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Good morning

Today's forecast:

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Nevada politician dies

A Twin Falls-born liberal who, as governor, reformed Nevada's gambling industry and fought discrimination has died. **Page B1**

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Twin Falls teachers are learning how to use those shiny new computers that are coming into their classrooms. **Page B1**

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Try the back door

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Raiders net Brown

Larry Brown, who earned MVP honors in the 1996 Super Bowl, signed a multi-year contract with the Oakland Raiders as a free agent Tuesday. **Page B5**

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Buchanan creates GOP turmoil

The Associated Press

MANCHESTER, N.H. — Conservative rebel Pat Buchanan won a narrow victory Tuesday in New Hampshire's leadoff presidential primary.

He nudged Bob Dole from his perch as Republican front-runner and threw the GOP race into three-way turmoil.

Late-charging Lamar Alexander, the former Tennessee governor, ran a close third and suggested that proved him a stronger mainstream alternative to Buchanan than "a weakened Senator Dole."

Today, the candidates launched into a five-week, 30-state burst of primary contests.

Dole was headed to the Dakotas; Alexander looked South, to Georgia and South Carolina, hoping his Tennessee roots would translate into regional strength.

For Buchanan, the commentator-turned-candidate, it was another dramatic New Hampshire



night. "Four years ago, he scored 37 percent against an incumbent GOP president here, asserting himself — and his often unorthodox views — in national Republican politics."

With 98 percent of precincts counted, Buchanan had 25,997 votes, or 27 percent, to 33,623 or 26 percent for Dole. Alexander had 46,616, 23 percent. Publishing his Steve Forbes was a distant fourth at 12 percent, and said by associates to be reassessing his campaign but certain to press on for another week because of his strength in Arizona and Delaware.

In exit polls, voters cited pocketbook issues — jobs, taxes and budget deficits — as they judged the eight-man Republican field.

Asked which issue mattered most in deciding how they voted, one in four cited the economy

and jobs and one in five cited taxes. Roughly 15 percent said the federal budget deficit. In clear reflection of the race's volatility, 60 percent said they settled on their choice in the final week.

President Clinton swept to overwhelming victory in the Democratic primary, logging more than 90 percent of the vote against token opposition. The fractures in the Republican field gave Clinton and his party even more to celebrate. "The answer is not to divide the American people," Clinton said in a victory statement that offered his view of the Republican race.

New Hampshire's results were likely to winnow the GOP field, though none of the struggling candidates would immediately admit as much. Forbes, particularly, had to be disappointed. He had been tied for the New Hampshire lead a month ago but his effort to promote a flat income tax failed as moderate voters chose between Dole and Alexander.



Republican presidential hopeful Pat Buchanan and wife, Shelley, left, have reason to smile as New Hampshire's primary election returns come in Tuesday evening.

3 Salvation Army workers aid Oregon flood victims



Dave Nunez, left, and Capt. Roger Davis of the Salvation Army in Twin Falls were suddenly called on to help with flood relief.

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Dave Nunez started out his day on Tuesday filling emergency food baskets, serving lunch and getting monetary assistance for destitute people in Twin Falls.

Today the former police officer and Salvation Army program director will be in Oregon, probably helping flood victims fill out Federal Emergency Management Administration forms.

A few hours after Nunez's boss, Twin Falls Salvation Army Capt. Roger Davis, got a mid-morning Tuesday call from the Salvation Army in Portland, Nunez was on an airplane to Salt Lake City to catch a Portland connection.

"That's the Army," said the 33-year-old Filer native, who has been with the Salvation Army for just six months.

Two weeks after the flooding, Portland doesn't look so bad anymore. President Clinton has come and gone, as have the major media's reporters and cameras.

But the devastation remains in small and isolated communities. Salvation Army Capt. Ken Hodder would be the lone Salvation Army worker by telephone from Oregon late Tuesday afternoon.

"We are discovering that the long-term effects of the flood have exceeded our expectations," said Hodder, who was called in from

If you want to help

The Salvation Army is looking for monetary donations — and volunteers — to help flood victims in Oregon.

Checks should be marked "Disaster Relief" and sent to the Salvation Army, 348 Fourth Ave. N., Twin Falls, ID 83301. Monetary donations are preferable to donated goods because Salvation Army workers can more quickly get and replenish needed items.

Anyone who wants to volunteer may call 1-800-SAL-ARMY.

Los Angeles.

"There are a lot of people still suffering," he added. "It's still a very big project as far as we're concerned."

Fresh water, food for victims and relief workers, shelter, rain gear, supplies for cleanup and furnishings are all needed, Hodder said. So are money and relief workers, he said.

"It told me it was pretty bad when they went 500 miles away for personnel," Davis said.

On Thursday, Davis will head to Portland himself. Paul Gibson, the Twin Falls mission's maintenance supervisor and social-ser-

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Senate OKs senior tax cut proposal

By Karen Tolikines
Times-News writer

BOISE — Sen. Clint Stenett, D-Ketchum, calls it a break for working-class people who live in areas of skyrocketing property values.

Opponents call it a tax break for millionaires.

On Tuesday, the Senate voted 30-5 in favor of Stenett's proposal to allow counties to partially or completely exempt from property taxes the homesteads — a house and an acre — of senior citizens, widows or widowers and the blind who fall below a certain income level. Also exempt would be individuals and U.S. war veterans with certain disabilities.



Stenett



Families who settled areas like Ketchum, Hailey and Sun Valley are "being surrounded by yuppies and urban refugees who are willing to pay sky-high prices for land in recreational areas," Stenett told lawmakers Tuesday.

Throughout Idaho's recreation hot spots, area settlers unable to make property-tax payments are being forced to sell out to wealthier newcomers and move to less expensive regions, he said.

Sen. Robert Geddes, R-Soda Springs, was one of the five senators to vote against the proposal, which he said would mean

What's next

"This bill to allow property-tax exemptions for senior citizens moves to the Idaho House, where the Revenue and Taxation Committee will take it up. It failed there last year because the committee concluded it was too expensive and too complicated to administer," said Chairman Steve Antone, R-Rupert.

owners of valuable land could evade property taxes.

He also said hardship cases are already covered under the circuit-breaker exemption and that adding exemptions would only shift the property-tax burden to others.

But passing off the bill as a tax break for millionaires is unfair, said 30-year Ketchum resident Janice Corkery in an interview.

Corkery, a landscaper, has worked as a registered nurse, a ski instructor, and a waitress in Ketchum and Sun Valley.

"You name it, I did it," she said. The 59-year-old Corkery, who often held multiple jobs as she single-handedly raised a son.

"What happened all those years is I didn't believe in welfare of any kind so I never got any welfare and I didn't get any child support," she said. "I didn't have a chance to save enough money for retirement, so it turns out."

When she retires, she expects roughly \$700 a month from Social Security. "That's not enough," she said, to pay a property-tax bill that already cost \$2,000 a year — nearly triple what it cost five years ago.

She lives on a quarter-acre plot between houses selling for \$500,000 and just a few miles from River Run, a multimillion-dollar lodge and recreation project under construction at the foot of Bald Mountain. Her house, she said, is roughly 1,000 square feet.

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Sheriff seeks helicopters to fight crime

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Federal helicopters prowling Idaho skies may be Congressman Helen Chenoweth's worst nightmare, but they may be Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey's dream come true.

"The U.S. military is offering to donate surplus helicopters to law-enforcement agencies for crime-fighting and rescue missions. Tousey said he wants to gauge public opinion before applying. Tousey said he imagines a crime-fighting

Offer your opinion

To voice your opinion on whether the sheriff's department should have a crime-fighting helicopter, call Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tousey at 736-4177 or Twin Falls County Commissioners at 736-4088. Or write Tousey at P.O. Box 146, Twin Falls, ID 83401.

helicopter pursuing criminals, rescuing wounded people in the Snake River canyon or patrolling isolated areas of Twin

Falls County in search of marijuana fields. "Just in the last year, we have had three incidences in the South Hills where we have had to call in helicopters," Tousey said.

In those cases, the sheriff had to call on private copiers. The cost to the county to operate the helicopter is estimated to be about \$50,000 annually — the rest would be provided by the federal government.

Thieves, vandals, drug dealers and arsonists are more elusive in the county, where fewer people live and where the roads offer quicker escape than in the

towns. A helicopter can cover 30 times more ground than rescuers and deputies can, he said.

Helicopters would reduce the number of hours his deputies spend searching for criminals or injured victims, he said. They are less risky than high-speed automobile chases.

Tousey said he would only need one helicopter, but might require several others for parts. Four- and 12-passenger models are available through the military, which is reducing its inventory of equipment that

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Weather

IDAHO Weather

Wednesday, Feb. 21
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

COOR D'Alene 50°
Lowiston 52°
Boise 50°
Twin Falls 57°
Pocatello 54°
Idaho Falls 52°

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Idaho forecasts

Magic Valley

Mostly cloudy and breezy today with scattered rain showers. Highs 55 to 60. Southwest winds 15 to 25 mph with gusts to 35 mph. Tonight, rain showers and a chance of evening thundershowers. Breezy in the evening. Lows 35 to 40. Thursday partly cloudy with scattered rain showers. Cooler. Highs in the mid-40s. The ultraviolet index forecast is 1, a minimal exposure level.

Extended regional forecast

Friday and Saturday mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Except for daytime rain showers in the valleys. Lows 20 to 30. Highs in the mid-30s to the lower 40s. Sunday mostly sunny. Lows in the upper teens to the upper 20s. Highs 30 to 40.

Wood River Valley

Mostly cloudy today. Scattered rain and snow showers. Snow level 6,000 feet. Breezy on the Camas Prairie. Highs around 50. Tonight snow showers. A slight chance of evening thundershowers. Lows in the mid-20s. Thursday cloudy. Scattered rain and snow showers. Cooler. Highs around 40.

Treasure Valley

Mostly cloudy today and tonight with scattered rain showers. A chance of afternoon and evening thundershowers. Highs 55 to 60. Breezy. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph with afternoon gusts to 30 mph. Breezy in the evening. Lows in the mid-30s. Thursday partly cloudy with scattered rain showers. Cooler. Highs 45 to 50.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, Feb. 21.

FRONTS:
COLD WARM STATIONARY

Temperature extremes:
High Low SHOWERS RAIN T-STRORMS FLURRIES SNOW ICE SUNNY PT. CLOUDY CLOUDY

Idaho: High, 64 degrees at Hagerman. Low, 18 degrees at Stanley.
Nation: High, 100 at McAllen, Texas. Low, 4 below zero at Roseau, Minn.

National temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	48	40	.....
Atlanta	70	54	.....
Boston	44	32	.....
Chicago	54	34	.....
Dallas	63	41	.....
Denver	64	23	.....
Des Moines	45	35	02
Detroit	47	37	.....
Honolulu	77	67	.....
Houston	69	45	.....
Indianapolis	58	40	.....
Kansas City	69	45	.....
Las Vegas	65	57	10
Los Angeles	65	59	2.39
Memphis	69	46	.....
Miami Beach	76	69	15
Minneapolis	45	35	.....
Missoula	35	30	.....
New Orleans	76	60	.....
New York	55	37	12
Oklahoma City	77	44	.....
Omaha	60	40	.....
Phoenix	57	44	.....
Pittsburgh	45	39	69
Portland, Me.	27	24	.....
Portland, Ore.	57	44	.....
Reno	48	35	39
St. Louis	77	40	.....
St. Paul	57	40	07
Salt Lake City	65	53	.....
San Francisco	65	53	04
Seattle	53	43	04
Spokane	48	38	13
Washington	54	38	55

Almanac

Idaho

Boise	Max 53	Min 41	Pcp
Burley	55	39	.....
Fairfield	42	29	03
Gooding	42	29	03
Hagerman	64	32	.....
Idaho Falls	49	32	00
Jerome	55	34	02
Lowiston	60	38	.....
Malad	44	32	.....
Mega	54	32	01
McCall	49	32	00
Pocatello	51	36	01
Salmon	50	31	.....
Stanley	51	31	.....
Sun Valley	51	31	.....

Twin Falls

Yesterday	58	37	.....
Last year	34	27	.....
Normal	44	24	03

Precipitation

Month to date:	3.69
Normal year to date:	3.9
Water year to date:	6.81
Normal year to date:	4.78

Comfort factors

Humidity at noon:	62 pct.
Barometer at noon:	30.02 S

Skywatch

Sunrise today 6:10 p.m.
Sunset tomorrow 7:34 a.m.
Lunar phase: New, Feb. 18; first quarter, Feb. 25; full, March 5; last quarter, March 12.
Visible planets: Morning, Jupiter, Evening: Saturn, Venus, Mercury.

Northern Nevada

Rain or snow and turning colder today. Snow levels 6,000 to 6,500 feet lowering to the valley floors by evening. Highs in the 40s to lower 50s with steady or falling afternoon temperatures. Tonight snow likely. Colder. Lows in the 20s. Thursday scattered snow showers. Highs in the 30s and 40s.

Northern Utah

Mostly cloudy and windy with rain showers likely today. South winds 25-35 mph with higher gusts. Highs in the 50s. Tonight rain changing to snow late. Chance of thundershowers. Breezy south winds switching to northwest late. Lows in the 30s. Thursday sunny. Highs 35-40. The ultraviolet index forecast is 2, a minimal exposure level.

Idaho weather summary

Southwest wind with gusts up to 35 mph reced through Coeur d'Alene Tuesday, while lighter winds swept the southern sections of the state and the northern panhandle. Salmon, Boise and Mullan reported traces of rain. Temperatures at mid-afternoon ranged from 58 degrees at Lewiston to 36 degrees at Mullan.

Temperature extremes

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Nation: High, 100 at McAllen, Texas. Low, 4 below zero at Roseau, Minn.

For up-to-the-minute weather information

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For current road conditions, call the numbers: Boise, 376-0028; Shoshone, 886-2266; Pocatello, 233-6724; Rigby, 745-7278; Utah 801-964-6000; the Elko, Nev., area, 702-738-8888.

Rain drenches both coasts as record high warm midlands

The Associated Press

Rain fell along both the West and East coasts Tuesday, with heavy snow in the Sierra Nevada, while temperatures in the middle of the country hit record highs. Elsewhere in the West, only rain fell in low elevations of Nevada and Utah as relatively mild air covered the region. Generally light snow fell in the Rockies.

The Eastern Seaboard also had widespread rain, and flash flood warnings were issued for part of the day for most of Pennsylvania and sections of Maine.

In between the two areas of rain, temperatures rose into the 70s on the central Plains.

Record highs for Tuesday's date were 69 at Kansas City, Mo.; 92 at Corpus Christi, Texas; 75 at Springfield, Mo.; 71 at Columbia, Mo.; and 76 at St. Louis, Mo. St. Joseph, Mo., tied its record at 68.

The lowest wind chill, the sting based on a combination of wind and temperature, was 30 below zero at Hallock, Minn.

A storm system flowing across the Pacific from Hawaii poured rain into Southern California. Flood watches were posted along a 250-mile stretch from San Luis Obispo County to San Diego County, the National Weather Service said.

As much as 4 inches of rain had fallen by afternoon in the coastal mountains between Santa Barbara and Los Angeles. In the 18 hours up to 10 a.m., 2.84 inches fell at Santa Barbara's airport and downtown Los Angeles got 1.75.

Through today, an additional 2 to 3 inches of rain was possible along the coast with a potential for 5 inches more in the area's mountains.

Roads through the Sepulveda Dam Recreation Area in the San Fernando Valley north of Los Angeles were closed as a precaution as water rose in the area, which doubles as a flood control basin.

Two campers had to be rescued from Mount Baldy early Tuesday after they encountered snow, hail, fog and 75 mph wind, said Jim Bryant of the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department. A rescue team member had to be treated for hypothermia.

Kansas woman wins pancake race

LIBERAL, Kan. (AP) — Frying pan in hand, Christina Wilbers sprinted 415 yards in 60.33 seconds to win the annual Shrove Tuesday pancake race.

She beat 14 competitors here and eight in a town in England.

The 24-year-old middle school teacher might have finished the course in a faster time if she had not slowed down twice, explaining later that she didn't see the finish line.

The ladies of Liberal are now tied 23-23 in their friendly competition with Shrove Tuesday racers in Olney, England.

Earlier in the day, Dawn Gallyot dashed from The Bull pub in Olney's market square to the ancient Church of St. Peter and St. Paul in 73 seconds.

Mrs. Gallyot, a 38-year-old school auxiliary teacher, wore a traditional head scarf and apron but opted for modern running shoes. She said she was "ecstatic."

Liberal joined in friendly rivalry with Olney in 1950, after seeing a picture of the Olney race in Time magazine. Each woman must flip a pancake in the frying pan at the start and at the finish of the race. The record is 58 seconds.

Shrove Tuesday, known in Britain as Pancake Day, traditionally is the last day for unhardened merrymaking before the start of Lent. Pancakes were thought to be a good way to get in the eggs and fat the faithful were supposed to do without during Lent.

Pot use dulls thinking

CHICAGO (AP) — People who smoke marijuana heavily — at least two out of every three days — may have trouble paying attention and performing simple tasks even a day after going without the drug, a study found.

Researchers compared 65 college students who smoked at least 22 days a month with 64 students who smoked nine days a month at most.

Vietims

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vices worker, will leave Monday.

"We're glad to be able to help," Davis said. "These folks have just been wiped out."

"Hopefully if — God forbid — something would happen here, Portland would help us out."

Nunez said before leaving Tuesday that he is not daunted by the task. "The people that come to our office for the most part don't have anything," he said.

Added Davis: "We work with disaster all the time. It's just their disasters happen a little bit at a time."

Gem flood bill crimps state

BOISE (AP) — With the state's share of the cost of rebuilding flood-ravaged northern Idaho as high as \$30 million, Gov. Phil Batt urged lawmakers Tuesday to hold the line on new spending in the 1997 budget.

"Use the greatest caution in funding additional budget requests for money during this session until we get this sorted out," said Batt, the first governor in memory to make a special address to the Legislature.

He said there was enough cash in special funds throughout state government to cover whatever Idaho's obligations will be in the flooding aftermath, and he assured lawmakers that "I will not spend one dollar that cannot be justified."

Batt specifically cited the multi-million-dollar budget reserve, cooperative welfare and water pollution control accounts as sources for the state and local money needed to match federal disaster assistance grants. Those accounts have a combined balance of \$66 million, and the state and local match typically is 25 percent.

Senate Finance Chairman Atwell, Parry, R-Melba, and House Appropriations Chairman Kathleen Gurnsey, R-Boise, agreed that disaster relief probably would deplete the \$23.5 million budget reserve account that Batt and lawmakers call the Rainy Day Fund. They said it also probably would wipe out the \$6 million to \$7 million cushion in the water pollution control fund.

"The Rainy Day Fund was put aside for a rainy day, and it certainly rained in northern Idaho," Parry said. "We have to meet an obligation to those people up north."

But with the major pieces of the 1997 budget — education, prisons and welfare — already set, neither Parry nor Gurnsey believed the relief bill would have any effect on stopping individual budget writers from trying to get \$50,000 or \$60,000 for some pet projects in their districts.

The committee's about \$2.5 million in general tax revenue over the governor's spending recommendations with only about 12 percent of the budget plan left to set.

Lawmakers conceded, however, that if the economy continues to slow Batt could be faced with imposing another across-the-board cut in the budget this summer. And since the budget reserve account would be depleted, the cut would be permanent.

Batt spokeswoman Aime Kleiner said the governor also might use his veto power to trim back any budget bills he believes are out of line.

"This is not a north Idaho flood," Batt said. "It is an Idaho flood. Everyone of us here, and everyone in Idaho, is affected in some way. We are in this together."

In addition to his earlier request that the cap on local property tax increases be lifted specifically because of the disaster, Batt urged lawmakers for legislation immunizing flood-stricken businesses from penalties for paying state tax late and forgiving property taxes on damaged or destroyed property.

House tax writers have already sent the full House the bill. The property tax cap in the 10 counties north of the Salmon River that have been declared federal disaster areas:

Skin, sin mark fling

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The rest of the year, Al Thomas is a refinery manager.

For Mardi Gras, he became a floozie, in sequined bikini, fishnet stockings and flowing blond curls.

"I look exactly like my mother, except she waxes, and she'd die if she saw me now," he laughed.

He and his wife, Sandy, dressed as a clown, joined the throngs that happily throw off all inhibitions for the nation's biggest street party — Mardi Gras.

The boozey pre-Lenten blowout filled the streets of the French Quarter with gilly fish, blaring bands, flashing flesh and lavish costumes.

Men in evening gowns paraded past women in grass skirts. A man wearing only strategically placed feathers, his body painted pink from head to toe, chatted with a man dressed as an angel, with huge feather wings. A couple covered in leaves and condoms marched past, carrying a sign proclaiming themselves rubber trees.

The weather was perfect — hazy and in the 70s — but crowds appeared smaller than in previous years. Nevertheless, police put the official estimate at the traditional "more than 1 million."

It was peaceful, with only about 400 arrests in the last few days, including what police call nuisance cases, such as nudity and urinating in public.

Beads rained down on Bourbon Street, rewarding to people below for exposing flesh.

Sheriff

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was used for overseas conflicts during the Cold War, he said.

The helicopters, the OH-6, OH-58 and UH-1H, or "Huey" models, would be stored at the Twin Falls airport. Law-enforcement agencies in Florida and Ohio have employed military helicopters.

Rep. Chenoweth, a freshman Republican legislator, gained notoriety when she claimed to have evidence that black government helicopters were landing on Idaho ranches, in keeping with her theme that voters are tired of federal intrusion.

But these helicopters would be strictly in the hands of local law enforcement. Tousey would employ a pilot from his department.

Tax

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feet. It has no dishwasher and no garbage disposal.

People have suggested that she sell out and move, but Ketchum is her home.

"Sure, all of us who live here can sell our property for more than we paid for it, but where do we move to? I'm happy here."

The high cost of living has fueled anger against the wealthy by some older residents, she said. She knows people that have left to live in the Magic Valley or other areas.

Dotie Moore, who taught school in Ketchum for 26 years, moved to McCall six years ago.

Ketchum has gotten too expensive and too crowded, she said. She bought her house there in the early 1960s for \$14,500. The same house down the street sold recently for \$350,000.

"There were too many people and that brings in more taxes and everything went up and so we went out," she said in an interview.

The bill would give county commissioners the authority to set an income limit, review cases and permit some property tax exemptions. Individuals would have to apply for the exemption by April 15.

Phil Homer, superintendent of the Blaine County School District, said he supported the concept. His district draws most of its operating money from property taxes, but he doesn't think the impact would be noticeable.

"I can't believe with the market value we have that it would be too detrimental at this point," he said. "If it were to snowball and the county commissioners gave everybody who came in that opportunity, then there would be some problems down the road."

In any case, Ketchum residents would be watching the outcome and how it relates to their property taxes.

"It's a big, big topic," Corkery said. "People are talking about it all the time, no matter where you work."

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Briefly

Clemency for 'Freeway Killer' denied

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Pete Wilson denied clemency Tuesday for condemned "freeway killer" William Bonin, convicted of murdering 14 boys and young men he picked up along Southern California roads.

Wilson's ruling could clear the last obstacle to the scheduled Friday execution at San Quentin Prison of the 49-year-old truck driver whose crimes terrorized residents in 1979 and 1980.

Wilson rejected claims by Bonin's attorneys that he did not receive a fair trial and criticized the long appeals process.

Judge: Gunfighter's remains to stay put

EL PASO, Texas — John Wesley Hardin, a fugitive for much of his life, will remain no more.

State District Judge Kathleen Olivares ruled Monday that the gunfighter's body should remain at El Paso's Concordia Cemetery, where Hardin was buried in 1895 after being gunned down in an El Paso saloon.

Some of Hardin's descendants wanted to move his remains hundreds of miles away to Nixon, east of San Antonio, where he lived briefly and where his first wife is buried.

But the Concordia Heritage Association, a historical group, sued to keep Hardin in El Paso, arguing among other things that removing the body would harm the historic cemetery. Other Hardin descendants also opposed the move.

Kato concludes deposition in civil suit

LOS ANGELES — A subdued Kato Kaelin ended a "difficult" three-day deposition Tuesday in the wrongful death lawsuit against his former boss, O.J. Simpson.

The shaggy-haired Kaelin said the testimony was "tough, it was difficult." He and his lawyer, Michael Plotkin, refused to discuss specifics as they left the office of attorney Daniel Petrocelli, who is representing Ronald Goldman's family.

"I think that Mr. Kaelin has been giving very straightforward responses," Petrocelli said. "I think he's trying his best to tell the truth and remember everything that he can."

The families of Goldman and Nicole Brown Simpson are trying to prove that Simpson was responsible — and therefore liable — for their June 1994 deaths.

AFL-CIO leaders rally to build movement

BAL HARBOUR, Fla. — Stagnant wages and corporate behavior, core labor issues being debated this election year, are providing a rallying point for AFL-CIO leaders striving to rebuild the labor movement.

Pressing to the chair, Labor Secretary Robert Reich told labor leaders at their annual winter meeting Tuesday that businesses should be "shamed" if they "treat workers like disposable pieces of equipment."

"There are two types of companies in this country — we've got to celebrate the ones who value their workers," he said.

After meeting with Reich and Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, AFL-CIO President John Sweeney said the federation would hold public hearings in 29 cities to launch its "America Needs a Raise" campaign.

Jet stuck after overshooting runway

WASHINGTON — A Continental Airlines plane overshoot a runway at National Airport Tuesday and became stuck in the mud. There were no reported injuries.

The plane was a Boeing 737, Continental's flight 1156, which originated in Tampa, Fla., and had stopped in Greensboro, N.C., the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority said.

Passengers left the plane on ramps, boarded buses and were taken to the terminal at the airport, which is in Arlington, Va., across the Potomac River from Washington. There were 74 passengers and five crew members aboard.

Compiled from wire reports

Bombing trial heads for Denver

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A federal judge moved the Oklahoma City bombing case to Denver Tuesday, saying the need to protect the defendants from a public tirade for vengeance outweighs the desire of the victims' families to attend the trial.

Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols have been designated "U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch wrote. "There is so great a prejudice against these two defendants in the state of Oklahoma that they cannot obtain a fair and impartial trial at any place fixed by law for holding court in that state."

He did not set a trial date.

Prosecutors had urged Matsch to move the trial to Tulsa, about 90 miles from the bomb site, so victims' families could easily attend. But Matsch, chief federal judge in Denver, sided with the defense, which wanted the trial held in Denver.

"The interests of the victims in being able to attend this trial in Oklahoma are outweighed by the court's obligation to assure that the trial be conducted with fundamental fairness and with due regard for all constitutional requirements," the judge said.

The April 19 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building killed 169 people and injured more than 500 in the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil.

"Because this was a crime that occurred in their state, Oklahomans wanted to know every detail about the explosion, the investigation, the court proceedings and, in particular, the victims," the judge said. "There is a fair inference that only a guilty verdict with a death sentence could be considered a just result in the minds of many."

McVeigh and Nichols could face the death penalty if convicted of murder and conspiracy.



Dr. Paul Heath, president of the Murrah Building Survivors Group, talks to reporters Tuesday in downtown Oklahoma City following a federal ruling that moves the bombing trial to Denver.



McVeigh

Attorney General Janet Reno said the government will not fight the move to Denver, and will do everything possible "to provide survivors and loved ones with an opportunity to observe and follow events in the courtroom."

Gov. Frank Keating said he, too, will work to see that the families have ways of getting to the trial.

Under the broad definition used by prosecutors, anywhere from 750 to more than 2,000 people are considered victims of the blast. That includes the families of those killed and survivors of the bombing, some of whom weren't actually in the building.

Oklahoma Attorney General Drew Edmondson said that he has asked federal officials to provide money to help victims attend the trial in Denver.

"Every defense witness will be provided with a plane ticket and lodging to attend the trial, and I think it's appropriate that same right be granted to victims and families of victims," Edmondson said.

Also, Keating said he has called the governor of Colorado and the mayor of Denver to line up lodging for the victims' families.

In Denver, Mayor Wellington Webb said a city safety team already has held preliminary meetings in anticipation of the move. "People in Denver, given their Western ethic, will work with those families and work with the courts," Webb said.

Defense lawyers were pleased by the move to Denver.

"Colorado appears to be a district where we can get a fair trial based on the evidence," said Rob Nigh, one of McVeigh's lawyers.

U.S. District Judge Wayne Alley had originally set the trial for Lawton, 90 miles from Oklahoma City.

der and conspiracy.

Victims' families said it will be hard for some to attend the trial 500 miles away.

"I plan on going several times during the trial, but not every day," said Aren Almon, whose year-old daughter Baylee died in the bombing and was photographed in the arms of a firefighter.

Keith Coverdale, whose sons Aaron, 5, and Elijah, 2, died in the building's day-care center, said: "We in Oklahoma didn't choose for them to come here and for this bomb to blow up here. We are all victims in this state, and this will bring hardship on some families to attend."

2 flights force evacuations

NEW YORK (AP) — Smoke wafted through an American Airlines jetliner as it prepared to take off at Kennedy airport Tuesday, forcing the 190 people aboard to evacuate. Thirty-four people suffered minor injuries.

Coincidentally, a similar incident today in Portland, Ore., injured four people.

Emergency Medical Service Inspector Charles DeCristofano said 30 people with minor injuries were taken to various hospitals and four others were treated at the scene.

American Airlines Flight 587, bound for the Dominican Republic, had just left the gate about 5 a.m.

MST when the pilot noticed a smoke warning indicator on his control panel, said John Kampfe, spokesman for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which operates the airport.

Mechanics were checking the Airbus A300 jet to try to discover what caused the smoke, Kampfe said. There was no fire. The plane carried 180 passengers and a crew of 10.

A continent away, a Delta Air Lines passenger jet was evacuated on a taxiway at Portland International Airport after smoke was spotted coming from an auxiliary power unit, located under the aircraft's tail.

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Supreme Court to rule on cable-local TV case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court will decide an issue that could mean life or death for many small television stations: whether Congress can force cable systems to carry broadcast signals.

Cable TV companies say the 1992 "must carry" law violates their constitutionally protected right to free speech. They argue that the law gives broadcasters an unfair advantage over other programmers competing for space in cable TV systems.

But the Clinton administration says the law is needed to keep many broadcasters, mainly small independent or public stations, from being driven out of business.

Returning from a four-week recess Tuesday, the court also let stand government-imposed limits on cable rates that have saved customers several billion dollars since 1992. The justices refused to hear Time Warner Entertainment Co.'s argument

that the resulting 17 percent rate cut violated cable companies' right to free speech.

On another subject, the court heard arguments on whether two former Los Angeles policemen can avoid serving additional time behind bars for their part in the 1991 videotaped beating of Rodney King.

The justices also issued orders in more than 500 cases. They:

- Turned away a "right to die" dispute in which a Michigan woman sought to end life-sustaining medical treatment for her husband, who was left permanently incapacitated after a car accident.
- Agreed to use a California case to clarify when the government can deport some immigrants who entered the country through fraud.
- Let Colorado keep a monument engraved with the Ten Commandments in a public park near the Capitol. The Freedom

From Religion Foundation had argued that the display violated the constitutionally required separation of government and religion.

As for cable TV, more than 60 percent of American households subscribe and there is heavy competition for channel space on cable systems.

The must-carry provision of the 1992 cable TV law requires cable operators to set aside some of their channels for commercial and public broadcast stations.

Congress enacted the requirement because smaller, independent broadcasters not affiliated with networks feared cable companies would drop them. They then could lose advertising and face going out of business.

Turner Broadcasting System and other cable companies challenged the law, saying it improperly gives broadcasters "a unique,

favorable position" among those competing for cable channels.

A three-judge federal court upheld the law in 1993 and again last December after the Supreme Court ordered further study.

The high court said the law could not "burden substantially more speech than is necessary" to further the government's goal of preserving broadcasters' access to cable systems.

The court is expected to hear arguments this fall and issue a decision by mid-1997.

The telecommunications law signed by President Clinton earlier this month extends the must-carry provision to telephone companies that provide cable television.

The new law also immediately lifts rate limits on small cable companies. But it requires large companies' rates to stay regulated until 1999 unless a telephone company offers competing cable TV service.

The rate limits were imposed by the Federal Communications Commission under the 1992 law. The commission ordered a 17 percent rate cut, but also let companies opt for a formula based on their cost of providing TV service plus 11.25 percent.

The limits have cost cable companies at least \$3 billion, according to Time Warner, which led other cable TV groups in challenging them.

A three-judge federal court upheld the limits last year. Time Warner's unsuccessful appeal to the Supreme Court said the lower court ruling "poses a grave threat to the First Amendment rights of cable operators and all media speakers."

The Clinton administration, supporting the rate limits, said there was evidence that cable TV companies were taking advantage of the fact that nearly all of them are monopolies.

Federal officials issue new train safety rules after Maryland wreck

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal regulators issued emergency orders Tuesday limiting the speed of passenger trains after they leave stations.

The new Federal Railroad Administration rules, which became effective at 12:01 a.m. today, also require engineers to call out to other crew members any warning signal they see. In addition, railroads were directed to make sure all emergency exits are clearly marked and working.

The new rules were announced four days after the fiery crash that killed 11 when a commuter train crashed into Amtrak's Capitol Limited in nearby Silver Spring, Md.

After passing a warning to slow down to 30 mph, the train had stopped at a station. After leaving that station it sped up again and was unable to stop in time to avoid the collision.

The new regulation will require trains to go no faster than 30 mph after leaving a station until they see a clear signal. The requirement to

call out warning signals will help reinforce that the engineer has seen them.

Investigators are trying to determine whether as many as eight of the fatalities could have been avoided had there been no fire or if the victims had had easier avenues of escape.

Also Tuesday, Maryland's chief medical examiner reported that no drugs had been found in the system of the commuter train's engineer and only traces of over-the-counter drugs had been found in the other two crew members who were killed along with him.

The medical examiner reported Monday one crewman and seven Job Corps trainees aboard the commuter train that struck a Chicago-bound Amtrak train died from the intense smoke and flames, and not from the crash impact.

Examination of the charred remains showed "no evidence of injuries (from the crash) that would have been fatal by themselves," Dr. John Smialek, Maryland's chief medical examiner, said in an interview. He said two other crewmen

would have been almost impossible to break, one investigator said.

The National Transportation Safety Board also was expected now to take an even closer look at the design of the Amtrak locomotive, a General Motors model on which the fuel tanks extend beyond the main locomotive frame, making them more susceptible to rupture if hit.

Amtrak spokesman Clifford Black said Monday the locomotive, built in the 1970s, is the standard design in the railroad industry, but that Amtrak was gradually replacing it with a more modern version that encloses the fuel tank within the main frame. So far, Amtrak has bought 54 of the newer locomotives and is one of only two railroads that have them.

The railroad has 210 diesel locomotives.

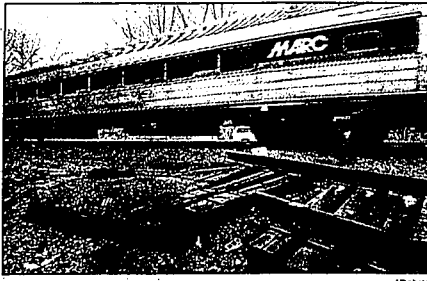
Ironically, the No. 2 engine on the Amtrak train involved in the crash was of the newer design, but was not heavily damaged. The lead locomotive was just beginning to shift to a parallel track in Silver Spring, Md., north of Washington when the collision with the commuter train occurred.

Witnesses have told the NTSB that some of the victims aboard the Maryland Rail Commuter frantically tried to get out of the car, but were unable to open or break through doors.

"We found some doors that didn't open. We don't know the reasons why. We also found some exit win-

doors, based on sketchy reports, (that) may not have opened the way we like to see them open," said John Goglia, who is heading the NTSB investigation.

Several witnesses who arrived at the scene almost immediately after the crash also reported people banging on windows, according to rescue officials and published reports.



A Maryland Rail Commuter train rolls past mangled tracks Monday in Silver Spring, Md. at the site of Friday's fatal wreck. Investigators are focusing on the engineer of the commuter train that slammed into the Amtrak passenger liner after the railroader allegedly failed to slow down for a warning signal. All of the fatalities Friday were aboard the commuter. Nine passengers, including seven in the lead car that sustained the most severe damage, escaped.

On the issues

Here are the responses of the major presidential candidates to the question: "U.S. Army Spc. Michael New was given a bad-conduct discharge for refusing to wear a United Nations beret and shoulder patch in a Macedonian peacekeeping mission. Should U.S. soldiers be permitted to refuse duty that would put them under foreign or UN command, or require them to wear U.N. insignia?"

DEMOCRAT
 President Clinton: "Michael New's discharge from the U.S. Army is now under review by military authorities who will make their recommendation."

REPUBLICANS
 Lamar Alexander: "American sol-

diers should never be placed under United Nations command or be forced to wear U.N. insignia. Nevertheless, Michael New disobeyed a direct order and was properly discharged."

Pat Buchanan: "When I walk into the Oval Office on inauguration day, I'm going to sit down and sign a pardon clearing the record of Spc. Michael New. From that day forward, no American will ever be sent anywhere to wear a blue beret for Boutros Boutros-Ghali."

Sen. Bob Dole (campaign): "Like all veterans, Bob Dole understands that discipline is a critical element in maintaining military unit cohesion. He supports legislation that would ensure that American troops never

have to face the same dilemma that Michael New had to face. ... American troops should never be ordered to serve under U.N. command."

Steve Forbes: No response.

Sen. Dick Lugar: "As a former Navy officer, I believe that allowing members of the armed services to refuse deployment on the basis of their political views or their personal interpretation of the Constitution would set a precedent that would weaken military discipline. The president and the Congress, as the elected representatives of the people, have the responsibility to determine what military deployments are in the national interest."

2 bankers with ties to Clinton indicted

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Two bank owners were indicted Tuesday on charges of fraud, conspiracy and misapplication of bank funds in connection with the financing of President Clinton's 1990 gubernatorial campaign.

Herby Branscum, who was named a state highway commissioner a month after the 1990 gubernatorial election, and Robert Hill, his partner in the Perry County Bank, were named in the indictment, said Deborah Gershaman, a spokeswoman for Whitewater Prosecutor Kenneth Starr.

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Briefly

Clinton plans to refuel defense budget

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration plans to plow back into the Pentagon budget \$13 billion that lower-than-projected inflation will save it in the coming years, officials said Tuesday.

The decision represents a fundamental policy move against deeper defense cuts and against using the vast defense budget as a source for reducing the national deficit. President Clinton plans to announce his defense spending plan early next month.

Administration officials and senior military officers said lower estimates of inflation over the next five years mean the Pentagon can gain \$13 billion in buying power during that time without adding to its budget.

Instead of going to reduce the deficit, the money will be used to buy weapons, an area of military spending reduced sharply in past Clinton budgets.

Officials see good progress in Bosnia

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Warren Christopher reviewed NATO's peace enforcement in Bosnia with the alliance's secretary general Tuesday and said Balkan leaders are generally adhering to the accords as promised.

Only two months on the job, Secretary General Javier Solana concurred, although he foresaw new and unspecified "bumps in the road" in enforcing the settlement reached last November with intensive mediation by the Clinton administration.

At a joint news conference, Christopher hailed the resumption of meetings between Bosnian Serb leaders and NATO commanders and said unification of the troubled Muslim-Croat city Mostar has begun with joint police patrols. So, he said, "the news this morning is good for Mostar."

Postmaster decries stamp increases

WASHINGTON — Postmaster General Marvin Runyon wants to keep the price of mailing a letter unchanged for the rest of this century.

That will mean cutting costs and improving efficiency, Runyon told a meeting of the nation's postmasters Tuesday.

Over the last quarter-century stamp prices have gone up about every three years. The last increase was Jan. 1, 1995, after four years of constant rates. At that time, the price of a first-class stamp went from 29 cents to 32 cents.

Study: Prostate surgery not always cure

WASHINGTON — About a third of men whose cancerous prostates are removed may need additional cancer treatment within five years, a new study of 3,000 Medicare patients says.

Surgery is one of the most common ways to try to cure prostate cancer, the second-leading cancer killer of men. But until now, doctors had no way to tell patients how likely they were to need additional treatment to fight relapse.

That one-in-three probability was defined in Wednesday's Journal of the National Cancer Institute.

FDA: Frozen foods on par with fresh

WASHINGTON — Frozen fruits and vegetables might soon be advertising that they're just as healthful as fresh.

The Food and Drug Administration says the frozen produce industry tested its products against raw fruits and vegetables and found the two kinds had roughly the same amounts of nutrients.

So the FDA proposed last week to let frozen produce — just plain fruits or vegetables, not ones covered with sauces or other ingredients — use the term "healthy" on the label.

Compiled from wire reports

Greenspan: Economy basically on track

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's economy is "basically on track for sustained growth," Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan said Tuesday.

But he did not rule out further interest rate cuts to ensure continued growth so long as inflation pressures remain low.

In his closely watched semiannual report to Congress, Greenspan cited a number of factors acting as a drag on growth but said most are temporary.

Heavy winter snows and the partial government shutdowns resulting from the budget battle between President Clinton and Congress have



Greenspan

a "clearly quite transitory" impact on growth, he told the House Banking monetary policy subcommittee.

A buildup in inventories, which has dampened factory production, also is temporary but "for the moment the pressures remain in the motor vehicle industry and elsewhere," Greenspan said. And high debt levels are restraining consumer spending, he said.

Although "a number of fundamentals point to an economy basically on track," Greenspan said the Fed has recently cut interest rates because "the evidence suggested sufficient risk of subpar performance going forward to warrant another slight easing of the stance of monetary policy."

He described the small cuts — a quarter percentage point in December and another quarter point in January — as "monetary policy insurance."

Greenspan said nothing explicit about future cuts, but many private economists expect Fed policy-makers to order another quarter point drop after their March 26 meeting and a second, probably in May.

"I clearly emphasized the temporary weakness in the economy early in the year and suggested he might have to ease another notch or two," said economist David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co.

However, Greenspan's equivocal comments weren't enough to soothe jittery markets today. The Dow Jones average of industrial stocks had fallen 65 points early today in anticipation of his testimony, recovered nearly half the loss by the start of his testimony

but then headed down again after it was made public.

Short-term T-Bill rates mixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Interest rates on short-term Treasury securities were mixed in Tuesday's auction.

The Treasury Department sold \$13.3 billion in three-month bills at an average discount rate of 4.78 percent, down from 4.80 percent last week. Another \$13.2 billion was sold in six-month bills at an average discount rate of 4.75 percent, up from 4.71 percent.

The three-month bill rate was the lowest since they sold for 4.61 percent on Sept. 19, 1994. The six-month bill rate was the highest since they aver-

aged 4.79 percent on Feb. 5, 1996.

The new discount rates understate the actual return to investors — 4.92 percent for three-month bills with a \$10,000 bill selling for \$9,879.20 and 4.95 percent for a six-month bill selling for \$9,759.90.

In a separate report, the Federal Reserve said Tuesday that the average yield for one-year Treasury bills, the most popular index for making changes in adjustable rate mortgages, fell to 4.81 percent last week from 4.85 percent the previous week.

Navy observes no pattern in crashes of fighter jets

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy sees no accident pattern in two fatal crashes of F-14 fighter jets in the past month that would call for special safety measures, officials said Tuesday.

Kenneth Bacon, chief spokesman for Defense Secretary William Perry, said Perry was meeting Tuesday with Adm. Mike Boorda, the chief of naval operations, to hear how the Navy is approaching its investigation of the latest crash.

On Sunday an F-14D Tomcat fighter crashed into the Pacific Ocean about 120 miles off the southern California coast during exercises, killing its two crew members.

It was the 31st F-14 crash in the last five years. Most recently an F-14A crashed Jan. 29 in Nashville, Tenn., slamming into a residential neighborhood shortly after takeoff. Two crew members

and three people on the ground were killed.

Bacon said while Perry and the Navy take the F-14 crashes seriously and will thoroughly investigate the circumstances, the Navy sees no trend in F-14 accidents that would require special new safety measures. He said it was unlikely the Navy would, for example, temporarily ground the F-14 fleet.

"I don't want to minimize the concern about crashes," Bacon said, but there is not any evidence that the F-14's safety record is out of line with other fighters.

"Crashes occur," Bacon said. "They are a fact of military life."

Bacon said that while the crashes Sunday and on Jan. 29 both involved F-14s, they were different models with different engines.

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Opinion

Editorial

Worker's comp elicits need for city-folk education

This is a true story, or so we're told. A Magic Valley farm wife was talking with a city friend recently about worker's compensation for farmworkers. Good idea, the friend said - but won't it raise the price of groceries?

That's the kind of story that makes farmers hang their heads and chuckle mournfully. In fact, farm prices depend on complicated, often global, market conditions. Farmers can't raise prices at will. So, although mandatory worker's comp will definitely have an economic impact, town people won't see it in the grocery store.

But the story shows how poorly town people (a class that includes many nowadays) understand the actual effect of mandatory worker's comp on farmers. As a result, farmers who oppose it have found themselves unfairly accused of selfishness and even racism.

More and more, 1996 looks like the year in which mandatory worker's comp will finally come to Idaho's farms. This week, the Potato Growers of Idaho conceded the inevitable and threw its support behind the proposal. PGI clearly understood that being part of a decision process beats being run over by it.

What's more, supporting the proposal is the right thing to do. Farming is a dangerous occupation, and farmworkers deserve the same economic protection that workers in other industries receive.

Worker's comp also protects em-

ployers from the potentially devastating liability caused by on-the-job accidents, and it shields employers from rapacious liability lawyers.

But town folk need to understand that farmers have legitimate reasons for being reluctant. No, it's not greed and racism. Farmers, like all business owners, are in a constant struggle to keep revenue higher than expenses.

Since farmers can't unilaterally raise the price of spuds or beans, the added cost of worker's comp will have to come from somewhere else in the operation. Other benefits for workers - such as health insurance - may be sacrificed.

In our view, farmers have been unjustly condemned as emotions have risen in the workers' comp debate. Some Idaho news media have exploited the horrible tragedy of Malta farmworker Javier Tellez Juarez beyond the needs of normal news coverage.

Certainly, the accident that tore off Juarez's limbs is a gripping example of why farmworkers need and deserve protection. But it's only one aspect of a difficult economic issue.

Thanks largely to the resolute efforts of Gov. Phil Batt, Idaho lawmakers are getting that difficult issue sorted out. Our state senators, to their credit, have already approved Batt's plan. The House seems increasingly likely to do the same.

The issue has divided Idahoans more than it should have. Final passage in the House will be an accomplishment in which we all, at last, can take pride.



GOP candidates run like chickens

The Republican follies continue. Pat Buchanan, that wild and crazy guy, actually uttered the words "corporate greed" during Thursday night's debate, causing Alan Keyes to dress him down for conduct unbecoming a Republican.

"They sound like a bunch of socialists," said Keyes, who obviously hasn't been listening to any socialists lately. Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, too, has noticed that workers are getting the Short End of the Stick and has deplored same, causing Buchanan to accuse him of Me-Tooism. Listening to Republicans try to sound like populists is like opening the refrigerator door and finding Fido Castro inside. Smokin' a cecagar. Hard to know what to say.

There were some glorious moments during the debate. Buchanan, who can't afford ads, trashed negative advertising. That's Buchanan, the Mr. Manners of the Republican Party. Buchanan also referred to "Calvin Coolidge, one of our heroes." Is it possible to view Coolidge as heroic? What am I missing? It was so strange that Rep. Bob Dornan sounded reasonable. Steve Forbes went Reaganesque and stole



Molly Ivins

the "shining city on the hill" line. Dole gave Forbes a picture of his dog. Dornan said that the Democrats are guilty of scaring senior citizens. Richard Lugar and Keyes then proceeded to scare the bejabbers out of seniors. A couple of R's condescended to Dole. Morry Taylor said Dole was "the good ol' workhorse of the party," and Lamar Alexander described him as "our most respected legislative engineer" but said that the times call for "an architect with vision" and that it's time to move on. If Dole wins this thing, I wouldn't want to be on the list of those who had patronized him, would you?

The good news is that CNN's instant-reaction analysis showed that voters were turned off whenever one of the candidates went negative. That and Forbes' dive in Iowa, where he deluged the air-

waves with negative ads, give me hope that finally, at last, our long national nightmare of negative campaigning may be coming to an end.

Of course, I always have been optimistic to the point of idiocy.

What's really funny about the Republican campaign is that for months, the R's have been running around Washington like cultists repeating a mantra: "Cut government and balance the budget. Cut government and balance the budget." Except that it turns out that's not what people want or are worried about.

So, the candidates are keruffled, bemused, betwattled. "Trade" is now the Republican euphemism for what ails an economy in which the rich get richer and everyone else sinks.

But "trade" - to tariff or not to tariff - is only a small part of our economic woes. "Corporate greed" actually comes a lot closer to the bone. And the goodness of corporate greed is the R stock-in-trade. Quel dilemna, as we say in Lubbock.

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Letters

Bill gives citizens choice

Commissioner Dennis Maughan's recent comments on my judicial confirmation bill should be a bright red flag for Twin Falls voters. The bill simply amends a present law which allows the county or city to finance projects without voter approval.

The present law requires a hearing and requires notice to the public. Commissioner Maughan's implication that I am creating a new hurdle is disturbing indeed. If he is a sitting commissioner and is not aware of the requirements that presently exist in law to give notice to the public when the county commissioner seeks judicial confirmation of a non-voter-approved debt, then there is a problem.

My bill simply gives more citizen notice, more citizen input and makes the county or city a bit more clear in its petition if it files one with the court.

If all of this bothers the good commissioner, then we are in big trouble in Twin Falls County. If Commissioner Maughan wants to be more "creative" with money like businesses are creative with money, then let the commissioner do it with his own money. If he wants to be "creative" with tax dollars without a vote of the people, then we need to be creative and replace one commissioner on the board.

REP. MARK D. STUBBS
Twin Falls

the loss of my sense of pride in our country.

Are we truly reducing the focus of America to the hogging over economic enterprises at the expense of the very land we were raised to love? I guess it hits home when you see it happening to one of the last areas left in America that truly has blue skies, clear water and air that smells sweet as it fills your lungs.

We pride ourselves on the freedoms and fundamental rights that our country has fought for and protected since America was born. I sat there and listened to our government guaranteeing Idaho that the most ridiculous and toxic substances in the world would never affect our environment and they would help the economy of Idaho by building a \$400 million processing plant to process all the mixed waste of the county.

I had a difficult time feeling confidence and pride in a government that is forcing us to swallow toxic substances in the world to sweeten it with money. I guess I am sad because clean water, air and land are so fundamental on our list of basic human rights, and yet these rights have never been addressed. Isn't that where our true freedoms lie? To fight to protect first the home on which all humanity lives and not the special interest freedom that each individual selfishly wants.

The next morning as we were leaving, I had to scrape the frost from my windshield. The frost gelled together and curled as I scraped. I looked a little closer at this odd form of frost and realized it was brave. Once again my heart sank. As we were driving east on the highway I looked to the south to see the Owyhees and was dismayed to see them cloaked in a brown haze. All I could think as I was leaving Boise was that maybe people don't remember their fundamental rights.

DEBORRA BOHRER
Ketchum

Letters

Thank you, State Land Board

Thank you, members of the State Land Board, for your decision concerning the Auger Falls hydro project. Congratulations for realizing that one doesn't have to be an environmental extremist to appreciate Idaho's natural beauty and value it more than short-term monetary gain.

And to Larry Craig: I'm sure all the out-of-state developers and special-interest groups thank you for your efforts on their behalf. As you said, "Preserving scenic beauty isn't my job." Thank goodness the State Land Board feels differently.

THAD FARNHAM
Ketchum

Nuclear waste money corrupts

In honor of Lincoln Day, Gov. Batt and Rep. Crapo continue to refuse to debate the nuclear waste "deal." What have debates ever done for progress anyway? Lincoln may be turning over in his grave to avoid seeing his Republican Party "fool the people" time after time.

Why can't we vote to reject and renegotiate the "deal" or vote to accept Idaho's fate? Our Republican "leaders" like Sen. Noh and Rep. Stubbs could help pass Sen. Stennett's legislation. Stennett's bills would allow us to put the "deal" on the ballot, without us citizens having to gather the signatures on the street.

But Noh would rather have one-sided "hearings" to go through the motions of rubber-stamping the governor's "tough deal" he made with the reliable Clinton administration.

Stennett's other bills would toughen the state's air quality permits, so Idaho can protect itself. But Stennett is a Democrat, so party politics is deemed more important than protecting Idaho's health and our water.

I am so glad to see an independent thinking, self-made businessman like Walt Minnick step forward on the nuclear waste issues. I served on Sen. Craig's nuclear whitewash panel for one year, and it's Craig who lied for the Navy to fool Idaho into thinking there was a national security crisis that only Idaho could solve. It was Craig who lied for the Navy about how "safe" transportation is.

Walt Minnick has vowed to not accept nuclear business money. We need members of both parties to step forward, people who will represent Idaho without taking nuclear money.

Regarding Mr. Vanderpool's letter stating the rebuttal of plutonium issue: I don't blame you for your condemnation of me, you're a reader of the Sometimes-News. But you might ask Rep. Crapo why he won't ban the rebuttal of Colorado's plutonium or ban the loophole in the law allowing future projects from burying plutonium waste.

Mr. Vanderpool is free to call us "Chicken Little" and joke about how we think "the sky is falling." When the Chernobyl nuclear disaster occurred, thousands of innocent people got cancers, hundreds of miles away. Indeed, the sky was falling. I will share my Department of Energy documents with anyone, no fooling.

Our local legislators should put these issues to the people. Their phone numbers are in the book. Pardon my style and my grammar, but the USA without U makes no sense at all.

PETER RICKARDS
Twin Falls

'Goodies' belong to citizens

My hat is off to Rita Benavidez for telling about the immigration trouble we are having. It has bothered me for a long time. We should have a tighter Border Patrol or refuse to give them all the "goodies" they are getting.

Thank, Rita,
ESSIE SPARKS
Twin Falls

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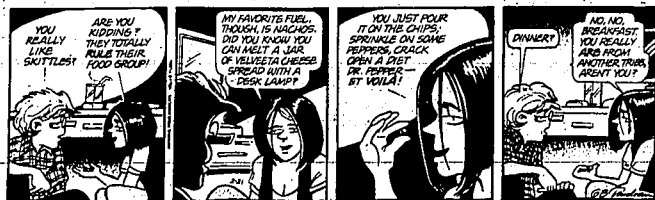
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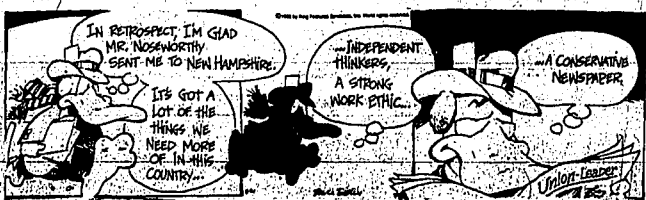
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Briefly

Fumes prompt 1,000 to evacuate

MEXICO CITY — At least 45 neighbors of a chemical plant received medical treatment after being overcome by ammonia fumes Tuesday and five — including three children — were hospitalized.

Authorities hoped evacuate about 1,000 people from around the Fine Chemical plant in Mexico City, which produces filters for automobiles and for industrial use, the Notimex news agency reported.

The fumes caused nausea, vomiting and stinging eyes, but were not expected to cause permanent physical damage, government health officials were quoted as saying.

The chemical leak began at 2:30 a.m. and was controlled several hours later, Notimex said.

Neighbors race to save Voltaire estate

PARIS — Two dozen eastern French towns are pooling their cash to make sure seedy figures don't end up cultivating the gardens of Voltaire's estate.

The proud chateau on the Swiss border, where the 18th-century writer and philosopher spent the last 20 years of his life, is now owned by two women. In their 80s, they can't maintain the \$6 million mansion.

The aging landlady says plans to split the estate among their seven children and 13 grandchildren have been foiled by a bitter family feud. The only option they see is to put it on the market.

So the mayors of Ferney-Voltaire, where the estate is located, and 23 neighboring towns are trying to come up with the cash to make sure the estate doesn't fall into the wrong hands.

Israel test launch of missile a success

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israel conducted a test launch Tuesday of a U.S.-financed missile intended to knock down incoming rockets.

The Arrow 2 missile was launched westward into the sky off Israel's Mediterranean coast at 3:05 p.m. and was to destroy itself a minute after the successful launch.

"The preliminary results of the test indicate that all systems of the missile operated well," said a Defense Ministry statement. A statement from Israel Aircraft Industries, which developed the missile, said it was "a fantastic day" for Israel.

The statement said Tuesday's launch was the first test of the performance of the Arrow Fire Control Radar, which tracks the launching of the missile.

Japanese composer Takemitsu dies at 65

TOKYO — Toru Takemitsu, a Japanese composer who won worldwide recognition for blending Eastern instruments and melodies with Western classical music, died Tuesday. He was 65.

He had suffered from bladder cancer since last year and died at a Tokyo hospital of pneumonia, his management company reported.

Among Takemitsu's best-known works is "November Steps," which premiered in 1967 and was commissioned by the New York Philharmonic.

The piece integrates two traditional Japanese instruments — the biwa, a short-necked lute, and the shakuhachi, a bamboo flute — with a standard symphony orchestra.

South Korea, Japan stake water rights

SEOUL, South Korea — Japan and South Korea staked competing claims to waters around their shores Tuesday, but avoided — at least for now — further friction over disputed islets that fall within those waters.

Acting hours apart, the two governments declared exclusive rights to the natural resources in the sea that lies between them, without mentioning the practically uninhabited islets, called Tok-do by the Koreans and Takeshima by the Japanese.

Their actions appeared to be a coordinated attempt to close a diplomatic breach caused by their conflicting claims to tiny outcroppings of volcanic rock halfway between the two nations in the Sea of Japan, which Koreans call the East Sea.

Gun charges place 2 U.S. men on trial

TOKYO — Two U.S. servicemen went on trial Tuesday on charges of shooting ducks in a game preserve. One also was charged with possessing an unlicensed hunting gun.

Violations of Japanese gun laws can be punished by up to 10 years in prison. Violating the game law can bring a one-year sentence. John Turner, 25, was charged with owning a gun without a license, said court and police officials in Aomori, 350 miles north of Tokyo. Charles Godard, 22, who is licensed, was charged with providing ammunition to Turner, said the officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Both were charged with shooting ducks in a preserve on Dec. 10, 1995. The two men's post is the U.S. Misawa Air Base, about 35 miles east of Aomori, on the Pacific coast. Their hometowns were not immediately available.

Cellular phone helps man escape ice

OSLO, Norway — When a Norwegian fisherman found himself floating out to sea on a chunk of ice Tuesday, he kept his cool and let his fingers do the talking — to safety.

The 55-year-old man, whose name was not released, was ice-fishing when he noticed that his patch of ice had broken adrift. He couldn't reach land across the rapidly widening expanse of frigid ocean water.

So he whipped out his cellular telephone and punched in the number of the fire department in nearby Fredrikstad, a town in southern Norway, to let them know of his involuntary voyage.

The fire department called the police, who called the Royal Air Force, which sent a rescue helicopter that picked him up within 30 minutes of his call, police said.

Compiled from wire reports

Iraqi defectors return to Baghdad

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Top-level Iraqi defectors left Jordan for their homeland Tuesday, six months after they fled Baghdad vowing to topple Saddam Hussein.

The Jordanian government announced the departure of Lt. Gen. Hussein Kamel al-Majid and his brother, Col. Saddam Kamel. They left Amman in a convoy with their wives, both daughters of the Iraqi leader.

Al-Majid, then the head of Iraq's weapons program, defected to Jordan on Aug. 8 with his brother, deputy head of the Iraqi president's palace security. The defection was considered at the time to be a major blow to Saddam.

Using al-Majid's information about Iraqi weapons programs, U.N. inspectors were able to force Baghdad to surrender records on clandestine chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs.

Nevertheless, Arab states critical of Saddam and most Iraqi opposition groups in exile have viewed al-Majid



al-Majid

with suspicion because of his former close ties with the Iraqi leader and his involvement in the brutal suppression of Iraqi dissidents. They also question his commitment to democratic rule in a post-Saddam Iraq.

Al-Majid told The Associated Press Monday that he planned to return home within days, apparently because he had been rejected as a potential leader by Iraqis seeking to topple the Baghdad regime.

Al-Majid faces an uncertain future when he returns to Iraq. He said he had been in touch with the Iraqi leadership, through unidentified middlemen, and had received a favorable response to a letter he wrote to Saddam asking to be allowed to return.

But he declined to say whether

Saddam had forgiven him for his defection, and gave no indication of what his status would be in Iraq once he returned.

Before leaving, al-Majid sent a letter of gratitude to His Majesty, King Hussein, for the generous hospitality which the king provided to him and his family during his stay in Jordan. Prime Minister Abdulkarim Kabariti of Jordan told the official Petra news agency.

Kabariti said al-Majid's return to Iraq "is a decision he has taken by himself and by his own will, after he conducted private contacts with Baghdad."

Jordanian border authorities said al-Majid's motorcade passed through the Tzebit border post into Iraq at noon.

Petra said al-Majid was accompanied to Jordan's eastern border by the Iraqi ambassador to Jordan, Nouri Elwages.

Al-Majid's wife, Raghad,

Saddam's eldest daughter and once his favorite, and their children returned with him to Baghdad. His brother is married to Saddam's second daughter, Rana.

King Hussein, who granted al-Majid asylum with great fanfare and threw his lot behind him to cap Jordan's efforts to distance itself from the Iraqi regime, had been keeping al-Majid at arm's length lately.

Al-Majid fell out with the king in November over Hussein's suggestion of a federation of Kurds, Sunni Muslims and Shiite Muslims in a post-Saddam Iraq. Al-Majid insisted that would accelerate Iraq's dismemberment.

Al-Majid's return is a feather in Saddam's cap at a time when he is negotiating with the U.N. Security Council to sell limited amounts of oil to buy food and medicine to alleviate the suffering of Iraq's 20 million people, hard hit by U.N. sanctions.

UN chief calls oil-for-food talks positive step forward

UNITED NATIONS CHIEF (AP) — The United Nations chief considers oil-for-food talks with Iraq "a positive step forward" even though the negotiations ended without agreement, the U.N. spokesman said Tuesday.

Iraq's deputy prime minister, Tariq Aziz, also called the talks positive, and said the negotiations, which ended Monday in New York, will probably resume next month.

But Aziz stressed that many technical aspects must be worked out before a "satisfactory formula" is reached, according to the Iraqi News Agency, monitored in Nicolas.

The Security Council has offered to let Iraq sell \$1 billion worth of oil every 90 days to buy urgently needed food and medicine for Iraq's 20 million people suffering under U.N. sanctions imposed after Saddam Hussein invaded Kuwait in 1990.

Iraqi and U.N. delegates said talks had progressed as far as they could without "political decisions" here and in Baghdad.

U.N. spokesman Sylviane Foa said U.N. negotiators briefed Secretary

General Boutros Boutros-Ghali on the talks Sunday night and again Monday.

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The Security Council refuses to lift sanctions, including a ban on oil sales, until it is satisfied that Iraq has dismantled its program to build weapons of mass destruction and complied with other U.N. resolutions.

If an agreement for limited oil sales is reached, some of the money will go toward paying war reparations to Kuwait and funding U.N. monitoring operations in Iraq.

Iraq had repeatedly rejected the oil-for-food offer, saying it would violate the country's sovereignty. But Saddam agreed to open talks on Feb. 6.

Heavy blizzard hits N. Europe

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — At least six people have died in a ferocious blizzard that blew across Europe for a second day Tuesday.

Snow drifted 13 feet deep across some highways in Denmark, where the storm was the worst since 1971.

Snow depths up to 3 feet were reported in parts of Germany.

"This is the first real winter we've had since 1987," said Bjorn Beckman, a Swedish fisherman who used a break in the bad weather Tuesday to take out his boat.

For the first time in 17 years, Danish authorities put their snow-disaster plan into effect, deploying army vehicles with caterpillar treads to assist police and ambulances.

Snow trapped some 350 travelers overnight at the western Danish domestic airport of Billund.

Danish Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen was stranded briefly when his limousine got stuck in a snowdrift while he toured western Denmark on Monday. He continued unharmed.

Stranded Danish motorists abandoned their cars and sought shelter in schools where the civil defense distributed blankets, food and warm drinks.

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Police search for murder suspect

MACKAY (AP) — Custer County sheriff's deputies are searching for a man suspected of murdering 69-year-old Bob Jackson late Saturday night at Jackson's home about 20 miles north of Mackay.

Jerry Cloward was last seen about 3 a.m. Sunday driving Jackson's 1984 blue Plymouth Colt with Idaho license plate number 4B 3173.

Cloward, 45, is 6 feet tall and 150 pounds with blue eyes and brown hair. He was last seen wearing blue jeans, a tan hip-length down jacket and light colored sneakers. He had been living at Jackson's home for about a month. Custer County Sheriff's Deputy Jerry Twitchell said.

Authorities said Cloward is considered armed and extremely dangerous. Twitchell said at least three guns were missing from Jackson's house.

Twitchell said he checked on Jackson late Sunday morning after

the sheriff's office received a phone call from Challis resident Bill Yacomella. Twitchell said Cloward stopped at Yacomella's after the shooting and told him what had happened. But Yacomella did not take Cloward seriously.

"He told him what he'd done, but nobody believed him," Twitchell said. "They never thought much about it until the next morning, then they called the sheriff to see if we'd check on him."

The deputy said it appeared three shots had been fired, probably from someone sitting on the living room couch. The first shot went into the bedroom where Jackson had apparently been sleeping. The next two shots went through the bathroom window, Twitchell said.

It appears that Jackson ran from the bedroom into the living room where he was shot, he said. The bullet entered Jackson's left side and exited on the right side of his chest.

Ag secretary: Farmers need Farm Bill lesson

BOISE (AP) — American farmers need to know now how the pending and far-reaching Farm Bill will affect their fortunes this year, U.S. Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman says.

"They are telling me, 'Let us farm,'" U.S. Rep. Michael Crapo, R-Idaho, said Tuesday in agreeing the legislation halted by wrangling over the national budget must be enacted soon.

Glickman and members of the state's congressional delegation attended this year's Idaho Ag Summit in Boise.

The U.S. House could take up the proposed Farm Bill next week, Glickman said. The Senate has passed a version. Crapo said the House measure could go before conference committees by the first part of March.

American rice growers already are planting their crops without knowing for certain how the measure will affect them, and wheat farmers are next in line.

Because of the Agriculture Adjustment Act, Glickman said he could be obliged to announce loan rates, allotment sizes and other details about those commodities without having the Farm Bill set in stone.

That means higher subsidies and low quotas would prevail.

"Farmers need to know, and their lenders need to know, what the situation is," Glickman said.

N.Y. Times CEO to wed Cowles widow

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Arthur "Punch" Sulzberger, chairman and chief executive officer of The New York Times Co., will marry Allison Cowles, the widow of Spokane publisher William H. Cowles, 3rd.

The couple will marry March 9 in a small family ceremony here, The Spokesman-Review newspaper reported Tuesday.

William Cowles was president and publisher of The Spokesman-Review and Spokane Chronicle when he died of a heart attack in April 1992.

ation will be this year."

"About half of the Conservative Reserve Program contracts in Idaho expire this year. The system which has cut erosion on American farmland by 75 percent is vital and its parameters also depend on the bill, he said. Setting aside highly erodible land reduces sediment flowing into the streams and provides an important habitat for wildlife."

Glickman said the debate in Congress is too focused on subsidy payments. In the days ahead, Americans probably will not remember what the subsidy levels were this year. But they will recall that they had food on the shelves, due to the highest crop production and lowest food costs of any nation in the world.



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Judge lashes at man for allegedly lying about needing an interpreter

POCATELLO (AP) — Sixth District Judge Peter McDermott gave a man accused of burglarizing two Pocatello churches last December a tongue lashing, accusing him of lying about his ability to understand English.

"You're just a little saint, a little altar boy," McDermott sarcastically told a silent Julio Cesar Cervantes, 18, one of two transients accused of entering the First Presbyterian Church and the Central Christian Church on Dec. 6.

Cervantes, who is being held without bond in the Bannock County Jail, earlier pleaded guilty to two burglary charges and was set to be sentenced Tuesday. Francisco Zoto, 18, was charged with the same crimes.

Doors on both churches were damaged and items including checks and a camera were taken. The men said they had entered the churches to get out of the cold.

Zoto and Cervantes were arrested by Green River, Wyo., police after they were picked up on trespassing charges for riding the rails.

Cervantes told court and jail officials that he could not understand or speak English, but McDermott said on Tuesday that he had told Cervantes spoke both English and Spanish to a bilingual pre-sentence investigator.

Cervantes told McDermott in English that he understood a little English concerning court matters, but then said nothing else.

"We'll play your little game. We'll get you an interpreter," McDermott told him.

The judge said he was told Cervantes was combative with jailers and other inmates and had destroyed jail property.

Teens rob home of slain family

AMMON (AP) — Four teenagers have been arrested on charges of stealing wine and guns from the Ammon home where a man killed his wife and then himself last month.

Investigators believe the teens broke into the home of Rodney and Christine Bonzon Friday night, Bonneville County Sheriff's Sgt. Paul Wilde said. The teens were charged with burglary on Saturday.

The teens were spotted in the parking lot of a Mormon Church late Friday night by a deputy on patrol. A .41-caliber pistol was found in the car, and one of the teens claimed his out-of-town friend owned it. The pistol was seized and the teens were released to their parents.

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Magic Valley

Twin Falls-born ex-governor dies

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — There was politics in Grant Sawyer's soul even in his Twin Falls High School days.

"Very much so," recalls Marjorie Ashenbrenner, who went to school with Sawyer and was a lifelong friend. "He was a fine speaker, and not to mention him running for something."

Sawyer kept on running until 1993, when a stroke felled him. The two-term reform-minded former governor of Nevada died in a Las Vegas nursing home Monday night at the age of 77.

He was born here in 1918 to a small-town doctor and a devout Baptist mother, who were divorced.

"We went to Sunday school together," said Frank Perrine, a fellow member of the TFHS Class of 1937, "Deepwater Baptists."

As a boy, Sawyer was a passionate defender of Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal, and in his senior year he won the state high school oratorical championship with a speech entitled, "Homeless America."

"I had liberal views as a kid," said in a 1987 interview. "And I always have, I'm more concerned with what I do and what I think is right. I have to decide that on a personal basis, not on a political one. I did that as governor and I was always astounded that I wasn't ridden out of the state."

"He had very good values," Ashenbrenner said. "He was one of the nice boys."

Sawyer owes his reputation in Nevada to two accomplishments.

In 1959, he pushed the Gaming Control Act through a reluctant Nevada Legislature. The bill established the Nevada Gaming Commission, which limited the power of organized crime.

A year later, Sawyer effectively desegregated the state — which at the time was known as the "Mississippi of the West" — with one eventful meeting with owners of the state's hotels and casinos.

"I told them that it was the policy of this state that there would be no discrimination," Sawyer told the Associated Press.

The governor threatened to decree that discrimination was a violation of their gaming licenses.

"That worked miraculously," he said.

High school diploma in hand, Sawyer left Twin Falls for Oregon's Linfield College in 1937, intent on becoming a lawyer. Admitted to the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C., he went to work for then-Nevada Sen. Patrick McCarran. He enlisted in the Army in 1942, and was sent to the South Pacific.

Discharged in 1946, Sawyer completed his law studies and set up a law practice in Elko. He was elected Elko County district attorney

in 1950, and eight years later filed for the Democratic nomination for governor.

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Around the valley

City Council ignores protests, votes for fields

TWIN FALLS — Despite protests and petitions from residential neighbors, the City Council voted 4-3 Tuesday night to allow two new softball fields and a soccer field between Sawtooth Elementary and the city swimming pool.

Judy Ruprecht appealed a land-use permit issued to the city and the Twin Falls School District in January to jointly build and use the fields for women's, youth and girls' games.

Ruprecht and a half-dozen neighbors said Monday they're worried about potential noise, litter, crowded parking, extra traffic, broken windows, balls in their backyards and overuse of an already popular area.

The council limited spectator seating to 100 seats and prohibited lighting and a public-address system.

Councilmen Lance Clow, Art Franz and Chris Talkington cast the dissenting votes.

Utilities board establishes standards for local calls

BOISE — The Public Utilities Commission has established standards for deciding whether toll-free extended area service should be allowed.

"But the commission hasn't decided just when it will hear such a request from Magic Valley residents who want to extend their toll-free calling," PUC spokesman Gary Richardson said Tuesday.

There are about a dozen pending requests statewide to allow residents within sprawling communities call each other without paying long-distance charges.

The PUC always has used the factors — such as distance, presence of geographic barriers, being in the same county and relationship to schools — when considering such requests, he said.

"There's really nothing new here," Richardson said of last week's order, "but what it does is set out in writing the ... kinds of standards they're going to use."

South Central E911 board reviews annual audit

JEROME — The Twin Falls accounting firm, Holmstead, Hyatt and Coleman, will present the annual audit finding of the South Central E911 to the E911 Joint Board during its meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The board will also discuss a more recognizable and functional name for itself. The meeting will be held at 911 E. Avenue H in Jerome. The public is welcome.

Floods keep Batt from speaking at Jerome banquet

JEROME — Because of floods in north Idaho, Gov. Phil Batt will not be keynote speaker at a Republican banquet in Jerome.

Banquet attendees will hear a statement from the governor read by Andrew Arulanandam, Idaho Republican Party executive director.

Rep. Mike Crapo, R-Idaho, will replace Batt as the main speaker at the Lincoln Day celebration Friday.

Other guests at the banquet will be Sen. Dean Cameron, Rep. Steve Antone, Rep. Maxine Bell, Rep. Tim Rüdinger, Sen. John Sandy, Rep. Celia Gould and Rep. Douglas Jones.

Republicans from Lincoln, Camas, Gooding and Jerome are sponsoring the event.

The Lincoln Day Republican dinner will begin with a social time at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7 p.m. The dinner will be held at the Jerome Elks Lodge at 101 N. Alder or one block west of the stoptlight. Tickets are available from Republican committee members at a cost of \$12.

Seminar available for adult children with aging parents

TWIN FALLS — A free seminar for adult children with aging parents and others who are concerned about caring for older adults will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the KMYT Community Room.

During "Dealing with Aging Parents and Caring for the Caregivers," participants will be able to find out about the various problems related to dealing with aging parents and the needs of those who care for older adults.

For more information or to register, contact Canyon View Hospital & Counseling Centers' community services department at 734-6760 or 1-800-657-8000.

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Teachers spend day as students

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Tuesday, teachers and other staff started learning how to use computers as part of a major technology movement in the Twin Falls School District.

How useful students will find the computers, or how much money the district must spend each year to upgrade the technology — which is "moving forward at a blazing speed" — is unknown, said Dale Thornsberry, director of operations for the district.

The district hopes eventually to put computers in every classroom, mostly with the help of a state grant. To this end, the School Board recently bought 285 computers and six "servers." The equipment is expected to be delivered this spring.

It's going to be several years before computers are used in classrooms district-wide. Initially, the biggest obstacle is training. About 15 percent of the teachers and assistants are novices, said Thornsberry.

"This is a huge task for a school district

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During a class to familiarize teachers with computers, I.B. Perrine teacher Gaylo McDonald, left, needs the assistance of fellow teachers Dana Johnson and Kris Roy to accomplish one of her first basic steps — turning the screen on.

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Lawmakers balk at water bill

The Associated Press

BOISE — Legislative budget writers, frustrated by a lack of cash for pet projects and programs, ended their mini-rebellion against taxpayer financing of the Snake River Basin water court on Tuesday.

"I've always recognized this adjudication was for the common good of the state," Republican Rep. James Lucas of Moscow said. "But I wonder a little how much we're subsidizing big interests."

The Joint Finance-Appropriations Committee did trim Gov. Phil Batt's recommendations by \$80,000 to just over \$1.3 million after rejecting his proposal on a 10-9 vote.

"While we're frustrated — we express it each year — it's probably because we're plowing a lot of new ground," GOP Sen. John Hansen of Idaho Falls said.

The cash, combined with another \$414,000 in fees for state water rights claims, is required because the adjudication effort — under way in a specially built Twin Falls courtroom — will have used up the \$23 million in fees collected from water rights claimants to finance it.

The state pumped \$1.3 million into the project in the late 1980s as it was getting under way, and it ran on fees up until



last year when another \$1 million in general tax revenue was diverted to keep the process from grinding to a halt.

Required by a 1984 agreement settling Idaho Power Co. claims to water in the Snake River, the adjudication is sorting out more than 150,000 water rights throughout the Snake River Basin. Considered one of the most complex legal actions in American history, it originally was expected to cost about \$27 million and be finished by now. That money was collected from irrigators and other water right claimants.

But legal disputes and other problems have slowed its progress dramatically. Adjudication Judge Daniel Hurlbutt said earlier this year that the first several thousand water rights will be formally declared before the end of this year. But analysts estimate the adjudication could take another decade and cost \$20 million to \$30 million more.

State officials are hoping Congress will come up with at least part of the \$11 million the courts said the state could not force the federal government to pay in fees for its water claims, but the rest will have to come from the state.

"It wasn't just the irrigators' problems," Republican Rep. Lynn Loois of Ashton said. "It's the whole state's problem. If we don't go on and fight these issues, the whole state will be in trouble."

Other lawmakers warned that if the adjudication were terminated, not only would the state potentially have to return the money to fee payers but also see the determination of water rights made by a federal judge.

The budget panel also rejected Batt's proposal to funnel nearly \$5.7 million in vocational education spending directly to the two junior colleges rather than through the Division of Vocational Education.

It also declined to sweeten the state's support for the schools in Twin Falls and Coeur d'Alene by an extra \$100,000 specifically earmarked for easing pressure on local property taxes. But the committee did authorize \$130,000 more for the College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College than Batt recommended.

Panel passes conflicting measures on water

The Associated Press

BOISE — A House committee has approved what appears to be conflicting policies on how Snake River reservoirs will be managed to benefit endangered salmon.

The House Resources and Conservation Committee voted unanimously Monday for a bill that provides 427,000 acre-feet of Snake River water to the Bureau of Reclamation, to benefit migrating juvenile salmon.

Then the same committee passed a resolution that says the Idaho Legislature should vote unanimously Monday for a bill that provides 427,000 acre-feet of Snake River water to the Bureau of Reclamation, to benefit migrating juvenile salmon.

After 45 minutes of heated debate, the committee voted 11-3 for a resolution sponsored by Lewiston Republican Rep. Dan Mader and Frank Brunel.

"We don't have a resolution that says we're against flow augmentation because

we just voted that we did (support flow augmentation)," said Rep. James "Doc" Lucas, R-Moscow. "This bill is saying we're going to give up on the salmon and steelhead, and that's wrong."

Rep. Bruce Newcomb, R-Burley, said the resolution is consistent with the "no-one-dry" policy of Republican Gov. Phil Batt. "We're saying we don't support flow augmentation and reservoir drawdowns as a long-term solution," Newcomb said.

The panel approved a four-year deal with the Bureau of Reclamation because it is supported by nearly every irrigation group in southern Idaho, including those in the Upper Snake. The bill also is designed to avoid a major showdown in court, water attorneys said.

The bill requires the bureau to lease water from the Upper Snake, Payette and Boise river water banks on a willing-seller, willing-buyer basis. In a drought year, the Bureau may not get as much water as it

wants, Bureau Regional Director John Key said.

"If it wasn't for the willing-seller, willing-buyer clause, the Committee of Nine wouldn't agree to this," said Claude Storer, chairman of the Snake River irrigation group.

Debate was more spirited as the panel considered the resolution on water flows and drawdowns. Rep. Ken Robinson, D-Boise, argued that if the Legislature took a position against boosting Snake River flows and against drawdowns, it was "writing off the salmon."

"If you really want to wipe out Idaho's salmon and steelhead, this is the resolution to support," Robinson said.

Rep. JoAn Wood, R-Rigby, disagreed. "I don't think it says that at all," she said. "We're saying that Idaho's not going to be the scapegoat forever to save the salmon. In the long run, we're just saying we're not going to be the goat."

Petitioners want Batt's nuclear pact on ballot

The Associated Press

BOISE — A Snake River Alliance-led group has launched a proposed initiative that would require legislative and voter approval of Gov. Phil Batt's October nuclear waste agreement and any future pact like it.

Stop the Shipments submitted its proposed initiative for Idaho's Nov. 5 ballot to the secretary of state's office on Tuesday.

Snake River Alliance executive director Brian Goller and Stop the Shipments spokeswoman Diane Jones said the move was prompted by the Republican-dominated Legislature's refusal to consider similar proposals from state Sen. Clint Stennett of Ketchum and other Democratic lawmakers.

"This is an initiative about the people's right to be heard — our right to be heard on matters that have grave and serious implications for our health and welfare," Jones said.

But Batt's spokeswoman questioned the initiative's constitutionality and said it could lead to much more waste being shipped to Idaho than the governor's agreement.

"What the Snake River Alliance is doing is opening the state up to 92,000 shipments of commercial waste — no cleanup, no guarantee that it will ever leave," Amy Kleintner said. "If they want to be honest with the voters, they ought to put that in their initiative, too."

In any case, initiative sponsors face an uphill battle. They have only until July 5 — 4½ months — to submit the valid signatures of 41,335 registered voters required to qualify for the ballot.

Goller said that should not be a problem, citing the Boise River Festival as an example of the kind of event organizers will target in their search for signatures. And if necessary, he said, professional signature gatherers will be hired.

"We are going to be a presence wherever there are people," Goller said. "We will do what we have to do to get the signatures to get this on the ballot."

He denied that Democratic U.S. Senate challenger Walt Minnick — a millionaire Boise businessman — and movie star and

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Senate panel endorses 75-65 mph speed limit maximums

BOISE (AP) — A Senate committee Tuesday endorsed maximum speed limits of 75 mph on Idaho interstate highways and 65 mph on other state and federal roads.

The legislation, sent to the full Senate by the Transportation Committee, gives the Transportation Board authority to raise the current 65 mph-55 mph speed limits up to the new maximum, but does not mandate it.

"In fact, I've encouraged them that they do it based on safety and design of the road," Chairman Evan Farnure, R-Pocatello, said.

Others, however, believe that the board will interpret legislative action at least on the interstate limit as a directive and set the maximum speed there. Transportation Department analysts are assessing state highways for



The maximum safe speed their designs can sustain.

The bill was made possible late last year by congressional repeal of the mandatory 65 mph speed limit on rural interstates and 55 mph on all other highways. But the Idaho change was opposed by insurance and law enforcement interests who warned that it would only lead to more serious accidents.

"The damage will increase on our highways in this state," said Allyn Dingel, representing State Farm

Insurance Cos. "It's not a secure tactic, it's a fact."

But supporters of the higher limit argued that surveys show Idahoans already are driving almost 75 mph on the interstates and nearly 65 on many other highways, and that bordering states generally are going to the 75 mph-65 mph combination.

"The effective speed is already there so there shouldn't be any additional accidents or fatalities," Sen. Bruce Sweeney, D-Lewiston, maintained.

Republican Sen. Hal Bunderson of Boise countered that raising the maximum limit would only push the average speed that much higher. But Sweeney and others argued that whatever the limit, motorists generally drive the speed at which they feel most comfortable.

Panel OKs bill requiring fingerprinting teachers

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Despite opposition from the Idaho Education Association, the House Education Committee on Tuesday approved legislation that would require all teachers to be fingerprinted and to undergo criminal background checks.

The bill was sent to the full House for a vote, which could come late this week.

The bill requires fingerprinting of all teachers and other educational personnel, with the employee bearing the \$40 cost of a full criminal background check. A school district could decide to reimburse the expense.

"It's a potentially demeaning experience we feel is unnecessary," said Jim Shaeckelford, executive director of the Idaho Education Association.

He said the IEA would support requiring criminal background checks and fingerprinting of people who apply for jobs with school districts, but not veterans who may have performed successfully in the classroom for 20 years or more.

"If background checks were required for members of the Legislature, it wouldn't bother me a bit," said Rep. Jack Barnaclough, R-Twin Falls.

Sponsoring Rep. Ron Black, R-Twin Falls, said requiring background checks would uncover people with criminal records and help protect students.

"It's a warning to people — we will check your background," Black said. The measure also would tend to discourage educators from committing crimes against children, he said.

Sherri Wood, who has taught in the Caldwell School District for 19 years, objected to having all teachers fingerprinted and to have to pay the cost. She served on a subcommittee of the Professional Standards Commission, which has been working on similar legislation.

She said that at a recent meeting, the subcommittee was given legislation prepared by the state Department of Education and members were told that was the bill that would be given to the Legislature.

"If you've been in the classroom for 20 years, why check now?" she said.

Vikki Reynolds, lobbyist for the Idaho Association of School Administrators, said the association supports the bill. Similar background checks are performed in surrounding states.

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Obituaries



Wallar L. Kramer

Wallar Logan "Walt" Kramer, 76, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, at his home.

He was born July 10, 1919, in Pleasanton, Kan., the son of John Logan and Amanda Dae Sattler Kramer. He grew up in Colorado and at the age of 14, moved to Twin Falls with his mother. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. On Sept. 20, 1945, he married Edna May Lee in Elko, Nev., and they spent the next 50 years together. Walt spent most of his adult life in Twin Falls working as a painter. He loved his family dearly and spent many years caring for his wife, the love of his life. He was a member of the Catholic Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Carlotta (Ron) Boston of Twin Falls and Kaye (Steve) Padros of Meridian; six grandchildren; foster brothers and sisters, Katherine Willis, Ruth Treet and Bob Willis, all of Canon City, Colo., and Ed Willis of Anderson, Colo. He was preceded in death by his wife, Edna May on Nov. 16, 1995, his parents, 13 brothers and sisters and one foster sister.

The funeral will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 1996, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with Father Robb Keller officiating. Burial will follow at the Twin Falls Cemetery, with military rites by Magic Valley area veterans and auxiliaries. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. today at the funeral chapel.

The family suggests memorial contributions may be made to MVRMC Hospice Services, P.O. Box 409, Twin Falls ID 83303.

Lela Hymas

Lela Hymas, 91, of Twin Falls, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital of cancer.

She was born April 20, 1904, in Preston, the daughter of Harlow Redfield and Margaret Elmira Spidell Hoopes. She attended school in Tipton and Rupert. On Oct. 18, 1922, she married Sidney Hymas in the Salt Lake City, Utah, LDS Temple. They lived a few years in Rupert and one year in Albion. In

1941, they moved to Twin Falls and then to Jerome where they farmed. Jeffrey Lohr of Moscow, Idaho, and Tara Lohr of Filer, Norma Jean Lohr of Mali, West Africa, and Jennifer Lohr and Michelle (Michael) Estrick, all of Los Angeles, Calif., and one sister, Amy (Keri) Fender of Filer. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; an infant son, Gary Lee; and one brother, Jack W. Hymas.

The funeral will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at White Mortuary in Twin Falls, with the Rev. Rinya Frisbie officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Park in Twin Falls. Friends may call from 4 to 8 p.m. Friday at the funeral chapel.

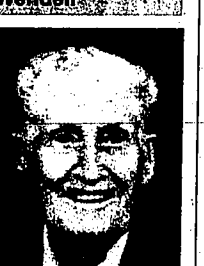
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Wendell



Ronald Bailey

Ronald Bailey, 93, of Wendell, died Saturday, Feb. 17, 1996, at the Magic Valley Manor in Wendell.

Ronald was born Oct. 9, 1902, in Nephi, Utah, to Nephi and Sarah Bailey. He came to Idaho in 1916; and lived in Malia until 1947, when he moved to Burley where he worked for the Railroad as a P.E. Agent until 1957. Ronald then moved to Jerome where he became a minister for the Jehovah Witnesses Congregation. He ministered for three years in Jerome before moving to Gooding where also served as a minister retiring in 1972. Ronald married Bessie Smith on June 22, 1959. They later moved to Wendell.

He is survived by his wife, Bessie of Wendell; a stepdaughter; several grand and great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and several brothers and sisters.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 22, 1996, at the Magic Valley Manor in Wendell, with Steve Chapman conducting. Arrangements are under the direction of Demaray's Wendell Chapel.

Batt offers Idaho plan for salmon recovery

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Idaho Gov. Phil Batt has unveiled a plan to aid the state's salmon and steelhead migrations this year, mindful they will be plenty of water for the fish without straining other uses.

While Batt has the backing of the three other members of the congressional delegation and both sides of the salmon issue, U.S. Rep. Helen Shattuck says she will rely on Idaho water stored for irrigation and other uses.

Batt's proposal submitted to the Northwest Power Planning Council on Tuesday in Boise features some recommendations akin to what environmental groups traditionally have backed, including a balance between barging young smolts around hydroelectric dams and spilling water while keeping the fish in the river.

"Each water year is different," Batt said. "We must look at what Mother Nature has to give us. We are the ones who know our problems. We live here."

The Republican governor said Idaho's recommendations should be

included in one regional approach to anadromous fish.

"We can't afford turf wars; we must have one regional plan," Batt said. "We have to work together."

John Eicher of Montana, council chairman, called the Idaho recommendations flexible and applicable to a Northwest blueprint.

Conservationists have fought barging for years, arguing the federal program has not worked because the runs have dwindled to the point the Snake River chinook and sockeye are on the endangered species list.

While Batt opposes former Gov. Cecil Andrus' support for drawing down lower Snake River dams, he now supports some spill to maintain an 80 percent fish passage efficiency through the gauntlet.

Under Batt's suggestions, if at least 65,000 cubic feet per second of water flows through Granite Dam near Lewiston in the spring, some spilling will be allowed. If the flows are above 35,000 cfs, it would be an equitable balance of barging and spill.

"In the spirit of regional cooperation," the state will go along with the experimental use of 427,000 thousand acre-feet of water from the upper Snake River as long as the federal government agrees it will be obtained according to state law, and there are willing sellers among water right holders, the document said.

Idaho also will go along with experimental use of water from Dworshak Reservoir on the Clearwater River in the spring to keep Lower Granite running at 100,000 cfs, but summer reservoir levels must be maintained for recreation and moving logs.

Croftino residents fought drawdowns from Dworshak the last couple years because the level fell so low sportsmen could not put in their boats, crippling their tourism economy.

The National Marine Fisheries Service's biological opinion calls for spring flow targets of 100,000 cfs at Lower Granite before spill is allowed. Batt said that trigger must be lowered.

Death notices

Wilma N. Williams

BURLEY — Wilma N. Williams, 76, of Burley, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, at her home.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel. Burial will follow at the Riverside Cemetery in Heyburn. Friends may call from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday and from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral on Friday at the funeral chapel.

Burley, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, at his home.

The funeral will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at the Paul Congregational Church, #21 N. Second, with Pastor Vince Frank officiating. Burial will follow at Gem Memorial Gardens in

Burley. Friends and family may call one hour before the funeral on Thursday at the church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorials be given to a charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements are under the direc-

Susan McDald

JEROME — Susan McDald, 54, of Jerome, died Monday, Feb. 19, 1996, at St. Benedict's Family Medical Center in Jerome.

Arrangements are pending and will be announced by the Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel in Jerome.

Virga Roberts Stevens

St. George, Utah, and formerly of Gooding, 11 a.m. today, Metcalf Mortuary Chapel, 300 W. St. George Blvd., St. George. Viewing, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. today at the funeral chapel.

Memorial service, 1 p.m. Friday, Gooding LDS Church, 1228 Main St. Viewing, one hour before the memorial service at the church.

Cemetery. Viewing, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. today, Hove-Robertson Funeral Chapel, Jerome. Friends may also gather at the cemetery shortly before service time.

G. Jones Leonard, of Declo, 11 a.m. Thursday, Presbytery Presbyterian Church, 2100 Burton Ave. Viewing, 6 to 8 p.m. today, Hansen Mortuary Burley Chapel, and one hour before the funeral on Thursday at the church.

Beth E. Larvell, of Jerome, grave-site service, 2 p.m. today, Jerome

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Released: Casey Monroe of Falls; Dorothy Muffley of Gooding; and Rosa Gonzalez of Jackal, Nev.

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Admitted: Maurine Beck, Fay Hall, Zane Parker and Candi Wells, all of Burley; and Tabitha Emiler and James Jolley, both of Rupert.

Released: Elizabeth Hoffman of Burley; and Teri Teeter of Malia.

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Some names are omitted at patients' request.

Admitted: Terry Quinn, Kara Whiting, Mazel James Lee Sievers, and Mary McAllister, all of Rupert.

Released: Maria Zepeda and baby boy of Burley.

Birth: A daughter was born to Leticia Castro of Rupert.

Judge refuses request to dismiss Arrasmith case

LEWISTON (AP) — A judge on Tuesday denied motions to either dismiss charges against the convicted double murderer Kenneth Arrasmith or grant him a new trial for the May 1995 slayings of Ronald and Luella Bingham.

Arrasmith faces life in prison at his sentencing next Monday after being convicted in November on charges of first- and second-degree murder for the shooting deaths of the Clarkston, Wash., couple outside a Lewiston auto shop. A jury chosen in Twin Falls County returned the guilty verdict.

Defense attorneys Roy and Craig Mosman asked 2nd District Judge Ida Leggett to dismiss the case against Arrasmith or at least order a new trial for the former Asotin County, Wash., sheriff's deputy.

They argued that Nez Perce County authorities covered up the discovery of a handgun in the shop adjacent to where the Bingham were killed because they

belonged to a son of Sheriff's Capt. Scott Whitcomb, Sheriff Ron Kooper's second-in-command.

Cliff Whitcomb, who worked at the auto shop, testified that his father returned the gun to him the evening of the murders. The son said he also went back to the shop the next day and removed a second gun that was in a car.

But Prosecutor Dennis Rosen said the gun was not material to the case and would not have affected the jury's verdict.

Keoper said he and his officers did nothing wrong in never reporting that the handgun was found. He said his officers should never have been in the shop in the first place because it was not part of the crime scene.

Arrasmith claimed he shot the Bingham in self-defense while confronting them over allegations they had sexually abused his teenage daughter. He testified at his trial that he believed both Bingham were reaching for guns as he approached with his own weapons.

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Cassia school sale close to final

By John Thompson
Times-News writer

BURLEY - Cassia County School District officials are close to completing the sale of the old South West Elementary School building to a Jerome day care provider, a district official said.

The buyer is waiting for title insurance to clear before the deal will be completed and therefore all of the details of the sale, such as the price, are not yet available, District Superintendent Everett Howard said.

"The building is sold, but we can't release the amount yet," he said. "I hope the deal is finalized in the next three or four days."

The proceeds from the sale will go into the district's plant facility fund. The school district had no further use for the 76-year-old building, he said.

"Anytime you have an old building that needs major repairs, it's a relief when it's sold," he said. "It has some major roof problems, and we have been concerned about it this winter."

The buyers, Randy and Nori Golay, plan to open a full service child care center in the old school, with tutors and a variety of extracurricular activities.

Nori Golay said it will take at least three months to complete the first phase of the remodel. The building's basement will be a day-care center, and the Golays are currently licensed to provide care for 55 children as soon as the basement is ready, she said.

She currently operates a day



Max Brown and Leon Scout, Cassia School District maintenance workers pumped water out of the basement of the old South West Elementary School Tuesday. Brown said a pipe ruptured and caused the leak. District officials are close to finalizing the sale of the 76-year-old building.

care center from the family's home in Jerome for about 20 children, she said.

The upstairs of the old building will be remodeled for a before- and after-school child care facility. The Golays have plans to hire tutors to help students with homework as well as provide extracurricular classes in art, music, horticulture, gymnastics and wood

shop.

The center could be open in May. Estimates to fix the leaky roof are about \$50,000, she said. "I was a graphic artist for 20 years but when we had our youngest I couldn't find a place that provided child care for infants," she said. "So I had to quit, but now I enjoy caring for children. They are happy all the

time and easy to please, and that makes the job worthwhile."

Golay is a Burley native and attended first grade at South West Elementary. Her mother Ruth Knight, taught in the Cassia School District for several years.

South West Elementary was built in 1920 for \$60,000. A fire gutted the east wing of the school

Forest defenders unveil poll results

By Meredith Cohn
States News Service

Poll results

WASHINGTON - Seeking to bolster their side in an ongoing feud with the timber industry, environmentalists released a new poll Tuesday showing public opposition to a law allowing hefty increases in logging in national forests.

The poll finds that 76 percent of Americans oppose "clearcutting old-growth forests." It also found that majorities also object to the law that allows expanded logging and they oppose limiting "substantially" the public's right to challenge specific timber sales.

The poll was commissioned by a coalition of 16 conservation groups called the National Forest Protection Campaign that includes The Wilderness Society, Western Ancient Forest Campaign, and Northwest Ecosystem Alliance.

Luke Research, a Democratic pollster, conducted the survey of 1,008 participants nationwide. The margin of error is 3.1 percent.

"This shows the American public is outraged that they no longer have a voice in what happens to the public land," said Rindy O'Brien, The Wilderness Society's public policy vice president. "They're outraged that timber special interests have cut-a-deal in the back room."

The logging measure was tugged onto a budget-cutting bill last year without public hearings. Sponsored by Sen. Larry Craig, R-Idaho, and Rep. Charles Taylor, R-N.C., it requires the commercial salvaging of burned, insect-infested and diseased trees in the name of fire prevention without the normal environmental-review process.

The measure also allows cutting healthy, green trees without adhering to environmental laws, including the Endangered Species Act. Opportunities for public appeals to specific sales are limited.

Normal environmental review takes precious time and can cause salvage logs to lose value and put mills at risk of closing, the measure's supporters say. Therefore, both jobs and forest health could suffer, they say.

Craig recently held a hearing to ask federal land managers why they were not cutting more trees.

Environmentalists calling for repeal of the so-called "salvage rider," say there is no health crisis in the woods. They also argue that the short-term economic gains for the timber industry will cause long-term problems in sustaining the forests and habitat for endangered fish and wildlife.

"Saying they are salvaging the forest is a complete sham," said David Bayles, Pacific Rivers Council program director. "Two-hundred to 800-year-old trees do not need to be saved from a

Do you favor or oppose the clearcutting of old growth forests or ancient trees in our national forests? Strongly favor, 4 percent; somewhat favor, 13 percent; somewhat oppose, 24 percent; strongly oppose, 52 percent; no opinion/don't know, 8 percent.

Do you favor or oppose a measure passed by Congress that would substantially limit the public's right to go to court and challenge questionable logging in national forests? Strongly favor, 10 percent; somewhat favor, 20 percent; somewhat oppose, 21 percent; strongly oppose, 39 percent; no opinion/don't know, 8 percent.

phony fire argument." He said the law sacrifices industries that depend on the wilderness - fishing and tourism - in favor of the timber industry.

Further, increased logging contributed to the devastation from recent floods in the Pacific Northwest by eliminating barriers to mudslides, the environmentalists said.

Previously opposed by federal land management agencies or officials because of environmental regulations, logging is now allowed in parts of the Kootenai and Gallatin national forests in Montana; Boise and Payette national forests in Idaho; and Siskiyou, Umpqua, and Willamette-Whitman national forests in Oregon, according to a review by the Washington Post.

Environmentalists say talk of the rider will dominate the Seventh American Forest Congress, which is a meeting where conservation and industry representatives have historically met to find common ground in their positions. The convention began Tuesday in Washington.

From the first meeting in the 1880s, these meetings have set the stage for major environmental initiatives. President Teddy Roosevelt developed the first national forest plan in 1905, environmentalists said.

But despite talk of finding common ground, O'Brien of the Wilderness Society told a more combative tone and said if industry officials do not agree to changing the salvage rider, "we will walk out."

"We have principles we will not back down from. One, that government should obey the laws it passes to protect the environment; and, two, the public should have the right to participate in and challenge decisions."

Bills to repeal the salvage rider in the House and the Senate have made little headway.

Jerome deals on Blaine County ambulance

By Rob Lundgren
Times-News correspondent

JEROME - The county's Emergency Medical Service ambulance force will grow to four thanks to Blaine County's recent decision to upgrade its ambulances.

Jerome's commissioners approved the purchase Monday of the 1989 unit used by the Wood River Fire District for an estimated \$6,000.

EMS Director Larry Wood told commissioners that Blaine County recently bought two new ambulances and the ongoing 7-year-old vehicle. A new ambulance, comparably equipped, would cost about \$70,000, Wood said.

Wood said this ambulance would become their number two unit, allowing the older, fourth unit to be the back-up vehicle. The price was not firm because the cost of some minor repairs yet to be performed would be included in the final cost, he said.

"This looks like a major bargain," said commission Chairman Roy Prescott.

"This is definitely a win for the taxpayer," Wood said.

In other county business:

• Commissioners have decided to stay with the county's public defender.

At issue is the defense of more than one person per case by the same public defender - it's illegal.

Attorney George Essma proposed to the commissioners three weeks ago the county could save money by hiring a "conflict public defender."

The county contracts with the Burley law firm, Byington, Holloway, Whipple and Jones as its public defender. When multiple defendants need representation, the law firm uses other lawyers in the firm, or the county contracts independently for legal representation.

"There's not been any problem with the way it's done now. I rotate it between seven or eight attorneys," Magistrate Thomas Borresen told the commissioners.

Borresen said. So one additional attorney would not be enough in many instances. And defendants in a murder case must be represented by attorneys who have prior murder trial experience.

"I'm not convinced it would be a savings," commissioner John Toolson said.

"I see no benefit. The system we have now is working," Commissioner Harriet Weixel said.

Sheriff George Silver III told commissioners his department has seen a 25 percent increase in civil cases being processed since 1994, and an 8 percent increase in the level of crime reports taken. Felony cases also are up from last year, but still below the national average, he said.

Commissioners tabled discussion of an annual budget increase of \$25,000 to \$35,000.

The commissioners passed a resolution to join forces with the Camas, Gooding and Lincoln counties in establishing the North Side Transportation Committee. The committee identifies transportation problems and needs within the four-county area, and recommends solutions to "any governing body dealing with transportation needs."

Jerome County representatives are Steve Thorsberry and John Toolson.

Commissioners appointed new county planning and zoning commissioners: Rob Luna, Cheri Martin, Joe Eyre and David Robinson. All four are from Jerome, and will serve three year terms.

House turns back on same-sex marriages

The Associated Press

BOISE - With no opposing debate, the Idaho House has passed a bill making it clear that the state does not recognize same-sex marriages, even if they become legal in other states.

The vote was 59-6 on Tuesday as the bill was sent to the Senate.

where it is expected to clear easily. House Speaker Michael Simpson urged the House to not because other states are considering legislation to recognize same-sex marriages.

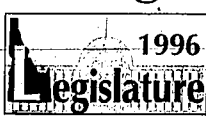
Idaho has a law that it will recognize legal contracts, including marriages, that are legal in other states. The bill approved Tuesday amends that statute.

"If we do nothing, we will be setting public policy," Simpson said. "It will be contrary to what has been public policy for the last 100 years."

The legislation says marriages performed outside Idaho that violate public policy in Idaho will not be recognized as valid. Another part says a marriage performed elsewhere in an attempt to evade Idaho laws will not be recognized.

Simpson said Idaho law says a marriage must be between a man and a woman.

"It's reaffirming Idaho's policy that has been in effect over 100 years as to what constitutes mar-



riage and what we recognize as marriage in Idaho," he said. "If someone wants to change that, they need to bring a piece of legislation and let the Legislature consider it."

A parade of witnesses during last week's Judiciary, Rules and Administration Committee hearing urged sanctioning for same-sex marriages.

But Simpson said the bill is not about the merits of same-sex marriages but about whether Idaho must recognize those marriages that are performed elsewhere.

Teachers

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Wood River Valley resident Bruce White, are major financial backers of the campaign. And even though initiative sponsors will have to disclose where their money came from eventually, Goller refused on Tuesday.

"That's our business," he said. "Bart's controversial agreement with the Navy and U.S. Department of Energy, ratified by a federal judge, calls for the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory to accept 1,133 shipments of spent nuclear fuel over the next 60 years. In exchange, Idaho will not receive any of the commercial waste for which the government must find a storage site, and federal officials promise to have most of the other waste out of

"I think we are teaching each other in the classroom," McDonald said. "It's getting to be more like that."

The roster for the free computer courses includes about 700 names, Thorsberry said. The district is offering six courses with 15 people per class through Idaho State University. Seven classes started Tuesday.

"We were overwhelmed," Thorsberry said. "We could be offering twice as many classes and fill them all."

Waste

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Idaho by 2035. Despite its provisions being enforceable in federal court, critics contend the agreement does nothing to ensure the federal government will not renege.

The only real certainty in this nuclear waste agreement is that nuclear waste is coming to Idaho. Everything else is up to Congress and Congress can override this agreement," Goller said.

Initiative sponsors contend Bart had no legal standing to sign the agreement on behalf of the people of Idaho. But Bart and Goller admitted that concept is untested.

"This is an initiative petition that has potential to break new ground in the law and in government policy in a way that a lot of initiatives don't," Goller said.

Officials: 'Meth' drug of choice

By John Thompson
Times-News writer

RUPERT - Evidence that methamphetamine has surpassed cocaine as the drug of choice in the Mini-Cassia area continues to build, according to law enforcement officials.

Minidoka County Sheriff's Deputy Vio Watson arrested a Rupert man Saturday night at Pumphers Bar in Paul. According to police report, the man had about six grams of the drug,

packed in individual "bindles," with a street value of close to \$600.

Known as crank, or crystal meth on the street, methamphetamine is showing up more and more, especially among juveniles, Watson said.

Last December, Cassia County Sheriff's Department officials said an increasing number of methamphetamine related arrests were reason to believe that the drug is becoming more popular in the area.

Briefly

BSU president to speak on development

TWIN FALLS - Charles Ruch, president of Boise State University, will speak today to two groups about the university and its development in the Magic Valley.

He will talk about the status of BSU's business degree program offered through the College of Southern Idaho, BSU's engineering program and the university's entry into the Big West athletic conference.

Ruch will address the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce at 7 a.m. at the Canyon Springs Park Hotel and the Twin Falls Rotary Club at noon at the Turf Club. BSU boasts 985 students from the Magic Valley, or about 6 percent of its enrollment, according to a news release.

Four-year degrees in accounting and management offered through CSI have drawn 90 students last fall and 80 this spring, according to Larry Burke, director of university relations.

Man remains in jail on stabbing charges

TWIN FALLS - A Jerome man pleaded innocent Tuesday to the felony charge of aggravated battery in connection with the stabbing of a man at Eduardo's Mexican Restaurant last month.

Jose Trenidad Huerta-Larado, 42, remained in custody in the Twin Falls County jail on \$10,000 bond Tuesday night.

Luis Castana was stabbed in his upper chest without provocation on Jan. 12, according to police. Castana was briefly hospitalized.

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Batt addresses flooding problems with Legislature

BOISE (AP) — Here is the text of Gov. Phil Batt's address to the Legislature on the flooding in northern Idaho.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to bring before you my assessment of the toll exacted on our north Idaho residents by the raging flood waters.

In Idaho, we often call our water our state's lifeblood. In this case, water crippled the Panhandle, cut our state in half, and for many of our fellow Idahoans was a tragedy too profound to ever be measured in dollars.

That we are not worse off has to do with good planning, with a first-rate response from the professionals and the volunteers, with incredible acts of unselfishness from friends and neighbors and even strangers, and finally with the vagaries of Mother Nature.

But it is not over. The work of recovery has hardly begun. It is that work, and how we go about it, that I want to talk to you about this morning.

First, let me go back a couple of weeks. Let me start at the beginning. A rare series of weather conditions set the stage for this tragedy. Bitter cold, brought on by an arctic air mass, settled over north Idaho for several weeks. Temperatures reached well below zero in most locations.

Usually the deep snowpack rests in the high country. This time it covered the entire area, down and over the lowlands and drainages. The prolonged cold spell caused ice to build up on the St. Joe and Coeur d'Alene rivers. The ground was frozen as deep as 18 inches.

Suddenly the temperature swung 60 degrees and more. The rains came, dropping 6 or 7 inches in a couple of days. The low elevation snowpack melted away. The high-level snowpack melted as much as 16 inches over a few days.

Much of the north Idaho country is mountainous. Most of the cities and villages, the homes and businesses, are located in the narrow valleys and limited flatlands. When all these weather factors came together, those homes and businesses were right in the path the waters would take.

There was little that could be done to prevent widespread flooding. The runoff turned into torrents as it raced down the tributaries. As creeks and rivers swelled, abnormal flows advanced through every major drainage north of the Salmon River.

Ten counties, stretching from Grangeville to Bonners Ferry, sustained major damage. U.S. 95 was riddled by washouts, cutting the state in two.

The towns of Cataldo and St. Maries were completely covered by water, which rose nearly to the eaves of many houses. Orofino Creek went on a rampage. I stood with a young mother of three children as she watched as her house was flattened in order to keep it from floating down Orofino Creek and taking out a bridge. A church next to it met the same fate. Neither the mother nor the church had flood insurance.

Lapwai Creek made life miserable for tribal members and non-Indians. Acting like a giant corkscrew, it cut Highway 95 to ribbons in 20 places. Thousands of Idahoans were displaced. Our initial assessment is that 163 homes were destroyed. Another 441 homes were damaged by the raging waters. Many Idahoans lost a lifetime of personal effects.

As happens so often, the worst of circumstances brought out the best in people. In the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor, Idaho can be proud of the fact that despite thou-

sands of people who needed shelter, the Red Cross had to find space for only 126. The rest were taken in by family and friends.

Disaster planning is a tedious process. It is hard to motivate people to practice for uncertainty, or develop procedures for what may never happen. But our Bureau of Disaster Services and our National Guard under General Kane, have been faithfully preparing for emergencies. Thus, county and state rescue and relief actions were brought to bear immediately.

Remarkably, no deaths or serious injuries have occurred in Idaho. Our neighbors, Oregon, Washington, and Montana, were less fortunate, and all sustained accidental deaths during this flood.

The 20 National Guard and our emergency response crews are volunteers. Most of the flood fighting was conducted by volunteers. The Red Cross and the Salvation Army provided food and shelter.

Fully 95 percent of Idaho's fire and emergency response crews are volunteers. Most of the flood fighting was conducted by volunteers. The Red Cross and the Salvation Army provided food and shelter.

Our Congressional Delegation worked hand-in-hand with the executive branch in getting this federal assistance quickly and efficiently. We are now eligible for all categories of federal aid. There are about a dozen different federal programs available.

Cooperation among local, state, and federal governments has been excellent. We now have disaster recovery centers operating in Kellogg, Orofino, and St. Maries.

We have declared a state of emergency for the Nez Perce Reservation and for Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, and Shoshone counties.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has set up a toll-free number which flood victims can call to apply for grants and low-interest loans for making repairs to their homes and businesses.

Flood victims can expect assistance within a week of applying for federal aid. The Department of Health and Welfare is working with FEMA to help residents replace household items destroyed in the flood. Food stamps are available to people who lost their food supplies in the flood.

The department is also stepping up its crisis counseling services. Health and Welfare estimates it will spend more than \$7 million helping flood victims.

A federal grant of \$1.5 million will allow us to hire workers displaced by the flood to do cleanup and repair work. Flood victims can also apply for disaster unemployment benefits through any Job Service office.

In the hardest hit flood areas, some 15-thousand people have had their drinking water affected. Many are operating under boil orders. Wastewater treatment systems have been hard hit in Shoshone and Benewah counties. Flood waters swept away fuel tanks and swamped landfills. Our environmental agencies are working to repair these sanitation systems.

The damage to fish, wildlife, and their habitats is extensive. Wildlife losses will likely be most significant at the lower end of the food

chain: reptiles, amphibians, rodents, and furbearers. This in turn will affect the mammals and waterfowl who depend on these creatures for survival.

The impact to riparian habitat may include the loss of trees and vegetative cover. Wetlands have been damaged. Damage to fish habitat is significant in Pend Oreille, Coeur d'Alene, Clearwater, St. Joe, and St. Maries drainages. Fish populations in these areas have been wiped out by torrents of debris.

Fish and Game does not expect any of the 40,000 wild chinook smolts destined for Lake Coeur d'Alene this spring to survive the flood. The Department also predicts a serious loss to bull trout populations in the Lake Pend Oreille tributaries.

Fish and Game also predicts damage to its facilities and property at \$675,000. The department is asking for another \$280,000 to assess habitat damage and make recommendations for restoration efforts.

Flood waters exacted a heavy toll on our state park system, causing more than \$500,000 in damage. The Department of Parks and Recreation reporting damage at Dworshak, Winchester Lake, Old Mission, Hells Gate, and Heyburn-state parks, and at the Coeur d'Alene Parkway. The Winchester Lake Dam should also be replaced, at a cost of \$240,000.

The University of Idaho reports damage to buildings. North Idaho College reports minor damage to the dike and beach that surround the school on two sides.

The state highway system in North Idaho was savaged to the tune of at least \$6 million. Another \$18 million will be needed to repair local roads. The Department of Lands estimates \$1.7 million of damage on state endowment lands.

Floods have damaged 330 miles of roadway. Waters shut down our state highway system in 22 different places. Our state Department of Transportation has done a tremendous job in getting traffic moving again.

We have already received \$6 million in federal funds for highways. Much of the rest of our eligibility for federal aid programs requires state and local matching funds. The general pattern is 75 percent federal, 15 to 20 percent state, and 5 to 10 percent local. This will require a major contribution from our highway taxes and our general fund.

I ask you to come through with additional money for our highways. We could pass an emergency gas tax hike to pay for this damage. But in view of the fact that our road system is deteriorating all over the state, we should pass the gas tax measure now to fore pay and meet our obligations to bring our roads and bridges up to par. To do less will eventually hamstring our ability to accommodate an expanding economy in Idaho.

The impact of the flood on our general fund from the disaster is difficult to predict. It could be as much as \$30 million. In our statutes, I am given the authority to use free fund balances to meet emergencies. There are several large balances, including \$23.5 million in the Rainy Day fund, \$13 million in the water pollution control account and \$30 million in Health and Welfare's cooperative welfare fund.

I believe I have access to sufficient moneys to meet this crisis. Obviously, if some of these sources are drained, they will not be available for other purposes and may eventually need to be reappropriated.

But I believe that for now, the present law will allow me access to sufficient matching funds. I ask that you use the greatest caution in fund-

ing additional budget requests for money during this session until we get this sorted out. I assure you I will not spend one dollar that cannot be justified.

We need to give local units of government the flexibility to meet their new obligations. I have asked you to remove the 3 percent cap on growth of local government budgets, under a strictly defined formula, using the extra moneys only for disaster relief. Thanks to your quick action, this legislation is already moving rapidly through the Legislature.

I will ask you to consider legislation to forgive the interest on sales tax that is not reported on time because of the flood. I will also present a bill to forgive the property tax on buildings destroyed by this disaster.

Through an executive order, I will give the Department of Labor and Industrial Services authority to draw up emergency building permits.

When disaster strikes, people expect their government to respond. Those who are responsible for responding are judged quickly by the victims, and by the

4 teens accused in drive-by shooting

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Four teenagers have been arrested for a drive-by shooting in an Idaho Falls neighborhood.

No one was injured in the shooting about 10 p.m. Monday, but police say the shooter was aiming at four people outside a house when one bullet hit a parked car. Two shots allegedly were fired.

The teens were arrested when they drove back by the house at about 11 p.m.

"They came back around the cor-

ner, waving the gun, shouting obscenities, and drove right into the cops," said Linda Brower, whose car was hit by a bullet.

Police ordered the four teenagers out of the car at gunpoint and found a .38mm pistol inside.

But police think the shooter used a black powder pistol later found at the home of an older man who knows the suspects, Detective Ken Brown said. Further tests were planned to determine which gun was used.

Routine preparation for emergencies is easy to neglect. It is a boring, time-consuming activity. But our counties and cities, in complete cooperation with the state, have faithfully prepared for just this kind of crisis. Their readiness paid big dividends: No one was hurt. All possible help was quickly provided to clothe, feed, and shelter the victims. Hundreds of huge machines and thousands of workers were immediately put into action. The Red Cross was one of the first agencies on the site to help. All of these people tilted around the clock and held damage to a minimum.

Idaho GOP leader endorses primary

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Republican Party Chairman Ron McMurry says the state should join in a Rocky Mountain regional presidential primary.

McMurry is talking with officials in several other western states about establishing a regional primary that comes early enough in the campaign to have some effect.

Other states looking at the idea are Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Nevada, New Mexico and Colorado.

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Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 24;
Times-News, Feb 25
MUSSER BROS AUCTIONEERS

Thursday, February 29 - 11 am
Testors Equipment Liquidation - Twin Falls
Advertisement - Feb 25
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

Friday, March 1 - 11 am
Max Sunderland - Farm Equipment - Rupter
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 24;
Times-News, Feb 25
MUSSER BROS AUCTIONEERS

Friday, March 1 - 11 am
Jack & Charlene McDonald
Farm Equipment - Twin Falls
Advertisement - Feb 20
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

Saturday, March 2, 1996
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Johnson
Advertisement - Feb 23
WALL AUCTIONEERS

Monday, March 4 - 11 am
Hyline Farms - Equipment Disposal
Ontario, OR
Advertisement - Feb 25
BAKER AUCTION COMPANY

Tuesday, March 5 - 10:30 am
North Star Farms, Inc.
Farm Machinery - Caldwell
Advertisement - Feb 25 & Mar 3
WESTERN AUCTION COMPANY

Tuesday, March 6 - 11 am
Mortchilla Farms - Row Crop Equipment
Disposal - Ontario, OR
Advertisement - Feb 25
BAKER AUCTION COMPANY

Wednesday, March 6 - 11 am
Passe - Farm Equipment - Wilder
Advertisement - Feb 25
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Thursday, March 7 - 11 am
Brent Richlein - Row Crop Equipment
Disposal - Nye, OR
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Sunshine Farms - Farm Equipment - Wendell
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Friday, March 8 - 10:30 am
Rolling Stone Inc. & Neighbors
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Saturday, March 9, 1996
Wendel Community School Auction
Advertisement - Mar 7
WERT AUCTION SERVICE

Saturday, March 9, 1996
Biggers Ranches - Hansen
Advertisement - Feb 25
WALL AUCTIONEERS

Thursday, March 21, 1996
37th Annual West End Community - Bull
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MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

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Thursday, February 22 - 10:30 am
Ron Hobbet - Farm Machinery - Bull
Advertisement - Feb 20
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

Saturday, February 24 - 10 am
41st Annual Spring Auction
Farm Machinery - Tractors - Buses
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 10;
Times-News, Feb 10
SPARKER AUCTION COMPANY

Saturday, February 24 - 11 am
Evelyn - Farm Machinery
Miscellaneous - Tulle
Advertisement - Feb 22
WALL AUCTIONEERS

Saturday, February 24 - 1996
Santoni Brothers - Irrigation
Farm & Ranch Equipment - Wrecks
Advertisement - Feb 22
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

Saturday, February 24 - 10 am
A.G.I. Conventions - Bankruptcy - Vehicles
Tractors - Trailers - Buses
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 17;
Times-News, Feb 10
AMERICAN ASSOCIATED AUCTIONEERS

Saturday, February 24 - 10 am
PUBLIC AUTO AUCTION - Eagle
Advertisement - Feb 22
MUSICK & SONS, INC.

Sunday, February 25 - 9 pm
Autos - Household - Furniture - Electronics
Advertisement - Feb 23
SHOCKLEY AUCTION COMPANY

Monday, February 26 - 4:30 pm
Ken Roberg Moving Sale - 1470 North Home
Advertisement - Feb 23
ALL AMERICAN AUCTION

Tuesday, February 27, 1996
Meritt Harter Farms
Farm Machinery - Harrows
Advertisement - Feb 18 & 25
HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS

Tuesday, February 27 - 8 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques
Consignment Welcome - Jerome
KLAS AUCTION BAZAR

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Idaho

Batt addresses flooding problems with Legislature

BOISE (AP) — Here is the text of Gov. Phil Batt's address to the Legislature on the flooding in northern Idaho.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to bring before you my assessment of the toll exacted on our north Idaho residents by the raging flood waters.

In Idaho, we often call our water our state's lifeblood. In this case, water crippled the Panhandle, cut our state in half, and for many of our fellow Idahoans was a tragedy too profound to ever be measured in dollars.

That we are not worse off has to do with good planning, with a first-rate response from the professionals and the volunteers, with incredible acts of unselfishness from friends and neighbors and even strangers, and finally with the vagaries of Mother Nature.

But it is not over. The work of recovery has hardly begun. It is that work, and how we go about it, that I want to talk to you about this morning.

First, let me go back a couple of weeks. Let me start at the beginning.

A rare series of weather conditions set the stage for this tragedy. Bitter cold, brought on by an arctic air-mass, settled over Idaho for several weeks. Temperatures reached well below zero in most locations.

Usually the deep snowpack rests in the high country. This time it covered the entire area, down and over the lowlands and drainages.

The prolonged cold spell caused ice to build up on the St. Joe and Coeur d'Alene rivers. The ground was frozen as deep as 18 inches.

Suddenly the temperature swung 60 degrees and more. The rains came, dropping 6 or 7 inches in a couple of days. The low elevation snowpack melted away. The high-level snowpack melted as much as 16 inches over a two-day period.

Much of the north Idaho country is mountainous. Most of the cities and villages, the homes and businesses, are located in the narrow valleys and limited flatlands. When all these weather factors came together, those homes and businesses were right in the path the waters would take.

There was little that could be done to prevent widespread flooding. The runoff went into torrents as it raced down the tributaries. Creeks and rivers swelled, abnormal flows advanced through every major drainage north of the Salmon River.

Ten counties, stretching from Grangeville to Orofino, sustained major damage. U.S. 95 was riddled by washouts, cutting the state in two.

The towns of Cataldo and St. Maries were completely covered by water, which rose nearly to the eaves of many houses. Orofino Creek went on a rampage. I stood with a young mother of three children and we watched as her house was flattened in order to keep it from floating down Orofino Creek and taking out a bridge. A church next to it met the same fate. Neither the mother nor the church had flood insurance.

Lapwai Creek made life miserable for tribal members and non-Indians. Acting like a giant corkscrew, it cut Highway 95 to ribbons in 20 places.

Thousands of Idahoans were displaced. Our initial assessment is that 163 homes were destroyed. Another 441 homes were damaged by the raging waters. Many Idahoans lost a lifetime of personal effects.

As happens so often, the worst of circumstances is brought on by the best in people. In the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor, Idaho can be proud of the fact that despite thou-

sands of people who needed shelter, the Red Cross had to find space for only 126. The rest were taken in by family and friends.

Disaster planning is a tedious process. It is hard to motivate people to practice for uncertainty, or develop procedures for what may never happen. But our Bureau of Disaster Services and our National Guard under General Kane, have been faithfully preparing for emergencies. Thus, county and state rescue and relief actions were brought to bear immediately.

Remarkably, no deaths or serious injuries have occurred in Idaho. Our neighbors, Oregon, Washington, and Montana, were less fortunate, and all sustained accidental deaths during this flood.

Fully 85 percent of Idaho's fire and emergency response crews are active. Most of the flood fighting was conducted by volunteers. The Red Cross and the Salvation Army provided food and shelter. The Idaho National Guard and our Bureau of Disaster Services have been working tirelessly to provide assistance.

Yet the magnitude of the damage requires more from all levels of government. This is what we must face up to now.

The total value of the flood damage is \$100 million. We are refining this estimate as to amount, but here is a brief summary of the conditions:

We have declared a state of emergency for the Nez Perce Reservation and for Beneviah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce, and Shoshone counties.

We applied for federal disaster assistance, and it was granted. President Clinton and his federal agencies responded rapidly, cutting the preliminaries and starting the aid immediately.

Our Congressional Delegation worked hand-in-hand with the executive branch in getting this federal assistance quickly and efficiently. We are now eligible for all categories of federal aid. There are about 20 different federal programs available.

Cooperation among local, state, and federal governments has been excellent. We now have disaster recovery centers operating in Kellogg, Orofino, and St. Maries.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency has set up a toll-free number which flood victims can call to apply for grants and low-interest loans for making repairs to their homes and businesses. Flood victims can often expect assistance within a week of applying for federal aid.

The Department of Health and Welfare is working with FEMA to help residents replace household items destroyed in the flood. Food stamps are available to people who lost their food supply in the flood. The department is also stepping up its crisis counseling services. Health and Welfare estimates it will spend more than \$7 million helping flood victims.

A federal grant of \$1.5 workers million will allow us to hire workers displaced by the flood to do cleanup and repair work. Flood victims can also apply for disaster unemployment benefits through any Job Service office.

In the hardest hit flood areas, some 15-thousand people have had their drinking water affected. Many are operating under boil orders. Wastewater treatment systems have been hard hit in Shoshone and Beneviah counties. Flood waters swept away fuel tanks and swamped landfills. Our environmental agencies are working to repair these sanitation systems.

The damage to fish, wildlife, and their habitats is extensive. Wildlife losses will likely be most significant at the lower end of the flood

chain: reptiles, amphibians, rodents and furbearers. This in turn will affect the mammals and waterfowl who depend on these creatures for survival.

The impact to riparian habitat may include the loss of trees and vegetative cover. Wetlands have been damaged.

Damage to fish habitat is significant. In fact, Oreilich, Coeur d'Alene, Clearwater, St. Joe, and St. Maries drainages. Fish populations in these areas have been wiped out by torrents of debris.

Fish and Game does not expect any of the 40,000 wild chinook smolts destined for Lake Coeur d'Alene this spring to survive the flood. The Department also predicts a serious loss to bull trout populations in the Lake Pend Oreille tributaries.

Fish and Game also predicts damage to its facilities and property at \$675,000. The department is asking for another \$280,000 to assess habitat damage and make recommendations for restoration efforts.

Flood waters exacted a heavy toll on our state park system, causing more than \$500,000 in damage. The Department of Parks and Recreation is reporting damage at Dworshak, Winchester Lake, Old Mission, Hells Gate, and Heyburn state parks, and at the Coeur d'Alene Parkway. The Winchester Lake Dam should also be replaced, at a cost of \$240,000.

The University of Idaho reports damage to buildings. North Idaho College reports minor damage to the dike and beach that surround the school on two sides.

The state highway system in North Idaho was savaged in the time at least \$6 million. Another \$18 million will be needed to repair local roads. The Department of Lands estimates \$1.7 million of damage on state endowment lands.

Floods debilitated 320 miles of roads. Waters shut down our state highway system in 22 different places. Our state Department of Transportation has done a tremendous job in getting traffic moving again.

We have already received \$6 million in federal funds for highways. Much of the rest of our eligibility for federal aid programs requires state and local matching funds.

The general pattern is 75 percent federal, 15 to 20 percent hot state, and 5 to 10 percent local. This will require a major contribution from our high-way taxes and our general fund.

I ask you to come through with additional moneys for our high-way obligations to bring our roads and bridges up to par. To do less will eventually hamstring our ability to accommodate an expanding economy in Idaho.

The impact of the flood on our general fund from the disaster is difficult to predict. It could be as much as \$30 million.

In our statutes, I am given the authority to use free fund balances to meet emergencies. There are several large balances, including \$ 2.5 million in the Rainy Day fund, \$ 3.5 million in the water pollution control account and \$30 million in Health and Welfare's cooperative welfare fund.

I believe I have access to sufficient money to meet this crisis. Obviously, if some of these sources are drained, they will not be available for other purposes and may eventually need to be reappropriated.

But I believe that for now, the present law will allow me access to sufficient matching funds. I ask that you use the greatest caution in fund-

ing additional budget requests for money during this session until we get this sorted out. I assure you I will not spend one dollar that cannot be justified.

We need to give local units of government the flexibility to meet their new obligations. I have asked you to remove the 3 percent cap on growth of local government budgets, under a strictly defined formula, using the extra moneys only for disaster relief. Thanks to your quick action, this legislation is already moving rapidly through the Legislature.

I will ask you to consider legislation to forgive the interest on sales tax that is not reported on time because of the flood. I will also present a bill to forgive the property tax on buildings destroyed by this disaster.

Through an executive order, I will give the Department of Labor and Industrial Services authority to draw up emergency building permits.

When disaster strikes, people expect their government to respond. Those who are responsible for responding are judged quickly by the victims, and by the

citizens in general.

I believe we have done well so far. I have already spoken of the rapid and complete federal response brought about by President Clinton and Senators Kempthorne and Craig.

But I want to especially recognize the efforts of local and state officials. Adjutant General John Kane, who commands the Idaho National Guard, and John Cline, who heads the Bureau of Disaster Services, have carried out an exemplary effort.

Routine preparation for emergencies is easy to neglect. It is a boring, time-consuming activity. But our counties and cities, in complete cooperation with the state, have faithfully prepared for just this kind of crisis. Their readiness paid big dividends. No one was hurt. All possible help was quickly provided to clothe, feed, and shelter the victims. Hundreds of huge machines and thousands of workers were immediately put into action. The Red Cross was one of the first agencies on the site to help. All of these people tilted around the clock and held damage to a minimum.

4 teens accused in drive-by shooting

IDAHO FALLS (AP) — Four teen-agers have been arrested for a drive-by shooting in an Idaho Falls neighborhood.

"No one was injured in the shooting about 10 p.m. Monday, but police say the shooter was aiming at four people outside a house when one bullet hit a parked car. Two shots allegedly were fired.


The teens were arrested when they drove back by the house at about 11 p.m.

"They came back around the cor-

ner, waving the gun, shouting obscenities," and drove right into the cops," said Linda Brower, whose car was hit by a bullet.

Police ordered the four teen-agers out of the car at gunpoint and found a 9mm pistol inside.

But police think the shooter used a black powder pistol later found at the home of an older man who knows the suspects, Detective Ken Brown said. Further tests were planned to determine which gun was used.

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Idaho GOP leader endorses primary

BOISE (AP) — Idaho Republican Party Chairman Ron McMurray says the state should hold a Rocky Mountain regional primary.

McMurray is talking with officials in seven other western states about establishing a regional primary that comes early enough in the campaign to have some effect.

Other states looking at the idea are Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Nevada, New Mexico and Colorado.

AUCTION CALENDAR
through March 23, 1996

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22 - 10:30 am
Ron Hilbert - Farm Machinery - Bull
Advertisement - Feb 20
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 10 am
Farm Machinery - Hysa, Oregon
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 10, 10
Times-News Feb 10
SPARKS AUCTION COMPANY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 11 am
Elin Young - Farm Machinery
Miscellaneous - Tuttle
Advertisement - Feb 22
WALL AUCTIONEERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 1996
Farm & Ranch Equipment - Wendell
Advertisement - Feb 22
MASTERS AUCTION SERVICE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 10 am
A.G.I. Construction - Bunkley - Vehicles
Tractors - Trailers - Boise
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 17,
Times-News Feb 17
AMERICAN ASSOCIATED AUCTIONEERS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 - 10 am
AUTO'S LARGEST
PUBLIC AUTO AUCTION - Eagle
Advertisement - Feb 22
MUSKER & SONS, INC.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 1 pm
Autos - Household Furniture - Electronics
Garden - Miscellaneous
Advertisement - Feb 23
SHOCKLEY AUCTION COMPANY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 4:30 pm
Ken Norton - Household - Furniture - Home
Advertisement - Feb 23
ALL AMERICAN AUCTION

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1996
Merritt Harker Farms
Farm Machinery - Hysa
Advertisement - Feb 18 & 25
HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - 6 pm
Household - Tools - Antiques -
Complimentary Welcome
KLAS AUCTION BARS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 - 11 am
Salvage Farms - Farm Equipment - Rupt
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 24,
Times-News Feb 25
MUSKER BROS AUCTIONEERS

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Tractors Equipment Liquidation - Twin Falls
Advertisement - Feb 27
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FRIDAY, MARCH 1 - 11 am
Max Sundeland - Farm Equipment - Rupt
Advertisement - AgWeekly, Feb 24,
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Farm Equipment - Twin Falls
Advertisement - Feb 28
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SATURDAY, MARCH 2 - 1996
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Waters - Eden
Advertisement - Feb 29
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Hylne Farms - Equipment Disposal
Dinner
Advertisement - Feb 25
BAKER AUCTION COMPANY

TUESDAY, MARCH 6 - 10:30 am
North Star Farms, Inc.
Farm Machinery - Caldwell
Advertisement - Feb 25 & Mar 3
WESTERN AUCTION COMPANY

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Disposal - Ontario, OR
Advertisement - Feb 25
BAKER AUCTION COMPANY

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Advertisement - Feb 25
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Disposal - Nyssa, OR
Advertisement - Feb 25
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Advertisement - Mar 7
WENT AUCTION SERVICE

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Buyers Ranches - Harson
Advertisement - Feb 28
WALL AUCTIONEERS

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Sports

Valley vaults past Wendell

Vikings pull away in final 2 minutes of A-3 district play

By Bill Chidichimo
Times-News writer

WENDELL — The Valley Vikings outscored Wendell 14-7 in the closing two minutes of Tuesday night's A-3 District IV loser-out contest, to pull away with a 55-45 win.

The victory earned Valley the right to go against undefeated and No. 1 seeded Declo at 7 p.m. today in Wendell. If Valley can't beat Wendell the next two nights, then the Vikings will advance to a playoff Saturday afternoon in Mountain Home against a third-district opponent. That winner will also earn a state berth.

The game was highlighted by deliberate offense. Knowing each other's style as well as they did (this was their fourth matchup of the season with the Trojans holding a 2-1 advantage up until Tuesday), the contest was tight throughout.

Wendell took a quick 6-0 lead after three minutes, on long-range buckets by junior Nick Kelsey and sophomore Bryan Bendorf. Valley, scoreless the first four minutes, outscored Wendell 11-3 the remainder of the period for a two-point advantage.

Valley used 6-5 Jason Malone and 6-3 Steve Staten underneath to keep the Viking close and with 39 seconds remaining before the half, Malone converted free throws that knotted the score at 22-22. Amis Mendoza hit two more charity shots to give Valley a two-point lead at halftime.

After halftime, the Vikings opened up a large advantage when Malone nailed the first four points.

Wendell, however, was hot from long-range all night (converting nine three-pointers for the game) and consecutive bombs by Kelsey and Bendorf knotted the game again at 30-30.

The Trojans pulled to within one at the end of the third quarter, 34-33, and when Kelsey hit his fourth three-pointer 67 seconds later, Wendell its final lead of the game 36-34.

Valley retook the lead for the final time, 37-36, at the 5:49 mark when Mendoza drove, scored and was fouled.

With Valley leading 41-38, Kelsey attempted a steal and drive in for a score, but lost control of both the ball and his footing, and fell hard as he dove for the ball. He slid head-first

Please see VALLEY/B6



Valley's Don Wyatt leaps over the defense of Wendell's Nick Kelsey for the shot and score during Tuesday evening's playoff game.

Highland holds Bruins, becomes Region III champ

By Kevin Miller
Times-News writer

POCATELLO — Highland was not about to give Twin Falls a Cinderella ride into the state playoffs Tuesday night.

Instead, the Bruins will have to work their way in on Saturday against a yet to be determined opponent after the Rams ran away with the Region III championship, 64-38.

Twin Falls has to win on Saturday at American Falls against the second seed from Idaho Falls to gain its first boys basketball state playoff berth since the Bruins finished second in 1994.

"We're not out of it by a long ways," Twin

Falls coach Dan Vogt said, looking forward to Saturday's 2 p.m. game. "One game doesn't make a season, except for Saturday."

The Bruins wouldn't want last night's game to sum up their season. For the second time in a row against the Rams during the regional playoffs, Twin Falls failed to score even 40 points. Only four Bruins got into the scoring column, led by Scott Seaton's 18 points.

"We have to have these guys produce. This is for the money. The good teams are going to play good defense and concentrate on your big guy," Vogt said.

Highland concentrated on stopping Kylan Peterson, and it worked.

Peterson only got off eight shots in the

game, scoring just seven points.

Meanwhile, Twin Falls couldn't pick up the Rams' Tension Triple soon enough. The Highland senior scored 31 points, hitting eight three-pointers to give him 100 treys for the season.

With Triple hitting from deep and Highland dominating the board, the Rams slowed the pace of the game. Once Twin Falls fell behind by more than 10 points in the third quarter, the Bruins had little chance to close in on Highland.

After a low-scoring first period, Twin Falls went on an 11-0 run in the second quarter to tie the game at 13. Ben Kohring started the Bruin run with consecutive driving scores.

Seaton and Peterson hit back-to-back treys to knot the game.

But the Rams answered with their own bomber. Triple hit his second 3-pointer of the quarter, then sophomore Green buried back-to-back treys, pushing Highland out to a nine-point lead before the half ended.

Twin Falls never narrowed that nine-point lead in the second half, falling behind by as many as 25 before the final buzzer sounded.

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Morning line

Sportsquote

“
I see myself going
No. 1. I know I would
select me if I had the
No. 1 pick.”

”

— Illinois linebacker Simeon Ricks on his NFL draft expectations

Briefly

Lemieux downplays latest back pain

PITTSBURGH — Mario Lemieux's latest bout with back pain apparently isn't serious and he plans to play Wednesday against Buffalo.

After being relatively pain-free most of the season, the Pittsburgh Penguins' star began having back problems again two weeks ago. He skipped the Penguins' game Friday at Winnipeg, but returned to score the game-winning overtime goal Sunday against the New York Rangers.

"It's nothing like in the past," Lemieux said. "Just a little soreness that stays for a couple of days, then goes away."

Lemieux went through a full practice Monday, barely 12 hours after Sunday night's game, and coach Eddie Johnston said, "He had good jump in his legs, so that's a good sign."

Boxing director dismissed for 'financial questions'

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Citing unspecified financial questions, U.S. Amateur Boxing Inc. said Tuesday that it would not renew the contract of Bruce Mathis as executive director.

The decision was made at organization meetings held in conjunction with the U.S. Boxing Championships last week in Colorado Springs.

"It was a very difficult decision USA Boxing's board of directors made in not renewing the contract of Bruce Mathis," USA Boxing president Jerry R. Dusenberry of Portland, Ore., said in a statement.

"The leadership of this organization will do what it takes to regroup, get back on track and move toward the centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta and beyond."

The board of directors' decision was based on questions regarding financial issues and concerns, the federation said. There was no elaboration.

Miami linebacker Cox close to signing with Chicago

LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Bryan Cox, a three-time Pro Bowl linebacker known for his Miami Dolphins, on Tuesday said he's on the verge of joining the Chicago Bears.

"We're awfully, awfully close," Cox said after emerging from a nearly three-hour visit with Bears coaches, adding that a deal could be completed by Wednesday.

"Of the teams that have looked at me and called my agent, I think the Bears have been the most relentless, saying, 'Hey, we need you to make that next step.'"

"I came in with no prejudgments about the organization. My agent said, 'Hey, the Bears have been tight over the years but, you know, we feel they really want you and they'll spend the bucks.'"

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Sportslate

- Today
- High school basketball
District 4 Class A-2
(at CSI)
Jerome vs. Wood River, 8 p.m.
 - District 4 Class A-3
(at Wendell)
Declo vs. 7 p.m.
 - District 4 Class A-4
(at Jerome High School)
Oakley vs. Shoshone, 8 p.m.
Murtaugh vs. Carey, 7:30 p.m.
 - High school wrestling
Buhl and Burley at American Falls, 8 p.m.
 - High school bowling
Baker competition at Twin Falls, 4 p.m.

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The Times-News



Super Bowl XXX Most Valuable Player and former Dallas Cowboy Larry Brown announces his signing with the Oakland Raiders Tuesday.

MVP becomes a Raider

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Cornerback Larry Brown, whose worth on the free-agent market soared after he being voted the Super Bowl's most valuable player, is leaving the Dallas Cowboys for the Oakland Raiders.

Brown, who had two interceptions in the Cowboys' 27-17 victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers, would not disclose details of the contract, except to say it was for more than one year.

"There's a point in your life when you have to realize it's time to move on. I think I came to that page," Brown said Tuesday at a news conference.

The Cowboys were not expected to re-sign Brown because of salary cap restrictions and the available cornerback combination of

Deion Sanders and Kevin Smith. Sanders, who has juggled football and baseball, was planning to concentrate exclusively on the Cowboys next season.

Smith, who was sidelined for all but the Cowboys' 1995 season opener with an Achilles tendon injury, was expected to return.

That left Brown open to offers. Brown would not say whether Dallas offered as much as the Raiders ultimately did.

Brown, 26, played a lot last season, finishing with six interceptions, including two for touchdowns.

Brown said he hopes to provide some leadership, especially during rough times, as it did in the second half of last season, when the Raiders lost their last six games after opening the season 8-2.

NFL out to early lead in suit against Cowboys

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — A jury will decide if the Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys violated league marketing contracts by promoting companies on their own.

In a victory for the league, U.S. District Judge Shira Scheindlin on Monday rejected the motion to dismiss by Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and ruled the suit by NFL Properties can proceed. No trial date was set.

The NFL sued the Cowboys last September for more than \$300 million, saying the club had broken its agreements regarding club trademarks and logos.

NFL lawyers argued last week that its negotiating stance for deals it makes on behalf of all the football teams are weakened when one team promotes its own.

For example, while the rest of the league is promoting Coca-Cola through a deal arranged by the NFL's marketing arm, the Cowboys are promoting and selling Pepsi at Texas Stadium.

Scheindlin said in a written opinion Tuesday the NFL had shown the minimal facts required to survive an effort by the Cowboys to toss the lawsuit out of court before trial.

The NFL alleged that deals the Cowboys made with Pepsi, Nike and American Express violated a trust agreement the club had signed in 1982 authorizing the NFL to

negotiate commercial uses of the team's name, helmet, uniform and slogans.

"This is a blatant breach of ... the most fundamental obligations of good faith dealing of both the ball and his footing, and fell hard as he dove for the ball. He slid head-first

Wachtell said at least one intent to bust the agreement.

"This is about power," countered lawyer Michael Klein on behalf of the Cowboys. "This case is simply one facet in an overall political and economic battle going on inside the NFL."

Klein said the NFL was not willing to settle the lawsuit, even though Jones has offered to share licensing proceeds, possibly with 60 percent going to his club and 40 percent to other teams.

"This lawsuit is worth more pending than it is resolved to NFL Properties because they walk around claiming that Jerry Jones is misappropriating property and doing terrible and awful things and tearing up the league when, in fact, he is not," Klein said.

The lawyer told the judge that if Jones would to challenge his team's contract by violating it he would have put on his Dallas Cowboys hat and made a deal with Nike and Nike.



Appearance fees may turn golf into baseball

By Ron Sink
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Is it wrong for Greg Norman, John Daly and Tom Watson to accept appearance money, but not wrong for Ken Griffey Jr., Deion Sanders or Derrick Coleman to get paid before they play? Why shouldn't professional golfers, who make far less than team sport players, be allowed to supplement their income by accepting fees to play in tournaments? It's a good question that poses some dangerous answers. One thing the game has going for it is that golfers get paid for how they play, not how they played. Griffey can hit .238 this year and still make millions of dollars. His contract guarantees that. Not so for Daly. He needs to perform to get paid. In the minds of the fans and the PGA Tour, which banned appearance fees in U.S. events decades ago, that is an important distinction.

Commentary

anger players and likely end up in court. Norman has already threatened legal action against the European PGA Tour over appearance fees. Norman's appearances this year in Australia put him in the center of the issue once again. "His appearance outside the United States these days would indicate a substantial amount of money has changed hands before he even puts a tee in the ground," five-time British Open champion Peter Thomson wrote recently in his newspaper column in Australia. "Few golf fans would give a hoot whether he played or not, so long as he appears," said Thomson, who served as Australian PGA president for 32 years until 1994. "But those who earn a more modest crust by trying to administer the professional game find these underhand payments a nightmare to keep under control." But what if the public begins to care?

'Golf is the purest form of capitalism and we'd like to keep it that way. No guarantees. No contracts.'

— PGA TOUR executive vice president for competition Bill Calfee

"You earn what you actually make," PGA Tour executive vice president for competition Bill Calfee said. "Golf is the purest form of capitalism and we'd like to keep it that way. No guarantees. No contracts." Perception is as precious a commodity for sports as reality. What the fans think is going on can be more damaging than what is really going on. It makes no difference if appearance fees are really affecting the level of competition, if the fans think it is the damage is done. Norman, the leading money winner of all time, has earned about \$10 million in his career — a little more than a year's pay for Sanders, Griffey and Co. And Mike Tyson would never consider getting in the ring against the stiffest test — even for \$89 seconds — for that paltry amount. But is appearance money the way to bring golfers up to snuff? CBS doesn't have a problem with appearance fees. Watson said last week at the Australian Masters. "It's like anything. To get Pavlovite, you have to pay a lot of money. I'm sure he's not coming here just to eat dinner. But a free-market bidding war for the top players can weaken fields for some tour events by drawing big names away with big money. The early season West Coast tournaments have felt that impact. The PGA Tour could deny releases granted to players who ask permission to compete in events schedule against tour events. But it's a showdown the tour would rather avoid. It would only

Norman is a great competitor. He loves to win and fights hard. Last year, he made the cut in 15 of 16 tour events, missing one only because of an injury. He won three times, was second twice and third once. In those 16 events, Norman took home an average paycheck of more than \$103,000. In four events Norman was paid an appearance fee to play in last in Dubai, fourth in the Philippines, 11th in the Irish Open and missing the cut at the Scottish Open. It is almost certainly coincidental. But the perception is dangerous. What if fans begin to think that appearance fees make players less hungry? Norman reportedly received \$225,000 to play in Adelaide, Australia, where the total purse was \$225,000. The tournament got its money's worth as Norman won, picking up another \$40,500, and the event set attendance records. "If sponsors want to pay him the money they're paying him, you know, why not?" said Daly, who has appeared in one U.S. event this year, playing instead in Singapore and Australia. "Greg deserves it, he's earned it." Truthfully, there is no way to stop appearance money. "In the U.S. sponsors will get players to come and play in an event on the Monday or Tuesday before, but it's not a direct payment for playing," Watson said. "Some people say that's not right, but on the other hand it gets players to the tournaments. I think it should be allowed."

Ahh... to be young and a Brave

Atlanta begins spring training; only choking questions absent

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Tom Glavine liked what he saw Tuesday — and what he didn't hear. The Atlanta Braves held their first full workout of spring training on a warm, sunny day in south Florida with essentially the same team that defeated Cleveland in the World Series. "It was great to walk in that clubhouse and see 20 of the 25 guys we had on our championship team are back here," Glavine said. "That's a good feeling." And he didn't have to answer one question about the Braves choking in the postseason. "It's a lot more relaxing to answer questions about defending your championship than it is to hear questions like, 'Are you the Buffalo Bills of baseball? Are you ever going to win the big game?'" The Braves lost the World Series in 1991 and '92 and the NL championship series in '93, setting up some rather tense encounters between players and reporters when the inevitable questions followed in the spring. "That stuff, when you hear it all the time, it's real easy to get on the players' nerves," Glavine said. "Right now, everything is great for us. We're all happy. We have everyone back. And we're looking forward to doing it again." The opening workout attracted a larger crowd than in past years. Hundreds of fans — some from as far away as Maryland and Massachusetts — milled around the stands, listening to the crack of the bat and the smack



Hopeful fans wait with balls-in-hand for an autograph from Atlanta Braves pitcher Tom Glavine Tuesday at the Braves spring training facility in West Palm Beach, Fla.

of the leather on a day when temperatures climbed to near 80. After the three-hour workout, the crowd converged around the dugout, pleading for autographs as the players came off the field. The Braves' new status was on display all over Municipal Stadium. It was hard to find a spot without a sign noting that this is the spring home of the 1995 world champions. To defend its title, Atlanta has essentially the same team it had last season. Missing are five role players —

pitchers Kent Mercker and Alejandro Pena, outfielders Luis Polonia and Mike Devereaux and catcher Charlie O'Brien — who were trimmed from the roster to free up money for resigning first baseman Fred McGriff and outfielder Marquis Grissom.

Canseco 'just could not get up' for 1st workout

The Associated Press

Cancel that missing person report: Jose Canseco is in camp. Canseco was absent from Boston's first full-squad workout Tuesday morning, and general manager Dan Duquette miffed. But shortly after 1 p.m., Canseco arrived in the clubhouse in Fort Myers, Fla. Canseco said he had intended to show up for Tuesday's 8:30 a.m. team meeting but was delayed by a charity golf tournament in West Palm Beach on Monday. He said he arrived in Fort Myers around 4 a.m. "I had a long drive. I had a lot of things to take care of," he said. "I was sick with allergies. I just could not get up this morning." Duquette said Canseco should have been on time out of respect for his teammates and should have called to say he'd be late "as a professional courtesy." "I will speak with him," Canseco said. "He loves me." Later, Duquette talked briefly with Canseco. "Elvis," Duquette conceded, "is in the building." **Yankees** From Lou Gehrig to Don Mattingly, greatness has graced first base at Yankee Stadium. Now, Tino Martinez has the opportunity to leave his mark. "I'm not going to think about Don Mattingly on the field," said Martinez, acquired in an off-season trade with Seattle. "If I make an error or strikeout, those things are going to be magnified early in the season. It's all part of replacing a legend." Martinez hit .293 with 31 home runs and 111 RBIs last season when the Mariners won the AL West title.



Newly acquired New York Yankee Tino Martinez fields a ball during drills Tuesday in Tampa, Fla. Martinez played last season for the Seattle Mariners.

"We traded for Tino Martinez because Don retired, even if it may only be temporary," manager Joe Torre said in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "We needed a first baseman. If we get as much production as he had last year with Seattle, I'll be more than pleased." **Mariners** He won the AL Cy Young Award and pitched

his team into the playoffs last season, and will make \$5.75 million this year. No wonder Seattle star Randy Johnson is smiling. "I am having more fun in this game than ever because I'm not fighting myself," he said at Mariners' camp in Peoria, Ariz. "I'm still a perfectionist and want to pitch well every game. But before when I had a bad game, I didn't think the sun would come up the next day." Married now with one child and another on the way, Johnson is aware of his good fortune. "I'm playing a sport I love and get grossly overpaid doing it," he said. "I'm not ashamed to say that."

Giants Deion Sanders' decision to skip baseball for at least this season and concentrate on playing for the Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys did not come as a surprise to San Francisco manager Dusty Baker. Sanders became a baseball free agent when the Giants said last season that Sanders had the speed and strength to become one of the top hitters in baseball, and Baker repeated that assessment Tuesday at camp in Scottsdale, Ariz. "He hadn't scratched the surface of his potential. He was just learning how to hit," Baker said. "And I know baseball was more frustrating to him than football. I heard him say that baseball was going to drive him to drinking, and he doesn't even drink."

Briefly in sports

IOC sees smooth ride for Atlanta ATLANTA — Olympic organizers are facing their final stretch with no serious obstacles ahead, though money will remain a concern until the end, the head of a review panel said Tuesday. "There are going to be little blips along the way, but nothing of significance," said Richard Pound of the International Olympic Committee. "All of the main issues have been dealt with." Pound, an influential IOC member from Canada, heads a commission that visits Atlanta twice a year to critique plans for the 1996 Games. The two-day review that ended Tuesday was the next to last for the panel before the Games.

Bulls activate Longley; Edwards hurt DEERFIELD, Ill. — Chicago Bulls center Luc Longley was activated Tuesday after sitting out nine games with a sprained left knee. Longley was set to start at center when the Bulls faced the Cleveland Cavaliers on Tuesday night. The Bulls placed center James Edwards on the injured list to make room for Longley. Edwards has a strained Achilles tendon.

Romar to leave UCLA for Pepperdine MALIBU, Calif. — Lorenzo Romar, one of college basketball's top recruiters who helped UCLA sign the core of its current team, will fulfill a longtime wish to become coach at Pepperdine. Romar will continue to serve as an assistant coach at defending national champion UCLA until the Bruins' complete their season. Then he will take over the Pepperdine program from Marty Wilson, who was named interim head coach after Tony Fuller resigned on Jan. 20, hours before the Waves entertained Santa Clara.

All-Pro offensive tackle to visit Eagles PHILADELPHIA — Six-time Pro Bowl selection Lomas Brown will be in Philadelphia on Thursday, according to his agent, and the Eagles have said signing a left tackle is a top priority. Sanders' baseball marketability has dropped but he also wants to spend more time with his family. He just returned from Florida from his first vacation he'd ever had with his wife, Caroline, and two children. "Normally, I would be leaving for (baseball) training camp right now and be gone from my family for six

Sanders wants to play both sides of football

DALLAS (AP) — Deion Sanders isn't going to be a two-sport star in 1996. Sanders has decided to shelve baseball for at least one season while he devotes his energies to becoming the NFL's only full-time two-way player. "Now, we'll see how good I can be," said the Dallas Cowboys cornerback-wide receiver-kicker returner. "I want to have an impact on both sides of the ball." Sanders is so serious about becoming a great receiver that he will attend his first full training camp in July. He once spent two weeks in camp with the Atlanta Falcons. "I'm looking forward to mixing it up in the middle, do whatever I'll go to become a great receiver. I think I'm going to have an impact. I have high expectations. ... I think this team is going to win a lot of Super Bowls in the next five years." Sanders' baseball marketability has dropped but he also wants to spend more time with his family. He just returned from Florida from his first vacation he'd ever had with his wife, Caroline, and two children. "Normally, I would be leaving for (baseball) training camp right now and be gone from my family for six



Deion Sanders Wants to be great receiver weeks," he said. "It's great just being here and dropping my kids off to school every day." Sanders said his baseball earnings wouldn't have matched the \$2.5 million he made last year playing for the Cincinnati Reds and San Francisco Giants. Coach Barry Switzer kiddingly asked Sanders, who got a \$13 million bonus in September, if he had coaxed more money out of owner Jones to make the decision. "Do you get some more money from Jerry?" Switzer asked. Sanders just grinned. Jones didn't

Stockton set to break Cheeks' steal record

The Associated Press

Mo Cheeks remembers the first time he saw John Stockton. It was during an exhibition game in Las Vegas during the Utah point-guard's rookie season. "I remember him coming in the game and me thinking he couldn't play," Cheeks said. "You kind of take it lightheartedly when someone like him comes in, because he didn't look like he could play right off the bat. I thought I could get a steal off him right away, and I tried it and he went by me and scored — and he did it repeatedly. I had never seen him before, but from there on I noticed him because of that one time. I said 'Oh, this guy looks like he CAN play.'" Stockton, in his 12th season, has been fooling opponents ever since. He was poised to break Cheeks' NBA record for career steals Tuesday night as the Jazz played the Boston Celtics at Salt Lake City. Stockton entered the game with 2,309 steals, one short of the total Cheeks amassed in 15 seasons with Philadelphia, San Antonio, New York, Atlanta and New Jersey. "It's good to hold the record, but you know eventually it's going to end. I don't have any prob-

lem with it. I know it's going to end soon and most records end at some point," said Cheeks, now an assistant coach with the Philadelphia 76ers. The NBA didn't begin counting steals as an official statistic until 1973, and some people say Cheeks' mark is diminished. For example, there are no records of Oscar Robertson's steals for the Cincinnati Royals and Milwaukee Bucks because he retired the year before they became an official stat. Same goes for Bob Cousy, Hal Greer, Bill Russell, John Havlicek and Bill Shamman — all good defenders. "No records exist of Frazier's steals in his first six seasons. Although he averaged 1.94 per game and 147 per season in his last four years with the Knicks. Cheeks averaged 2.10 per game and 154 per season.

Compiled from wire reports

Are you paying for unnecessary services?

Knight-Ridder News Service

Suppose a neighbor arranged to automatically pay you \$10 a week to water his plants while he is traveled for a few months. Then a decade later, years after his return, you discover the money is still flowing into your account. Would you:

A) Jump on the phone, apologize profusely for not noticing sooner, pay back the \$5,000 you hadn't earned and tack on interest?

B) Keep mum? Most of us, of course, are never in this situation. But millions are cast in the role of the neighbor, blindly paying every month for a service we no longer need — private mortgage insurance (PMI).

On the other hand, banks and other mortgage lenders generally select answer B, qui-

etly accepting the money and refusing to repay it when the mistake is discovered. Over the years, unnecessary PMI payments can cost you thousands.

"The bank won't tell you," says David Zalles, a Lafayette Hill accountant, who says this is a valuable savings many people overlook.

PMI is an insurance policy to protect the lender if you fail to make your mortgage payments. Lenders generally require PMI for borrowers who make down payments of less than 20 percent of their property's selling price.

The lender figures that if you borrow less than 80 percent of the price of your home and then default, the home can be sold for more than the amount of the loan, leaving the lender with a profit.

But if you borrow 90 or 95 percent of the

home's price, the lender is more likely to lose money after foreclosing, so you are required to obtain PMI.

The PMI premium, part of the homeowner's monthly payment, might be \$50 a month or more for a house with a \$150,000 mortgage.

If you made a 10 percent down payment and took a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage, it would take more than eight years for your monthly payments to reduce the remaining principal by another 10 percent. So, it's easy to overlook that you may have hit the 20 percent threshold and don't need PMI.

But you may not have to wait that long. Generally, the lender allows you to get rid of PMI once your equity is at least 20 percent of the property's "current" value.

So even if your house appreciated in value at only 2 percent or 3 percent a year, you

could go from 10 percent equity to 20 percent in just a few years.

With a 15-year mortgage, you'd pay off 10 percent of principal in just 32 months.

Every January, mortgage lenders send annual statements that show borrowers the amount of tax-deductible interest they paid during the previous year. The statement also may show the amount of principal outstanding on the loan. If it doesn't, your lender can provide it.

If the remaining principal is less than 80 percent of what you paid for your home, the chance of eliminating your PMI payment is excellent, assuming the property hasn't lost value and you have a good payment history. If the remaining principal is higher than 80 percent of the purchase price, try to figure what the house might fetch on today's market. If you think you have a reasonable shot at

eliminating PMI, call your mortgage lender. The lender will probably require an appraisal of the property's value — as it did when you bought the house.

The appraisal will probably cost several hundred dollars, which you can offset in just a few months by eliminating the PMI.

Is it really worth the trouble? Well, \$50 saved each month on PMI and invested at 8 percent for 20 years would grow to nearly \$25,000. For that kind of savings, it's worth kicking in some extra principal payments to get to the 80 percent threshold.

Send your question on personal finance to Jeff Brown, The Philadelphia Enquirer, P.O. Box 8263, Philadelphia, PA 19101. Send e-mail to HCMD31@prodigy.com on the Internet. Questions cannot be answered personally.

Markets

Dow-Jones

NYSE (AP) (Final Dow-Jones averages for Tuesday, Feb. 20)	
NYSE Comp. High Low Close Chg	
2000 5440 5316 5377 5330 5353 -44.70	
15 min 2018.5 2043.0 2034.0 2027.45 -16.58	
15 min 17.22 228.72 224.43 223.75 -4.97	
15 min 174.29 1748.15 1748.00 1738.10 -9.07	
India 311,900	
Japan 2,542,200	
UK 1,461,400	

Most actives

NYSE (AP) — Sales, closing price and net change of the 15 most active New York Stock Exchange issues, trading actively on Feb. 21	
Volume	
Eastman Kodak	1,759,500 34 1/2 -1/2
GE	5,322,200 11 3/4 -1/4
IBM	3,423,000 118 1/4 -1/4
Merck	1,423,000 20 1/2 -1/4
Walmart	4,013,500 50 1/2 -1/4
Wal-Mart	4,013,500 50 1/2 -1/4
Eastman	1,759,500 34 1/2 -1/2
Eastman	1,759,500 34 1/2 -1/2
Eastman	1,759,500 34 1/2 -1/2
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Local interest

Description	Close	Change
Alcoa	34 1/2	-1/2
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
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Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4
Amstar	7 1/2	-1/4

Closing futures

Math	50.00	High	50.00	Low	49.75	Change	+0.25
Live Cattle	53.00	53.25	53.00	52.75	52.75	-0.25	
Corn	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	1.75	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	
Wheat	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00	

Beans

Valley Beans	
Green beans	\$30.00
White beans	\$19.00
Black beans	\$19.00
Red beans	\$19.00
Yellow beans	\$19.00
Black beans	\$19.00
Red beans	\$19.00
Yellow beans	\$19.00
Black beans	\$19.00
Red beans	\$19.00
Yellow beans	\$19.00

Grains

Valley Grains	
Soft white wheat	\$4.81
Hard white wheat	\$4.81
Hard red wheat	\$4.81
Soft red wheat	\$4.81
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Soft red wheat	\$4.81
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Sugar

NY (AP) — Sugar futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange						
11	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
12	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
13	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
14	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
15	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
16	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
17	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
18	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
19	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00
20	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	0.00

Wheat

NY (AP) — Wheat futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange						
11	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
12	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
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17	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
18	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
19	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
20	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00

Wheat

NY (AP) — Wheat futures trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange						
11	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	0.00
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Have you been slammed lately?

If your long-distance service is suddenly switched, you are a victim of what's called 'slamming'

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Long-distance phone rates have dropped by about 60 percent in the past decade, thanks to spirited competition that followed the 1984 breakup of AT&T.

That's the good news, but there's a dark side to this fierce competition. It's a shoddy practice called "slamming," in which your long-distance phone service is switched without your consent. Despite numerous efforts on the part of industry and government to slam dunk the practice in the past six years, slamming lives on.

State and federal phone regulators say slamming is by far their most frequently heard complaint from consumers, with the numbers in the tens of thousands.

"Consumers need to be vigilant," said John Muleta, who runs the enforcement division that oversees long-distance phone companies for the Federal Communications Commission.

Bearing this in mind, here are some questions and answers on the subject.

Question: How do I know if I've been slammed?

Answer: Nobody will tell you. You may get a bill from the company that slammed you. Or, more likely, the charges from the offending company will show up on your regular monthly phone bill. The name of the long-distance company doing the billing will be listed, but you need to check your bill carefully.

Q. Will the charges from the slamming company cover long-distance phone calls that you actually made?

A. Yes, in that sense you're paying for a service you would have to pay for anyway. But chances are good you'll be billed at a higher rate than your regular long-distance

company would have charged. And because many calling plans are based on a certain volume of calls, you may lose out on discounts you would have received had those calls been charged to your designated long-distance company.

Q. How does slamming work?

A. Let us count the ways. You may get a notice in the mail about a sweepstakes contest, asking you to sign a form and send it to win a prize. The fine print says that signing the form authorizes a switch to a new phone company. A variation on that scheme is a check in the mail for \$25 or \$50 from a long-distance phone company, inviting you to sign it and send it in. The fine print says your signature OKs a switch of phone companies.

Q. So if I read the fine print before signing anything, I should be OK?

A. Well, you'll certainly better your odds, but there are other ways you can get slammed. You could get a call from a telemarketer asking you to switch your long-distance phone company. Even if you tell him no, or ask him only to send you information, he may go ahead and switch you anyway. Federal rules require that consumers be alerted by mail before their long-distance service is switched. But the alert may come in the form of a junk-mail letter that asks you to mail in a form if you don't want to switch. Many people throw out junk mail without looking at it.

Q. Is slamming always this sleazy?

A. No. Last year about 25 million Americans decided to change their long-distance company. With those kinds of numbers, it's inevitable that clerical errors accounted for some unauthorized changes. Often, one family member will agree to change companies without telling others in

the household. And some people who decide to change companies, only to find out later the new deal wasn't as good as they thought, may claim to have been slammed when they really weren't.

Q. What is being done about slamming?

A. The FCC issued new rules in September 1995 aimed at cracking down on the practice. Companies still can use sweepstakes and checks as come-ons to get you to switch long-distance services, but the authorization form you sign must be separate and clearly explained in writing "of sufficient size and readable style." The FCC isn't just issuing rules. Last month it proposed fines against several long-distance phone companies, including AT&T and MCI, for allegedly misleading customers.

Q. What can I do to keep myself from being slammed?

A. The surest way is to call your local phone company and ask for a "PIC freeze." Geep that's in place, your local phone company won't change your long-distance (or designated interexchange) company unless it gets written permission directly from you. The disadvantage is that it will be more time-consuming for you to change long-distance companies if you choose to do so.

Q. What if I want to have the flexibility to switch long-distance companies quickly but still don't want to get slammed?

A. Never sign anything without reading it carefully, ask telemarketers for long-distance companies to send you information rather than agreeing to anything over the phone, and check your junk mail before throwing it out — especially if you've recently gotten a telemarketing call for long-distance service.

Q. What do I do if I discover I've been

slammed?

A. First, call your local phone company and tell them you've been slammed. Tell them you want to be switched back immediately to your company of choice, and that any switching charges be assessed to the company that slammed you. Next, call the company that slammed you. You are legally obligated to pay the company for long-distance calls you made through its service, but at the rate your designated company charges you. For example, if a 10-minute evening call to Chicago would cost you \$1.80 with your chosen long-distance company, that's what you would pay even if the slamming company bills you for \$2.50.

Q. Who can I complain to?

A. The FCC has a toll-free number for slamming complaints. It has the authority to penalize companies that slam, but it needs input from consumers to back them up.

Q. Will the new, sweeping telecommunications law make it more or less likely I'll be slammed?

A. Probably more, though nobody knows for sure. The new law will allow competition among local telephone companies, and if competition for local service gets as hot as it has been for long-distance service, chances are that some companies will engage in slamming. Industry watchers don't expect as much slamming for local phone service, however. Local rates are already low, and billing procedures will make the practice logistically difficult. But consumers, who should benefit from the competition, will need to be even more vigilant.

Q. One last thing. Just where did the term "slamming" come from?

A. It's a mystery. Although the practice has been around since the middle 1980s, the earliest reference we could find after check-

What to do if you've been 'slammed'

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Here's what to do if you've been 'slammed':

• Call your local phone company. You'll find the number in the front of your phone book.

• Call the Federal Communications Commission at (202) 475-0705 or write the agency, FCC, Common Carrier Bureau, Enforcement Division, Mail Stop 1600A2, Washington, D.C. 20554.

• If you mail in your complaint, here's what regulators would like you to include:

Your name, address and a daytime phone number, the names of your local and designated long-distance phone companies, and the name of the company that slammed you. The names and numbers of phone company employees you've talked to, and when you talked to them. Copies of any relevant documents — bills, contest entry blanks, etc.

ing the archives of 10 major newspapers was January 1990. An Associated Press article quoted Merrill Tutton, an AT&T vice president, complaining about "the numerous instances of unauthorized switching — Q. 'slamming' as it is known in the industry." However, AT&T spokesman Julie Spechler said she believes the term originated with the news media, not the telephone industry.

Rising stock market tests bravery of investors

By Janet L. Fox
Knight-Ridder News Service

WASHINGTON — Having soared upward for a year, the stock market is testing the bravery of investors and the wisdom of age-old advice against buying high.

"Everybody's asking, 'Is this a good time to get in?' and I tell them my crystal ball is broken," says Mark Bass, a financial planner in Lubbock, Texas. "It's a roll of the dice — unless you're investing for the long haul and have the gut not to sell when prices inevitably fall."

Courage isn't easy in this market. Seldom have stocks looked so dangerous and so tempting. Here are four reasons why:

Not since the 1950s has the economic environment been so favorable. Low inflation, falling interest rates, and surprisingly strong corporate profits could drive stock prices even higher, many experts argue. Because the economy is slowing, interest rates will likely fall more. But if the economy slides into recession, stocks would reverse direction.

Still, "the next 10 years could be a golden time for stock investors," says David Littman, senior economist for Comerica in Detroit.

• No one expects this year to be as

good for stocks as 1995. If investors reap a 10 percent gain, they'll be lucky, experts say. Then again, this time last year, no one expected stocks to soar as much as they did. And only against that dramatic gain could 10 percent seem meager.

Over the next 10 years, investors should expect stocks to do about as well as they have on average for the past 100 years: 11.5 percent annually for investors with the courage to hold their stocks through good and bad markets.

Stocks prices are due for a tumble of 15 percent to 30 percent, experts agree. Stocks won't move up in a straight line forever. But no one knows when the correction may come. A decline could be months or years away, they say.

"We know there is a correction of significant magnitude coming, we just don't know when," says W. Anthony Hittscher, president of Brandwine Asset Management, a pension fund manager based in Wilmington, Del. "Stocks could go up another 20 percent before they reverse direction."

This may be a chance in a lifetime to invest. Some experts believe we are seeing the beginning of a 10-year rally that will end with a major decline from which stocks would not

Basic rules to keep in mind

WASHINGTON — With the market soaring and investor anxieties high, here are some basic investment rules from experts to keep in mind:

• Don't plunge in and out of the market. Instead, invest regularly in stocks and bonds or in mutual funds and save until it hurts.

• Own small stocks, large stocks, domestic and foreign stocks, as well as bonds. Keep in cash or short-term Treasury bills what you need in an emergency.

• If you're not sure what stocks to buy, invest in mutual funds and leave it to a professional. Another option: buy an index fund with stocks that mirror the Standard & Poor's index.

And here is some more personal advice from the experts:

• W. Anthony Hittscher, 38, president of portfolio manager, Brandwine Asset Management, Wilmington, Del., which has \$4.5 billion in pension assets under management. "Reduce ownership of U.S. stocks and increase international stocks. Favor steel, paper, chemicals, autos and other stocks likely to do well in a recession."

Own some gold and silver stocks. "Real assets will do better than financial assets in coming years," he says.

• David M. Jones, 37, chief economist, Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York:

"If you need to fund a 1995 IRA by April 15, 'I'd tend to wait' until April to invest in hopes that stock prices are lower."

• Don Phillips, 33, president, Morningstar Inc., a Chicago-based publication that tracks and rates mutual fund performance for investors:

Buy stocks, "but don't take out a second mortgage and throw everything into them." Stick to your long-term investments. If 1995 left you with a higher percentage of domestic stocks than you're comfortable with, sell some and use the profits to reinvest in foreign stock funds or other areas that didn't do as well. Ask yourself: How will you feel if stocks dive 20 percent "if you'd be tempted to sell if the \$50,000 you have in stocks suddenly becomes \$40,000 overnight, you're too aggressively invested," he says.

— will begin turning 60 and presumably start to sell the stocks they're buying now to build retirement nest eggs.

"Just as fast as Baby Boomers pushed money into real estate in the '70s and '80s and into stocks now, they'll be taking money out of stocks in 2006," predicts David Sowerby, a portfolio manager for Beacon Investment Co., a pension fund manager based in Ann Arbor, Mich.

"Then look out," he says.

Which brings us back to courage. John Templeton, the mutual fund guru, has said to "buy when others are despondently selling and to sell when others are euphorically buying takes the greatest courage and provides the greatest profit."

The problem is, fear — not euphoria — seems to be driving investors in and out of stocks these days.

People are pouring money into stocks of U.S. companies fearing they missed making money in 1995 and will miss more if they don't invest now. Others are investing despite fears they're buying at the peak and will lose big when prices dive.

Still others, fearing an imminent crash in stock prices, sold months ago and are sitting with cash or bonds hoping for a chance to buy stocks back at bargain prices.

A good example: Jeffrey Vinik, manager of Fidelity's Magellan Fund, the nation's largest stock mutual fund.

Last year, Vinik made his shareholders richer by buying technology stocks before they got hot. But by the end of 1995, Vinik was spooked by stocks.

He had sold stocks and had an unusually high 32 percent of fund assets invested in cash and bonds, the largest non-stock stock fund has had since at least 1972, The Wall Street Journal reported.

Now his shareholders are paying the price. Magellan is up just 1.8 percent this year, versus a gain of more than 5 percent for the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index.

Vinik's not alone. Others also are trying to protect last year's gains — but not miss out on this year's gains — by jumping in and out of the stock market.

"I know senior executives who bailed out of stocks months ago," says Comerica's Littman, who continues to invest 30 percent of income mostly in stocks. "They get skittish and thought: It's better to sell too soon than be a pig and lose it all."

The wisest — and those who ultimately may prove wealthier than the worry warts now sitting on the sidelines — continue to invest fearlessly and regularly, believing that stocks are a smart investment even now, most experts agree.

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100-200 bk Astor Ave.
100-200 bk Dakota Ave.
100-200 bk Ostrander St.
100-200 bk Washington St.
300 bk Wmt St.
ROUTE 809
100-200 bk 2nd Ave. W
100-200 bk 3rd St. W.
100-200 bk 4th Ave. W
200-800 bk 5th Ave. W
100-400 bk 5th St. W.
100-400 bk 6th St. W.
100-200 bk 7th St. W.
300-700 bk All St.
300-700 bk Oak St.
400-800 bk Russell St.
300-500 bk Washington St.
ROUTE 810
400-500 bk 3rd St. N.
200-800 bk 4th Ave. N.
300-500 bk 4th St. N.
100-200 bk 5th Ave. N.
ROUTE 811
100-200 bk Bolton St.
100-200 bk River Ave W
500-400 bk Washington St. W.
100-200 bk Wlreaching Ave. N.
ROUTE 812
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ROUTE 813
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100-200 bk 5th Ave. N.
ROUTE 815
100-200 bk Bolton St.
100-200 bk River Ave W
500-400 bk Washington St. W.
100-200 bk Wlreaching Ave. N.
ROUTE 816
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Skyline Mobile Park
ROUTE 850
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ROUTE 852
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100-205 blk Wirching Ave. W
ROUTE 500
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300-400 blk Filer Ave
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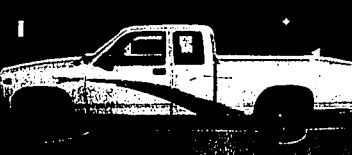
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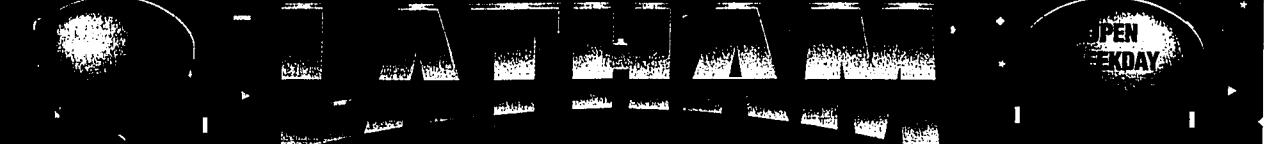
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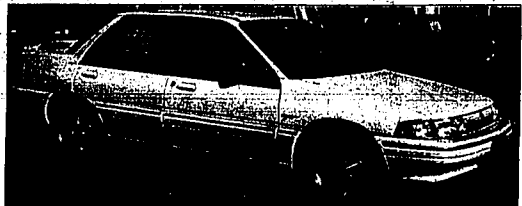


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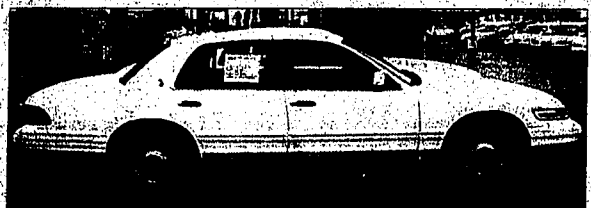
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Taste the world



Warm up with hot chocolate

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Readers are still sending in hot chocolate recipes, as a result of one reader's request.

The first two recipes are from Susan Stallings of Twin Falls. The first is her favorite.

"I've used it for years," she wrote of this Hot Chocolate Mix. "My college students love it."

HOT CHOCOLATE MIX

- 1 package instant non-fat dry milk (10 2/3 cups)
- 1 6-ounce jar powdered non-dairy creamer
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 16-ounce can instant chocolate drink mix

Mix well, store in large airtight container in cool, dry place and use within 6 months.

Use: Add 3 tablespoons mix to 1 cup hot water. Stir to dissolve.

The next recipe from Stallings is from "Make-A-Mix Cookery."

HOT CHOCOLATE MIX

- 10 cups instant non-fat dry milk or 1 8-quart package, size
- 1 11-ounce bottle powdered non-dairy creamer
- 1 16-ounce can instant chocolate drink mix
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar

Mix all together and store in a large covered container.

Use: Place 1/3 cup dry mix in a mug, add boiling water, stir to dissolve.

This hot cocoa mix is from Shirley Balster of Twin Falls. She kept it on hand all the years her children were at home, she wrote.

INSTANT HOT COCOA MIX

- 1 pound cocoa mix
- 5 1/3 cup powdered milk
- 1/2 cup powdered sugar
- 3 ounces powdered cream

Add 4 rounded teaspoons per cup to hot boiling water.

This hot chocolate mix is from Arlene Schmidt of Twin Falls.

"Here is an excellent recipe for instant hot chocolate mix," she wrote. "It is great for winter or summer outings or can be packaged for Christmas gifts."

INSTANT HOT CHOCOLATE MIX

- 1 8-quart size box of powdered milk
- 1 11-ounce bottle powdered non-dairy creamer
- 1 16-ounce can Nestle's Quick
- 2 cups powdered sugar

Mix all ingredients well. Store in large airtight container. Use 3 to 4 tablespoons in a cup of hot water.

This hot chocolate mix is from Flo Thomas of Hagerman.

"I used it in the '60s when my children were young," she wrote. "They enjoyed it so much."

HOT CHOCOLATE

- 25.6 ounces powdered skim milk
- 6 ounces powdered cream
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 16 ounces Nestle's chocolate

Mix well and store in an airtight container. Use 4-5 heaping teaspoons to 1 cup boiling water.

Requests: We're looking for lunchbox recipes that pack well.

Recipes to share or requests for recipes to share should be sent to Recipe Exchange, Denise Turner, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303-0548. Please include name, address and phone number.

Cookbook samples food from all over

By Denise Turner
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Faculty and students at the College of Southern Idaho are learning about different countries — by using their taste buds.

The 25 members of the school's International Studies Club prepare lunch items to sell each Wednesday. They set up shop in the Shields Building on campus.

Where to get it

The "SIFE International Cookbook" is priced, at \$4. To order a copy, call 783-9554, Ext. 2104 or 2105. Or send \$4 to "SIFE International Cookbook," P.O. Box 1238, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

Anyone who has international recipes to share is also invited to call or write.

"Now we prepare two courses each week."

International club members are mostly Americans, so the students collected recipes for their cookbook from grandparents or other family members. Some of the recipes were submitted by CSI international students.

The book contains recipes from Armenia, Japan, China, Chile, Hungary, Poland and many other countries. Special favorites include Lemon Squares from Scotland and Shepherders' Stew from France.

"One week we prepared Squids from Neum (Yugoslavia), and people turned their noses up at first," Hagan said. "Then they came back for seconds."

On a recent Wednesday, club members were selling Italian Meatloaf for \$1 a portion, and Portuguese Pasta Salad for \$1 a dish. The meatloaf has a sauce in the center, which is filled with Canadian bacon, bell peppers, onions, tomatoes and mushrooms. Adobo, a foreign spice available locally, gives the main dish a distinctive flavor.

The pasta salad is made with cucumbers, peas and tomatoes blended in a bottled liquid spice called mango. The spice is available at specialty stores, explained Shamen Starr, who helped write the international cookbook. Starr also prepares many of the dishes served at CSI on Wednesdays.

Not long ago, Starr tried making Melktert, an African dessert pie, at home.

"It was delicious," she said, "and it's in the cookbook."

The International Studies Club is designed to promote cultural understanding. Members meet weekly for discussions, readings and games (the currency games are fun, they say).

They are raising money for a trip to Eastern Europe, to study the government there.

Maybe they will have time to sample some new recipes, too.



College of Southern Idaho student Bill Westfall purchases lunch from International Club members Shamen Starr, right, and Chelle Melngin in a hallway of Shields Building.

Samples from the 'SIFE International Cookbook'

Here are some recipes from the "SIFE International Cookbook," compiled by the International Studies Club at the College of Southern Idaho.

LEMON SQUARES (Scotland)

- Base
- 2 cups flour
- 2 cups margarine
- 1/2 cup confection sugar
- Dash salt

- Topping
- 2 cups sugar
- 4 eggs
- 4 tablespoons lemon juice
- 4 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- Grated rind from 2 or 3 lemons

Base: Sift flour, sugar and salt into a

boil. Cut in the margarine. Press into a greased and floured 13-by-9-by-2-inch baking dish. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Topping: Mix all ingredients in a bowl and pour over the base and bake for 25 minutes more. Sprinkle with powdered sugar after baking. Cool before cutting.

Makes 24 large or 48 small squares.

BAKED STUFFED POTATOES (India)

- 4 medium or 2 large baking potatoes
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1/2 cup diced carrots
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup chopped red or green bell pepper (1 medium)
- 1 tablespoon ground coriander seeds
- 1/2 tablespoon turmeric
- 1/4 teaspoon cardamom
- Pinch of ground cloves
- 4 ounces cream cheese, at room tem-

perature
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Scrub the potatoes and bake them in a 400 degrees for one hour or until done. While the potatoes are baking, prepare the filling. Sauté the onions and carrots in the oil until they are tender, for about 10 minutes. Add the bell pepper and spices and continue to sauté for another minute or two, stirring. Add a little water to the pan to prevent sticking, cover it and cook for another 5 minutes, or until the bell pepper is just tender. Stir in the cream cheese and salt and pepper to taste. Set aside.

When the potatoes are baked and cool enough to handle, make a length-wise cut in the top of each one and scoop out at least half of the contents. If you are using large potatoes, cut them in half length-

Please see SAMPLES/D8

A 'Just for You' birthday

Birthdays have been celebrated for thousands of years. The Greek historian Herodotus, describing the festivals of the ancient Persians, wrote: "It is their custom to honour their birthday above all other days, and on this day they furnish their table in at more plentiful manner than at other times."

So 2,500 years later, we're still honoring birthdays above all other days, catering to as many of the birthday celebrant's likes and delights as possible — except, perhaps, when it comes to the sweet conclusion. When the usual birthday cake doesn't cut it, go ahead and "twink" tradition by preparing a grand finale that the honoree will adore.

A recent Gallup Mirror of American survey showed that cheesecake is considered the perfect dessert by most Americans, followed closely by pie



A Happy Birthday Pizza or a Candy Bar Cheesecake will delight any birthday boy or girl.



and ice cream. The strong interest in dessert in general, perhaps, signals that people feel they "deserve a reward," the survey says. Even when eating out, people bring their dessert

preferences to the table; the most popular desserts ordered in restaurants, according to a recent tableservice survey by the National Restaurant Association, are cheesecake and pie.

This year, reward birthday celebrants with a rich, luscious dessert personalized to reflect their preferences — silky smooth cheesecake, a unique birthday

Please see BIRTHDAY/D8

And many happy returns ...

Give one for each year. Send cards, notes, children's artwork, postcards and other small items to the birthday celebrant before the birthday — one piece of mail for every year old. Or ask party-goers to give fun gifts to pay tribute to the honoree — 50 different stamps for a stamp collector, 30 chocolate for a sweets lover, 21 golf balls for a golfer, 16 roses for a flower fancier, etc.

Have a special birthday symbol. Choose a special "family-only" birthday symbol; perhaps selecting an especially beautiful plate or decorating a large candle for a centerpiece. Bring the special symbol out for each family member's birthday to be used and enjoyed by the honoree that day.

Create a personal menu. Ask the birthday person to choose the entire menu for the birthday bash. Encourage a nice selection of favorite foods, and don't worry if everything doesn't "go

Please see RETURNS/D8

Homemade cleansers can be safe, non-toxic

Question: I would like some information on how to make my own household cleansers to avoid toxins in the home. Any suggestions? — Jennifer Smith, Hillboro, Ore.

Answer: In the premier issue of Martha Stewart Living magazine, we featured an article about making safe household cleansers. We talked with grandmothers, housekeepers and environmentalists, who share their best ideas.



Ask Martha Stewart

These ingredients, supplemented with vegetable-oil based soaps, lemon juice, herbs or toothpaste, can be mixed together and used to bring a natural, economical and safe shine to your home and its contents.

Here are some of the compounds you can make:

Disinfectant: Mix 1/4 cup borax (a natural mineral that kills mold and bacteria) with 1 gallon hot water. Add a few sprigs of fresh thyme. Steep for 10 minutes, strain and cool. Store in a recycled spray bottle.

Floor Cleaner: Mix 1 cup white vinegar with 2 gallons of hot water. For greasy floors, add 1/2 cup washing soda and 1 tablespoon vegetable-oil-based soap to the above mixture.

Window Washing Fluid: Mix 1 cup vinegar with four cups hot water.

Oven Cleaner: Make a paste of baking soda and hot water. Sponge onto

stains and wipe clean. Copper-Pan Cleaner: Sprinkle surface of pans with coarse salt. Rub salt into stains with the cut half of a fresh lemon.

Wood Furniture Cleaner: To remove water stains on wood furniture, dab white toothpaste onto the stain. Allow the paste to dry and then gently buff off with a soft cloth.

Question: My parents will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary this July and we children are planning a reception for them in their church social hall.

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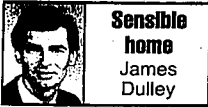
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Home & Garden

Electric heaters vary in comfort, safety

Q: I get chilly, especially my feet, and I need a small electric space heater. Is there really any difference among the various designs and which models are safest with children around? - T. F.

A: Not all electric heaters are created equally, so don't just buy the cheapest. Comfort and safety, especially for children, vary significantly.



Sensible home
James Dulley

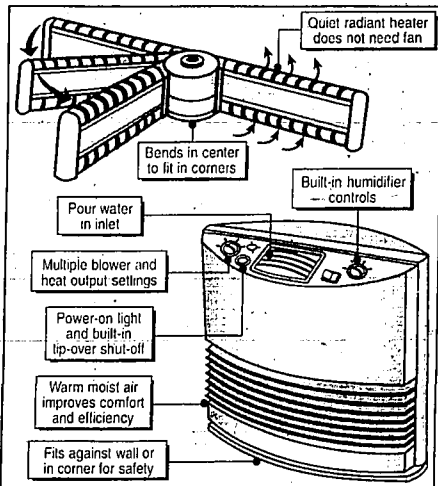
One model specifically for feet, Heat Rest says flat on the floor. It gives off low heat for your feet and has built-in foot massaging balls.

Using a small electric space heater can lower your overall utility bills. It allows you to set your furnace thermostat lower. This saves 10 to 20 percent and more than pays back the cost of operating a small heater.

New combination humidifier/heater models are efficient. These produce about one gallon of moisture per day when the heater is on. This not only improves comfort and is healthy, but the humidity makes you feel warmer too.

One child-safe model, by Patton, is shaped like a football and plugs directly into the wall (no cord). It has a child-safe grill and doubles as a night light.

Another new design, Dual Baseboard, is a radiant heater. It can be bent in the center to fit into a corner or left straight to fit along a wall. In the corner configuration, it is out of



New designs of electric space heaters are efficient and safe.

the way and difficult to tip over.

Select a space heater with a thermostat control. Electronic controls are most precise. Choose multiple heat settings, often 600, 900 and 1500 watts. On maximum output, all electric space heaters produce about 5120 Btu/hour.

The basic designs of electric space heaters are convection (built-in fan),

radiant (built-in directional reflector), upright and baseboard radiators (some oil-filled) and decorative wall-mounted radiant picture heaters.

Convection models are best to heat an entire small room. For large rooms, one may not provide adequate heat. For heating just one spot, like a desk or easy chair, a direction-

al quartz radiant heater is good. One can design his style elements and reflectors to blanket you with instant heat.

Radiator designs are good for total room heating. With no fan, they are quiet and effective for bedrooms. The "Heat Machine" has 24 vertical hot air tunnels for even heating and a 24-hour timer with 96 possible settings.

Decorative radiant wall picture heaters look like a painting. Many attractive scenes are available or you can order a blank one and paint your own. The surface cannot get extremely hot and is safe to touch without harm.

Write for Update Bulletin No. 909 showing a buyer's guide of 15 electric space heater manufacturers listing design types, heat output settings, thermostat controls and safety features and prices. Please include \$2 and a business-size SASE.

Write to James Dulley, 6906 Roygreen Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45244.

Q: I have an aluminum storm door on my side entrance to my house. It helps block chilly breezes, but the one corner sags and it does not seal as well as it used to. How can I fix it myself? - W. W.

A: First check to make sure the door was installed properly and that it is in square. Remove the upper glass panel from the door and try to replace it. If it does not go back in easily, the frame is probably out of square.

Many aluminum storm doors have corner keys that hold the door edges square. These corner keys can get bent or can break. Install a replacement corner key support if needed. Also check the squareness of the door frame opening.

Finally! An herb book that makes sense



Cathy Walworth Green thumbprints

Somebody finally wrote a book about herbs for me.

Most of us are in favor of good food, and we've heard that fresh herbs can jazz up dinner. Herbs are easy to grow, too. What holds some of us back is that once we grow these usually big, leafy plants, we only have a vague notion what to do with them. Do we use the leaves, stems, blossoms or all of the plant?

"The Good Herb" by Judith Benn Hurley (William Morrow Publishing), isn't like most books about herbs. It makes sense. This book is like a combination seed catalog and cookbook.

Part One of the book is 45 little chapters, each dealing with one specific herb. Hurley further subdivides each chapter into "Lore and Legend," a little history and folklore about the herb; "Healing," how it was thought to cure diseases and "Looking You Best," beauty uses.

"Growing" tells how to grow and harvest each herb. "Cooking" tells what it tastes like. Several recipes follow.

The chapter on lemon balm includes recipes for herb lemonade, jelly and mushroom salad, as well as lemon-oregano-cookies, all with nutritional information at the end. The cookies, for example, will cost you 62 calories per cookie with 2.8 grams of fat each.

Part Two of the book starts with wonderful pages of full-color photographs of the usable parts of

each herb that Hurley talks about. Then a section on cooking with herbs explains how to make flavoured vinegars, oils, honeys and more.

The author cites organic pest controls commonly used in other countries and goes on to recommend herbs for various ailments, although there is a disclaimer in the front of the book that says the book is not intended as a substitute for medical attention: If you think you have a health problem, see your doctor.

Advice from this book will guide my spring plant choices. Lavenders will definitely find themselves nestled into borders for medicinal attention: If you think you have a health problem, see your doctor.

Since most herbs like full sun at least six hours a day and sandy soil, maybe with a little practice, a southern Idaho could become the herb garden of the Northwest.

What's bugging your garden? Send your garden questions to Cathy Walworth, in care of The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls, Idaho 83303.

When junk overgrows the house? Yardsale! Fizzies make a splash - they appeal to both kids, adults

By Linda Strives
Orlando Sentinel

Thinking about holding a yard sale? After much diligent research, we have uncovered the most important rule of the yard sale: Never ever second-guess whether a piece of your junk is too "junk" for a yard sale.

People, you see, will buy anything. "It's weird. The things that you think will never sell are often the first things to go," said Eric Schwab, a 38-year-old Orlando, Fla., salesman and veteran yard-sale veteran.

At a recent yard sale, one of the first items Schwab sold was a tablecloth with a big hole in the middle — where a leaky potted plant had eaten away the fabric.

The buyer was a woman who makes decorative pillows from antique fabrics. The hole in the tablecloth didn't matter to her; she wanted to buy vintage fabrics for a good price.

Yard sales, garage sales, tag sales. Whatever the name, they are staples of modern life. We spend a lifetime acquiring junk. And we're doing fine. But when our junk overgrows the house, it's time for a yard sale.

If you're holding a yard sale this weekend, you're probably up to your elbows in price tags. If you're holding one in a month, get busy — you need to get a head start on the work.

What follows are some pointers gleaned from people who regularly go to — and hold — yard sales. They offer advice on organizing your sale, putting up signs, getting permits, pricing, displaying the merchandise and dealing with the early morning yard-sale "professionals."

Getting organized

You'll save yourself some last-minute headaches if you take a year-round approach to garage sales, Schwab said. When he cleans the house, he routinely throws stuff into a box in the garage that is reserved strictly for yard sales. Inside the box are price stickers and a marker — so he can mark a price on an item as soon as he tosses it in the box.

"That way I don't worry about stying up all night pricing things before the yard sale," Schwab said. "It's never a big deal for me to get ready for a sale."

A few days before the sale, clean everything that's going on display. A clean china teacup will probably bring twice as much as a dirty one. "This is my rule. Clean crap brings higher prices," Schwab said.

Just as retailers make most of their money during a few months of the year, yard sales are seasonal too. Plan

your sale for spring or fall, the most popular yard-sale seasons. Summer can be too hot. December and January stink — because people are Christmas shopping or recovering from Christmas shopping.

But don't get discouraged if you want to clean out the junk in your house now. "You can get rid of your stuff any time," said Lisa Neway, an Orlando yard-sale junkie whose real job is as director of professional relations at Columbia Park Medical Center. "True garage-salers will never drive by a sign without stopping — regardless of where they're heading."

Picking a location

If your house is far from the beaten path, we have three words for you: Location, location, location.

The ideal site for a yard sale, according to regulars, is on a major thoroughfare with plenty of parking — or on a side street located just off a major thoroughfare. In either case, parking is imperative.

If your house or apartment isn't located in such a spot, get together with friends and hold a multifamily yard sale at the home of a friend with a terrific location.

Best-sellers

You never know what people will buy, but there are some popular yard-sale items. For instance, children's clothes sell very well, although adult clothing doesn't. Furniture often sells because there are always young people setting up their first apartments — and desperately in need of furniture.

Dishes are popular too — for people starting out or couples dealers looking for bargain-basement china or collectibles.

Kids' toys are also sure sellers, says Cindy Hauck, a Seminole County, Fla., mom and veteran yard-saler. "The way they make kids' toys today, many are indestructible," Hauck said. "Some of ours have gone through four kids, and we've still gotten good money for them."

In addition to toys, consider this new entry into the yard-sale market: software for children's computer games.

Pricing and displaying

Not sure how much to charge for some items? Do some homework beforehand. Ask friends who are garage-sale veterans if your prices sound reasonable.

Remember, yard-sale shoppers are looking for bargains. And you, al-

legedly, are trying to get rid of junk. If your prices are too high, you'll never unload it.

Some yard-sale veterans suggest that you mark popular items — such as furniture — at 25 percent of what you paid for it. For instance, a sofa for which you paid \$200 might sell for \$50 if it's in good shape.

When pricing, however, leave yourself room for negotiation. If you will accept \$25 for a dime, mark it at \$30.

Many other items will sell for 50 cents or \$1 apiece, including books, picture frames and dishes.

If your prices are too high, don't worry. The always-vocal yard-sale regulars will tell you. Don't listen to the first customer who complains; most yard-sale regulars make it a practice to complain about prices. But if you keep hearing that your prices are too high, be prepared to lower them.

How you arrange your merchandise matters. That's what Schwab discovered a few years ago. During a lull in a yard sale, he began arranging the furniture in his yard as if he were arranging a room. Before he knew it, all the furniture was sold.

Arrange your other wares in some semblance of order. Put similar items together.

If you've got adult clothing, hang it near the back of your display. If you've got all the clothing out front, many prospective buyers will drive right past.

Use tables to display your merchandise — even if you have to lug your dining room table out in the front yard, Neway said. If your stuff is scattered on the ground, you won't attract many customers because drivers can't see your merchandise.

Permits and signs

Check with your local government about regulations concerning yard sales. Many cities require you to get a permit for a yard sale. Usually the permit is free, but the city of Winter Park, Fla., for example, charges \$5.

To get the best results, you probably should advertise your yard sale. Classified ads will attract yard-sale junkies, but signs pull in the drive-by passer. That's why your signs should be made from brightly colored poster board — the more obnoxious, the better, Neway said. Don't forget to list the address on the sign and use arrows to point drivers in the direction of the sale.

Early-bird professionals

Unfortunately, by advertising your yard sale in advance, you're alerting

flex-market vendors, antiques dealers and other yard-sale "professionals" to your sale.

And they'll come rapping on your doors two or three hours before the sale is scheduled to start. Some even show up the night before.

To discourage this practice, Schwab tells early birds he will be ready at a certain time and not before. "If they persist, I say: 'I will have everything out at 8 a.m. and I will have it out faster if you don't annoy me,'" Schwab said.

"They want to be the first to go through your stuff and look for bargains," he said. "But I think that's unfair to the person who respects your privacy and arrives at 8:05."

Neway has her own tactic: She puts orange traffic cones around the edge of her yard to keep the early birds at bay.

So how many days should a yard sale last? Some people believe that most sales take place on Saturday, making Friday and Sunday a waste of time.

But Schwab believes in the three-day sale. His most successful sale started on Friday and ended on Sunday.

He put up signs reading: ALL PRICES AS MARKED. EVERYTHING IS HALF OFF ON SUNDAY. That move, he said, eliminated all the haggling. If someone wanted an item, but didn't like the price, the potential buyer could come back on Sunday and get it for half price, if the item had not already sold. But if a buyer wanted it badly enough, he would pay full price. "I was amazed at how well it went," Schwab said.

By Warren Epstein
Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph

cial sweeteners identified as possible carcinogens.

Fizzies were pulled from the shelves.

But Premiere Innovations recently decided to reformulate them. The new Fizzies are bigger, more colorful, tastier — and they're legal, sweetened with NutraSweet.

And it's not just nostalgic baby boomers doing the plugging. "Kids have gotten ahold of them and they're doing funny things," Teeple says. "They're putting them in milk; orange juice, combining three different flavors and making 'suicides.'"

The first Fizzies were invented by Emerson Drug Co., the original makers of Bromo-Seltzer. In 1962, Warner Lambert Co. bought Emerson and released Fizzies nationally.

A package of six tablets sells for about 89 cents. Boxes also include information on getting new Fizzies caps and shirts.

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Stanfield offers unique study, other intriguing amenities

An octagonal study with a library loft is one of the most intriguing features of the Stanfield, a large, two-story Mediterranean-style home with a wide selection of living environments inside and out.

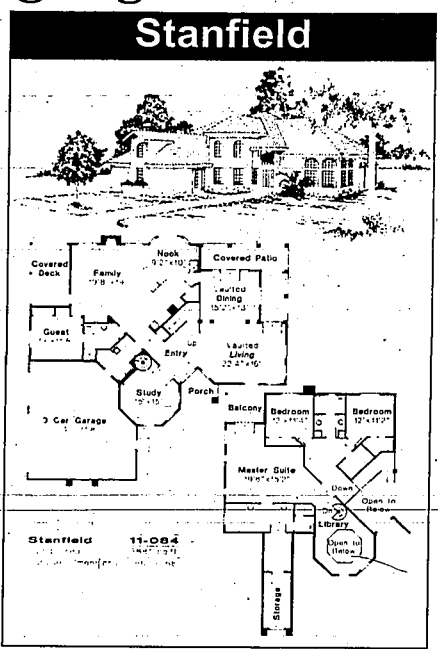
French doors to the left of a two-story high, naturally illuminated entry foyer open into the octagonal study. At the rear, a graceful wood and metal stairway circles up to a loft, open at the center, lined with bookshelves and arched windows.

Taking a few steps behind the stairway's upper landing puts you in a huge master suite, complete with sitting area, deck and luxurious bathroom. Amenities include twin basins, oversized shower, spa tub and a deep walk-in closet with a roomy storage space behind. Two additional bedrooms share a bathroom outfitted with twin vanities. Linen storage and another big storage closet line the hallway.

A spacious, window-rich family room/kitchen is at the heart of the home. Sink and dishwasher nestle into a lengthy, wrap-around eating bar that faces into the family room. Other features include a walk-in pantry, bayed nook, entertainment center and fireplace. Laundry facilities are close-by, in a generously sized utility room that connects to the three-car garage.

For outdoor dining, there's a screened porch to the left. The elegant vaulted dining room and living room are to the right. Columns or posts support a plant shelf that defines the boundary between the two, and both rooms offer sliding door access to a wrap-around covered patio.

A centrally located bathroom also serves the Stanfield's first-floor guest bedroom.



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BYU tries to patent popular yogurt

By Sharon Haddock
The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — The yogurt being sold at Brigham Young University's creamery positively sparkles. And the inventors are proud that it does.

In fact, Lynn V. Ogden and the students who have helped him develop "Sparkling Yogurt" have applied for a patent and showed their product to Dannon Yogurt executives. The yogurt sells out almost as fast as they can put it on the creamery shelves.

Available in a variety of flavors — strawberry seems to be the public favorite — Sparkling Yogurt combines carbon dioxide and fresh yogurt.

The carbonation is bubbled into the yogurt or added while the yogurt is being pumped over a series of baffles through a carbonator apparatus Ogden and his students have created — "anything to give a lot of surface to the yogurt."

The result is yogurt with a slightly tingly, tart sensation that blends interestingly with the creamy mixture. It's made in lemon, peach, blueberry, raspberry and the strawberry, so far.

"It's not a high level of carbonation, it's a low level of fizz sealed under pressure," said Ogden, a food science professor who's spent a decade trying to find just the right way to add the "pleasant" sensation to yogurt. "Why should that pleasant flavor be reserved for something that has no food value?"



Lynn Ogden, a Brigham Young University professor, carbonates a small batch of yogurt at the BYU Creamery in Provo, Utah.

Ogden said he isn't worried that adding carbonation to yogurt takes away from its health value or that the carbonation presents a health risk. "I don't subscribe to that. Our bodies are really good at getting rid of CO2 (carbon dioxide)," said Ogden. "My son adds it to just about anything. It's really interesting. My wife kept saying, 'You have to do something with this!'"

Proceeds from the sale of Sparkling Yogurt — if there are any — will go to the university's food science department and to Ogden, he said. Right now, a cup sells for 49 cents.

Being like Martha Stewart takes time — too much time

By Jean Nash Johnson
Dallas Morning News

Just got my very own subscription copy of Living Magazine, and how appropriate: It's the Valentine issue. You see, I love Martha Stewart.

No, I mean it. Martha Stewart is a sweetheart. And I'm not ashamed to admit it. Can't believe it's taken me this long.

Admit it. Many of you love Martha, too. I see that sparkle in friends' eyes, even as they criticize my allegiance.

They are nothing more than Martha wannabes.

For those of you not into Martha, she's the reigning goddess of entertaining. She has her own TV show and makes regular appearances on the "Today" show.

Martha makes everything from scratch, curers her own meats in her very own smokehouse on her very own farm in Connecticut and hangs homemade wreaths at the White House.

Martha Stewart is a true American icon.

All the parodies and criticisms of Martha have made me examine why it is that I can't bring myself to jump on the Martha-bashing bandwagon.

My devotion, I'm sure, has a lot to do with my Southern upbringing and a mother who made cooking, gardening and entertaining seem like a walk in the park.

My Martha-like tendencies run deep. In college in the '70s, for instance, my cousin and I, equipped with only electric skillet

and hot plate, prepared some of the most inventive tuna dishes to date. Dorm-mates from near and far would follow the smell to our room door for tuna surprises. Pretty soon we were taking requests.

I did the usual mid-'70s obsessing — perfected my quiche Lorraine recipe and made my own yogurt.

family, gave me reason for pause. I began to focus on worthwhile causes other than my own need to party.

Quality time for the people and issues that matter forced me into a hiatus from the world of Marthadom.

Now my party calendar is reduced to one big fete a year — the annual Brownie Troop 14 Holiday Tea. It's complete, though, with fruity teas, madeleines and cucumber and PB&J sandwiches. And, yes, there are dressey tables, cloth napkins and sterling teaspoons. It takes all the strength I can muster to pull it off.

Meanwhile, my soon-to-be 7-year-old is planning her Mardi Gras birthday party in minute detail, orchestrating like a pint-size music conductor. She is, after all, her mother's daughter.

As I leaf through my Living backward and forward, with all those pretty pictures and great ideas, I think, "Maybe ..." Then I take a look at Martha's calendar entry for Feb. 27: "Weed garden for spring planting."

I glance at my note for the same date: "Parent/teacher conference," and reality sets in. It hit me like a pool party on a rainy day. I will never be Martha again.

Here's to the next generation, and here's to you, Martha. Thanks for the memories.

Jean Nash Johnson writes for the Dallas Morning News.

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By the '80s, I was married and living in the East and in the decade of conspicuous consumption, Martha would've been proud. My repertoire included engagement parties, ladies' luncheons and high tea.

Not only did I buy a Cuisinart in 1981, I also used it. I made party doughs, sliced vegetables and silvered almonds. I grew my own herbs.

No party took place without the 3 W's: Wedgwood, Waterford and wine. No paper napkins for crowds under 18. (That's a number of guests, not age.)

It was all one big party until the sobering '90s. The rising costs of everything, including college tuition and juggling work and

Twin Falls musicians set winter concert

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls High School Music Department will present Winter concert 1996 at 7:30 p.m. today in the John W. Roper Auditorium.

The Symphony Orchestra will begin the program with "Overture to Nabucco," "Sinfonia in C, First

Movement" and "Serenade for String Orchestra."

The Jazz Band will perform "I'm Beginning to See the Light," "Goodtime Blues" and "Ocean View." The Symphony Band will perform several marches, selections from "Les Miserables" and "Soliloquy."

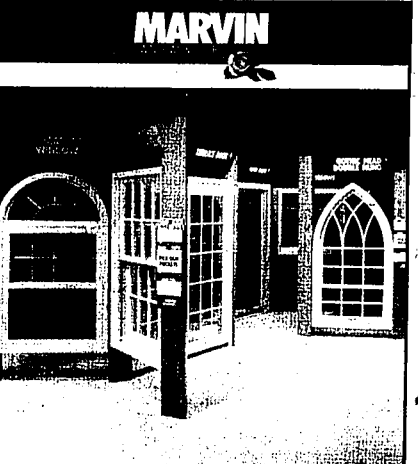
The Twin Falls High School Drama Department will provide soliloquies from the works of William Shakespeare. Brad Hatley, Nick Hernandez and Josh Spooner will perform trumpet solos. Jerusha Cox and Tim Frey will perform horn solos. Directors are Kevin Howard and Ted Hadley. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students at the door.

News to use

Knight-Ridder News Service

ENERGY LANDSCAPING: Properly placed plants affect inner-outer wall surfaces and can help control heat loss or gain — and its cost — the Associated Press says. Deciduous trees are ideal for energy landscaping. With the leaves gone, they allow the sun to reach and warm the house in winter. During the warmest months, they provide shade and cooling from intense sunlight. One caution: If shading walls with vines sounds appealing, be sure to determine whether those you are considering will cause physical deterioration of the wall or work their way into your home.

SEAL OF APPROVAL: The Good Housekeeping Institute is out with its list of the best new appliances, gadgets and cooking products introduced in 1995. One you might want to check out if you're arthritic or otherwise have trouble opening things is EZ Topps Containers from Rubbermaid. These plastic storage containers have lids with extended tabs that make them very easy to open, even with one hand.



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Low-fat ice cream sales rise

The Associated Press

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Ice cream by any other name tastes almost as sweet, but consumers weren't interested when it was called ice milk.

The term "ice milk" died when a new federal labeling law went into effect last year, and consumers scooped up its replacement, low-fat and nonfat ice cream, at record rates.

Sales of low-fat ice cream increased by 30 percent in the first half of 1995, while no-fat ice cream sales increased by 60 percent, according to the International Dairy Foods Association.

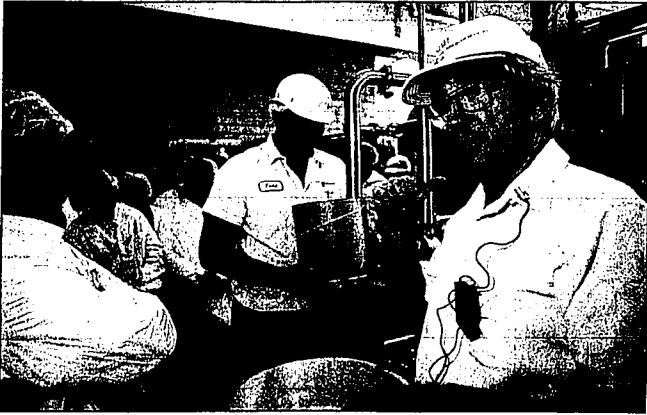
"A substantial part of that increase is due to the name change," said Aran Kilian, Penn State University food science professor. "The very word 'ice milk' was the deterrent to consumption."

Ice milk, which described any ice cream that contains from 2 percent to 7 percent milkfat, had a negative connotation with shoppers.

At the time when ice milk was struggling to find a market, frozen yogurt was exploding. That growth has begun to level off, said Philip Keeney, a retired Penn State professor and ice cream consultant.

To be classified as low-fat, ice cream must contain 3 grams of fat or less per serving. Nonfat ice cream has less than .5 grams of fat per serving.

Kilian ran Penn State's 104th Ice Cream Short Course recently, with



AP photo

Philip Keeney, right, a retired Penn State University professor, instructs a class at the university's 104th Ice Cream Short Course, where much of the talk was about how to make ice cream low in fat. 137 ice cream makers from around the world coming to the school to learn the latest trends in the industry. Much of the talk at the course was about how to make ice cream low in fat and maintain the flavor that people expect.

Textures, colors are keys to desert design

By Gary Krino Orange County Register

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. — It has desert written all over it.

The front garden is an oasis of palms and cactuses set in a sea of easy-flowing pebbles. The house, with stucco crown molding that provides depth and definition, provides the perfect backdrop with its flat roof and dusty mauve-taupe stucco facade. Banks of French doors invite the outdoors to venture inside in a manner that is as natural as the rocky, jagged mountains that rise in the distance.

The house that Orange County, Calif., designer Peter Taylor and partner Derek Banks moved to two years ago in Rancho Mirage is a lesson in how a rather ordinary desert home can be transformed to a quiet hideaway that slips comfortably into its stark surroundings like a fine leather glove.

After alternating here or there to fit the particular situation, Taylor's tips for desert design can easily be adapted for most any desert space — from condo to apartment to manufactured home.

The keys to desert decorating, according to Taylor, are to look for color drawn from the surrounding desert landscape.

"If I was trying to decorate up a

storm here with (bold) colors and patterns," Taylor says, "it would detract from the (softer, muted) colors outdoors and the (mountain) views. This way, it all works together."

"This way" includes a color palette of muted taupe-beige, black, copper and bronze — contemporary, neutral desert colors as compared with desert Southwest pastels.

"It's just a matter of taste," Taylor says. "The colors I chose are more quiet, more classic. They aren't as soft as the pastels. They make a more dramatic statement, rather like the desert, which makes a dramatic, emotional statement of its own."

The neutral tones also open up living spaces and don't compete with the desert views, which flow into the house through French doors in every room.

"You want the interior to complement any view you might have (a garden patio, golf course, mountains), not compete with it," Taylor says. "Using neutrals is one way to do it."

Texture, although not as visually pronounced as the colors, plays a role that is every bit as important in the design scheme. Look closely at any desert landscape and you'll see that it is more about texture (stones,

pebbles, sand) than color, Taylor says. "What this house is about is lots of textures."

Textured, taupe-beige berber carpet in a majority of the rooms in the 2,200-square-foot, three-bedroom, two-bath, single-story house sets a backdrop much as the desert floor sets the scene for the natural environment.

Other floor surfaces, including those in the kitchen, the entry, and the living room fireplace hearth feature taupe-beige limestone. Texture also finds its way into the wall surrounding the fireplace. It's a white split-face marble decorated with a 4-by-6-foot wall hanging made of thousands of black, rust, tan, teal and mauve fabric strips that elevate texture to an art form.

Walls throughout are treated with a paper that has a lightly marbled pattern in tones of beige, taupe and soft gray. Sandblasted wood beams washed a mellow beige extend texture to the ceiling.

Chenille, a highly textured fabric that has climbed back on the what's-hot-in-decorating list, covers a 15-foot, L-shaped armless sofa in the family room. It's a deep taupe — as are 14 large, fringed pillows that line the sofa's back.

Using a neutral background in a desert home makes it easier to mix and match of furnishing styles and

pieces, Taylor says. The entry, for example, is dominated by a large, ornately carved French console with a marble top backed by an equally large, contemporary oil painted by Aguilera. Both are dominated by rich desert tones that help them to blend with their surroundings.

A highly textured, rough-sawn pine, four-panel screen with a washed finish that stands in the living room takes its cue from country decor. Its close neighbor is a Chinese Chippendale mirror with a pickled finish.

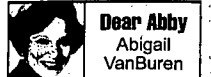
Taylor kept the master bedroom simple, much like the desert landscape.

The bed is flanked by two matching French bombe chests and backed by a floor-to-ceiling mirror. To soften the stark edges of the mirror, Taylor installed what amounts to a wall canopy.

A sand-colored linen gauze was gently draped across and down the side of the mirror, attached at the mirror's corners by textured, fiber-wrapped rings from Africa. He accessorized the canopy with decorative rope and tassels.

"Anybody can do this themselves," Taylor says. "You can (install) the canopy with or without the mirror. It's an inexpensive way to get the canopy look."

One woman's success may affect others



Dear Abby VanBuren

DEAR ABBY: I can relate to "Elizabeth B. in Fresno, Calif.," who is struggling on welfare and has to contend with the disapproval of others. When I was 19, my husband walked out on me and our infant. I had nowhere else to turn, and was on welfare from 1975 to 1978.

Abby, after I received my AFDC check and paid my rent, phone and light bills, I had \$5 left each month. Food stamps cannot be used to purchase diapers, toiletries or even laundry detergent. If it hadn't been for my family sharing these items with me, I don't know what would have happened to us. Because I was so embarrassed by the disapproving looks I received, I tried to shop for groceries when the store was least busy.

Things began to turn around when my case worker phoned to tell me about a job that was available through the CETA (Comprehensive Employment and Training Act) program. My first job was clerking for the Department of Public Assistance. While I was learning skills, I was earning an income, and I have been working ever since.

Now, I am in a position to ignore the nasty remarks and looks, but someone will give you your chance. I have owned my own business for eight years now, and I would hire you.

WORKED OFF WELFARE: DEAR WROKED OFF WELFARE: I'm printing your success story for Elizabeth and others like her to see. You are a voice for people everywhere who have struggled through difficult periods and pulled through — not only intact, but improved. My hat's off to you.

For readers who are interested, the Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) replaced CETA in 1983. Its purpose is to assist youths and unskilled adults enter the labor force. For more information, contact your state employment office.

DEAR ABBY: Every member of my family has two children. My husband and I have one child. At birthday time, we invite 20 cousins to a party, yet only 10 gifts are received — and they are not doubly expensive either.

Abby, I think each child should

give a gift, not just one gift from each family. After all, throughout the year, we give 20 gifts and host 20 children at our child's birthday party.

Fair play would dictate that each child bring a gift — or at least make the "family" gift slightly more significant.

I hate to appear petty, but after five years of this inequality, I'm angry and disappointed that my relatives haven't figured this out themselves. Is there a tactful way for me to mention it?

-P.O.'D IN NEW YORK DEAR P.O.'D: There is no tactful way to remind your relatives that you are spending as much for birthday gifts as they are. They surely are aware of it, so for you to "mention" it would be in extremely poor taste.

DEAR ABBY: Help! We named our daughter after both of her grandmothers. The first name is after her paternal grandmother and the middle name after her maternal grandmother. On her birth certificate, I spelled the middle name differently because I thought it looked better.

Now my mother says my granddaughter is not named after her because the spelling is different. I say, so what? She is named after both grandmothers. What do you say?

-NEEDS YOUR OPINION DEAR NEEDS: I agree with you — so what? Your daughter is named after both grandmothers regardless of how the name is spelled.

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Use separate feeders for birds, squirrels

By Joan Jackson Knight-Ridder News Service

SUNNYVALE, Calif. — Frank Kellers III doesn't mind squirrels visiting his yard. In fact, he encourages them.

"I used to have problems with squirrels raiding and dumping my three bird feeders and eating tomatoes in the vegetable garden. But not anymore," says the Sunnyvale, Calif., gardener.

His solution? "No sunflowers in the bird feeder. I buy 50-pound bags of wild bird mix from An-Jan for \$10.95. The birds love it and there is nothing in it, the squirrels like," he says.

Sunflower seeds just for squirrels. "I installed three squirrel feeders and keep them stocked with black oil sunflower seeds (\$19.95 for 50 pounds at An-Jan). Both the birds and the squirrels enjoy visiting these feeders," he says.

The benefit here, Kellers says, is that the squirrels love the black oil sunflower seeds. They never bother my bird feeders anymore. "The result is that lots of birds and squirrels congregate harmoniously in my yard. The grandchildren and I enjoy feeding and watching these animals. They make excellent wild pets," says Kellers.

who is retired from Lockheed. Besides Kellers' sensible solution, there are a variety of squirrel-proofing products on the market to discourage squirrels from raiding bird feeders. But their effectiveness is questionable.

At a recent garden show, for instance, I saw an item called Squirrel-Go-Round Wildlife Buffet, made by Heritage Farms, Cherry Valley, Ill. Ears of corn were attached to a windmill-type gizmo that twirls in the wind.

It is described as "entertainment for squirrels and spectators alike." The idea is that the squirrels would eat the corn and leave the bird feeder alone. But more likely they would eat the corn as an appetizer before heading for the bird feeder.

One popular — but expensive — bird feeder has a protective bar

that drops when the squirrel steps on it, thus dumping the squirrel on its tush. Those who have tried this bird feeder claim the squirrel usually figures out how to bypass the perch bar to get to the seed.

Baffles, or squirrel guards, can be used to prevent squirrels from the American Audubon Society "North American Birdfeeder Handbook," by Robert Burton (Dorling Kindersley, \$24.95). The metal baffle should be attached at the top of a hanging feeder (so the squirrel can't climb down) and around the metal post of a post-mounted feeder.

However, if you've "been there, done that" you might just agree with Kellers. Why fight a losing battle with squirrels when you can feed them and enjoy watching them.

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Flush pipes before using water

Q. I'm interested in conserving water, but I've heard that it's best to let cold water run for a minute or two in the morning before using it for drinking or cooking. Is that a good policy, and why?

A. Flushing the pipes, or letting drinking and cooking water run for a minute or so in the morning or after any period when the water has been standing in the pipes for several hours, can help reduce exposure to lead in the water. Water can pick up lead from service pipes that carry it into homes, from solder used to connect copper water pipes, or even from faucets that contain lead. Lead was a main ingredient in solder until 1988, when lead-containing solders were outlawed.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, household water is a leading source of lead ingestion by humans. Lead is especially dangerous to young children, who can suffer severe damage to their nervous system and brains, and to pregnant women.

Even flushing the pipes of standing water to clear out leached lead won't guarantee that a water supply is safe. The best bet is to have the water tested for lead content before and after flushing. A source of lead in order tests is Suburban Water Testing Laboratories in Reading, Pa., (800-433-6595). A sampling kit, with instructions and analysis, costs about \$35.

Q. Our garage gets heated from our water-air furnace, but it's still cold because of outside air coming through the older overhead door. Is there any way to seal the door for more energy efficiency?

A. Special weatherstripping for overhead garage doors is sold at



Do it yourself
Gene Austin

some home centers and hardware stores.

The bottom of a garage door can be a major source of air infiltration if it is not well-sealed. Even if the door already has a bottom seal, it will pay to install a new one if the old seal is damaged or fits poorly. A replacement bottom seal, in the form of a U-shaped rubber channel, is easy to install and comes with instructions and fasteners.

Weatherstripping also is available for the sides and tops of the door, and will close gaps in those areas that let cold air infiltrate the garage. If the door has single-layer glass panels, you can make them more energy-efficient by covering them with plastic storm windows, which can be taped to the inside of the frame.

For best energy efficiency, invest in an insulated garage door. These doors often have a steel or fiberglass skin on the outside and inside, sandwiching a layer of foam insulation.

Q. We plan to insulate the ceiling of our unheated basement. We want to keep the heat upstairs, since we don't plan to use the basement for living space. We'll use R-19 fiberglass insulation, but it has an attached vapor barrier. Should we put the vapor barrier on top, facing the basement ceiling, or on the bottom, facing the basement?

A. In the Northeast and most of the rest of the United States, the

vapor barrier on insulation should always be turned toward the inside or heated space. If installed on the ceiling of an unheated crawl space or basement, the vapor barrier should be on top. On the floor of an unheated attic, the barrier should be on the bottom. In exterior walls, the barrier should face the inside.

In a few humid areas such as Florida, Hawaii and the Gulf Coast, frequent use of air conditioning can change the rules for vapor barriers. Residents of those areas who are in doubt about how to install a vapor barrier should consult a local energy expert for guidance.

Aside from vapor barriers, keeping a basement very cold by insulating the ceiling can be a mistake. Many basements contain water pipes that must be kept warm enough to prevent freezing in winter, and a cold basement can become smelly and damp. It would probably be better to insulate the basement walls and let some of the heat's heat circulate in the basement.

Often-asked question. During the recent heavy snows, our roof developed dams of ice in the area of the eaves and rain gutters. I understand that these dams, which finally melted, can cause leaks. What can I do if there is another storm and ice dams form?

A. The best time to prepare for ice dams is during good weather. The dams are usually caused by heat from the house escaping through the roof. The heat melts snow, which runs down the roof. When the water reaches the eaves, which are cold because heat from the house does not often reach those areas, it freezes and eventually

forms dams. Sometimes, when thick ice dams form, water will back up under shingles and cause roof leaks.

Inadequate attic insulation and ventilation, which cause heat buildup in the attic and let the heat escape through the roof, are the basic causes of most ice dams. A long-term solution should include beefing up the insulation and improving the ventilation. Experts call it "keeping a cold roof," which will ensure slower and more uniform melting of snow.

Another long-term solution, which should be considered when reshingling a house, is to install a waterproofing underlayment along the eaves of the roof and at other vulnerable points, such as roof valleys and around chimneys. This will prevent leaks even if ice dams form. Roofers can install the underlayment as part of reshingling.

Still another way to help keep ice dams from forming is to install heating cables along the eaves of the roof. The cables, which can be plugged into an outdoor outlet, are generally installed in a zigzag pattern and are fastened to the shingles with clips. Heating cables also can be snaked through rain gutters and downspouts. The cables are sold at some home centers and hardware stores and come with instructions, but might be difficult to find in mid-winter and would be hazardous to install if the ground or roof were wet or snow-covered.

Readers' questions and comments are welcome and should be sent to Gene Austin, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Box 861, Blue Bell, Pa. 19422. Questions cannot be answered personally.

Briefly

Styling competition scheduled tonight

TWIN FALLS — Mr. Juan's College of Hair Design will hold its annual styling competition tonight at the Weston Plaza. Beginning shortly after 7 p.m., students will have 30 minutes to prepare a model's hair. The winners will be picked by judges from throughout the Magic Valley. This year's theme is "Fantasy Evening." Some 34 contestants, all students at the school, will take part in the event.

Hospice Awareness Day set Thursday

Magic Valley Staffing Services is having a Hospice Awareness Day for the Magic Valley area on Thursday. Hospice is a team of professionals who work with patients and their families who choose to spend their last days in a home's surroundings. Volunteers are needed. Anyone interested is invited to stop by the Twin Falls office at 200 Second Ave. N. or call 734-0600 or 1-800-303-0602. In the Mini-Cassia area, the office is located at 418 Oneida in Rupert; call 436-6566. Hospice orientation is held the second Wednesday of every month.

Farmers Market presents seminar

TWIN FALLS — The Twin Falls Farmers Market is presenting a seminar about the direct marketing of produce, crafts and specialty foods from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. March 2 in the Community Room at KMVT, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N. Topics include Friends in Business, Community Supported Agriculture, Direct Marketing Promotions, Crafts at the Farmers Market, Changing Home Recipes to Specialty Foods, Display and Marketing Tips and Health Department Regulations. Presenters include Bryan Matsuka, Kathy Ihler, Steve Tangay, Wendy Giles, Luan Hobbs, Theresa Stuebel and Mary Valentine. A light lunch and refreshments will be provided. Cost is \$10 per person, due on or before March 2. Deadline to register is Feb. 24. Call Steve Tangay at 734-7134 or Rose Garber at 734-8371. Or write to the Twin Falls Farmers Market, P.O. Box 1172, Twin Falls, ID 83303.

Filer-Bean Festival planned March 2

FILER — The Ninth Annual Filer Bean Festival will be held March 2 in the produce building at the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds. An open bean-cooking contest with judging will be held at 10 a.m. Bean dishes will be judged and prizes awarded in three categories: appetizers/salads, main dishes/soups and desserts. The overall winner will receive a trophy donated by the Filer Chamber of Commerce. A winner of a "low-fat" recipe will be announced. Public tasting will take place after the judging. A bowl of chili, beverage and bean dessert will be served by the chamber of commerce from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a cost of \$2 per person. The event is sponsored by the western Bean Dealers, Idaho Bean Commission and Filer Chamber of Commerce. Chili is being donated by American Fine Foods.

Compiled from staff reports

The kitchen: Widely known as center of entertaining universe

By Helen Ubinas
The Hartford Courant

Guests at Flo Woodell's recent dinner party headed straight for the kitchen of her West Hartford, Conn., home and never left.

"There was no need for the crowd to congregate in such close quarters, mind you. The dinner was totally under control. The house had, of course, been cleaned for the occasion, so every other room in the house was available."

"But except for the occasional stranger into the living room, everyone settled in the kitchen for the night."

"That's my house," said Woodell, a frequent entertainer. "People literally walk in the front door, through the living room and into the kitchen."

So to any party this holiday season, and you'll find the majority of bodies pressed against the kitchen counters, hunkered by the stove and leaning on the fridge. Inexplicably, the kitchen has the power to draw a crowd and hold it for hours, and most parties eventually seem to wind up in the kitchen.

"It's like being seen at the city's coolest coffee spot or nightclub," said Jackie Morse, a self-proclaimed party animal from Hartford. "It's definitely the place to be during parties."

Jay Ginevsky, owner of The Whisk, a Canton, Conn., catering service, said he recently was forced to shoot TV journalist Ted Koppel out of a kitchen during an

especially formal event. "He was staring at this chicken that wasn't even cooked," Ginevsky said, chuckling. "I finally had to say, 'Ted, it's frozen. Go away.'"

And just a few weeks ago, Janet Youmans of West Hartford attended a dinner she hosted by a top-level Aetna executive that for the most part took place in her kitchen.

"She wore this lacy apron over her dress and rolled out pizza dough on the countertop while everyone stood around eating hors d'oeuvres and drinking wine," said Youmans, co-owner of Celebrations Unlimited, a West Hartford company that plans events.

Answers to the great kitchen mystery include everything from the simple — hunger — to the philosophical — the search for emotional warmth.

"We all grew up typically living in the kitchen," Ginevsky said. "Everything happened in the kitchen, so it just feels natural to want to be in there."

Frequent entertainers said that people who like to cook, the especially helpful and, of course, those looking for the brewskies, are usually the first guests to settle among the pots and pans. But the real reason for partygoers' huddling among the appliances, most admitted, is pure, unadulterated curiosity.

"People seem more willing to share things when they're surrounded by metal," Morse said. "The best gossip can always be had in a kitchen."

"If you don't want people in the kitchen, then definitely put the food

and drinks somewhere else," said Joan Walden, owner of Joan Walden Enterprises, an event-planning company in West Hartford.

Despite the tricks, people are starting to realize that accommodating guests with a gusto for the kitchen can be a fun, and finally melted, cat can cause leaks. What can I do if there is another storm and ice dams form?

Eight years ago, Woodell remodeled her house to renovate and expand her kitchen, and just last year Walden had her kitchen redone. Caterers also have begun to incorporate kitchens into gatherings, often letting people watch, or even serving the meal in the room.

And area builders report an increasing demand for bigger and better kitchens with more user-friendly and conventional amenities, such as central islands.

"My clients' biggest demands are for large comfortable, kitchens," said Bill Ferrigno, president of Sunlight Construction in Avon and president-elect of the Home Builders Association of Hartford County in West Hartford. "Maybe it's a return to some basic value that the hearth is central to the home."

Attention also has shifted from the more traditional living rooms to the great room or family room, which connects to the kitchen.

"There's really no reason why any house built from now on should have a living room," Ginevsky said. "Think about it. The only people you put in there are people you don't really care for, or that don't really care for you."

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Knight-Ridder News Service

SEAL IT: Something practical you can do around the house this time of year to save money is seal all openings in the "building envelope." Closing off air leaks can save up to 30 percent on your energy use, the Peco Energy Co. says.

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Knight-Ridder News Service

Q. How can I find out the value of a Shaker chair with the number 13 on the back? —Mary Johnson, Avekill Park, N.Y.

A. To check out the value of your Shaker chair, or to auction it, write Shaker, Inc., 357 Main St., Bolton, MA 01740. Enclose a clear photo and complete description of the chair for an auction evaluation, or phone 508-779-6241 for information.

Q. I'm interested in collecting pine birds which are very difficult to find. Luckily, I found two in Texas while on vacation. Where can I possibly find more? Are there any books on this subject? —Joan Kidder, Fort Adkinson, Wis.

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Food

Turkey isn't just for Thanksgiving in these recipes

It's time to talk turkey! But wait a minute. Wasn't Thanksgiving three months ago? We don't have to wait for Thanksgiving to eat turkey. Turkey is a heart-healthy food that we can include in our diet all year round.

I was reminded of that thought the other day. While rummaging through the freezer trying to decide what to cook, I found a turkey breast I'd purchased during the holidays. I headed for the recipe file and found numerous dishes that use turkey, and they all depart from the Thanksgiving menu. Turkey makes a great start for a wide variety of meals.

As we celebrate the early days of the Asian Year of the Rat, it seems appropriate to explore some of the stir-fry dishes that begin with turkey.



Valley cooking
S. Carolyn Lewis

1 red bell pepper, seeded and cut into thin strips
Sauce:
 2 teaspoons cornstarch
 3 tablespoons water
 3 tablespoons soy sauce
 1 teaspoon finely chopped ginger root
 1 clove garlic, minced
 1 green onion, finely chopped
 1/2 teaspoon chili oil (optional)
2 tablespoons oil
 Heat 1/2 cup of oil in a boiling water for 2 minutes. Drain and rinse in cold water and drain again. Set aside.
 Combine sauce ingredients in a small bowl and set aside.

Heat 1 tablespoon oil in a heavy fry pan over high heat. Swirl to coat the sides and bottom of the pan. When the oil is very hot but not smoking, add the asparagus. Stir and toss until lightly browned - about 2 minutes. Remove to a dish and set aside.

Add another tablespoon oil and turn pan to coat. Add half the beef strips. Stir and toss often, 2-3 minutes until lightly browned. Remove to a bowl. Repeat procedure with the other tablespoon of oil and remaining beef.

Return beef to pan and add bell pepper. Stir and toss 1-2 minutes. Stir sauce ingredients and add to pan. Cook and stir until sauce thickens. Return asparagus to pan. Toss to coat evenly with sauce. Serve immediately with rice or noodles.

TURKEY WITH GREEN BEANS AND ALMONDS

Serves 4
 1/2 cup sliced almonds
 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
 1 pound turkey breast meat, cut into thin strips
 3 ribs of celery, cut into thin strips
 1/2 pound frozen green beans
 2 teaspoons cornstarch
 3 tablespoons water
 3 tablespoons soy sauce
 1 teaspoon finely chopped ginger root

1 clove garlic, minced
 1 green onion, finely chopped
 2 teaspoons honey
 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
 Mix the ingredients for the sauce in a small bowl and set aside. Combine marinade ingredients in a medium-sized bowl, stirring until cornstarch is dissolved. Add the turkey chunks and stir to coat evenly. Set aside.
 In a wok or heavy fry pan, heat 1 tablespoon oil over high heat. Turn or swirl pan to coat the bottom and sides. Add the peas. Stir and toss often as you cook for 2-3 minutes until crisp tender. Add the water chestnuts. Stir and cook for 1 minute until they are heated through.

Remove to a dish and set aside.
 Reduce heat to medium-high. Add remaining tablespoon of oil to the pan, turning to coat the pan. Add turkey chunks. Stir and toss often as you cook it for 4-5 minutes. Try to distribute evenly in the pan to assure maximum contact with the heat. When done, turkey should be firm and have most of marinade remaining.

Stir the reserved sauce mixture and add with the turkey in the pan. Bring to a simmer, stirring until it thickens slightly. Return the peas and chestnuts to the pan. Toss to coat with sauce. Heat for 1 minute longer. Serve immediately accompanied by steamed rice.

TURKEY-ASPARAGUS STR-FRY

Serves 4
 3 tablespoons vegetable oil
 1/2 pound asparagus, trimmed and cut diagonally into 1/4-inch pieces
 1 pound flank steak sliced horizontally into thin strips about 2 inches long

S. Carolyn Lewis welcomes comments on recipes. Her address is 1612 Targhee Drive, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301.

Pillsbury Bake-Off: A rich institution

By Shawn Hubler
Los Angeles Times

This month in Dallas, 100 amateur cooks will march into a ballroom full of stoves and one will march out a millionaire.

Roger Lee's buying an emu farm for his. ("It's the meat of the future, you know.") Jeanne Walker vows that, after replacing her decrepit 1979 Pinto, she'll title 10 percent to the Baptist church. Roxanne Chan scarcely thinks about the money - it's that trophy she wants. She's won 330 cooking contests, but this is the big one and she's been stalking it for half her adult life.

Michelle DeCoy, from her suburban kitchen, reports that her operative word is not "winning" but "losing," as in "losing one's mind." "I'm doing all these weird projects to keep busy," she said. "This week I'm breaking dishes and mosaic-ing my windowsills just to have something to do."

"Yes, I'm in the Pillsbury Bake-Off," the San Francisco Bay Area mother repeated between peals of laughter. "I can't believe it. I'm one of those Pillsbury Bake-Off women."

Being "one of those Pillsbury Bake-Off women" - or men - has far generations been a singular thing. On one hand, there are the 47 years of American tradition to be shouldered; on the other, there's cash to be won.

The Bake-Off, as veteran cooking contestants reverentially refer to it, always has carried a good-sized purse. But this year, a new ingredient has elevated it from the level of a competition to something more like a lottery: The grand prize is a million bucks.

"That's right. You can now win as much money in the Pillsbury Bake-Off as you could for winning the Nobel Prize. The development, akin to raffling the Publisher's Clearinghouse onto, says the Miss America Pageant, has set the competitive cooking world abuzz.

Curry by Pillsbury after the last Bake-Off two years ago found that the overwhelming number of contestants were in it for money but for fame - and still are.

"Oh, I would have entered anyway. It's a national honor," said finalist Miki Postory of Cupertino, Calif., who has been entering cooking contests for 15 years.

It does mystify her that of the 10 recipes she sent in, judges preferred one of her quick casseroles to her own favorite - a blueberry cheesecake made by Hungry Jack mashed-potato flakes - but she is still thrilled to have made the final cut.

Bake-Off pageantry, by comparison to other cooking contests, has always been extravagant. Even in the early years winners took home a \$25,000 grand prize. By the last Bake-Off (they've been held biennially since the late 1970s), the grand prize had risen to \$50,000 plus a \$10,000 kitchen make-over, courtesy of contest sponsor Sears.

There also were smaller prizes for various categories. The cash prizes generate "tens of thousands" of original recipes at each Bake-Off, according to officials at Pillsbury's Minneapolis headquarters.

They refuse to divulge more specific statistics for the event. The entries - which must each use a product made by Pillsbury or a subsidiary - are evaluated by teams of home economists according to criteria such as flavor, originality and ease of preparation, and finally narrowed to 100 finalists.

This, traditionally, is where the ceremony begins. Finalists are notified by telephone several weeks before the Bake-Off. Reams of preparatory material begin to clog their mailboxes, urging them, among other things, not to discuss their recipes before contest day, lest the judges learn which entry belongs to whom.

The finalists will be flown on Saturday to the Bake-Off, and wired, dined, lectured on the superiority of Pillsbury products and pestered by the media for four hoop-la-filled days. On the morning of the third day an orchestra will strike up a peppy tune (usually it's "When the Saints Go Marching In") and they will file two-by-two into a roomful of Sears kitchenettes.

There, over six hours, they will cook three batches of their recipes - one for the judges, one for the photographers and one for onlookers to taste. Meanwhile in a judging room equipped with plastic spit buckets, a panel of food writers, home economists and other culinary experts will do a blind taste test and race each dish.

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Ex-Washington chef fixes meals fit for a president - or first lady

By Deborah Hartz
Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton likes sirloin steak salad with artichokes and cherry tomatoes. President Clinton's favorite dishes are chicken enchiladas and grilled beef tenderloin. And for dessert, he prefers Lemon Chess Pie.

That's what Joseph Mattioli found out when he was chef at the Ritz-Carlton Pentagon four years ago when the Clintons became our first family. "I understand to be in Washington D.C., you have to what it's really like when a president is elected. Everyone is talking and thinking about it," he says.

They even want to eat food the new president likes. So the hotel asked Liz Ashley, who was then the Clintons' chef from the governor's mansion in Arkansas, to create a menu of the newly elected president's favorites.

Mattioli was transferred to The Ritz-Carlton Palm Beach, Fla., in October, but the chef remembers those recipes. When he asks Mattioli what he thinks of the president's favorite foods, he says: "For home-cooking, they're not bad."

But, because the recipes used canned ingredients instead of fresh, he had to modify them to serve at The Ritz-Carlton Pentagon.

Thus the chicken enchiladas were made with fresh chilis and tomatoes instead of canned ones, the beef tenderloin was marinated in a homemade vinaigrette instead of bottled Italian dressing. Hillary's steak salad was prepared with fresh artichokes instead of frozen ones.

Mattioli also dressed up the presentation. For example, Clinton's chef would toss the steak salad in a bowl and then heap it onto plates. Mattioli served the steak mixture atop a bed of baby lettuce garnished with chive blossoms.

How did the public react to the newly elected president's favorite dishes? "It went wild; people were really into it," he says.

COLD STEAK SALAD

(Makes 10 (1-cup) servings)
 Mattioli used fresh artichokes in this dish. But frozen or canned are much more convenient.
STEAK SALAD:
 6 tablespoons butter

2 pounds boneless sirloin, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
 1/2 pound mushrooms, sliced
 1 (16-ounce) package frozen artichoke hearts cooked according to package directions and cooled or 1 (14-ounce) can artichoke hearts, drained and rinsed
 1 cup fine-diced celery
 1 pint small cherry tomatoes
 2 tablespoons chopped parsley
SALAD DRESSING:
 1 tomato, peeled and seeded (see note)
 2 garlic cloves
 3 teaspoons Dijon mustard
 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
 2 tablespoons fat-free, reduced sodium chicken broth
 Salt and fresh-ground black pepper, to taste
 7 fresh tarragon leaves
 2 fresh shallots

To make salad: In a nonstick skillet over high heat, melt 2 tablespoons butter. Add the sirloin and cook until browned on all sides. Transfer to a large non-reactive bowl and let cool. Add more butter to skillet as needed to cook remaining meat (you will use about 4 tablespoons butter).

In the same skillet, add remaining butter (2 tablespoons). Add the mushrooms and saute 3 minutes or until soft; drain. Cut the artichokes in half lengthwise. Add the artichoke halves, celery, tomatoes, chives and parsley along with drained mushrooms to bowl with meat and toss lightly; refrigerate.

To make dressing: Place tomato, garlic, mustard, shallot and vinegar in a blender or food processor fitted with the metal blade. Blend or process to puree. Strain through a fine sieve and return to blender or food processor. With machine running, slowly add oil so that mixture emulsifies and thickens. Add the chicken broth, salt, pepper, tarragon and basil. Blend or process to mince herbs. Toss with salad and refrigerate overnight.

(Nutrition details per serving: 308 calories, 21 grams protein, 22 grams fat, 7 grams carbohydrates, 74 milligrams cholesterol, 133 milligrams sodium, 64 percent calories from fat.)
 Note: To peel a tomato, drop in boiling water for about 10 seconds or until skin loosens. Drain and place in ice water; slip off skin.

LEMON CHESS PIE

(Makes 6 to 8 servings)
 2 cups sugar
 1/2 cup butter or margarine
 5 eggs
 1/2 cup milk
 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
 1 tablespoon cornmeal
 1/2 cup lemon juice
 Zest of 3 lemons
 (1/2-inch) unbaked pie shell

With an electric mixer on medium-high speed, cream the sugar and butter or margarine in a nonreactive bowl. Add the eggs and milk and beat well. Add the flour, cornmeal, lemon juice and zest. Mix to combine. Pour into pie shell and bake in a 350-degree oven about 40 minutes or until golden and set.

(Nutrition details per serving: 515 calories, 9 grams protein, 22 grams fat, 63 grams carbohydrates, 203 milligrams cholesterol, 352 milligrams sodium, 60 percent calories from fat.)

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A bloodhound's droopy ears channel scent to its nose.

It's said those who run the big Australian sheep stations of the Outback measure the land's capacity not by sheep per acre but by acres per sheep.

Q. What's a "bosage"?

A. A clump of trees or shrubs, a thicket. Remarkable how many common words have quite uncommon synonyms, notes our Language man.

Surgeon don't earn a lot of money in the Czech Republic. Some take second jobs. Typical base pay is said to be equivalent to \$250 a month.

A zooman says the last 18 inches of a rattlesnake's strike is guided not by what it sees but by the heat it senses. If you try to feed it a cold mouse, he says, it will wiggle your warm hand.

Your tongue is a muscle.

"Cats are intended to teach us that not everything in nature has a function," intoned Garrison Keillor, that thinking performer, who may not have thought much about the history of rats.

"You never test the depth of a river with both feet." That is an ancient African proverb quoted by many. Proponents of trial marriage. Counselors who recommend separation instead of divorce. Jobsackers who find new work before they give up their old.

Q. What's the "basin" of an apple?

A. That big indentation at the bottom.

Q. Who uses the motto "Blood & Fire"?

A. The Salvation Army.

Q. In which war - Vietnam, Korea or World War II - did the greatest proportion of battle deaths come from small-arms fire?

A. Vietnam with 51 percent, Korea, 33 percent, WW II, 32 percent. Some experts attribute that specific death rise to lightweight rounds of M-16 and AK-47 rifles. Others say it's predictable in guerrilla combat.

L.M. Boyd What's what?

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Food

Birthday

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dessert pizza adorned with sliced fresh fruit or other favorite toppings, delicious homemade pie, a selection of exceptional ice cream sundaes or even the beloved chocolate brownie.

Each birthday happens only once — from the miracle of birth to rites of passage to important milestones of life. Make each one memorable.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PIZZA
Irresistible dessert pizza crowned with favorite treats.
(Makes one 14-inch pie).

- 1 (20-ounce) package refrigerated cookie dough, any flavor
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream cheese, softened
- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Original, Low Fat or Fat Free Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 1/2 cup frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Toppings: Assorted fresh or canned fruit, chopped candy bars, gummy candy, assorted candies, peanuts or toasted coconut

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. On lightly greased 14-inch pizza or baking pan, with floured hands, press cookie dough to form 14-inch pizza forming rim around edge. Bake 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. In small mixer bowl, beat cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Stir in juice concentrate and vanilla. Chill thoroughly, but before serving, spoon filling evenly over crust. Top with desired toppings. Refrigerate leftovers.

BUTTER PECAN COOKIE PIE
Creamy butter pecan pie with a nut-studded cookie crust.
(Makes one 9-inch pie).

- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 6 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted
- 2 cups finely crushed pecan shortbread cookies (about 1 1/2 cookies)
- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Original or Low Fat Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 1 (4-serving size) package instant butter pecan flavor pudding mix
- 1 (8-ounce) container frozen ordinary whipped topping, thawed

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Combine pecans and 2 tablespoons margarine; spread on baking sheet. Bake 5 minutes or until lightly browned; cool. In medium bowl, combine remaining margarine and crumbs. Press firmly on bottom and up side of lightly buttered 9-inch pie plate. Bake 6 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned. Cool. In large bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk and water. Add pudding mix; beat for 2 to 3 minutes. Fold in whipped topping and pecans. Spoon into prepared crust. Chill 4 hours or until set. Garnish as desired. Refrigerate leftovers.

Martha

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Since they eloped and never had a real wedding, we'd like this party to be special. I've searched for books to help me with ideas for the arrangements but have found only books that are quite outdated. They refer to things such as the "aged couple" needing help to walk and advise providing comfortable seats for them so they don't tire quickly. My parents are quite active and vital. I need suggestions for the menu, decorations and other things to help make this anniversary memorable. — Iris Wilson, Macon Ga.

Answer: There really is very little written about such celebrations, but that does not mean that a 50th anniversary should be relegated to obscurity. This is a milestone that should be treated specially.

I faced a similar situation two years ago, when my mother celebrated her 80th birthday and my sisters, brothers and I decided to give her a party. She asked for a "bash" and I think we delivered one — with all her friends, her favorite foods and a warm, friendly and live ambience.

We deferred completely to her wishes, and I would advise you to do the same with your parents. Talk with them about the kind of party they would like to have. Let them help you plan the menu, the guest list the decorations and so on.

My mother told us she wanted her party to be refined and elegant, but not stiff and formal. She asked for a luncheon in a light and sunny location. So we had it at the Hunt Club, a riding and tennis club in Westport, Conn.

When it came to the menu, Mom said she wanted hors d'oeuvres, fish and meat entrees and a homemade cake — and we were able to arrange for all of those.

For entertainment, we asked all the talents in the family to perform. You might want to try this as well. The music and the singing were wonderful.

Returns

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together."
• Stage a room full of favorites. Continue the "just for you" theme with items showcasing the celebrant's preferences. Tie up helium-filled balloons with ribbons in favorite colors, set out the cherished champagne glasses or well-loved antique tablecloth, present an elegant bouquet of first-choice

CANDY BAR CHEESECAKE
Satisfy cheesecake with a delicious candy bar surprise.
(Makes one 9-inch cheesecake).

- 4 (2.07-ounce) Snickers candy bars
- 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1/2 cup granulated sugar
- 1/2 cup margarine or butter, melted
- 3 (8-ounce) packages cream cheese, softened
- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Original, Low Fat or Fat Free Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 3 eggs
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
- 1/2 cup whipping cream, unwhipped

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Coarsely chop candy bars; reserve 1/3 cup. Combine crumbs, granulated sugar and margarine; press firmly on bottom of 9-inch springform pan. In large mixer bowl, beat cheese until fluffy. Gradually beat in sweetened condensed milk until smooth. Beat in eggs and vanilla. Add remaining chopped candy. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 1 hour and 5 minutes or until center is set. Cool, chill. In small saucepan, combine brown sugar and whipping cream; bring to a boil. Stir in reserved 1/3 cup chopped candy. Over low heat, boil 1 minute. Set aside. Cool. Garnish with 1 to 2 tablespoons cooled candy glaze. Serve cheesecake with remaining glaze. Refrigerate leftovers.

SIGNATURE SUNDAES
Vanilla Ice Cream
Rich ice cream sundaes bejeweled with toppings.
(Makes about 1 1/2 quarts).

- 1 (14-ounce can Eagle Brand Original, Low Fat or Fat Free Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups (1 pint) whipping cream, whipped

In large bowl, combine sweetened condensed milk and vanilla. Fold in whipped cream. Pour into 9-by-5-inch loaf pan or other 2-quart container; cover. Freeze 6 hours or until firm. Top with gummy candy, rainbow sprinkles or chocolate-flavored syrup.

flowers, play favorite music or make whimsical party favors reflecting the birthday person's interests.

• Offer "one to grow one." Instead of the traditional extra candle "to grow on," invite loved ones to write a special poem, song or letter expressing hopes and wishes for the birthday celebrant's following year.

CHOCOLATE ICE CREAM:
Omit vanilla extract. Add 2/3 cup chocolate-flavored syrup. Proceed as above. Top with chopped nuts, marshmallow cream, crushed cookies or candy bars, sprinkles or cherries.

ESPRESSO ALMOND ICE CREAM: Dissolve 1 tablespoon espresso powder in 1 teaspoon hot water. Add espresso mixture and 1/2 cup chopped toasted almonds to sweetened condensed milk mixture. Proceed as above. Top with whipped cream, ground cinnamon or nutmeg, espresso powder or additional toasted almonds.

COCONUT MACADAMIA ICE CREAM: Reduce vanilla extract to 1 teaspoon. Add coconut extract, 1/2 cup each toasted coconut and chopped macadamia nuts to sweetened condensed milk. Proceed as above. Top with toasted coconut, chopped macadamia nuts or crushed pineapple.

TRIPLE CHOCOLATE BROWNIES
Decadent frosted brownies with white chocolate drizzle.
(Makes 12 bars).

- 1 (14-ounce) can Eagle Brand Sweetened Condensed Milk (NOT evaporated milk)
 - 2 (1-ounce) squares unsweetened chocolate, melted
 - 1 egg, beaten
 - 2 tablespoons flour
 - 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 - 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 - 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips
 - Chocolate Frosting
 - White Chocolate Drizzle
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In mixing bowl, mix 1 cup sweetened condensed milk and chocolate. Add egg, flour, vanilla and baking powder; mix well. Spread into greased 8-inch baking pan. Sprinkle chocolate chips evenly over batter. Bake 20 minutes. Cool. Frost with Chocolate Frosting. Garnish with White Chocolate Drizzle.

CHOCOLATE FROSTING: In small saucepan, over low heat, melt 2 tablespoons margarine or butter and 1/2 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips. Gradually stir in remaining sweetened condensed milk. Stir until smooth and well-blended.

WHITE CHOCOLATE DRIZZLE: In small saucepan over low heat, melt 2 (1-ounce) squares white baking chocolate with 1 teaspoon shortening, stirring constantly until smooth. Immediately drizzle over brownies.

Making baby food is almost child's play

By Patty Lanoue Stearns
Knight-Ridder News Service

Feeding babies from a jar is a great convenience for parents, but if you want more control over what goes into your child's body, make it yourself, advises registered dietitian Pamela Savage-Marr.

"Babies need variety — fruits, vegetables and grains. Jar food's not a bad option, but it's easy enough to make batches ahead of time and freeze them," says Savage-Marr, national spokeswoman for the American Dietetic Association and regional facilitator for Oakwood Health Care System in Dearborn, Mich.

Simply grind batches of cooked spinach, carrots, peas, apples and fresh fruit such as blueberries and raspberries in a food processor or baby food grinder, found at stores such as Toys 'R' Us and Sears for

about \$20. Fill ice cube trays with the processed ingredients and defrost them as needed for meals.

Mash fresh, ripe bananas for a fast, high-potassium kiddie blast. Oatmeal, cooked noodles and meats can be processed the same way by adding a little milk, butter, water, gravy or broth to achieve a smooth consistency; freeze leftovers in small containers for easy defrosting.

"Babies can eat what you're eating," Savage-Marr says, explaining that by serving the strained version of the family meal, parents are setting things up for future stages in their development. "This cuts down on the power struggles later on in life."

"It's also much cheaper," offers Gail Posner, a registered dietitian in Farmington Hills, Mich. When you consider that a 6-ounce jar of Gerber cereal is 69 cents and an 8-ounce box of Gerber dry oatmeal with bananas

cereal is \$1.69, she's not kidding. Don't worry about babies getting too much fat in their diets — they need it.

"Children under age 2 should not have their fat restricted," warns Posner. "They need whole milk and whole cheeses," she says. "Babies need the fat and cholesterol for the growth of their bodies, brains and other organs."

If cooking isn't an option and you're worried about your child's nutrition, try the line of organic products from a Boulder, Colo., company called Earth's Best, found at health-food and gourmet markets. It's 59 cents for a 5-ounce jar of fruits and vegetables, 89 cents for 9 ounces and \$2.19 for a 6-ounce box of dry cereal. And if all the advice gets confusing, ask your pediatrician.

Samples

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wise-and scoop them out, leaving about 1/2-inch of potato clinging to the skin. Mash the scooped-out potato and then add it to the vegetable-cream mixture. Lower the oven heat to 350 degrees. Fill the potato shells with this mixture and place them in an oiled baking dish. Cover with foil and bake for 20 minutes.
Serves 4.

SHEEPHERDERS STEW
(France - Basque)
3 pounds lamb stew meat cut in cubes
1/2 cup flour
3 tablespoons oil or fat
1 can beer
1 can tomato sauce
3 cups water
1 clove garlic, finely chopped
1/2 onion chopped
Dash of Tabasco
1 tablespoon basil
Salt and pepper to taste
4 carrots, sliced
4 potatoes, quartered

Combine flour, meat, salt and pepper in plastic bag and shake until all the meat is coated. Empty the flour and meat in large pot and brown slowly in hot oil, turning

often. Add tomato sauce, garlic, water, onion, basil, beer, Tabasco, salt and pepper, and simmer for 1 hour. Add carrots and potatoes and simmer for one more hour, or until done. Serve with French bread, buttered.
Serves 10-15

PUMPKIN SOUP
(The Caribbean)
2 pounds pumpkin or winter squash, peeled, seeded and cubed (about 5 cups)
3 garlic cloves
2 onions, chopped
2-3 bay leaves
1/2 teaspoon marjoram
1/4 teaspoon celery seeds
2 fresh tomatoes, chopped (or 1

cup chopped canned tomatoes)
5 cups vegetable stock
1/3 cup dry white wine
1 tablespoon honey
1 teaspoon cinnamon
Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste
1/2 cup heavy cream

Place all the ingredients, except the cream, in a large saucepan. Simmer until the pumpkin is soft. Remove the bay leaves. Puree the mixture in a blender or food processor in several batches. Return the puree to the saucepan on low heat and gradually stir in the cream. Heat through but do not let the soup come to a boil.
Serves 6.

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