high. What people want and how they rate it, Sun Valley matches it."

Hailey Library receives Idaho Community Foundation grant

The Associated Press

BOISE — The Hailey Library was one of the recipients of five Idaho Community Foundation \$5,000 grants to schools and charitable organizations in southwestern Idaho.

They were among 48 grants totaling \$95,000 in year-end grants. The Foundation said it received 116 grant requests for

\$663,000 this year.

The Idaho Community Foundation is a charitable organization formed in 1988 to solicit and manage philanthropic gifts and bequests and distribute the earnings. Recommendations for grants are made by a regional advisory panel.

Grants which were distributed in December: Community Library Association, \$5,000 to purchase

equipment for the Hailey Library's after school program for elementary school children.

Warren McCain Middle School, \$5,005 from a designated fund for support of the school.

Gem County, \$5,000 challenge grant to be matched from other funding sources to construct restrooms at the new Barker Island Park.

Gem County Recreation

District, \$5,000 toward purchase of a vacuum system and winter cover for community swimming pool.

Literacy Lab, \$5,000 to purchase computer hardware and software to expand training for at-risk students in the Boise facility.

The Idaho Community Foundation has issued more than \$14 million in Idaho grants in the last four years and currently has assets of more than \$11.4 million.

AIDS patient finds hope in drug tests

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Kim Merritt is a human guinea pig in the battle against AIDS.

Every eight hours, the 32-year-old Utah woman gulps four white capsules. Every 12 hours, she swallows three gray capsules. Merritt does not know what they contain.

But for her, the capsules embody hope: Hope that her AIDS can be turned from a certain killer into a chronic but manageable disease. Hope that other mothers might avoid the hell she endured watching her baby girl die of AIDS in 1993. Hope for all who follow her in combating the modern plague.

"I fought for my daughter and I'm going to fight for myself," says Merritt, an administrative assistant for Salt Lake City investment advisers and brokers. "I want to live. I want to experience life the best I can."

Merritt, infected with AIDS in the 1980s by a bisexual boyfriend, is the first Utah AIDS patient participating in clinical trials of an experimental medicine named indinavir.

It belongs to the most promising new category of antiviral medications called protease inhibitors, which are aimed at slowing the deadly progress of AIDS and prolonging patients' lives.

The white capsules may contain indinavir or a worthless powder known as a placebo. The gray capsules may contain a placebo or stavu-

dine, a fairly new but more conventional drug that slows the AIDS virus.

But at least one of the other contain real medicine, not a placebo, because it is unethical to deny patients with fatal illnesses anything less than the current standard of care. So Merritt knows she is getting either indinavir, stavudine or both.

The year-long experiment at the University of Utah is designed to determine indinavir's effectiveness, comparing it with stavudine. Merritt is among 25 Utah patients and 447 nationwide who volunteered for the study.

To protect the study from unintended bias, neither doctors nor patients will learn who took what until the study is over.

Big drug companies pay university researchers nationwide to conduct such tests of new AIDS drugs. Advocates say clinical trials provide AIDS patients good medical care, lab tests and the newest medicines free of charge.

"We're giving some patients a jump on these drugs before they're commercially available," says physician Spotswood "Woody" Spruance, who runs the university's two \$100,000 studies of Merck & Co.'s indinavir.

Critics say clinical trials usually benefit future patients, not those participating in such experiments. Only a fraction of experimental drugs proves safe and beneficial.

Dole plans visit to Idaho Legislature

BOISE (AP) — The Idaho Legislature will open the second week of its 1996 session by deciding whether to restore a \$13 million holdback in public school funding ordered by Gov. Phil Batt.

When state revenue started to run under projections last year, Batt ordered a 2-percent holdback in spending, or about \$26 million. That cuts state support for public schools by about \$13 million.

This afternoon, House Republicans have set aside 90 minutes for a party caucus to decide whether to restore the funding.

In his budget message, Batt said earnings on school endowment funds are running about \$4 million higher than expected, which will erase some of the public schools holdback. He said lawmakers should try to cut spending in other areas, and then take the rest of the holdback out of a \$32 million reserve fund.

After the 57 House Republicans decide what to do about the school holdback, the Legislature's Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee is scheduled to vote on Tuesday.

Batt told lawmakers he wants to make the other \$13 million of his holdback permanent, and there appeared to be little sentiment among legislators to do otherwise.

Rep. Jim Kempton, R-Albion, also will give the GOP strategy ses-

sion his analysis of the governor's revenue estimate for the budget year starting next July 1. Indications are that the Legislature will accept Batt's prediction that general tax revenue will go up less than 6 percent in the next fiscal year.

Meanwhile, U.S. Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, the Republican front-runner for president, will address the Legislature Monday morning. After that, the Kansas Republican will attend a campaign fund-raising event at the Boise Centre on the Grove.

After a first week devoted more to ceremony than substance, the Legislature will get into some controversial areas this week. The House State Affairs Committee on today will look at legislation from Rep. James Stoicheff, D-Sandpoint, to ban dog racing. Batt, who voted against dog racing when he was in the state Senate, has not settled on a position now. He is concerned that banning dog racing could have an economic impact on the Post Falls area, location of the state's only dog racing track.

The same committee will examine a proposal to protest shooting ranges from encroaching residential development.

A special subcommittee on charitable games will start working Monday on proposals to change the new Bingo Advisory Commission.

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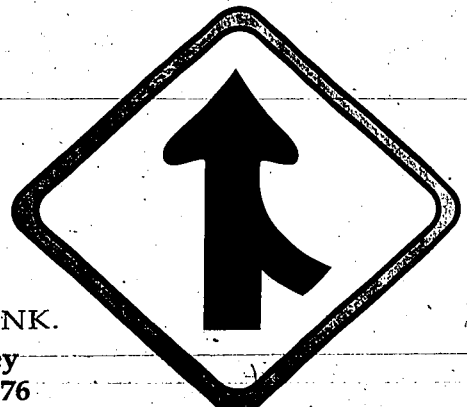
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Washroom wedding



Groom Chien Yi-Kun, right, and his bride, Hsu Yi-ching, bow to each other after getting married with seven other couples Sunday in a bathroom at the Encore Garden in the central Taiwanese city of Taichung. The idea to wed in the washroom was thought up by one of the couples, Chiu Chiu-kuo, who met her future husband at the site when the bathrooms were being built in 1993. The ceremonies took place just outside the bathroom, but each couple ventured inside for pictures.

Israeli president offers prayers for Nazi victims

BERLIN (AP) — Making his first visit to reunited Germany, President Ezer Weizman of Israel prayed Sunday at a former Nazi concentration camp and urged young people to make the next century better than this one.

After being greeted with military honors at the Berlin airport by German President Roman Herzog, Weizman's first stop was the fog-shrouded Sachsenhausen camp, just north of the city.

About 100,000 people were killed at Sachsenhausen under Hitler, thousands of them Jews.

"Learn what happened," Weizman

said. "Study well why it happened. Study well how it can be avoided. ... Let the young generation look to the 21st century as a completely different century to the 20th."

The two presidents viewed an exhibit about Jewish prisoners at the camp museum and toured the frozen, desolate grounds before laying a wreath in front of the ruins of the crematorium and gas chamber. A cantor sang the kaddish, the Jewish prayer for the dead.

Heavy security followed the Israeli president throughout the day as he lunched at Bellevue Castle and walked through the

Brandenburg Gate.

In the evening, Weizman and Herzog met with a group of mostly Jewish youths at the New Synagogue, which was destroyed by Allied bombing during World War II and recently reopened.

Herzog, who has declared Jan. 27 as an annual day of remembrance in Germany for Holocaust victims, called on the young people to stand guard against racism and totalitarianism.

On Monday, Weizman was to pay tribute to the anti-Nazi resistance at Berlin's Plötzensee memorial before leaving for meetings with Chancellor

Helmut Kohl and others in Bonn.

His visit comes as the German government is still debating how to fulfill a year-old agreement signed by Kohl and then-Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, under which Germany was to make payments to some 35,000 survivors of Nazi violence, mostly German-speaking Jews from Latvia and Romania who migrated to Israel and the United States in the 1980s.

The German parliament has yet to ratify the agreement because of a dispute in Kohl's coalition over how to budget the money — some \$140 million for 1996.

Lawyer: Rabbi approval sought for Rabin killing

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — A prominent Israeli politician tried to help Yigal Amir obtain rabbinical approval to murder Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, a defense lawyer charged Sunday.

Attorney Moshé Meroz made his accusation at a court hearing for confessed assassin Yigal Amir, his brother Hagai, and a third alleged conspirator, Dror Adani.

"A well known Israeli political personality tried to acquire halachic approval for the murder," said Meroz, referring to Jewish religious law.

Meroz, who represents Hagai Amir, refused to identify the politician.

"Dozens of people knew of Yigal Amir's intentions to kill the prime minister," he said. "If that is what Hagai Amir will be tried for, we will have to line up dozens of suspects in this case."

Yigal Amir, 25, an observant Jew and Bible scholar, said after the Nov.



Yigal Amir, right, consults with his brother's lawyer, Mordechai Ofri, during a court hearing in Tel Aviv Sunday.

Land of Israel to the Palestinians.

Amir said he killed Rabin to stop the Israel-Palestinian peace process, which he blamed for the deaths of Israelis in Palestinian terror attacks.

Police have interrogated several rabbis suspected of approving the murder of Rabin in advance, but none have been charged.

Yigal Amir's murder trial is scheduled to start Jan. 23.

Hagai Amir and Adani are charged with conspiring with Yigal Amir to kill Rabin and attack Palestinians. Their trial was postponed Sunday until April 17.

All three are also charged with illegal production and possession of weapons. They have until Feb. 26 to enter pleas.

About a dozen friends of the defendants attended the Sunday morning hearing. Yigal Amir, wearing a blue-and-white striped shirt, smiled broadly throughout the hearing. Adani gave a thumbs-up sign to his friends in the gallery.

Newspaper owner-editor wounded, librarian killed

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — The owner of an independent newspaper was gravely wounded after publishing a stinging editorial against Islamic rebels and the newspaper's librarian was killed by gunmen.

Nourredine Guitoune, the owner, manager and editor-in-chief of L'Independent, and librarian Khaled Aboutkacem were leaving the daily newspaper's office in Algiers late Saturday night when they were shot.

Aboutkacem, 30, died immediately. Guitoune, 47, was wounded in the shoulder and abdomen. He played dead until the gunmen left, then got up and ran 100

yards to a nearby printing company, where he collapsed. A passerby rushed him by car to a hospital.

No one claimed responsibility for the shootings Sunday. But Islamic militants have killed dozens of journalists, intellectuals, politicians, singers and foreigners in their four-year campaign to replace Algeria's secular government with an Islamic theocracy.

Guitoune wrote a stinging editorial against the rebels on Saturday and it was published on the front page of Sunday's edition of L'Independent, a French-language newspaper with a daily circulation of 60,000.

Gallery reports Chagall painting stolen

JERUSALEM (AP) — The Marc Chagall painting "Jacob's Ladder" has been stolen from a Tel Aviv art gallery.

The owner of the Gordon Gallery said Sunday the painting was displayed prominently when the gallery opened Friday morning. But when a visitor asked employees where the Chagall was 20 minutes later, all that was left was a bent nail on the column where it had hung.

Gallery owner Shaya Yariv said the 16-inch by 18-inch framed painting was valued at between

\$140,000 and \$180,000.

Yariv speculated that it could have been smuggled out under a raincoat or cape.

"I think the painting is eating oysters in Paris or Moscow by now," Yariv said.

The Russian-born Chagall painted the red, blue and gray painting in the late 1950s. It depicts a ladder leading from a village into a red sky. On the ladder are angels and a man — presumably Jacob, who in the Bible dreamed of a ladder leading from Earth to heaven.

Czech president's wife suffers from cancer

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — Olga Havlova, the wife of Czech President Vaclav Havel, is suffering from cancer and is in serious condition, a presidential spokesman said Sunday.

"The condition of Mrs. Olga Havlova has deteriorated significantly in the first days of January," Ladislav Spacek said. "Mrs.

Havlova's condition requests permanent hospital care."

Spacek did not say what kind of cancer she had, only that it had spread to "vital body organs."

He said the president visited his 62-year-old wife in the hospital daily. The couple has been married since 1964.

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Health & Fashion

Ear's looking at you

Think 10 earrings are too many? Now hear this

By Joan Bean
Times-News correspondent



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six to eight weeks. "A lot of people fudge on that, because of course they're anxious to wear all their wonderful new earrings," she said. "And they usually wind-up having trouble getting the new earrings in — or the hole grows shut or something."

Excessive scarring happens, but not often, Boyajian said. This can be a tedious problem to deal with, but with the use of lasers, it is possible, he said.

Boyajian added that some people just can't wear pierced earrings, but unlike dry cleaning, there's not little label that says who can and who can't. And so, he said, sometimes you can only find out by doing it.

"Again, it's all infrequent," he said. "And people shouldn't be discouraged from using jewelry."

There is usually a great selection of earrings for pierced ears, Florke said. Another advantage is comfort, because the kind of earrings that fasten with clips tend to pinch. Florke said a lot of people say they can't wear clip earrings for long.

At boutiques, customers for ear-piercing range in age from two weeks through older than 70. Finley said she has had an increasing number of older customers, making comments such as, "I never had it done, and I don't have much time left, so I'd better do it now."

Finley said the earlobes of elderly people are usually less elastic than those of younger folks. That sometimes makes for a tougher job in piercing them.

Piercing babies' ears, Boyajian said, has traditionally been dictated by culture, but in most cases, infants don't have problems.

"But I'm not sure many ear, nose and throat surgeons would recommend that," he said.

Boyajian said most folks don't seek to have doctors place earrings. He theorized that getting ears pierced is often a spur-of-the-moment decision, and that the piercing is sometimes offered for free when someone buys a pair of earrings.

Customers should ask how the piercing is going to be done and how their ears are going to be prepared. Antibacterial soap sterilizes better than alcohol.

"And to be informed as they can be," he said. "Let that little voice inside the self say, 'This sounds pretty good.'"

"Or, 'This sounds pretty bad.'"

Language person strikes again

It is time once again for Ask Mister Language Person, the award-winning column whose motto is: "People judge you by the way you talk, especially if you spit on them." In this popular feature — the only language column endorsed by both *Hootie and the Blowfish* — we answer your common questions about grammar, vocabulary, punctuation, etymology and the U.S. Tax Code.

Today, as is our custom, we will start with our first question, which is:



Dave Barry
Humor

Q. How come you always refer to yourself in the plural?

A. We have a huge intestinal parasite.

Q. Should people who cannot grasp the difference between "it's" and "its" be allowed to vote?

A. No.

Q. What about people who say "Between you and I"?

A. We favor execution without trial.

Q. Like most people, I would like to use the words "parameters" and "behoove" in the same sentence, but I am not sure how.

A. According to the Oxford English Cambridge Dictionary of Big Words, the proper usage is: "Darlene, it frankly does not behoove a woman of your parameters to wear them stretch pants."

Q. As an attorney, I wish to know the correct legal way to say "I don't know."

A. There is no legal way for an attorney to say this.

Q. Thank you.

A. That will be \$400.

Q. What is the proper format for a formal wedding invitation?

A. A formal wedding invitation should come in a square envelope, inside which should be several increasingly small envelopes accompanied by some sheets of what appears to be Soviet Union toilet paper. Also there should be various cards on which all the numbers are spelled out, as in "Forty-Three on the Seventeenth of June, Nineteen Hundred Ninety Six" and "Two Hundred Ninety Eight Harbour Oaks Manour Court Drive Terrace, Next To The Seven-Eleven." This information should be written in a high-class style of penmanship so difficult to read that many guests show up in the wrong state.

Q. What are those weird strings of letters that have started showing up everywhere in newspaper stories, advertisements, TV shows, etc., the ones that look like "http://www.cismucker.doo.wah"?

A. Those are code instructions to Dan Rather from his home planet.

Q. Please quote, in its entirety, a Washington state news item from the Oct. 31 issue of USA Today, sent in by alert reader Mary Louise Flannery.

A. Certainly. "TACOMA — Fish and Wildlife Services scientists plan to kill about 40 stocky, black sea ducks called scaup scoters around Commencement Bay to find out why their numbers are declining."

Q. How can the public assist Fish and Wildlife Services with this effort?

A. Presumably the public, if it sees any Please see BARRY/D2

TWIN FALLS — Just one earring per ear lobe doesn't necessarily cut it any more.

The current trend is toward multiple adornments — with some folks wearing as many as 10.

But Janice Finley, manager of Claire's Boutique, said the average locally is more like three, sometimes with another earring up high in the cartilage of the ear.

Trouble is, cartilage becomes infected more easily, and it takes twice as long to heal as does the rest of the lobe.

"I had one done, and it took me about four months to get it to heal right," Finley said. "But now it's totally healed, and it's great."

Finley said her shop has been doing cartilage piercing for more than a year, and hasn't yet had major problems.

But Dr. John Boyajian, a Twin Falls ear, nose and throat plastic surgeon, said there are always potential problems when the ear is pierced through the cartilage.

"You can get some substantial infection, and of course, as physicians, we don't recommend anything through the cartilage," he said.

Fortunately, complications are rare, Boyajian said. But problems can range from minor infections to chondritis, which can involve a serious inflammation of the ears. High school wrestlers are prone to such injuries, called cauliflower ears.

Unlike the rest of face, the ears are hard to recreate by plastic surgery, he said.

Christy Florke, manager of A Afterthoughts, said the actual piercing of the cartilage isn't too painful, although the ears can get sore later.

Before the piercing is done, Florke said, a surgical pen is used to mark the spot of the incision. Wearing gloves, the person performing the procedure slides a sterile cartridge into an air gun, and then shoots it through.

The customer is given a bottle of ear-care solution called benzalkonium chloride to clean her ears three times a day.

After Judy Jones, a licensed practical nurse, does an ear-piercing, she advises rubbing the lobes with Polysporin ointment a couple of times a day. "That keeps the area moist, and moves the earring around a little, preventing it from getting stuck."

Jones said she recommends leaving the posts in for

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Inside

Dear Abby

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Looking good

Big hair could get you somewhere

The Washington Post

Big hair is the fastest route to fame.

A huge head of hair won't win you humanitarian awards, won't sharpen your wit, won't make you smarter, won't make you more talented.

But it will put you on the top of the pop-personality heap.

To wit: Jennifer Aniston. She plays Rachel on "Friends." Jennifer, she of the voluminous, messy, honey-brown, streaked locks, is more famous than any of her co-stars because of her hair. Her hair has been copied by young women from coast to coast. It has been dubbed the Rachel. It is everywhere, and so is Jennifer's mug.

Her co-star, Courteney Cox, a lovely brunette, seems to be allowing her boyish do to evolve into a version of the Rachel. Actress Helen Hunt of "Mad About You" is dangerously close to the Rachel.

Have you had your hair cut recently? You could be inches away from a badly executed Rachel. But a new year means new trends. Hair is big. Please see HAIR/D2



Photo

Actress Jennifer Aniston (bottom left corner), shown here with the rest of the cast of "Friends," has pretty much single handedly made big hair big again.

Health notes

Body building

Easy does it, weight-trainers. A new study indicates that a single set of 8-12 repetitions twice a week has the same impact as three sets of reps. Longevity magazine reports. Speaking of weights, Men's Health magazine says that a plastic surgeon in Beverly Hills (where does the area moist, and moves the earring around a little, preventing it from getting stuck?)"

On your feet

Are your feet killing you after a day on the job, women? It's not surprising — nine out of 10 women are wearing shoes that are too small, the American Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Society says. Simply buying larger shoes won't help — this often causes pain and irritation from the feet sliding around, says Cooper Hospital/University Medical Center podiatrist Ira Fox. He suggests making sure there is a space the size of two fingers between the largest toe and the top end of the shoe.

A sick body image

Parents beware: Teen-agers suffering from chronic conditions such as diabetes, asthma, attention deficit disorder and seizures tend to be more likely to develop eating disorders because of a poorer self-image. So warns a new study of 3,500 adolescents in Minnesota public schools, which found such youngsters were more

likely than their "normal" peers to develop patterns of binge eating, frequent dieting and purging.

Living benefits?

People with terminal illnesses and their caregivers grapple with tremendous emotional issues, as well as the financial burden of long-term, costly medical treatments. There are, however, options for the terminally ill with critical financial needs. A vital settlement may be made by assigning the life-insurance policy to a settlement company in exchange for a percentage of the policy's face value. The Federal Trade Commission offers free copies of "Vital Settlements: A Guide for People With Terminal Illnesses." Contact: FTC, Public Reference Branch, Room 130, 6th St. and Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, D.C. 20580.

Farewell to moderation

With the millennium approaching, and the baby boom turning 50, more and more of you appear to be adopting an eat-drink-and-be-merry philosophy of life. The share of Americans who say they "eat pretty much whatever I want" was 64 percent in 1994, up from 52 percent in 1987 and 45 percent in 1977, American Demographics magazine reports.

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TWIN FALLS — Friends of Bereaved Families will meet at 7:30 p.m. today at 998 Washington St. N. Guest speaker will be Pam Bolton who will discuss handling guilt. For more information, call 734-5216.

8-week series helps widows

TWIN FALLS — Widowed Information and Consultation Services is planning to hold a series of meetings on "Coping with Widowhood." The eight-week series will meet at the College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging. It will be designed to help widowed persons receive information and support in dealing with problems of being widowed. Dates and times have not yet been set. Anyone interested in obtaining more information or in registering, should call 736-2122.

Over 60 class begins Wednesday

TWIN FALLS — The Over 60 and Getting Fit Exercise Class for seniors will begin Wednesday at the College of Southern Idaho gym. The free class meets from 9 to 10 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Jan Mittleider will be the instructor. Participants can sign up at the Taylor Building Records Office or during the first class they attend.

Pacesetters to hold meeting

TWIN FALLS — The Pacesetters Club (formerly the Walkers Club) will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Magic Valley Mall food court yard.

Jan Mittleider, instructor at the College of Southern Idaho, will present the program entitled "Simple Strategies for Maximizing Your Well-Being." The club is co-sponsored by Magic Valley Regional Medical Center and the Magic Valley Mall. Anyone interested in more information about the club should call the MVRMC Senior Connection at 737-2065.

CSI sponsors regulation seminar

TWIN FALLS — An employee orientation to federal

regulations about safety and health at the workplace is scheduled from 7:30 a.m. to noon Wednesday in the Sage Room of the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center (located at the back of the medical center's north parking lot).

Topics to be covered include general and electrical safety, hazard communication standards, noise, exposure, injury prevention, bloodborne pathogens, discrimination and sexual harassment, and the drug-free workplace. Reservations are required. To register, call 733-3974.

These orientation programs on federal regulations for the workplace are sponsored by the College of Southern Idaho, Magic Valley Regional Medical Center, and the Twin Falls Area Chamber of Commerce. For more information, call Jill Chestnut, Occupational Health Coordinator at MVRMC at 737-2906.

Bereavement group meets

TWIN FALLS — The Bridges Bereavement Support Group will meet at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Magic Valley Services Inc. — Hospice Division Conference Room. The support group is open to anyone in the community that has experienced the loss of a loved one. We are located at 200 Second Ave. N. For more information, call 734-0600.

Group plans dementia video

TWIN FALLS — The Alzheimer's Dementia Family Support Group will meet from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at the Office on Aging, Senior Annex building, located at 998 Washington St. N. (on the College of Southern Idaho campus).

A video, entitled "Helping People with Dementia in Activities of Daily Living" will be shown. For more information, call Sandy Kevad of Janice Stone at 736-2122.

To do for you is a calendar listing of health-related activities, events and education. Information should be submitted by Thursday for publication in the following: Monday's Health & Fashion section. Mail notices to: The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, ID 83303, or deliver to our office at 132 Third St. W.

Cosmetics claims can be bogus



Cosmetics Q & A
Paula Begoun

use vague language that can't be proved or disproved. How does skin act young? That can be defined in a hundred different ways. Additionally, even if they could substantiate it, what they substantiate may not be what you were hoping for.

DEAR PAULA: I must admit that my fear of growing old or, rather, looking old, is almost letting me believe the wild claims made by the saleswoman at the Clinique counter. Of course, I know they can't be true; most of it doesn't even make sense. In regard to Clinique's new product, Moisture On-Call, she told me it used "time-motion" technology. To prompt the skin's memory to act young again. Help! My head tells me (as you have helped remind me on countless occasions) that there are no miracles at the cosmetics counter, but my emotions want to believe. — Susan, Earlyville, Va.

DEAR SUSAN: I understand the pull generated by cosmetic "miracle" advertising. You stated the dilemma that exists for women quite powerfully and succinctly. However, fear and throwing money away won't alter a wrinkle on your face. If you chased after every new wrinkle product that came on the market in the past year alone, you would have spent thousands upon thousands of dollars.

Why is Clinique's Moisture On-Call any better than their own Turnaround Cream, which they were announcing as their new rejuvenator only a year ago.

If you had gone to the Lancome counter they would have touted the miraculous results of their new Primordial Lotion, which is getting the same kind of hype they gave their Benefit Total.

In fact, you would have heard similar claims no matter where you stopped to get advice, whether from Chanel, Prescriptives, Arden and Dior, or L'Oréal, Nivea, and Almay.

All cosmetics companies promote their skin "miracles." Are

they all telling the truth, which means it shouldn't matter whose product you buy, or are only a few (or even one) telling the truth?

All cosmetics companies make claims they can't substantiate, because legally they don't have to, or

Paula Begoun is the author of several books on cosmetics, including "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me" (Bantam Press, \$13.95).

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surf scoters while motoring, should run them over.

Q. Did the Nov. 5 issue of the Richmond Times-Dispatch run a help-wanted advertisement seeking applicants for management positions with a national restaurant chain?

A. Yes.

Q. What, exactly, did the headline say?

A. It said: "JOIN IN THE GROWTH OF HOPKINS."

Q. If you do a column consisting primarily of random comic news items sent in by alert readers, do you still get all the money?

A. Yes. Here are some more:

• Bill Jackson sent in a news item from the Nov. 3 Kansas City Star, which begins: "A small fire blamed on flaming croissants damaged a south Kansas City restaurant morning."

• Nando Amabile sent in a photo caption from the Oct. 9 Las Cruces (N.M.) Sun-News, which begins: "Conlee Elementary School students dissect sheep eyes. Falls during Family Fun night."

• Kevin Cox sent in a sports story from the Nov. 5 Indianapolis Star, which begins: "Quarterback Jim Harbaugh put his tender groin

through a light workout Saturday."

• Arnold Joyal sent in a police story from the Nov. 12, 1994, San Jose Mercury News concerning a suspect who was charged with "two misdemeanor counts of touching a woman while changing her tire."

• Greg Bair sent in a photograph he took of a historic marker in Parkview, Ore., which states: "WORLD HISTORY — AP-PROXIMATELY 100 FEET SOUTHWEST OF THIS SIGN, DAVID R. COOPER FIRST ARTIFICIALLY INSEMINATED A TURKEY."

• Kathleen Ganzlin sent in an obituary from the Oct. 5, 1994, Wisconsin State Journal, which states that the deceased died at a local hospital "after a long courageous battle with doctors."

Q. "Sleep Eyeballs" would be a good name for a rock band.

A. So would "The Flaming Croissants."

TODAY'S TIP FOR TV NEWS PERSONALITIES: In planning the spontaneous on-air banter that you engage in with the other news personalities between stories, make sure that the "mood" of the banter is appropriate to the news story immediately preceding.

WRONG: Ha ha!

RIGHT: Those flame-throwers are nothing to fool around with, Ted.

GOT A QUESTION FOR MISTER LANGUAGE-PERSON?

We didn't think so.

Dave Barry is a humor columnist for the Miami Herald. Write to him c/o Topics Magazine, The Miami Herald, One Herald Plaza, Miami, Fla. 33132.

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Dennis S. Voorhees

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Hair

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"Masses of curls: Frizzed-out froes. Teased-up not-quite-bouffants. The beauty gurus put all these elaborate styles on the spring runways to complement the fashion industry's continuing fascination with such retro duds as flared trousers."

Hair will have volume, particularly at the crown, says Dennis Roche of Washington's Roche Salon. He and his staff will be texturing hair, dabbling in assorted pomades, and dyeing "willing heads brown."

The key here, Roche says, is for hairstyles to be flexible, sophisticated but not outrageously trendy.

Will the Rachel survive? Yes, but it will evolve.

Truly fashionable types are over the Rachel, Roche says. By the time a style makes it to prime time, it's old news anyway. The new Rachel "isn't as floppy," Roche says. "It's a little bit slicker, a little less cute and a little more provocative."

The new Rachel is the old Rachel all grown up.

Should Jennifer update and alter the hair which made her famous, or launch in a time warp? Remember Farrah Fawcett, Dorothy Hamill, Connie Stevens. Their fame was their hair, whether it was streaks of blond curls or perky bucket locks. Farrah ditched her

feathered flip and fell off the top of the pop-gene heap. Dorothy and Connie kept their signature styles and have turned into dusty icons of an era.

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Study: Weight loss key to better cholesterol in kids

WASHINGTON (AP) — Getting kids to do more exercise will help prevent cholesterol problems, but only if the exercise makes them lose weight, a study indicates.

Fit children had better cholesterol levels than did unfit children, said the researchers at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. But the unfit children also weighed more, and the fit kids' edge in cholesterol disappeared once researchers statistically took the weight differences into account, said the study in the American Journal of Public Health.

The findings help to clarify the role that exercise plays in cholesterol control, researcher Larry A. Tucker said.

"The underlying factor seems to be how much fat the kids are carrying," he said. "When they are physically active, they tend to be lean."

The researchers studied 162 boys and 100 girls, ages 9 and 10. The children's parents filled out a questionnaire to tell how

much fat was in their kids' diets.

The researchers tested the kids' time on a one-mile walk-run. Using callipers, the scientists measured how much fat the children had at the abdomen, arm and calf.

The kids also gave blood for cholesterol testing. Although cholesterol is rarely a major risk factor for children, other researchers have found young people with elevated cholesterol levels tend to mature into adults with cholesterol problems.

"Children don't die of heart disease; it's almost unheard-of," Tucker said. "But they become adults and they die of heart disease."

Overall, 26.5 percent of the boys and 37 percent of the girls had cholesterol readings in the increased-risk group, the researchers found.

Kids with the higher cholesterol levels tended to be the ones who did worse on the run-walk, the researchers found. And it was a clear, tight relationship, Tucker said.

Doctors find device to improve Pap smear

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gynecologists are getting a new way to spot problems when they perform Pap smears to check women for cervical cancer — by inserting a special light bar to illuminate the cervix.

Called "Speculoscopy," the light-enhanced Pap smear lets doctors see into the cervix to diagnose more abnormalities than the regular Pap smear can detect alone.

"We're enhancing the ability of the Pap smear to pick things up before they develop into a serious problem," explained Dr. Steven A. Yasilev, gynecologic oncology director at City of Hope National Medical Center in Duarte, Calif.

"It is simple, it's quick and it doesn't add much to the cost" of a standard Pap smear, he added.

The Food and Drug Administration approved the Speculoscopy system last month and it was unveiled Thursday by Tylon Corp., the manufacturer.

Pharmacia & Upjohn Inc. will sell the device beginning in about a week. It will add about \$25 to the cost of a regular Pap.

Some 15,000 American women are diagnosed with cervical cancer each year and about 4,800 die. About 50 million Pap smears are performed each year to try to detect cervical cancer early enough to cure — and the tests often find precancerous changes in cells that haven't had time to turn into a tumor.

Speculoscopy adds a visual exam to help find those precancerous changes.

In a Pap smear, doctors scrape cells off the cervix and send them

to a laboratory to be examined for abnormalities.

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Americans more apt to avoid exercise

The Washington Post

More evidence that a majority of Americans are leisure-time couch potatoes comes from a new analysis of national health surveys. The study found that 54 percent of Americans say that during leisure time they engage in "little or no" physical activity such as walking, jogging, golf, bowling, gardening or dancing.

The technical term for such hobbies and sports is leisure-time physical activity, or LTPA. Such activity, researchers said, "provides some protection against hypertension, adult-onset diabetes, certain cancers, osteoporosis and depression." Lack of LTPA, however, may explain why more Americans are overweight today than in 1980, despite lower consumption of dietary fat and cholesterol.

"What is evident is that participation in LTPA has plateaued over the past decade," researchers concluded in reporting their findings in Monday's Archives of Internal Medicine.

They found 59 percent of women and 49 percent of men reported little or no LTPA, meaning less than three times a week. Such inactivity during leisure time was disproportionately high among several groups, including Mexican-American women (74

percent), non-Hispanic black women (67 percent) and Mexican-American men (65 percent).

Physical inactivity also increased with age, the study found. Among those 30 or older, 74 percent of women and 58 percent of men reported little or no LTPA. In that same age group, 62 percent of women and 40 percent of men said they typically engage in no physical activity at all during leisure time.

The analysis, conducted by a team headed from the National Center for Health Statistics, was based on data from the third National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES III), including interviews with 9,488 adults from 1988 to 1991.

Most Americans ranked walking and gardening or yard work as their favorite two LTPAs. The only exception was non-Hispanic black women, who ranked dancing second after walking.

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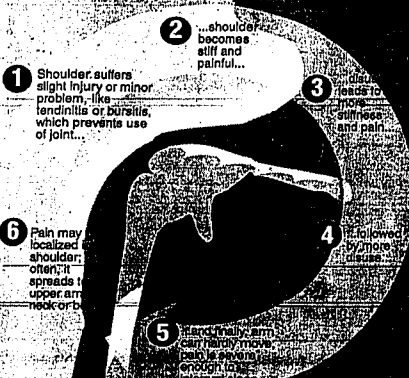
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Sequence of symptoms



Condition that may cause symptoms gradually worsens over several months, but the same for a few months. Relief may be possible if gradual improvement.



KRT Infographics/DAVID ARBANAS

Peanuts could be lethal

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your column on the danger of food allergies.

I have had a lifelong allergy to peanuts, but only in recent years have I seen anything in print about this problem. Well-meaning but ignorant people have told me I am "spoiled" and "fussy," and it's only my imagination! Adults and children alike have tried to persuade me to eat peanuts, or even worse, have tricked me into eating them.

My allergy has become much more acute as I've grown older. At one point, I suffered a full-blown anaphylactic reaction. In recent years, I find a chronology of the symptoms of an allergic reaction educational.

Here's what happens (usually within minutes). It is a true medical emergency, and every second counts: Your mouth starts to feel "funny" inside, then your wrists and hands begin to itch, followed by your armpits; then your crotch. That's just the beginning. Your eyes and lips begin to itch and swell, then lives start to puff up and itch over your entire body and - the really dangerous part - you begin to wheeze because your mucous membranes are also affected, and your lungs begin to fill up. At this point, you are close to cashing in your chips unless you can get a shot or two of epinephrine. And, even if your blood pressure doesn't dive, if your throat swells shut, you're in serious trouble because only an emergency tracheotomy (a hole in your windpipe so air can reach your lungs) can save you.

You will probably hear from other readers about the danger of food allergies. Thank you for



Dear Abby
Abigail VanBuren

making people aware. ELIZABETH A. GURRAN DEAR ELIZABETH: Almost every year there is some mention in the media about an allergy-related tragedy or a close call experienced by someone who was not as fortunate as you. Food allergies are not the only problem. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm one of the many people who are highly allergic to perfumes. We seem to be an expanding circle, because I know nine other people with the same affliction. I avoid crowds, do my shopping in the early morning hours, and try to sit away from others at funerals and weddings. One exposure leaves my nose congested and my lungs filled with fluid. I cough for days.

I recently attended a funeral, sitting well to the back and off to the side with my nonscented friends. Halfway through the service, the door opened and a wave of perfume wafted across the church. I was ill the remainder of the day.

Those who use perfume should have an honest friend check them out. The user's ability to judge the amount that should be used may be dulled from sensory overload.

DORIS VOSS, TACOMA, WASH.

DEAR DORIS: Thank you for reminding my readers that an allergy is nothing to sneeze at.

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Good habits can ward off aging process

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The strongest antidote for growing old, scientific evidence suggests, doesn't come in a bottle.

Some of the best tips for long healthful lives are learned in Sunday school: Eat and drink in moderation and live selflessly.

"The key determinants of people's health, over which they have control, are largely health habits and their state of mind," says Dr. David Sobel, regional director of Kaiser Permanente's patient education and health promotion program.

"There is emerging evidence that optimism or sense of control are also predictors of future health," Sobel says. "People who are health optimists do better than people who are health pessimists."

Caring for someone or something other than yourself can have health benefits.

"It isn't all about lifestyle," he says. "Feeling good, positive outlooks instead of focusing on yourself, focus and care for something outside yourself."

The standard healthful-living road map can also help people arrive at a "youthful" old age.

- Eat a healthful diet, including fruit and vegetables five times a day.
- Don't abuse drugs or alcohol.
- Don't smoke.
- Moderate exercise even walking 30 minutes a day, or an accumulation of that time.

The scientific evidence for traditional approaches is much more solid than alternatives, such as hormonal consumption, Sobel says.

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- Sex, Drugs, and OSHA: an orientation to federal regulations about safety and health at the workplace for employees * Wednesday, January 17, 7:30 a.m. - 12 p.m., Education Center. Reservations required by calling 733-3974.
- CPR Class * Saturday, January 20, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., 5th West Conference Room. To register, call 737-2007.
- Magic Valley Breast Cancer Support Group * Monday, January 22, 7:00 p.m., Reception Area of the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center. For information, call Char Basila-Davis at 737-2441 or Jody Craig at 733-3700.
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Grumpier Old Men (13)
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Sat-Sun 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:15-9:15
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Bio-Dome (13)
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Daily 7:00-9:00
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