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## Primary race gathers speed

The Washington Post

After months of anticipation and protracted battles, a new New Hampshire, the fight for the Republican presidential nomination is about to hit warp speed. The four contests this week will set the stage for a month of big-state battlegrounds that finally will determine the party's nominee.

This week's primaries will help to establish the resiliency of Senate Majority Leader Robert J. Dole, Kan., the breadth of commentator Patrick J. Buchanan's appeal and the credentials of former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander and magazine publisher Malcolm S. "Steve" Forbes Jr. as serious contenders for the nomination.

Contests Tuesday in Arizona, North Dakota and South Dakota will precede Saturday's voting in South Carolina — a battle that has become so important to all the campaigns that some are calling it the Dixie version of New Hampshire.

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Any candidate who can put together a string of victories over the next week will gain a significant advantage on the rest of the field when the campaign moves toward major states such as Georgia, New York, Florida, Texas and the industrial states of the Midwest later in March.

The losing candidates may hang around to compete in those big states, but recovery becomes more difficult and significantly more expensive.

Before the Iowa caucuses and the New Hampshire primary, Forbes had used his advertising muscle to take an early lead in Arizona, while Dole established himself as the man to beat in the other three states.

But party officials and campaign consultants said yesterday the momentum now has shifted to Buchanan in all four states since he came close to beating Dole in the Iowa caucuses and finished ahead of him in

### Dole fires pollster, demotes strategist

The Associated Press

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole has decided to replace his top strategist and fire his lead pollster in an effort to revive his struggling presidential campaign, sources said Sunday. The shakeup comes after back-to-back defeats that have the once-overwhelming GOP front-runner battling for survival.

The moves follow weeks of often bitter turmoil within the Dole campaign over strategy and advertising. Dole made the personal decisions late Saturday after being told he would lose Delaware's presidential primary to Steve Forbes — despite being assured earlier that he was

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## Filer man holds police in late-night standoff

The Times-News

FILER — A heavily armed man was threatening to shoot law officers from a Filer residence Sunday night; two lawmen were injured in shoot-outs with the man.

Streets near Sixth and Union were blocked off as the Twin Falls County sheriff's Crisis Response Team tried to negotiate with the man, according to police radio broadcasts. Some neighboring houses were evacuated, but police couldn't reach elderly residents of a nearby complex immediately without drawing fire.

As of midnight, four officers were "pinned down" at a squad car directly in front of the house, apparently unable to move without drawing fire.

"We're stuck in a bad place," one of the four officers told other officers. A sniper team

was called out. One officer was wounded at about 10:15 p.m. after Filer policemen responded to a family violence call and found themselves in a gun battle. The officer was treated at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center for superficial injuries.

A second officer was injured at 11:30 p.m. after gunshots sprayed him with broken glass. He did not immediately seek medical care.

The gunman's wife and children apparently obtained refuge at a neighbor's home. Officers discussed returning his brother or a friend to negotiate with him.

The gunman was reportedly armed with a night-vision scope and three semiautomatic weapons: a 10-gauge shotgun, a 16-gauge shotgun and .30-caliber Winchester Magnum rifle.

## Bones open vista on peccary life

### Fossil discovery near Hagerman gives glimpse of ancient animal

By Virginia S. Garber  
Times-News writer

HAGERMAN — Workers brush away bits of ancient soil, revealing the fossilized "milk teeth" and unfused ankle bones of a young peccary, discovered recently in southern Idaho.

A Hagerman scientist hopes this episode in the slow-paced drama of paleontology will shed light on peccaries' sex lives, social lives, enemies, environment, physiology and causes of death and extinction.

"We're trying to bring these animals back to life and understand them," said paleontologist Greg McDonald. The extinct *Platygonus pearcei*, the "New World equivalent of pigs," was a plant eater with a large head, short tusks, narrow limbs and coarse hair, he said.

A University of Idaho student surveying plants on the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument stumbled — literally — onto the bones in August.

Some of the fossils had washed down the surface of a ridge. The monument's crew followed the bones up to a level on the ridge that scientists date at 3.5 million years old, McDonald said.

Workers excavated around the cache of bones they found there and wrapped the fossils and surrounding dirt in large plaster casts for removal to a workshop in Hagerman. Now they're brushing the dirt away and meticulously mapping the position of each bone and fragment.

McDonald hopes the measurements can be used to create a computerized, three-dimensional map of the fossils.

"I think we have at least three individuals represented," McDonald said.

Like crime-scene detectives, paleontologists try to discover how the animal died, came to rest and was preserved in the fossil record, McDonald said. Some of these peccary bones are still in natural positions, he said. Apparently, the corpses lay on the ground for a while after death, and scavengers scattered and broke some bones.

A Smithsonian field crew found four fossilized peccary skeletons on the monument in 1934. These bones are now displayed in a



The Chacoan peccary of Paraguay and Brazil is the closest modern relative of the fossil peccaries found near Hagerman.



On display

Smithsonian gallery. But for more than 60 years until the August discovery, crews in Hagerman had found only tiny peccary pieces, unsuitable for delving into "the whole ecology" of the extinct animal, McDonald said.

"We're really used to working with bits and pieces, not whole individuals," he said. And new specimen discoveries are paleontologists' only chance for the "scientific repeatability" that supports or disproves conclusions drawn from the 1934 finds, he said.

McDonald has never been able to relocate the Smithsonian peccary quarry. This time around, crews used laser surveying equipment to record precisely where the peccary fossils rested.

Peccary studies will be one component of the Hagerman monument's exchange program with a Brazilian museum, funded by a \$10,000 grant from the American Association of Museums, McDonald said. The Chacoan peccary of Paraguay and Brazil, descended from North American ancestors, is the closest modern relative of the Hagerman fossil peccaries.

One of the three Hagerman peccary skeletons, not yet completely uncovered, is on display at the monument's visitors' center.

"We're definitely not the ivory-tower type here, finding stuff and keeping it to ourselves," McDonald said.



Geologist Larry Grownsy prepares casts containing two adult peccaries and a juvenile discovered on the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument. The discovery marks only the second full-skeleton find recorded of the extinct animal.

## Cuba accused of 'blatant violation'

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration on Sunday decried Cuba's downing of two small American planes as "a blatant violation of international law" but its only immediate response was to seek punitive actions from the United Nations.

As President Clinton considered a range of other options, the incident

estapulated the Cuban-American relations to the forefront of debate just two weeks before Florida's delegatoric presidential primary.

Lawmakers sought to rally support for a tougher trade embargo on Cuba, a matter that is pending on Capitol Hill. And GOP presidential candidates demanded decisive action, portraying Clinton as soft on Fidel Castro.

"Instead of siding with Castro in op-

posing tougher sanctions, President Clinton should now voice his support for tightening the Cuban embargo," Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole said.

Dole's rival for the nomination, Pat Buchanan, said U.S. fighter planes should patrol international waters off Cuba. If Cuban planes attack planes in those waters, "I would shoot the Cuban planes down," Buchanan declared.

## Search continues for 4 missing from downed planes

The Associated Press

MIAMI — Enel Puentes and six friends bobbed in the Straits of Florida for three days in July 1994 on a tin-can and inner-tube raft before they saw the airplane that saved their lives.

The Brothers to the Rescue pilot circled the Cuban refugees a few times then dropped a package of

flares and food and a note that said the Coast Guard was on its way.

On Sunday, Puentes and nearly 2,000 Cuban exiles gathered at the headquarters of the volunteer search and rescue group to protest the downing of two aircraft Saturday by Cuban government fighter planes.

"The feeling I get that day — the admiration, respect — it was the

same that made me come here today," said Puentes, 29. "Only now there is sadness."

A similar protest in New York attracted about 150 people and resulted in 13 arrests when protesters refused to move behind police barricades.

Minutes before he was arrested, Jorge Acosta, 39, said he would

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## Congress chases activists up a tree

The Associated Press

BELLINGHAM, Wash. — It was a bargain Mitch Friedman says he couldn't pass up — trees from the government for just 60 cents each!

When a stand of fire-damaged timber in Washington's Okanogan National Forest went to auction Dec. 20, Friedman's outfit was there, outbidding three timber companies.

Business as usual — except that Friedman is an environmental activist, not a logger, and he wants to leave the trees in place, not cut them down. All of which means he's more likely to spot Bigfoot than get the timber contract.

"The Forest Service says you can't buy its trees without cutting them down," but Friedman, director of the Bellingham-based Northwest Ecosystem Alliance, figures it was worth a try.

Northwest environmentalists have few other options these days. A measure passed by Congress and signed reluctantly last July by President Clinton suspends environmental laws across thousands of acres of the Northwest's old-growth forest.

Of all the rollbacks in environmental regulation promised by congressional Republicans, this is one of the few that has stuck.

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# Weather

### IDAHO Weather

Monday, Feb. 26  
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| COEUR D'ALENE | 34° |
| LEWISTON      | 32° |
| BOISE         | 31° |
| TWIN FALLS    | 30° |
| POCATELLO     | 31° |
| IDAHO FALLS   | 29° |

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## Idaho forecasts

### Magic Valley

Today mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Becoming windy in the afternoon. Highs around 30. West winds 10 to 15 mph increasing to 15 to 30 mph. Tonight mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of snow showers. Lows 10 to 20. Tuesday mostly cloudy and cold with a chance of snow showers. Highs 25 to 30.

### Extended regional forecast

Wednesday partly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Lows in the single digits. Highs in the 20s.  
Thursday mostly cloudy with a chance of snow showers. Lows in the single digits and teens. Highs in the 20s to mid-30s.  
Friday partly cloudy with scattered snow showers. Lows 5 to 15 east and 10 to 20 west. Highs 30 to 40.

### Wood River Valley

Today variable cloudiness with a chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid-20s. Tonight mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of snow showers. Lows around zero. Tuesday continued cold with a mix of clouds and sunshine and a chance of snow showers. Highs in the lower 20s.

### Treasure Valley

Today patchy morning low clouds, otherwise a mix of clouds and sunshine with a chance of snow showers. Brisk winds in the afternoon. Highs around 30. Northwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Tonight partly cloudy and colder with a slight chance of snow showers. Lows 10 to 15. Tuesday patchy morning low clouds, otherwise a mix of clouds and sunshine with a chance of afternoon snow showers. Highs near 30.

### Northern Nevada

Today scattered snow showers east with a slight chance west. Highs in the mid-20s to mid-30s. Tonight partly cloudy west. Mostly cloudy east with a chance of snow showers. Colder with lows near zero to 10 above east and in the single digits to mid-teens west. Tuesday variable clouds. A slight chance of snow showers. Highs in the mid-20s to mid-30s.

### Winter Utah

Warmer storm watch for today and tonight; tonight periods of snow with possible lake effect. Lows mid-20s. Tuesday snow showers likely. Highs near 30. Chance of snow 80 percent today and tonight, 60 percent Tuesday.

### Idaho weather summary

Mostly cloudy skies and colder air predominated over Idaho Sunday afternoon with isolated snow flurries over parts of the southeast highlands. Otherwise, no precipitation was observed in Idaho. Much colder air from Canada was poised to enter Idaho from today through Tuesday, bringing subnormal temperatures with single digits statewide. A storm system moving northeast from Nevada Sunday afternoon was to bring snow showers to mainly the southeast highlands and parts of the Upper Snake River Valley overnight and today. The rest of Idaho was likely to have widely scattered flurries.

## NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Monday, Feb. 26.  
Bands separate high temperature zones for the day.

FRONTS: COLD WARM STATIONARY  
Precipitation: Hail, Snow, Rain, Sleet, Fog, Windy, Cloudy

## National temperatures

| City           | Max | Min | Pcp   |
|----------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Albuquerque    | 84  | 44  | ..... |
| Atlanta        | 78  | 44  | ..... |
| Boston         | 59  | 43  | ..... |
| Chicago        | 59  | 33  | ..... |
| Dallas         | 70  | 60  | ..... |
| Denver         | 60  | 31  | ..... |
| Dos Moeires    | 60  | 39  | ..... |
| Detroit        | 57  | 30  | ..... |
| Houston        | 72  | 51  | ..... |
| Indianapolis   | 62  | 65  | ..... |
| Los Angeles    | 63  | 38  | ..... |
| Memphis        | 76  | 48  | ..... |
| Las Vegas      | 49  | 42  | ..... |
| Los Angeles    | 55  | 48  | 29    |
| Minneapolis    | 38  | 27  | ..... |
| Miami Beach    | 79  | 67  | ..... |
| Milwaukee      | 53  | 28  | ..... |
| New Orleans    | 81  | 63  | ..... |
| New York       | 62  | 47  | ..... |
| Oklahoma City  | 64  | 36  | ..... |
| Phoenix        | 63  | 45  | ..... |
| Portland, Ore. | 75  | 50  | ..... |
| Portland, Me.  | 46  | 37  | ..... |
| Reno           | 70  | 25  | 05    |
| St. Louis      | 70  | 52  | ..... |
| Salt Lake City | 34  | 28  | 10    |
| San Francisco  | 55  | 40  | 06    |
| Seattle        | 49  | 24  | ..... |
| Spokane        | 29  | 24  | ..... |
| Washington     | 72  | 42  | ..... |

## Almanac

### Idaho

| Max         | Min | Pcp | Yesterday            | 31    | 19 |
|-------------|-----|-----|----------------------|-------|----|
| Boise       | 32  | 20  | Last year            | 57    | 35 |
| Burley      | 32  | 21  | Normal               | 48    | 25 |
| Fairfield   | m   | m   |                      |       |    |
| Gooding     | m   | m   |                      |       |    |
| Hagerman    | 40  | 20  |                      |       |    |
| Idaho Falls | 29  | 22  | Month to date:       | .66   |    |
| Jorome      | 31  | 19  | Normal mo. to date:  | .63   |    |
| Lewiston    | 35  | 26  | Water year to date:  | 7.08  |    |
| Malad       | 32  | 21  | Normal year to date: | 4.93  |    |
| Malta       | m   | 19  |                      |       |    |
| McCalla     | m   | 8   |                      |       |    |
| Pocatello   | 29  | 24  | Humidity at noon:    | 63    | pe |
| Salmon      | 22  | 13  | Barometer at noon:   | 25.71 |    |
| Stanley     | m   | 16  |                      |       |    |
| Sun Valley  | m   | m   |                      |       |    |

## Skywatch

Sunset today 6:24 p.m.  
Sunrise tomorrow 7:17 a.m.  
Lunar phase: First quarter, Feb. 25; full, March 5; last quarter, March 12; new, March 19.  
Visible planets: Morning, Jupiter. Evening: Saturn, Venus, Mercury.

## Dole

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leading in the state and likely to win. The dramatic internal campaign reorganization is but one reflection of the urgent mood within the Dole camp. After a razor-thin victory in Iowa, Dole has now run second in New Hampshire and Delaware and is in a tight race here in Arizona where polls show a narrow Dole lead but GOP activists give Pat Buchanan solid odds of winning Tuesday's primary. In the shakeup, pollster William McInturf and his firm, Public Opinion Strategies, will no longer be given any Dole campaign business, according to campaign sources who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. And William Lacy, a longtime Dole adviser, was told he was being

removed as chief strategist with control over polling, advertising and other campaign media, the sources said. Lacy was told he could stay in and keep his title as deputy campaign chairman, but that he would lose most of his authority, the sources said. It was unclear Sunday night whether he would stay with the campaign in a diminished status. The top strategy role was turned over to Don Sipple, a veteran GOP consultant who joined the Dole campaign after California Gov. Pete Wilson cut the race last year. Sipple has been frustrated for months as his advice was ignored or overruled by Lacy. Media consultant Stuart Stevens will remain a member of the Dole team but report to Sipple instead of Lacy, the sources said. Sipple's first order of business is to

rush into production positive TV ads promoting Dole, the sources said. Pollster Tony Fabrizio, who was already doing some campaign work, will become the lead pollster, the sources said. Dole campaign manager Scott Reed is considering bringing in additional polling help, with Michigan-based Fred Steeper the likely choice. Reed pushed for the changes Saturday after receiving word of the Delaware results and Dole approved them, according to the sources. Reed flew back to Washington from Arizona and informed Lacy. Other who urged major changes in the operation included New Hampshire Gov. Steve Merrill, who is Dole's national campaign chairman, and former Minnesota Rep. Vin Weber, a prominent campaign spokesman and adviser.

## Search

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rather go to jail than "to allow Castro to dictate to me from Havana where, when and how I practice my freedom of speech. If I move, I am letting Fidel dictate to me." As the Coast Guard and Navy continued to search international waters off Havana for four people, some passengers on a cruise ship in the area Saturday told how the Cuban MIGs shot down the two single-engine planes in the waters separating Cuba and Florida. "The MIG just appeared from nowhere and came and he sent the rocket out, and (there was) smoke, flame all over," Guven Yalcini of Knoxville, Tenn., told Miami television station WISN-TV. John Ciurciu of Elmwood Park, N.J., another passenger on the Royal Caribbean Cruise Line ship, added: "Then I saw another white plane,

like trying to get away from somewhere. All of a sudden it shot it down. Another plane came from a lower altitude and just shot it away." The ship's staff had thought that a military exercise was being conducted in the area, Royal Caribbean west in a heavy release. Since no distress calls or advisories were received by the ship, the M.S. Majesty of the Seas, it continued its voyage to Miami where it arrived Sunday. The mid-afternoon high for the lower 48 states was 84 at both Miami and Alice, Texas. The low was 13 below zero at Wildhorse Reservation, Nev. The coldest wind chill was 45 below zero at Cut Bank, Mont.

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## Tree

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climbing 100 feet up a tree. A Feb. 17 rally near the site drew at least 250 protesters, 100 of whom were arrested for trespassing after crossing into a closed area. Two days later, the tree-sitter had climbed down, the protesters had gone home, and the chainsaws were roaring. Loggers are savoring a rare victory in their quest for timber. "What this legislation did was basically restrict some groups from obstructionist lawsuits," said Chris Westley, spokesman for the Northwest Forestry Association, a timber-industry group. "Environmentalists have been able to totally shut down the federal timber program in the Pacific Northwest," West said. "That has put dozens and dozens of mills out of business and tens of thousands of people out of work." All the rhetoric must sound distressingly familiar to Clinton, who tackled the Northwest's timber crisis soon after taking office. His March 1993 forest conference in Portland, Ore., addressed a basic question: How much of the region's few remaining stands of old-growth forest should be logged, and how much reserved for imperiled wildlife such as

spotted owls and salmon? The answer turned out to be as tangled as the forest itself. Clinton's forest plan promised Northwest loggers about 1 billion board feet of federal timber each year — one-fifth the level of logging during the booming 1980s. The plan drew legal challenges from both sides, further slowing timber harvest. But another phenomenon — the sprouting of small, local forest-watch groups — may have slowed things even more. A few years ago, only logging contractors and government foresters typically cared about the nitty-gritty details of timber sales. But the spotted owl's legal stopping power impressed environmentalists who formerly might have staged a demonstration, hugged a few trees and gone home. Banding together in small groups with names like Headwaters and the Chestnut Wilderness Alliance, they started protesting through nearby national forests to check whether managers violated their own regulations. They say they often find streams, old logging roads and rare plants overlooked by officials.

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## Primary

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New Hampshire on Tuesday. The two Plains states primaries remain fertile territory for the Kansas-born Dole. With fourth-place finishes in Iowa and New Hampshire, Forbes needs to show a better return on his personal investment of more than \$20 million. Even more urgently, Alexander, who is trying to retack his treasury for the primaries later in March, has to improve on the third-place standing he won in early contests. Dole has the big-name endorsement and organizational support in all four states, and Forbes has been

blitzing them with commercials. Alexander, with more limited resources, is making his main play in South Carolina. But there, as elsewhere, Buchanan shows signs of melding a coalition of antipartisan and economically anxious voters into a force big enough to threaten everyone else's prospects. Dole can offset a potential loss in Arizona with victories in the Dakotas on Tuesday, but after seeing his establishment support fall in New Hampshire, a loss in South Carolina would send a message that no matter how many endorsements and organizational support in all four states, and Forbes has been

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# Coalition to file suit to protect rights for 'Net

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Internet is more like a newspaper than television — and deserves the same First Amendment protection, a coalition including Microsoft, the American Library Association and the Society for Professional Journalists plans to argue in a lawsuit Monday.

The lawsuit seeks to overturn the Communications Decency Act, which imposes a \$250,000 fine and up to six years in prison for transmitting material considered indecent in such a way that it may be accessed on the Internet by children.

Another lawsuit, filed Feb. 8 by a coalition led by the American Civil Liberties Union, resulted in the temporary blocking of the act. U.S. District Judge Ronald Buckwalter said the definition of indecency in the act was so vague that people wouldn't know they were breaking the law until they were arrested.

The new lawsuit, to be filed in Philadelphia by the Citizens Internet Empowerment Coalition, goes beyond the ACLU's by attempting to redefine the law which covers the Internet.

"The basic First Amendment framework for the Internet is going to be set by this case," said Daniel Weitzner of the Center for Democracy and Technology in Washington D.C.

Messages left Sunday with the Justice Department seeking comment on the lawsuit were not immediately returned.

The lawsuit includes more than 50 pages of explanation as to why the Internet is a new technology

deserving of new laws. "A good chunk of the complaint is spent walking the court through how the medium works," said Bill Burrington, general counsel for America Online, the largest commercial Internet service in the United States with more than 4 million members.

"By putting together this very broad coalition we have the opportunity to bring this debate up to a more public and intelligent level, and to educate the court about the technology. That education never happened in Congress because there were never any hearings," he said.

Historically, broadcast has been the most restricted kind of speech because the number of channels is limited and listeners and viewers don't have control over what they see.

"We're hoping to show that instead of being a captive audience, Internet users have control of what they see and what comes into their homes," Weitzner said.

Because of that, the lawsuit holds, the Internet is more like a newspaper or a book than a television program — and Internet companies are more like publishers than television stations.

The coalition also believes there are alternative and less restrictive means to protect children or anyone else from offensive content.

Numerous software programs allow parents to block material they don't wish their children to have access to, without the need to reduce the content of the entire Internet to something acceptable for children.

# Democrats enjoy jabs at GOP

Knight-Ridder News Service

They're having a great old time making fun of the Grand Old Party.

For the moment, their big challenge is trying not to gloat in public. Instead, they leak it to the press.

"This is just unbelievable," laughs a veteran Democratic strategist. "The Republicans can't seem to get their act together, and we're loving it."

"Yippe, this is fabulous," says a Clinton-Gore operative. "Pat Buchanan's voice is so amplified and so extreme — it paints the Republicans exactly the way we want, in a way that's helpful to us."

Others aren't so reluctant. Don Switzer, a former director of the Democratic National Committee, puts it this way: "It's a pleasure to watch their panic and disarray. We should say some more popcorn."

Still, Democrats can't believe their luck will last — because political fortunes shift rapidly in this volatile climate, because Bill Clinton has a gift for messing things up, because the working people who like Buchanan's angry populism might find Clinton bland by comparison, or because Bob Dole might even wind up looking like a hero if he rescues the GOP from "Buchananism."

"We should suppress any cheering," says David Axelrod, Democratic adviser based in Chicago. "Right now, things do look great. But the election isn't right now. I'm so accustomed to looking over my shoulder that I'm not going to stop now. I'm a Clinton supporter, of course, but he has an extraordinary capacity to drive a car off the road."

That said, Democrats have not been this happy for some time: after being slapped around by the electorate for most of the last quarter-century, they're always primed for a meltdown. But the deep Republican schisms, laid bare in Iowa and New Hampshire, have warmed the hearts of fatalistic Democrats whose fortunes ride with the man in the White House.

Only in their fantasies could they have conjured the events of recent days. Mark Mellman, a Democratic



Lamar Alexander, right, looks over the autographed baseball bat and A's cap he received from Oakland A's manager Art Howe, left, during a visit to the team's Phoenix, Ariz., training camp Sunday.

pollster and occasional White House adviser, explains: "They've lost their traditional image of a united Republican Party. Because of Buchanan's success (as a social conservative), they've lost the chance to soften their radical right-wing platform. They've probably lost the chance to pick a moderate vice president. And they've lost any chance of keeping Buchanan away from prime-time TV at the convention."

Many Democrats expect Dole to win the nomination, but they believe that Buchanan has already done Clinton a favor by demonstrating Dole's main vulnerability as a candidate. Mellman says: "The lesson is, someone with a message beats someone without a message. Dole has none. His lack of message has

allowed Buchananism to bloom."

And for Democrats, Buchananism is their GOP caricature sprung to life. For months, they have been describing Republicans as "extremist," and now, after Buchanan's recent endorsement of creationism and his defense of a former top aide linked to militia groups, they are expanding their vocabulary. Mellman says simply that much of Buchanan's message is "fascism."

But, dogged by the past, they still worry about what can go wrong. Some are cautioning their colleagues with this piece of history: After the New Hampshire primary in 1992, their candidates didn't look so good, either. Clinton had finished second, and the rest — Tom Harkin, Paul Tsongas,

Jerry Brown — weren't exactly superstars. And many were still pining for Mario Cuomo to save the day.

"There's no guarantee that we will win on that issue. Because most people 'don't' feel more confident and grounded."

Above all, they fear that Buchanan may be raising the expectations of the average working stiff — in ways that Clinton might not be able to satisfy.

Although Buchanan's raw rhetoric will alienate many voters, his defense of working people has demonstrated the depth of economic anxiety in the electorate. Democrats say that Clinton must seize this issue while also avoiding blame. Such is the risk of incumbency.

# Tether breaks after release; satellite lost

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A 12-mile tether connecting a half-ton satellite to Columbia broke Sunday and drifted safely away from the space shuttle and its seven astronauts.

Astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman shouted down the news nearly five hours into the electricity-generating experiment, as the cable was almost all the way out.

"The tether has broken at the boom! The tether has broken! It's going away from us!" Hoffman told Mission Control.

The satellite and dangling cord quickly drifted away from Columbia as all three objects sped around Earth at 17,500 mph.

Within several minutes, the satellite and tether were more than 18 miles away from Columbia — believed to be a safe distance.

Mission Control commentator James Hartsfield said the electricity-conducting cable apparently broke somewhere inside a 40-foot tower in the shuttle cargo bay. Only 33 feet of the 12.8-mile tether remained in the tower and was steady.

"Nothing moving at all," reported shuttle commander Andrew Allen.

The astronauts were aware of the problem almost instantly because of a sudden decrease in tension in the 1/10-inch-thick tether, which resembles a bootlace. In all the excitement, they bumped a camera and lost view of the satellite as it broke.

In video later beamed down to Mission Control, the end of the severed copper, nylon and Teflon braided tether with the satellite reemerged curly french fries.

"Those are some tether dynamics we did not want to see," Mission Control said.

"Oh well, we have demonstrated that you can generate a lot of electricity with tether and unfortunately we've also demonstrated that you can use tethers to launch a satellite into a much higher orbit," Hoffman replied.

NASA officials said they had no idea what went wrong.

The tether was almost all the way out when it broke and, along with the satellite, had been generating more than 3,000 volts of electricity.

# Navy grounds fighter jets after Kitty Hawk fatal crash

Los Angeles Times

SAN DIEGO — The carrier Kitty Hawk, ordered to end its training exercises prematurely after the fatal crash of one of its jets, returned to port Sunday as the Pacific Fleet began a safety stand-down to reassess safety procedures for its aircraft.

The carrier was ordered back to its berth at North Island Naval Air Station by Vice Adm. Brent M. Bennett, who also ordered a two-day stand-down for all 1,600 aircraft stationed on the West Coast, Hawaii, Guam and Japan. Each of the 79 squadrons will decide when to conduct its stand-

down, but Bennett asked that, among other things, they all review procedures for ejecting from aircraft that are out of control.

Also on Sunday, the Navy identified the crew of the EA-6B Prowler that crashed 150 miles off the Southern California coast during routine daylight training Saturday.

The body of Lt. Cmdr. James Dec, 35, of New York, the plane's electronic warfare officer, was recovered within minutes of the crash. But the pilot, Lt. Thomas Francis, 26, of Fountain Valley, Calif., remains missing and is presumed lost.

# Atlantic City is home to tastiest water

BERKELEY SPRINGS, W.Va. (AP) — Atlantic City, N.J., once again is home of the nation's best tap water.

That's the decision from a panel of judges that selected the tastiest tap, bottled and sparkling water Saturday at the 10-week Festival of the Waters in Berkeley Springs.

It's the third time in the event's six years that Atlantic City has won top honors: Huntington Station, N.Y., came in second and Ames, Iowa, third.

Thirty-four communities were entered in this year's municipal tap water division, including last year's winner, Kent, Ohio.

Organizers said they tried unsuccessfully to coax the White House into sending in a sample.

"Of course, it's just D.C. tap water, but it's the president's," organizer Jeanne Mozler said.

Washington, D.C., did send an entry — which didn't win, but at least it made it. An overnight shipment from the nation's capital last year spilled during the trip. Tanna Natural Spring from Milan, Italy, was the winner among the 35 entries in the non-carbonated water category. Perrier of France topped the nine-contender sparkling water category.

# Buchanan plays on fear of gays, immigrants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pat Buchanan's fund-raising letters are bluntly pitched to those who fear recognition for gays, "renegade" federal judges, illegal immigrants — and government itself.

In one of his many direct-mail letters of this campaign, Buchanan sounded dire warnings for the Republican Party.

There's "a bloody assault" on the GOP's stand against abortion, and "liberals in our party are already demanding the addition of a homosexual rights plank in the next Republican platform," the former commentator wrote three months ago.

That letter offered believers an opportunity to fill out a petition called the "1996 Republican Platform Demand" and send it in along with \$10 or \$15, of course.

Unlike many of the GOP presidential suitors who raise large sums of money at \$1,000-a-plate dinners, Buchanan has relied mostly on a direct mail fund-raising operation that in years past helped raise huge sums of money for fellow conservatives like Oliver North.

Scott B. Mackenzie, Buchanan's treasurer, was out of town and unavailable for comment, the cam-



Pat Buchanan displays a Winchester rifle during a visit to the Cross Roads of the West Gun Show in Phoenix, Ariz., Sunday.

panion said Sunday. The Associated Press reviewed a dozen direct-mail letters sent out by Buchanan during this campaign. They included appeals to parents that they were losing control of their chil-

ren's education to a liberal, intrusive government.

One letter decried "the social radicals and gay rights activists who wish to indoctrinate America's children in 'positive attitudes' toward homosex-

uality, using as propaganda tools, books for first-graders like 'Daddy's Roommate' and 'Heather Has Two Mommies.'"

The same letter also blasted the "judges and justices who drive prayer and the Bible out of our public schools, and opened the floodgates on pornography."

Another letter accused rival Sens. Bob Dole and Phil Gramm of "undermining the use of English as America's unifying national language" by voting to "use your tax dollars to print ballots in Spanish."

One fund-raising letter is devoted entirely to one of Buchanan's favorite themes on the campaign trail: "uncontrolled immigration" is wrecking the "priceless coin of national unity." Sprinkled throughout Buchanan's letters are also plenty of code words for Perot voters, the Christian right and anti-government advocates. There are attacks on the "Permanent Establishment" and the term "professional politicians" is frequently underlined. There's also talk of closing America's borders "with troops if necessary," recalls of "renegade" federal judges and greatly reducing the powers of the IRS.

# Firefighters patrol for hot spots, hope for rain, relief

The Associated Press

Most of the grass fires that scorched thousands of acres in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas were out by Sunday, allowing firefighters to pack up their gear and take a much-needed break.

"Things are pretty quiet," said Capt. Steve Burdick of the Stillwater, Okla., Fire Department. "Our crews came in at five 7 this morning. And they all went to bed."

For several days, grass, trees and shrubs, crackling dry from lack of moisture, have ignited and blackened miles of grassland. The weather forecast looked promising Sunday, with a hint of rain in the forecast throughout the region early this week.

"We are getting some cooler temperatures," said meteorologist Jeff

Barberding at Fort Worth, Texas. "Our humidities are coming up, it's not quite as dry. We do have a chance of rain, although not that great, toward mid-week."

A lot of rain will be needed to make a difference, said Texas Department of Health spokesman David Vaughan. "We want to caution anybody against a false sense of security if there's a little rain. In the past after short rains, people have relaxed and barbecued outside or burned trash and didn't heed whether a ban has been lifted," he said.

Some of the largest fires, which destroyed 30,000 acres at Fort Hood, Texas, were out Sunday. However, more than 300 soldiers and firefighters kept patrolling the area for hot spots. Army base officials said.

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# Bottles of brains more than legend

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — With so many great minds at Yale University, the last place Christopher Wahl expected to find 600 of them was in dusty old jars beneath his dormitory.

As a first-year medical student, he listened keenly as upperclassmen told him the eerie legend of a cache of bottled brains located deep within the subbasement of Edward S. Harkness Hall.

Then, his curiosity got the better of him. Sometime after midnight — and after a few drinks — he and four other students descended to the former bomb shelter. Their voices hushed so as not to be detected, they picked the lock using a piece of wire. They passed a dimly lit collection of boxes, old furniture, a gun and other flotsam long since forgotten.

Then they found them: On dirty shelves, rows and rows of brains. Each floated in a gallon jar of formaldehyde, yellow, brown and gray.

Wahl had no idea that they had found a meticulously gathered collection that chronicled the scientific beginnings of neurosurgery. He was just worried about getting caught.

"I could just see telling my parents I got thrown out of medical school for this," said the 28-year-old Wahl, who graduates in May.

Wahl made his discovery in 1991. For a year, he kept it secret but remained haunted by the photographic negatives that accompanied the specimens: the faraway look in the eyes of a little girl in agony, a bony woman with a massive brain tumor seeping out of her skull. "This is not like finding canned fruit in the basement," he said. "It was almost harrowing finding them because you realize these were people. The photos are riveting, compelling, very emotional."

Through some research, Wahl learned that the specimens were collected by Dr. Harvey Cushing, a pioneer in brain surgery and, at his death in 1939, Yale's Sterling Professor of Neurology.

When Wahl finally approached faculty with the discovery, he did not face expulsion. The discovery was hailed as a momentous historical find. "I thought this was a wonderful thing," said Dr. Dennis Spencer, Yale's chief neurosurgeon. "Many of the faculty knew they were there, but the outside world really forgot."

Wahl said he was relieved that "no one really asked, 'What were you doing skulking around the bottom of the dorm?'"

Cushing's brain tumor registry contains more than 2,000 case studies, including whole brain specimens and tumors, more than 50,000 pages of records, notes, journal excerpts, and some 15,000 photographic negatives. The material dates from the late 1800s to 1936.

Cushing was renowned for transforming brain surgery from a bizarre novelty to a legitimate science, even as some of his grossly disfigured patients were relegated to freak shows and institutions.

When he began performing surgery before the turn of the century, Cushing's mortality rate was



Yale medical student Christopher Wahl, left, and Dennis Spencer, chief of neurosurgery at Yale display part of the collection of Dr. Harvey Cushing, one of the pioneers of brain surgery, who taught at the school from 1934 until his death in 1939.

more than 90 percent. By the time he last used a scalpel in the 1930s, the rate was down to 10 percent because of innovations, many of which he developed.

His use of equipment to monitor a patient under anesthesia and surgical tools that he invented to stop bleeding during operations were considered revolutionary.

Cushing followed his patients' cases for years, and they usually gave him permission to perform their autopsies and use their bodies to help science, Wahl said.

Many of the deformities are not seen in the United States today because of early diagnosis and modern technology. Cushing's photographs

provide some of the only images of such afflicted people outside of the Third World.

Wahl became so absorbed in the archive that he took a year off from his studies to collate Cushing's slides and photographs with the medical histories, drawings and notes. Although he is writing his thesis on Cushing's work, he plans to enter another field: orthopedic surgery.

Because of Wahl's efforts, Cushing's pictures, surgical tools, a narrative history and one of the brains are on display at the Yale Medical School for the first time. But Wahl has higher goals. He is trying to raise a \$150,000 endowment, create a Cushing database and find a place to preserve the entire collection at Yale.

# Single-sex public schools pass test in some states

WASHINGTON (AP) — As a seventh-grader, Mike Walters was more interested in girls than his studies.

Now, he's getting an A-minus in environmental science.

The difference, his teacher says: Walters is now in boys-only classes.

Hayden Johnson Junior High School, a public school in one of Washington's poorest neighborhoods.

The girls study in separate classes down the hall.

"The good thing about it is that you can have a conversation about anything — it's all boys," said Walters, a ninth-grader. "School's great."

"It's like a secret, underground development that people are afraid to talk about because of the legal repercussions."

— David Sadker, American University

caused by raging teen-age hormones. She said she would honor parental requests to return children to a mixed class. So far, no one has asked.

The principal waves improved test scores as a sign of success.

In 1995, after two years in single-sex classes, Johnson ninth-graders

scored at the 21st percentile rank in reading — up from 19th the year before. Improvements were also seen in math and science, but not language.

"In five years, we'll be able to really tell how it's going," Paramore said.

Crime, drugs and family problems abound in the neighborhood around Johnson. Out of 41 ninth-grade boys, only three have fathers living at home, school coach John Garner said. Nearly all the students are eligible for free lunches.

Paramore, a motherly woman whose head is ringed with braids that stand so high they form a crown, waltzes through the halls, a two-way radio in one hand, greeting students. She scolds one for wearing a stocking cap indoors. She pulls another against her with an encouraging hug.

She decided to try single-sex classes years after two girls complained that boys were punching and pinching them.

Not all students like the idea. "It's just not natural," Mayonica Caples, a 15-year-old ninth grader, said.

Erica Renee Dunmore, 12, didn't support the idea initially, but now likes picking out school clothes without having to worry what the boys will think.

"I don't think the boys like it," she said, sitting in a computer class learning how to write a business letter. "They can't talk to the girls like they want to. The girls definitely like it more."

# Drug seizures rise in 1995, Customs says

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Customs Service, trying to blunt criticism it falls to stop drugs from being shipped into the United States in cargo trucks, announced Sunday its drug seizures at the U.S.-Mexican border jumped 25 percent last year.

The report on the year-old Operation Hard Line comes after widespread criticism of Customs Commissioner George Weiss, and after several recent allegations of agency corruption.

Both the FBI and a federal grand jury are looking into the charges that some Customs inspectors allowed cocaine into the United States from Mexico in exchange for money from drug traffickers.

In addition, some former employees have charged that a Customs program, called "Line Release," that allows firms that pass a background check to send cargo trucks across the U.S. border with little or no inspection, has aided large-scale drug trafficking.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., has been among those concerned that Customs concentrates too heavily on facilitating the movement of cargo trucks, and not enough on entering the trucks are searched for drugs.

In the year before Operation Hard Line was launched, Customs failed to make a single discovery of cocaine in trucks entering the United States at three of the busiest entry points along the Mexican border.

But in the year after the operation began, total seizures of all types of

drugs jumped 25 percent, according to the Customs statistics released Sunday.

The amount of cocaine seized by Customs agents along the entire border increased 19 percent over 1994 to a record 51,162 pounds. In addition, Customs seized 137 pounds of heroin along the entire border, an increase of 108 percent.

"I am very proud of the drug-enforcement efforts and achievements of the Customs Service," Weiss said in a letter to Customs employees that accompanied the report.

Nevertheless, the vast majority of the cocaine seized at the U.S.-Mexico border in 1995 still was found in smaller passenger vehicles, not in big commercial trucks, according to the agency report.

The report also noted Customs' new anti-smuggling measures, including a requirement that by July 31, all firms in the special "Line Release" program use trucking firms and drivers who have passed background checks.

Customs has said it plans to expand Operation Hard Line to the southeast United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

At an appearance in San Diego last week, Deputy Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers said he believed that although there might be individual cases of corruption in the agency, federal probes would find no widespread wrongdoing.

Customs is a branch of the Treasury Department.

# 'Leave it to Beaver' call draws crowd

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. (AP) — Where's the Beaver?

He might be among more than 1,000 freckle-faced boys who lined up outside Universal Studios to audition for a movie based on the 1950s TV comedy "Leave It to Beaver."

It was the finale to Universal's nationwide casting call, which lured more than 5,000 wannabe Beavers, Wallys and Eddie Haskells.

The sitcom, which ran from 1957 to 1962, followed the exploits of a rambunctious, middle-class youngster, Theodore "Beaver" Cleaver, played by Jerry Mathers.

So many of the 7-to-18-year-olds who lined up on Saturday in Cub Scout uniforms and plaid shirts never had seen the show. No problem, 10-year-old Andrew Davey said. "I've already done a few commercials and been in some magazines. That's why I thought I could do this," he said.

The movie will be cast within 60 days and shooting is scheduled to begin in May. Universal Pictures plans to release the film early next year in time for the show's 40th anniversary.

# New Jersey police officer finds rare fossil on Pennsylvania hunt

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — For Del Szatmary, a New Jersey police officer, catching criminals is a career. Tracking down fossils is a hobby.

Toging along with a group of professional paleontologists visiting a fossil-rich area of central Pennsylvania, Szatmary looked down at a heap of rocks and spotted a piece of the past that has experts marveling.

Szatmary found a near-perfect fossil from the Paleozoic family, a spider-like creature that died about 370 million years ago. It's also the first intact example from the Late Devonian Period — 150 million years before the first dinosaurs began to appear on Earth.

"The amazing thing is that it's so well preserved. It's in such good shape," said Ted Daeschler, a vertebrate biologist at the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia, where Szatmary has volunteered for five years. "That group of arachnids is not well known. We're learning a lot from it."

Szatmary, a Lakewood, N.J., patrolman, was with Daeschler and others on a trip to Clinton County on Oct. 25 when he made the discovery.

The area on Route 120 outside Renovo offers a prime "slice of the Devonian Period" and is an impor-



The spider-like creature died about 370 million years ago.

tant site for paleontologists from around the world, Daeschler said. The 75-foot club offers a large collection of fossils and bones from primitive sharks, fish and early amphibians that once inhabited the area, which was marshy, green and subtropical at the time.

Szatmary, 49, was lagging behind a pile of rocks that he had slid off the 75-foot cliff when something caught his eye.

"It was just lying there. It stuck out so sharply, that I thought it was a bug that was on the rock," he said.

"I picked it up, and I rubbed it, and I said 'Nope, it's in there.'"

The creature was just 6 millimeters long (about a quarter of an inch), had eight legs, antennae and a segmented body. It looks much like a tick, but comparisons with present-day insects are impossible, Daeschler said.

Bill Shear, a professor of biology at Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia and an expert in paleo-arachnids, said there are two periods when the creature most shows up in the fossil record: 415 million years ago and 285 million years ago.

Szatmary's discovery sheds new light on the middle range of that period, he said.

Szatmary may be an amateur paleontologist, but he's no slouch, with a chisel and a brush. He found his first dinosaur bone when he was 9 and has been a serious hobbyist ever since.

"I do it for relaxation," he said.

Daeschler said Szatmary is more than just an amateur. "He certainly has developed the eye (to catch little details), but more importantly he has the knowledge to safely extract things," he said. "If Del hadn't preserved the back of the rock ... that could have been an important find would have been lost."

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# Property in Montana goes unclaimed

**HELENA (AP)** — An elderly woman dies without telling anyone about a long-forgotten savings account and stocks worth tens of thousands of dollars.

A man absently puts a tax refund check for \$100 in the pocket of jacket that ends up overlooked in the back of a closet for years before moths eat it to the trash.

Someone forgets about putting a pair of ivory earrings shaped like Alaskan wildflowers in a safe-deposit box.

The savings, stocks, uncashed check and earnings are orphans in a world governed by ownership.

They become abandoned property held by the state in hopes that one day the rightful owner or an heir will come forward and claim what is theirs.

The state manages a mother lode of such property valued at \$19 million. A two-person office in the Revenue Department tries to keep track of the assets, field inquiries from citizens and pay those with legal claims.

The property is turned over to the state by banks, credit unions, corporations, utilities, insurance companies, hospitals and other state agencies unable to track down the owners.

Bank accounts, a safe-deposit box contents, insurance policy dividends or benefits, gift certificates, stock dividends or interest, certificates of deposit, money orders and travelers' checks end up in the state's hands if ignored long enough. The usual period is five years.

Before 1963, the holder of the property was allowed to keep it. Money from an uncashed paycheck, for example, would remain with the business that wrote the check if the former employee could not be found.

A law change 33 years ago adopt-



Among the many things at the Montana Abandoned Property office in Helena, Mont., include five silver bars, a silver tea pot, a jewelry box, coins, bonds and old stock certificates.

ed a new philosophy, says Neil Peterson, whose Administrative Services Bureau includes the unclaimed property office.

"Rather than a corporation or business benefiting when you can't find the owner, the citizens of Montana should benefit," he explains.

The state collects interest on the money it holds in trust forever for the rightful owners.

Those with abandoned property must turn it over to the state once a year. At least 120 days before report-

ing to the state, businesses must try to contact the last-known owner.

Peterson acknowledged firms with unclaimed property can try to hide it from the state for their own financial gain. But the government hires two companies to periodically search business records for such assets.

Last year, auditors discovered \$250,000 in unreported abandoned property.

Unclaimed property is big business. Every year the state receives 15,000 to 20,000 items worth \$2 mil-

lion. Nationally, states receive \$2 billion in property.

Montana's office has a list of about 150,000 apparent owners of the property. Neither they nor relatives who may have a claim to the property have been tracked down and the program's two-member staff is too small to do much searching, Peterson said.

Twice a year, the office publishes legal ads listing the names of people believed to own abandoned property held by the state. Last month's list contained 1,127 names.

# Bombing trial big challenge for Denver

**DENVER (AP)** — Tightened security and a proliferation of media will make life dramatically different for Denver residents when the Oklahoma City bombing trial begins here.

The depth of security in and around the federal courthouse at 1929 Stout Street will be unlike anything this city has ever seen, with the possible exception of the August 1993 visit by Pope John Paul II.

Denver police and officers with the U.S. marshal's office will flood the downtown area, searching buildings, sweeping cars for bombs and posting snipers on rooftops.

Officials have not said where defendants Timothy McVeigh, 27, and Terry Nichols, 40, will be held, although the Denver County Jail is one possibility.

They are accused in the April 19 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City.

Each morning, the two will be in the thick of a huge police motorcade, sitting in a bulletproof van with most of its windows darkened. They will wear bulletproof Kevlar vests, and while being transported to and from U.S. District Court, they will take a different route each day.

Sister Mary Ann Walsh, who headed security for the American Bishop's Office during the pope's Denver visit in conjunction with

World Youth Day, said one of the key goals for police, the marshal's office and Colorado State Patrol is to head off potential trouble before it happens.

"What we found is that we had groups with conflicting goals," Walsh said. "One group you want to allow to get as close as possible in order to report the story. The other (terrorists and other extremists) you want to keep as far away as possible to keep it from compromising things."

Amy Eury, a spokeswoman for Denver's department of public works who was involved in security planning for the pope's visit, said Denver police did a stellar job of identifying potentially troublesome groups and individuals, and then defused problems before they became a major issue.

"But the dynamics have shifted for this thing," she said. "We were dealing with just a weeklong event with World Youth Day. For the Oklahoma City bombing trial, you're looking at up to six months. That's a big difference."

Local law enforcement agencies already have begun organizing security blueprints for the trial, a difficult task given that Judge Richard Matsch still has yet to announce a trial date.

"Not only do we not know a date," said U.S. Marshal Tina Rowe, "we don't even know a date when we might know a date."

# Salt Lake surgeons to separate twins

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — A team of Utah surgeons will begin series of operations this week that will separate a set of Honduran twins joined at the tops of their heads.

At a press briefing Friday, Dr. Marion Walker, a pediatric neurosurgeon, said tests indicate the twins may share a small amount of brain tissue and several large blood vessels.

But there is no indication the separation, which will require up to six surgeries over six to eight months, will not be successful.

"At this point, we have not found any major problems," said Walker, who has successfully separated rare craniofacial twins (joined at the head) twice before.

He said Bessy Alejandra and Doris Naki Trujillo Gonzales, who headed five months on Friday, were healthy, smiling — when doctors aren't prodding them — and doing well at Primary Children's Medical Center.

Doris is the larger of the two at 5.5 kilograms (about 12 pounds), Walker said, and is taking blood from her smaller sibling Bessy, who weighs 4.5 kilograms (nearly 10 pounds).

But Bessy does not appear threatened now, he said, and should fare well after the separation.

The twins and their mother, Doris Isabel Gonzales Quiroz, arrived in Utah Feb. 18. The mother is staying at the home of Sandy Dentist Kimmel Fisher, who arranged the surgery and travel while in Honduras doing volunteer dental work.

"The weather has been a shock" to the 24-year-old mother from Comayaguela, near the capital of Tegucigalpa, Fisher said. It snowed heavily in Salt Lake on Thursday and nighttime tempera-



Five-month-old conjoined twins Doris, left, and Bessy Gonzales are bottle fed by hospital technician Sherry Thomas at Primary Children's Hospital in Salt Lake City Wednesday. The twins are to be separated sometime this week.

tures have dropped to the mid-20s. Fisher said Walker is a dental patient and told him of the twins before Fisher left on his trip to the Central American country in January. Walker learned of the twins from a colleague who also does volunteer medical work in Honduras, Dr. Lee Finney, a neurosurgeon in Great Falls, Mont.

# Ranchers, hunters to discuss rangeland conflicts

**SPARKS, Nev. (AP)** — Hunters and ranchers from across the West will gather here this week in an effort to resolve various rangeland conflicts.

The Livestock/Big Game Symposium will be held Monday through Wednesday at John Ascuaga's Nugget. The conference is a follow-up to a similar event in 1991.

One of its goals is to report on progress made regarding solutions to concerns over rangeland management, said Betsy Macfarlan, director of the Nevada Cattlemen's Association.

"We'll be looking at some of the

projects started in 1991 and see what worked and what didn't work," Macfarlan said. "We're trying to build a consensus."

Conflicts between hunters and ranchers are common in the West. A growing elk herd in northeastern Nevada has caused troubles between the two groups, she said.

Ranchers claim elk are long-legged cows that have no respect for fences and eat hay put out for cattle. But hunters maintain livestock overgrazing is destroying elk habitat.

"We'll be looking at problem areas and rotation systems," Macfarlan said.

The conference will feature addresses Tuesday by Jack Ward Thomas, chief of the U.S. Forest Service, and Mike Dombek, director of the Bureau of Land Management.

Also participating will be local and state officials from across the West, and representatives from the National Cattlemen's Association, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and Sierra Club.

Conference topics include new techniques in resource management, wildlife habitat recovery efforts and strategies to confine the movement of wildlife.

# Ogden police identify man found in railway

**OGDEN, Utah (AP)** — Ogden police have identified the man whose body was found in a railway yard on Saturday as Scott L. Hurst, 34, of Ogden.

Lt. Steve Turner said Sunday that the death is being investigated as a homicide.

Residents reported they saw Hurst alive Friday afternoon, and railroad officials say his body was played between two freight cars on the track sometime after 10 p.m. Friday.

Lt. Bill Ladd said on Saturday that the body was found about 9 a.m. by a transient. The body was turned over to the state medical examiner's office for an autopsy.

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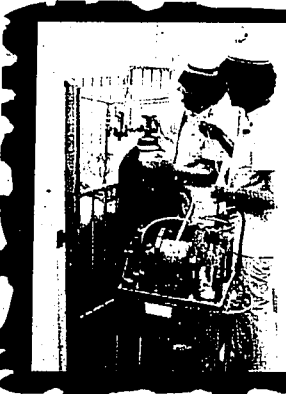

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# Opinion

## Other views

### Local politicians should practice what they preach

From The Post Register, Idaho Falls

Gov. Phil Batt acted swiftly and responsibly to the flood that caused millions of dollars worth of damage in 10 northern Idaho counties. His decision to lift the 3 percent property tax cap in those counties will help the state qualify for federal matching funds to aid flood victims. He also asked lawmakers for legislation immunizing flood-stricken businesses from penalties for paying state taxes late and forgiving property taxes on damaged or destroyed property.

Those are all appropriate steps. But this is not the first time Idaho counties and cities have asked to be excluded from a property tax cap or to be allowed to levy a local option tax, which the Legislature has consistently opposed.

Kootenai County officials last week got permission from the House Revenue and Taxation Committee to impose a local option sales tax of up to 1 percent. The entire Legislature must still vote on the matter, however. Kootenai, like other counties in Idaho that have resort communities such as Sun Valley-Ketchum, Lava Hot Springs and McCall have been allowed to assess local option taxes because much of their income is derived from tourism and property taxes are increasing rapidly.

The same House committee that gave Kootenai County permission to levy an option tax rejected a proposal by Twin Falls and Coeur d'Alene area residents to increase the statewide taxes on liquor, beer and wine to help pay for the community colleges in their cities and ease property tax rates on residents of Jerome, Twin Falls and Kootenai counties. Students from across the state attend College of Southern Idaho and North Idaho College but the counties where the colleges are located complain they are bearing too much of the cost to operate the colleges. They say they need more help than the \$500 extra tuition each student from outside their counties pay. Too bad state law prohibits those counties from consid-

ering a local option tax.

These examples make a strong case for city and county officials who have long sought the authority to assess local option taxes and the removal of property tax caps. Local governments have sought the option tax almost every year for the past decade but each time, the Legislature has said no, except for resort communities. And it reimposed a property tax cap last year after it had earlier removed it for the same reasons it should be removed again. County officials and those who elect them can best determine their tax rates. Voters don't take kindly to higher taxes, but probably would do so in cases like a flood. Counties shouldn't have to get permission from the state to respond to emergencies.

We continually hear legislators complain about mandates from the federal government. Local government can do better, they say. But legislators don't practice what they preach. They will not allow local taxpayers and their governments to decide whether an emergency, a community college or other local improvements are worthy projects for a temporary option tax.

Three years ago, Idaho Falls voters resoundingly rejected a proposal for a community college here. But it was not because they didn't want a college. It was because the only way to fund it was by property tax.

An option tax, like that proposed for Kootenai County, must be approved by 60 percent of the voters, it must specify how long the levy will be and what it will be used for, at least half the revenue must be used to offset or reduce property taxes and voters can repeal the tax by initiative at any time.

Local officials who want to stay in office won't take lightly a proposal to raise taxes on their neighbors. But if their constituents believe more revenue is warranted and they don't want property taxpayers to bear the entire burden, they should have the option to find other, more equitable means of raising revenue.

### Salt Lake fires a blunderbuss

From the Los Angeles Times

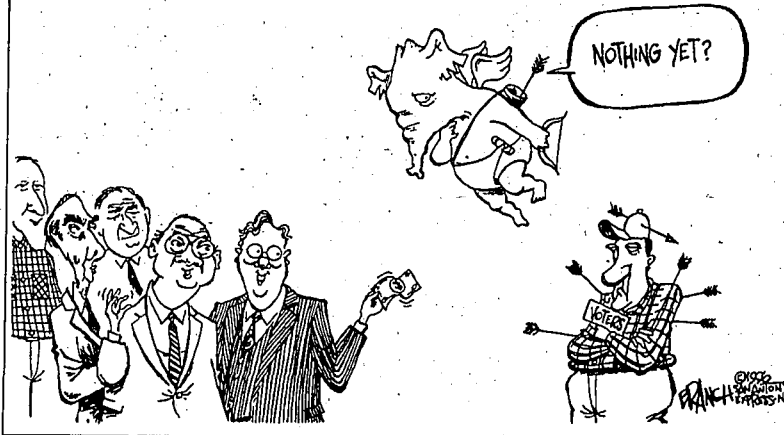
Salt Lake City's Board of Education, unable to find a legal way to ban a high school club of gay and lesbian students from meeting on campus, has taken the extreme step of voting to ban all campus clubs, thus depriving hundreds of young people of facilities to discuss mutual interests ranging from skiing to foreign languages to religious study.

The board acted under enormous pressure from the state senate, which held what its president acknowledges was an illegal closed-door meeting with top educators on Jan. 30. At that meeting some senators equated the permission given for the gay and lesbian club to meet with a deliberate effort to undercut family values and promote homosexuality. In fact, school officials were simply complying with the 1985 federal Equal Access Act, a measure intended foremost to assure that Christian Bible clubs could use school facilities for extracurricular activities. Its chief

sponsor was Republican Sen. Orrin G. Hatch of Utah.

The blanket ban on school clubs represents an absurdly malicious and destructive response to a small if undoubtedly controversial matter. It appears to be based on the assumption that a school's recognition of the right of homosexual students to meet on campus amounts to endorsement of their activities, when in fact it is simply compliance with the law. It seems further to be based on the assumption - superstition might be more accurate - that the club would serve as a kind of recruiting office, seducing young people into a homosexual life they would otherwise have shunned.

Public officials are free to hold strong opinions, on homosexual clubs or anything else, as we all are. But when those views become the driving force behind a wildly disproportionate and wholly unnecessary policy, then neither the aims of the law nor the broad public interest are responsibly served.



## Letters

### Public policy needs all facts

Poor public policy made in ignorance of the facts and issues surrounding the decision is bad enough, but to purposefully ignore the facts and issues so that one can, in the name of political and economic expediency, make poor public policy is down right immoral.

In a week in which a grand jury is concluding an investigation as to possible criminal and environmental law violations at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, USA Today reports a \$58 million waste on a nuclear waste report from the Department of Energy. Questions are raised about how safe the nuclear Navy really is and Sen. Laird Noh holds hearings without public input in the defense of Phil Batt's poor public policy on nuke waste, which was also made without public input. The Times-News claims that the evidence shows that the Department of Energy has cleaned up its act at the INEL. How do you know, did its public relations people tell you so?

As I have said many times before, let's lay all the cards on the table; have a full, an honest and an open debate on all aspects of the nuclear issue. This is too important an issue to sweep under the rug so that a future generation has to pay a high price for the poor public policy decisions on its forefathers.

BILL CHISHOLM  
Buhl

### Batt's deal must be quelled

The state Legislature has quite correctly refused to open up the contract to a public referendum. The Snake River Alliance has now introduced a petition to put the issue on the Nov. 5 ballot. This then the need for this additional referendum.

The Snake River Alliance is not a state or orphan but is part and parcel of a national organization whose intermediate goal is to close down all of the nation's commercial nuclear power stations. Using scare tactics in other parts of the country, it has managed to close down five stations in a mix of about one every two years. What it would like to do is close the 100 remaining stations in five years.

The only possibility of doing that is to close down all nuclear waste disposal sites. The Idaho National Engineering Laboratory is its premier target, and Gov. Batt's contract has to be squelched. It can't accomplish the closure of 100 nuclear reactors on the basis of reason, logic and scientific evidence. Therefore, it has to move the discussion to a public forum of minimal logic and maximum scare tactics based on misinformation and no debates based on merits. This maneuver has enabled it to close five power stations. Some 85 of the reactors are located along the Ohio River, Great Lakes and Atlantic Seaboard, which also has a population of 150 million people.

What a joy it will get scaring the daylight out of 150 million people in contrast to scaring 100 people in Shoshone. However, it can't get to the super bowl of scare mongering until the INEL is closed. Thus, to Sen. Stennett and his Rodeo Drive, Beverly Hills constituents (oops - Blaine County), Gov. Batt's contract based on logic, reason and scientific evidence must be destroyed. It claims that the federal government won't keep its promises and at the same time is working night and day to prevent the opening of the New Mexico site and have badgered President Clinton to close the Ward Valley, Calif., site which Congress authorized opening.

The Snake River Aquifer is just so much eco-hubbie necessary to get to the super bowl of scare mongering of 150 million peo-

ple. The people of Idaho should not buy into this petition of Bruce Willis and his Rodeo Drive, Beverly Hills cohorts and others from Blaine County.

PHILIP J. BUTLER  
Twin Falls

### Why should we listen to Willis?

I say to all of you - Walt Minnick, Clint Stennett, Rickards, Chisholm, Crowley, Snake River Alliance, Diane Jones and Bruce Willis - if you can guarantee that the federal government will agree to your plan after the people pay millions to have a vote, then I say let's do it. But on the other hand, if you cannot give us a guarantee that it will fly with the U.S. government, then it would be all that money spent for nothing! All we would have then is another stand-off.

Are all of you willing to take on the U.S. Navy or Janet Reno and her sharpshooters at our borders? I know our Idaho National Guard will not! What a joke all of this is and even worse when we see all of you playing "suck up" to Bruce Willis. He must think all the people of Idaho are stupid if he thinks we should listen to him - I know he has more money than God, but so what? That only matters to Democrats that live in Ketchum. If you cannot give us guarantees, then I say "put up or shut up!"

Oh yes, Julie, the picture you painted of Walt Minnick scares me to death - he sounds so liberal that he even thinks we need no tax relief. He would choke the people of Idaho to death and kill all the farmers. Also you sounded like you thought I am extreme on abortion.

Wrong! I only said if women keep using their right to choose and keep killing the unborn, then we will never stop the violence against children in this country.

Just finished a story where the mother told her six children everyday that she wished she would have aborted them all when she had the chance. That's like saying, "I wish you were dead." How does that make children feel when they know our government would have stood by her if she would have aborted them all? You ask any child 10 or older what abortion is and they will tell you "that's when mommies can kill their babies." Isn't that great that children believe this? No wonder they grow up thinking life is worthless and taking a life means nothing.

EMMA ROBINSON  
Jerome

### Speed doesn't guarantee justice

While I do not claim to be a spokesman for one-third of Americans who apparently do not support capital punishment (Times-News editorial, Feb. 9), I do not want to let your suppositions about it go unchallenged.

You may have some justification in claiming that the American judicial appeal system has become ineffectual and contrary in its zeal to protect the rights of its citizens. We should acknowledge that our Constitution supports a legal system that can emotionally victimize people long after a crime has been committed against them. However, all judicial justice takes too long if you are a victim of crime. You err, however, when you infer that a hastened or curtailed judicial appeal process would expedite the service of justice. Expediency cannot make an unjust thing just. Capital punishment is morally unjust because it goes beyond punishment - it is murder. No amount of societal justification can change that.

I cannot imagine the pain and anger of someone who has lost one due to a criminal

act. I can imagine that I would want to hurt a person who has hurt someone I love. I am sure I would feel further victimized if my expectation of appropriate justice was delayed or denied. However, justice cannot be an expression of personal emotional need. If our justice system is to have any redeeming value for society, it must go beyond what is simply fair to what is right. In an ego-centered, self-righteous culture, capital punishment may seem fair, but in a God-centered, God-serving society, it cannot be right.

Is capital punishment about deterrence? No, because it does not. Is about simple justice? No. Capital punishment is all about revenge; something horrible should happen to people who do horrible things to us. Thankfully, God does not function this way.

Revenge has no place in a God-centered society. When we attempt to prove that killing people is wrong by killing killers, we sink to their own level of justification. Murderers all.

Do some criminals deserve to die? Yes. Is capital punishment satisfying? Perhaps. Is it right? No. God help us, it is not.

REV. BRIAN THOM  
Twin Falls

### Land Board shored wisdom

Recently, I had the incredible joy of participating in a hearing of the State Land Board which resulted in the denial of the easement for Steve Harmsen and Cogeneration Inc. on their Auger Falls project. We were successful in getting the attention of our elected representatives, and I am incredibly grateful to Gov. Batt and all the members of the State Land Board for the wisdom they showed in denying Mr. Harmsen his permit.

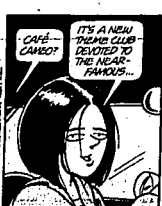
I am especially pleased that they based their decision upon the public trust. The State Land Board, in its wisdom, exercised its right to protect the public trust by denying Cogeneration a permit that would have destroyed one of the last free-flowing stretches of the Snake River. It recognizes that there are other values to be supported and nurtured here in our state than those of making a dollar off the public lands.

I also need to acknowledge that the board voted unanimously across the political spectrum to recognize that this is not just an environmental issue but is an issue that affects all of the public - Republican, Democrat, liberal, conservative. Furthermore, I think the Land Board recognized that, ultimately, this may be one way in which we can convince the federal government to stop though it ill-God see it as not being to their benefit, we still can exercise the right given to us upon statehood of protecting our lands from what we consider to be an irreversible harm. I hope that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission hears the people loud and clear on this issue. The policy of granting hydroproject projects to almost anyone who applied for them is hopefully now over. We of Idaho and specifically the residents of Magic Valley hope that this is the death knell for hydroproject projects on the Mid-Snake.

If you speak at the public hearing against this project, if you write a letter to your legislator or members of the State Land Board urging them to vote against this project, then I encourage you all to write letters or make phone calls thanking them as well. The State Land Board did its job. It showed courage, wisdom and insight into the problems facing the people of Idaho by denying this project. We owe it our thanks.

GAIL S. ATER  
Gooding

### Donesbury



### By Garry Trudeau



### By Bruce Tinsley



# Distraught Serb refugees flood city

**VISEGRAD, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP)** — Simsa Vukovic, surrounded by sobbing relatives in a refugee center far from her home village, vented more anger at her own Bosnian Serb leaders than the Muslims she has fled four times in as many years.

"To hell with the Serbs! Our own people! Our brothers!" said Vukovic, a grandmother in her mid-60s. She and her family walked for 12 hours through a bitter snowstorm to flee Muslim authorities who are taking over the Serb suburbs of Sarajevo.

The help promised by Bosnian Serb leaders was too little and came far too late, she said. The family has little idea of where it will end up.

The latest stop is Visegrad, an ancient town that is a symbol of ethnic strife in Bosnia, the venue of the novel "Bridge Across the Drina," by Ivo Andric, the only Yugoslav to win the Nobel Prize for literature.

Andric used the span as a metaphor for tense relations among Muslims, Croats and Serbs in the rugged valley.

The ancient stone bridge still carries traffic across the Drina into Visegrad, in eastern Bosnia, but one corner was knocked off in a battle and lies alongside the road, another bit of war debris in the Bosnian landscape.

During 43 months of war, the city's 15,000 Muslims — half of Visegrad's population — fled or were killed, said Mayor Branimir Savovic.

Muslim homes, many of them burned-out shells, soon will be occupied by Bosnian Serbs fleeing from regions that fall under Muslim control under the U.S.-brokered Dayton peace accord.



Bosnian Serbs eat a meal in an improvised refugee camp Sunday in Visegrad, about 60 miles east of their Sarajevo neighborhood. They are leaving because their neighborhoods are being turned over to the Muslim-Croat federation, as directed by the Dayton peace pact.

The post-war population of Visegrad is forecast at more than 30,000, well over the 21,000 that lived here before the war. Because of the growth in population, and because so many homes have been destroyed, as many as five refugee families will share a single house.

Vukovic, her husband, daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren fled their native town of Rejevo just west of Sarajevo when the war began. After two subsequent flights, they settled in a one-room apartment in Grbavica, a Serb district near the center of Sarajevo.

Alarmed by Bosnian Serb warnings of retaliation when the Muslim-led government takes over Grbavica next month, and reassured by Serb promises of assistance, the family joined a stream of refugees that have poured from Sarajevo over the past week.

"For a solid month, we've been trying to get some help from municipal officials," said

Vukovic. When no help came, they took off by foot.

The track they followed, carved into the mountainside during the war to bypass Muslim Sarajevo, was choked with snow and clogged with refugees using trucks, tractors and horse-drawn carts to flee with their possessions to the Bosnian Serb stronghold of Pale, 9 miles up the mountain from Sarajevo. From Pale, the family was loaded onto a bus and driven to Visegrad.

# Russian troops reportedly will leave new trouble spot

**NAZRAN, Russia (AP)** — Russian officials promised Sunday to withdraw their troops from Ingushetia, a tiny republic that borders the breakaway region of Chechnya, Ingush officials reported.

Fighting has spread to Ingushetia in recent days, causing casualties and alarming its leaders, who have been trying to keep their region out of the 14-month Chechen war.

Ingush President Ruslan Aushev said the agreement was reached in talks Sunday with Lt. Gen. Gennady Troshch, whose units have shelled the mountain village of Arshiy for the past three days.

"I managed to convince the general that it is pointless to keep regular forces in Ingushetia," Aushev said in Nazran, the Ingush capital, according to the Interfax news agency.

Interfax said the Russian government issued a withdrawal order later Sunday.

According to Aushev, the vio-

lence began when Chechen rebels hiding near Arshiy ambushed a Russian force en route to Bamut, a rebel stronghold just across the border that has been under Russian attack for months.

Chechen rebels have moved quite freely across the ill-defined border between Ingushetia and Chechnya. The two peoples have close ethnic, religious, cultural and linguistic ties.

Aushev said the Russians strafed Arshiy in retaliation for the separatist attack, killing four civilians and wounding 10 others.

Troshch, the Russian general, told NTV television that 14 of his soldiers were killed in the fighting, along with 20 wounded and one missing.

"Let them show me those peaceful civilians — and I can show them the dead and the wounded," he said.

Interfax said Russian shellfire had shattered virtually every window in Arshiy, forcing terrified residents to hide in their basements.

# Jets bomb rebels in Afghanistan

**KABUL, Afghanistan (AP)** — Government jets bombed a rebel stronghold south of the Afghan capital Sunday, triggering a series of retaliatory rocket attacks on the city, the defense ministry said.

Two Russian-made SU-22 jets streaked above Kabul as they returned from their bombing run over the town of Charasayab, about 18 miles south of the capital.

"It was a very successful attack," said Defense Ministry spokesman Amrullah, who like many Afghans uses only one name. "Our bombs killed 12 Taliban fighters."

The claim could not be independently confirmed, nor was it clear

how the defense ministry was able to compile its death toll.

All of Afghanistan's warring factions have been known to exaggerate casualty figures and damage reports.

Shortly after the midday run, Taliban rebels launched numerous rockets on central Kabul, Amrullah said.

Doctors at Kabul's Wazir Akbar Khan hospital said two people were killed in the rocket attacks and at least eight others were seriously wounded.

One of the rockets slammed into an open park near the presidential palace in the heart of central Kabul.

# Major loses another ally over Iraq arms inquiry

**LONDON (AP)** — Another conservative lawmaker said Sunday to desert Prime Minister John Major in a vote over an arms sales inquiry, further destabilizing Major's already shaky administration.

Major's prospects looked slim of winning Monday's vote on the report on how government ministers deceived Parliament over arms sales to Iraq in the 1980s.

Defeat would mean calling a vote of confidence. However, Major would almost certainly win that vote since Conservatives fear the government falling. Polls indicate they would lose the national elections that would have to be called.

Legislator Quentin Davies said he will vote with opposition over the Iraq report. Three other Conservatives signaled they may follow suit or abstain, forcing Major to rely on abstentions from Northern Ireland Protestant lawmakers.

Major's majority in the 651-member House of Commons is down to just two following defections by three Conservatives since August.

One left last week, citing dissatisfaction over the Iraq arms report.

The inquiry by Judge Sir Richard Scott found that government ministers secretly relaxed restraints on arms sales to Iraq in the late 1980s and conspired to mislead Parliament about it. But Scott also said they acted in good faith.

Major has refused to fire the two top officials most closely involved, William Waldegrave, now No. 2 at the treasury, and Attorney General Sir Nicholas Lyell.

Since the Iraq arms report was released Feb. 15, the political atmosphere has soured further for Major. Polls show most voters think the two ministers lied and Major should fire them.

In addition, opposition parties criticized Major's reliance on Protestant legislators, saying they now could demand more concessions in the current crisis in Northern Ireland.

A 17-month Irish Republican Army cease-fire then ended with a bombing in London Feb. 9 that killed two people and wounded dozens.

# Thousands rally for end to bombings

**BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP)** — Church bells pealed throughout Ireland on Sunday as tens of thousands called upon the Irish Republican Army to stop its killing. "IT WAS THE MOST widespread protest against IRA violence in two decades."

In downtown Belfast, 10,000 demonstrators chanted "Cease-fire now! Give us back our peace!" following the IRA's decision to end its 17-month cease-fire with a bombing in London.

Thousands more delivered the same message in 10 other Northern Ireland towns, and an estimated 60,000 marched in the Irish Republic.

"We are not going to allow the agenda for this democracy to be set by the army council of the IRA," said Irish Prime Minister John Bruton in a peace march from his hometown church in rural County Meath.

"This secret organization, whose membership is unknown, who are accountable to no one, who do not stand before the public to get approval for what they do, has no right to act on our behalf. And the



Jack Allen, 9, attends a rally Sunday in London calling on the Irish Republican Army to stop its bombing campaign.

Clinton addressed a crowd confident that the IRA cease-fire would last.

In Washington, Clinton threw his support behind those calling for peace.

"Those who seek to use violence and terror should hear the voices of today's vigil being conducted across our lands: No to violence, yes to peace," he said in a statement Sunday.

In London, about 60 people attended a vigil on the steps of a church in Trafalgar Square, near where a bomb exploded prematurely in a bus a week ago, killing the IRA man carrying it and wounding nine people.

The demonstrations were reminiscent of the 1976 protests that mobilized tens of thousands and earned two Belfast women a Nobel Peace Prize, but never pressured the Catholic-based IRA or its "loyalist" Protestant enemies to lay down arms.

The IRA said it ended its 17-month cease-fire Feb. 9 because Britain moved too slowly toward calling multi-party negotiations on Northern Ireland's future.

A few dozen supporters of the IRA-ally Sinn Fein party stood stone-faced at the rallies in Belfast and Dublin, holding placards demanding "Make Peace Work — Negotiate Now."

# Bangladesh cracks down on opposition move

**DHAKA, Bangladesh (AP)** — At least 200 people were injured in clashes Sunday as the government cracked down on the leaders of a 2-year-old opposition protest campaign and detained four of them.

The injuries occurred on the second day of a protest strike that paralyzed the country's major cities. Clashes were reported in Dhaka, the capital, the southeastern port city of Chittagong, and four other cities.

The crackdown was the first since three main opposition parties — the Awami League, Jatiya Party and Jamaat-e-Islami — combined in 1994 to launch a campaign of strikes and protests aimed at unseating Prime Minister Khaleda Zia.

In Tongi, a city near Dhaka, opposition activists fought police who fired rubber bullets and tear gas Sunday to disperse a crowd of 1,000 that was uprooting railroad tracks.

# Falling ice hits Muscovites

**MOSCOW (AP)** — It's bad enough that paychecks come late, pensions are paltry, cheap vodka is a just a memory and city sidewalks lie hidden under bogs of brown slush.

Now Moscow's ice is falling.

"You! Grandfather! Get off the sidewalk and go into the street!" shouted Yekaterina, the brisk matron who was supervising a city icicle-removal squad last week in downtown Moscow.

The old man hobbled onward, transfixed by the careful progress of his own fell-wrapped feet. Only at the last minute did he hear Yekaterina's cry and notice chunks

of ice the size of footballs hurtling down onto Tverskaya Street in front of him.

It was a week of living dangerously in Moscow. After nearly three months of below-zero weather, relatively warm temperatures — in the mid-20s, that is — brought a meltdown that sent avalanches of icicles and snow crashing down on pedestrians. Nine Muscovites were hospitalized after being injured by daggerlike icicles last week — a record as far as city workers can remember. In one 24-hour period, at least 472 people fell on slippery streets and sought hospital treatment.

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World

# Bombing kills 25 in Israel, imperils peace process

JERUSALEM (AP) — In the deadliest attack in Israel in two decades, militant Palestinians avenged last month's assassination of their chief bombmaker with two suicide bombings Sunday that killed 25 people and imperiled the peace process.

The explosions blew apart a Jerusalem bus and a soldiers' depot. Two Americans were among the dead. At least 82 people were wounded.

Now, just three months ahead of May 29 elections, Israelis once again must rethink their commitment to peace with the Palestinians.

The U.S. embassy identified the dead Americans as Mattiyahu Eisenfeld, 25, of West Hartford, Conn., who was studying at a Jewish seminary in Jerusalem, and Sarah Duker, 22, of Teaneck, N.J., who was studying at Hebrew University.

In May, Israelis will have to decide whether to press on with Prime Minister Shimon Peres' vision of peace despite misgivings, or back a right-wing government that would suspend or slow the peace process.

"Up to now, Peres has maintained a comfortable lead over his challenger, opposition leader Benjamin Netanyahu. But terror attacks such as Sunday's bombings could persuade voters in the middle of Israel's political spectrum that going ahead with Peres' peace agenda is too risky."

Ultra-Orthodox protesters vented their anger at Peres on Sunday when, ringed by dozens of police, he visited the site in Jerusalem. Dozens booed him, chanting, "With blood and fire, we will throw out Peres."

The prime minister said there was no miracle cure for suicide attacks. "I know deep in my heart that the only way to win peace, we shall have to pay a heavy toll for it," he told a news conference.

The first blast went off at 6:48 a.m. (11:48 p.m. Saturday EST) in downtown Jerusalem, ripping through the crowded No. 18 bus and hurling bodies into the air. The explosives, TNT packed with nails and ball bearings, killed 23 and wounded 49.

"The bus went up into the air," said Yigal Kara, a witness. "I saw parts of bodies. A head fell in front of us to the ground."

About 45 minutes later, in the coastal town of Ashkelon, a suicide bomber reportedly disguised as an Israeli soldier blew himself up at a hitchhiking stop for troops returning to base after weekend leaves. Two people were killed and 33 wounded.

The death toll included the two bombers, police said. Hamas said the bombings avenged their chief bombmaker, Yehiya



**Matt Eisenfeld**  
U.S. student among fatalities

Ayyash, who was killed in the Gaza Strip by a rigged cellular phone in a Jan. 5 operation widely attributed to Israel. "The attacks were a painful blow to those who ordered the assassination of Yehiya Ayyash," said a Hamas leaflet. The leaflet also said Hamas would end the violence if Israel stopped hunting down Hamas fugitives and released the group's detainees.

Sunday also marked the second anniversary of the Hebron mosque massacre in which a Jewish settler shot dead 29 Muslim worshippers.

Peres responded swiftly to Sunday's bombings, sealing the West Bank and Gaza Strip and suspending contacts with Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority until the dead were buried.

The prime minister said he would wage an uncompromising war against Hamas and its smaller sister group, Islamic Jihad, but added he would honor the timetable of the Israel-PLO peace agreement.

Next on the agenda is an Israeli troop pullback in the West Bank town of Hebron at the end of March and the start of talks on a final peace settlement in May.

Arafat also denounced the attacks. "I condemn it completely," Arafat said. "It is not only against civilians. It is against the whole peace process, and I am sending my condolences to the families of the victims and to Prime Minister Shimon Peres."

Peres said Arafat phoned him shortly after the blasts and promised to carry out arrests among Islamic militants.

Late Sunday, Palestinian police arrested four Hamas militants in Gaza City, Hamas sources said. Palestinian police increased their patrols and presence throughout



A suicide bomber's work left a bus in Israel a twisted wreck in downtown Jerusalem Saturday. A bomb also exploded in Ashkelon, 50 miles away, killing at least 13.

the Gaza Strip. In Washington, President Clinton also condemned the bombings.

"The enemies of peace have once more attempted to turn back progress toward a new Middle East in which Arabs and Israelis may live in peace," he said. "But they have not and will not succeed."

After sundown, hundreds of Israelis stopped at the intersection on the way home from work to pray and

light memorial candles. By nightfall, Jaffa Road was swept clean and the charred bus wreck towed away. For several hours after the blast, members of the ultra-Orthodox-burial society Hevreh Kadisha had scoured the area for body parts and placed pieces of blackened flesh into plastic bags for burial in keeping with Jewish tradition.

At the Ashkelon hitchhiking post, Hevreh Kadisha employees soaked up blood with white cotton balls. "One of the hitchhikers, 22-year-old Yaron Levy, said he had just walked to a nearby phone-booth to call his girlfriend when the blast went off some 30 yards away. "I saw a ball of fire and a huge explosion," Levy said. "The road was covered with blood. Many injured were soldiers, and one was screaming."

## Leaders condemn bombing

LONDON (AP) — Russia called two deadly bombings in Israel on Sunday "a stab in the back of the peace process" as world governments condemned the attacks that left 25 dead and more than 80 wounded.

Hamas, an Islamic group opposed to the peace process between Israel and Palestinians, claimed responsibility for the explosions on a Jerusalem bus and a soldiers' hitchhiking post.

Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres vowed to continue efforts toward peace. "Neither the Hamas nor any one else will move us from this," he said.

Britain's John Major expressed sympathy deepened by the recent resumption of IRA attacks in London.

"I well know the strain that these outrages will impose on your courageous and unrelenting efforts to take forward the peace process," he wrote. "But... they cannot be allowed to disrupt the just search of a democratic society for a lasting and peaceful settlement."

The Irish Republican Army shattered a 17-month ceasefire Feb. 9 with a bomb in London's Docklands area that killed two. A week ago, a bomb exploded prematurely on a bus, killing the IRA man carrying it.

The Russian Foreign Ministry said the explosions in Israel were "aimed against both Israelis and the Palestinians. It's a stab in the back of the peace process and an attempt to reverse the course of history."

President Clinton condemned the attacks as thoughtless brutalities that "offend the conscience of the world" but would not sidetrack efforts for peace in the Middle East.

Pope John Paul II denounced the suicide blasts as a "new and cruel" return to violence and offered prayers that advocates of peace will remain dedicated to the goal.

# Jordanian, Egyptian leaders criticize killings in Iraq

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — Jordan's King Hussein on Sunday condemned the killing of two Iraqi defectors he had sheltered, and predicted that his former ally, Saddam Hussein, will not remain in power.

"I am disgusted by what has happened and I am really unable to express myself towards this terrible time (in Iraq)," King Hussein said.

Li Gen, Hussein Kamel al-Majid and his brother Saddam Kamel al-Majid, who fled to Jordan in August, were killed in Baghdad on Friday. Both were sons-in-law of the Iraqi leader.

In Cairo, Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa said the slayings, likely to derail Cairo's effort to bring Iraq back to the Arab fold, were "regrettable."

"The bloody practices tarnish the Arab

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— Amr Moussa, Egyptian foreign minister

image," Moussa said. "This is not the way things should be done, and it's not an Arab manner — nor should it be."

Asked whether he expected a change in the Iraqi leadership, King Hussein told reporters: "I believe it is inevitable. I believe it is inevitable. Things can't go on like that."

King Hussein and Moussa stopped short of directly accusing the Baghdad government of the killings, said to have been carried out by relatives angered by the defec-

tors' betrayal of their country. An Iraqi opposition group and an Arab newspaper directly blamed Saddam and his eldest son, Qadai. The reports could not be independently confirmed.

A statement from the Tehran-based Supreme Assembly for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq said Qadai, acting on orders from his father, led the "team that are responsible for liquidating" the defectors.

Asharq al-Awsat, a Saudi Arabian daily

published in several Arab and European capitals, cited diplomats and travelers arriving in Jordan from Iraq as saying Saddam interrogated the two men, forced them to divorce his two daughters, then personally killed them.

Jordan's King Hussein initially had supported al-Majid, but later kept the defector at arm's length when Iraqi opposition groups made it clear they remained suspicious of al-Majid's past links with Saddam.

The King had been trying to overcome a pro-Iraq reputation he had developed during the 1990-91 Gulf crisis, when his actions and statements angered many Arab states and the West.

He recently has been a sharp critic of Saddam and has tried to unite exiled Iraqi opposition groups.

Before his defection, Hussein Kamel al-Majid had led Iraq's secret armament program. His brother, Saddam, was deputy head of the Iraqi leader's palace guard.

The defectors returned to Iraq Tuesday with their wives, both daughters of the Iraqi leader, apparently believing they had been forgiven. The women divorced them Thursday and the men were killed a day later.

The defectors had written to Saddam requesting permission to return home. Saddam agreed, though he never explicitly said he would forgive them.

"Tell us, Mr. President, are field marshals (Saddam), what credibility will your regime have after this treachery?" the Egyptian daily Al-Gomhuriya asked rhetorically in a Sunday editorial.

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# Magic Valley

## Around the valley

### Learn about the 'Net at early May seminar

TWIN FALLS — A fundamentals seminar about using the Internet will be held May 2 at Best Western Canyon Springs Inn.

The seminar for "Internet illiterates" costs \$99 a person. The fee is \$89 a person for groups with at least three people. Participants will be shown how to pick only needed Internet features; connect electronically with vendors, suppliers, clients and co-workers; conduct research; use shortcuts; and follow netiquette rules. To register, call 1-800-334-5780.

### Grant will help Twin Falls students spread word on drugs

TWIN FALLS — A group of young high and high school students who use puppets to give information about sensitive topics — such as AIDS, substance abuse and child abuse — has received a \$13,000 state grant.

A few members of the Magic Valley YES Team also are going to Atlanta in March to present a puppet skit about substance abuse at the Juvenile Justice National Conference.

YES stands for Youth, Education and Support.

The \$13,000 grant from the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare to Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Foundation will allow the program to cover all eight counties in the Magic and Wood River valleys.

The team gives presentations to children and adults. For more information, contact team coordinator Wendi Ellis or foundation director Larry Baxter at 737-2480.

### Police: Twin Falls man in jail after refusing to leave truck

HANSEN — A Twin Falls man is in the Jerome County jail after driving drunk and refusing to leave his tractor-trailer rig late Saturday afternoon, police said.

Driver Clarence Cox's rig, loaded with beer was weaving across both westbound lanes and shoulders of Interstate 84 west of Burley on Saturday, said Sgt. George Stokesberry of the Idaho State Police. Stokesberry said he followed Cox for 10 miles with lights flashing; but Cox refused to stop the rig.

Cox pulled into the Traveler's Oasis truck stop, locked the rig's doors and climbed into the back, Stokesberry said. Officers spent an hour and 20 minutes using radios and other means to try to coax Cox from the rig; then police used tear gas to force Cox out, he said.

Cox will be arraigned today and will face a felony charge of eluding a police officer and misdemeanor drunken-driving and resisting-arrest charges, Stokesberry said.

### Albertson College slates presidential aide for speech

CALDWELL — Marlin Fitzwater, press secretary to two former U.S. presidents, will speak at the 1996 Albertson College Spring Symposium on May 1.

Fitzwater's presentation, "Potomac Fever, Political Headaches," will begin at 8 p.m. in Jewett Auditorium at Albertson College.

Tickets go on sale March 20 and cost \$25 for general admission. A \$70 patron ticket includes a reception with Fitzwater before the speech.

For tickets, call 459-9718 (Caldwell), 466-8513 (Nampa) or 344-2610 (Boise). For information, call 459-5303.

### Gadget retailer seeks unusual products for annual show

TWIN FALLS — Gadget retailer Hammacher Schlemmer is searching for innovative and unusual consumer products for its annual national competition, which awards a \$5,000 to the top inventor.

Lisa Jacobi of Bubi was one of the semi-finalists in last year's competition. Jacobi designed and patented an inflatable ring that wraps around a child or disabled person and attaches to a full-size Western saddle.

Inventors can submit their product entries until April 15. Products need to fall into the categories of recreation, personal care, personal electronics or utilitarian home and garden; inventions must already have patents.

For more information and an entry kit, call 1-312-INVENT-1.

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## 'Sandman' gets nod as police chief of sleepy town

By Liz Wright  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — As a rookie cop in the late 1970s, Lt. Ron Axtman earned the dubious title of "The Sandman" for his ability to subdue criminals with a hold that rendered them unconscious.

But Axtman won't miss the nickname when he leaves the Twin Falls Police Department Thursday and heads for the rain-soaked climes of Elma, Wash., where he has been appointed police chief.

Leaving "is really kind of a bitter-sweet," Axtman said recently while packing cardboard boxes in his office.

"There are a lot of memories — here, there are a lot of friends here."

The controversial "control hold," taught by police academies, was banned around 1980 by many agencies, including Twin Falls Police Department.

Axtman said he is thankful for that, and other changes in law enforcement procedures.

"It hasn't gotten any easier, but it's made us better professionals," Axtman said. "It has made us more thorough in enforcing the laws of the land."

The nickname — Axtman's chargin' — among fellow officers who helped him detain bar brawlers in the old days.

According to his former partner, detective Sgt. Dave Heidemann, Axtman's suppression of multiple fights at the old Twin Falls police station during booking procedures one night was legendary.

"I look over at fight one, and fight one is asleep," Heidemann said. "As I look back now, it took him about five seconds. The Sandman."

Axtman and another officer were accused of beating another during the fight in the booking room. Axtman was acquitted of the charges in 1982, and again by the Idaho Supreme Court in 1992.

Despite the troubles, fellow officers say Axtman is a hard worker and dedicated to his job.

"Ron will get out and do a lot of the police work, even as a supervisor," said Jim Kistler, a retired detective head.

Axtman said he has always wanted to be a police chief. After he was turned down for the chief's position recently in Twin Falls, he applied in Elma, last month after seeing an advertisement for the job in a trade journal.

The town, pop. 3,200, is "about the size of Kimberly," located 22 miles southwest of the state capital, Olympia, he said. His wife's parents once lived in Elma. Axtman declined to discuss his new salary, but said he will make more money in his new position overseeing six officers and a clerk.

Axtman, 47, joined the force in 1976, one year after moving to Twin Falls from Great Falls, Mont. He followed in the footsteps of his father, who worked in law enforcement in Great Falls.

Axtman was a patrolman for seven years, and eventually rose to head of the uniform division. He became the head of the detective division slightly less than one year ago. He starts his new job March 5. His wife, Sue, and five children will join him later.



MIKE SALSOURY/The Times-News

After 20 years with the Twin Falls Police, Lt. Ron Axtman has accepted a police chief position in the coastal town of Elma, Wash.

"Some supervisors won't do that." "I think we are losing a top-notch lieutenant from our department," said Capt. Bob Hodge.

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## Students at alternative school focus on single subjects for greater learning

By Charlotte Giles  
Times-News correspondent

HAILEY — Joan Hudson uses nonsense lines — a game called mad libs — to teach English at the Silver Creek Alternative School.

And under the school's block system, she teaches it all day for three weeks.

Under the system, students concentrate on one subject at a time instead of switching classes five or even seven times a day. Each block course equals the same credit that usually takes an entire trimester to earn. The idea is to create an intense focus on one topic.

In Hudson's English class, for example, the students have read and discussed "Lord of the Flies" and "Catcher in the Rye," reviewed grammar and used a suspenseful short story to test the way they think.

The students were asked to listen to the short story one-third at a time. After each reading, the students sketched their mental picture or predicted the story's outcome or asked pertinent questions. Whatever method they chose told them what their thinking method was. Often they changed methods as the story progressed.

The students enjoy Hudson's quick-moving, non-judgmental style of teaching, which suits the block program well.

"Cool teacher, Joan said Tony Pliotter, "I don't lose track because I'm in the same class all day."

"I think (the block system) is cool because we aren't always moving around and changing subjects. Also, I've really gotten into English," remarked K. Schmidt.



ROBERT SHALTZ/The Times-News

Silver Creek Alternative School director Barge Levy works with student Audra Willis.

Barge Levy teaches pre-algebra for this block and will teach algebra next block. The subject is tough, but the pupils keep trying until they understand it. Levy encourages the students to ask questions and help each other.

"I've learned more about math in three days than I did in three years in Carey," said T.J. Peterson. "It's more intense; we learn more because the teacher spends more time with us."

Kristen Grubb likes the way the block system is organized. "I think it is a easier way of learning than the seven classes a day."

"We get more accomplished faster and more accurately. We receive credits faster and understand more," Robert Meeks said. At midday, the math and English classes adjourned to the Rock Gym for physical education. Students at the school come from all over Blaine County. They are student who, for a variety of reasons, don't fit into the regular school system.

## Gooding veterinarians' skill leads to better pet medicine

By Steve Koehler  
Times-News correspondent

WENDELL — Two local veterinarians, who have identified a viral contaminant in a canine vaccine, have expanded their business locally.

Fineas Hughbanks and Monte Easterday played a key role identifying a new viral contaminant in a canine vaccine that ultimately led to safer pet medicine nationwide.

The two veterinarians have opened a new clinic, Companion Animal Clinic, in Wendell. The two operate Gem Veterinary Clinic in Gooding.

Though still under construction, the clinic opened in November, and celebrated its grand opening Friday and Saturday. In 1992 when Hughbanks vaccinated two

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## Schools, taxes could take a hit

The Associated Press

BOISE — Legislative budget writers are wringing every dime politically possible out of Gov. Phil Batt's already austere 1997 state budget in the face of Idaho's multimillion-dollar responsibility for flood recovery in the Panhandle.

"We'll be all right on the bottom line," Senate Finance Chairman Atwell Parry said as the Joint Finance-Appropriation Committee moved toward wrapping up work on the 1996 budget by midweek.

But with the floods both draining cash from key reserves to match federal disaster grants and slowing economic activity in a region where expansion is already moderating, Parry and his House counterpart fear the financial consequences for the 1997 Legislature could be dire.

Education support will be threatened or taxes could be raised, they say.

Even Batt, in asking President Clinton to reduce the state's share of the flood recovery cost, pointed to the state's dimming economic future.

"The state of Idaho is experiencing major budget cutbacks due to declining employment," wrote Batt, who has refused to acknowledge any possibility of a general tax increase.

Both Parry and House Appropriations Chairman Kathleen Gurnsey expect the governor will again be forced this summer to impose another across-the-board reduction in the tight, and precariously composed, state budget being finalized right now.

With reserves diminished, they believe a holdback in school aid would stick, unlike this year when the budget reserve and endowment were tapped to keep school districts from losing any support.

That will combine with still slower growth in tax revenues in the facing of mounting demands for services from a

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## Council agenda includes barriers along Blue Lakes

By Virginia S. Garber  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls drivers and business owners can hear today how the Idaho Transportation Department plans to change traffic patterns on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

Barriers beside left-turn bays would keep drivers from turning across the bays before or after intersections, City Engineer Gary Young said.

That has some business owners along the busy road upset.

"We're going to try to get it stopped," Radio Shack Manager Brian Elson said earlier this month. Nearby businesses, convinced that "channelization" will make customer access more difficult and decrease sales, have been circulating a petition opposing the ITD plans, he said.

Intersections on the list for barriers include Blue Lakes with Addison Avenue, Falls Avenue, Heyburn Avenue and Filer Avenue, Young said. Those four intersections were listed last year among the top accident spots in the district, he said.

During budget talks for this fiscal year, the council dedicated matching funds for the state project, Mayor Jeff Gooding said.

"I don't know how much latitude we have, if any, in changing the plans for the barriers on Blue Lakes," Gooding said.

Also on today's city council agenda: The ITD also will speak on planned improvements at the intersection of Blue Lakes Boulevard North and Pole Line Road. The state agreed earlier this month to pay \$53,000 for adding lanes and widening the roads.

Councilmen will consider a planned-unit development agreement with Earl Williamson on 2.8 acres on Washington Street South. In October 1994, the parcel was approved for a commercial development, which could include a grocery store, office building, laundry, beauty parlor and barber shop. Planning and Zoning Administrator LaMar Orton said.

The council will hold two closed sessions to discuss a personnel issue and trade or commerce negotiations.

Meeting starts at 4 p.m.

The Twin Falls City Council will meet at 4 p.m. today in City Hall. No public hearings are scheduled, but the meeting is open to the public.

# Obituaries

For obituary rate information; call 733-0931, extension 278

## Twin Falls



### Otto Henry Dahlquist

Otto Henry Dahlquist, 99, Twin Falls pioneer, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, in Twin Falls.

He was born in Hagerman on Oct. 7, 1896, the last surviving child of John and Minnie (Kanish) Dahlquist, of Swedish ancestry.

He began working for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game in 1928 at the Hayspur hatchery. In 1929, he built the Twin Falls hatchery complex in Rock Creek canyon.

He was an over-60-year member of the Kimberly and Cedar Grove Granges. He belonged to the Southern Idaho Fish and Game Association.

He married Ethel Mae Beer, daughter of George and Anna (Shaffer) Beer, on Oct. 12, 1926, in Twin Falls.

He is survived by his wife of 69 years; three daughters, Margaret (Ron) Jones of Kimberly, Virginia (Bob) Loder of Fremont, Calif., and Joan (Oliver) Ingram of Twin Falls; one son, Edward Dahlquist of Idaho Falls; 11 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; 12 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be conducted Thursday, Feb. 29, 1996, at 2 p.m. at White Mortuary with the Rev. James Frieble officiating.

He was born May 18, 1916, in Passaic, N.J. She married Robert Castro Sr. in Martinez, Calif., on May 12, 1944.

She is survived by her husband of Twin Falls; one son, Robert

Castro Jr. of Twin Falls; two daughters, Felicia Stella Castro and Pleasanton, Calif., and Carolyn J. Castro Rose of Oakland, Calif.; five grandchildren; five brothers; and one sister, all of Jerome, whom he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister.

Funeral services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26, 1996, at the Pitts Mortuary in Bolivar, Mo.

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Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 29, 1996, at Rock Creek Cemetery with the Rev. George Dunsen officiating.

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## Jerome

### Brady Michael Otto

Brady Michael Otto, 3-day-old son of Michael and Bobi Wright Otto of Filer, died Friday, Feb. 23, 1996, at St. Luke's Regional Medical Center in Boise.

In addition to his parents, survivors include: two sisters, Kari and Traci Otto, both of Filer; grandparenting, Rick and DaeDee Otto of Twin Falls; Brent Wright of Logan, Utah; and Bryan Wright of Hansen.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996, at White Mortuary's Kimberly Chapel, 712 W. Center, with Bishop Kevin Stanger conducting.

## Archie O. Sallee

Archie O. Sallee, 82, of Pleasant Hope, Mo., and formerly of Hansen, died Friday, Feb. 23, 1996, at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Mo.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa of Pleasant Hope; a daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Barry Sullivan, and two granddaughters, Melissa and Sara Sullivan, all of Jerome, whom he loved dearly.

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## Jerome

### Fred Kenneth Moore

Fred Kenneth Moore, 87, of Jerome, died Sunday, Feb. 25, 1996, at his home in Jerome after a brief illness.

He was born in Harville, Mo., on Oct. 18, 1908, the son of Francis Marlon and Eva Josephine Campbell Moore.

He was preceded in death by his parents, siblings and son-in-law.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. at the Shoshone Cemetery, 1001 W. Center, with the Rev. Thompson conducting.

# Obituary

## Jerome

### Donald Marshall Jacobson

Donald Marshall Jacobson, 71, of Jerome, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

He was born Jan. 3, 1925, at Billings, Mont., the son of Jake and Mary Boswell Jacobson.

He was a member of the National Rifle Association and, as a skilled marksman, shot in the matches at Camp Perry and taught his daughters to shoot well.

He was also a member of the American Legion and the Jerome Masonic Lodge.

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## Gooding

### Rex Adamson

Rex Adamson, 70, a lifelong Gooding resident, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at the Gooding County Memorial Hospital, after a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born in Gooding on May 25, 1925, the son of Charles and Mabel Woodworth Adamson, and grandson of Gooding pioneers E.L. and Retta Woodworth.

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He was a graduate of Gooding High School and the College of Idaho.

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# Services

Mollie Knapp, of Paul, 10 a.m. today, Paul Congregational Church. Calling one hour before the funeral today at the church, (Hansen Mortuary Rupert Chapel).

Verda A. Prand Schaefer, of Buhl 11 a.m. today, Buhl Lutheran Church, (White Mortuary in Twin Falls).

Terry Lynn Hanson Sr., of Twin Falls, 2 p.m. today, White Mortuary, Twin Falls.

Helen Louise Assendrup Keegan, of Twin Falls, prayer vigil with Rosary 7 p.m. Wednesday, Reynolds Funeral Chapel, Twin Falls; Funeral Mass, 10 a.m. Thursday, St. Edward's Catholic Church, Twin Falls.

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# Death notice

Jack Hadley Bolen - TWIN FALLS - Jack Hadley Bolen, 70, of Twin Falls, died Saturday, Feb. 24, 1996, at the home of his daughter in Twin Falls.

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# Man jailed in killing

MIDVALE, Utah (AP) — A 30-year-old Midvale man was booked into jail early Saturday for investigation of criminal homicide after a 17-year-old youth was shot and killed outside his mobile home.

Luis Vasquez was being held in connection with the shooting of Leonard Aragon just before midnight Friday. Aragon, a junior at Hillcrest High School, was shot at University Hospital where he was pronounced dead early Saturday morning.

Aragon arrived home in Midvale and was getting out of his car when he was approached by a 30-year-old man he knew, said Midvale Capt. Dan Pearson.

# Auction Calendar

| through March 23, 1996                     |  |
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| <b>MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 - 4:30 p.m.</b>     | Ken Tounay Moving Sale - 1470 Mobile Home Household - Garage and Investment - Feb 23 ALL AMERICAN AUCTION                    |
| <b>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - 10:00</b>        | Herta Haker Farms Farm Machinery - Home Advertisement - Feb 18 & 25 HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS                                      |
| <b>TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 - 5 p.m.</b>       | Household - 1993 - Antiques - Collectibles - Home - Home KLAS AUCTION BARS   |
| <b>THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 - 11 a.m.</b>     | Schuch Farms - Farm Equipment - Robert Advertisement - Ag-Weekly, Feb 24 Times-News Feb 27 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS           |
| <b>THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 - 11 a.m.</b>     | Testers Equipment Liquidation - Twin Falls Advertisement - Feb 23 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS                                    |
| <b>FRIDAY, MARCH 01 - 11 a.m.</b>          | Max Sunderland - Farm Equipment - Rupert Advertisement - Ag-Weekly, Feb 24 Times-News Feb 27 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS         |
| <b>FRIDAY, MARCH 01 - 11 a.m.</b>          | Jack & Charlene McDonald Farm Equipment - Buhly Advertisement - Feb 23 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS                               |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 02 - 11 a.m.</b>        | Mr. & Mrs. Harold Waters - Eden Advertisement - Feb 23 WALL AUCTIONEERS  |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 02 - 11 a.m.</b>        | Ray & Gwen Hahn - Farm Equipment Household - Miscellaneous - Buhl Advertisement - Feb 23 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS             |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 02 - 1996</b>           | Dan Crane - Farm Equipment - Buhly Advertisement - Feb 23 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS  |
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| <b>SUNDAY, MARCH 04, 1996</b>              | Mervyn & Beverly Hahn - Buhl Advertisement - Mar 1 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS   |
| <b>MONDAY, MARCH 04, 1996</b>              | Charlie Hill - Farm Machinery - Buhl Advertisement - Mar 1 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS   |
| <b>MONDAY, MARCH 04 - 11 a.m.</b>          | Hyline Farms - Equipment Disposal Advertisement - Feb 25 BAKER AUCTION COMPANY   |
| <b>MONDAY, MARCH 04 - 11 a.m.</b>          | Glenn Talbot - Farm Equipment - Caldwell Advertisement - Feb 25 HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS  |
| <b>TUESDAY, MARCH 05 - 11 a.m.</b>         | Glenn Talbot - Farm Equipment - Notus Advertisement - Mar 1 HOPKINS AUCTIONEERS  |
| <b>TUESDAY, MARCH 05 - 10:30 a.m.</b>      | North Star Farms, Inc. Farm Machinery - Caldwell Advertisement - Feb 25 BAKER AUCTION COMPANY                                |
| <b>TUESDAY, MARCH 05 - 11 a.m.</b>         | Melchior Farms - Row Crop Equipment Disposal - Ontario, Ont. Advertisement - Feb 25 BAKER AUCTION COMPANY                    |
| <b>WEDNESDAY, MARCH 06 - 11 a.m.</b>       | Pease - Farm Equipment - Wilder Advertisement - Feb 25 BAKER AUCTION COMPANY   |
| <b>THURSDAY, MARCH 07 - 11 a.m.</b>        | Brent Richeson - Row Crop Equipment Disposal - Nyeza, Ont. Advertisement - Feb 25 BAKER AUCTION COMPANY                      |
| <b>THURSDAY, MARCH 07 - 11 a.m.</b>        | Sunshine Farms - Farm Equipment - Wendell Advertisement - Ag-Weekly, Feb 24 & Mar 2 Times-News Mar 3 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS |
| <b>FRIDAY, MARCH 07 - 10:30 a.m.</b>       | Rollins Stone Inc. & Neighbors Farm Equipment - Mountain Home Advertisement - Feb 23 WESTERN AUCTION COMPANY                 |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 08, 1996</b>            | Wendell Community Spring Auction - Notus Advertisement - Mar 1 WEST AUCTION SERVICE  |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 08, 1996</b>            | Biggers Hatches - Hanson Advertisement - Feb 23 WEST AUCTION SERVICE   |
| <b>MONDAY, MARCH 11 - 8:30 a.m.</b>        | Spill Butte Ranch - Horse Furniture Equipment Advertisement - Ag-Weekly, Mar 2 Times-News Mar 3 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS      |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 1996</b>            | Jorma Community Auction - Farm Equipment Miscellaneous - Jerome Advertisement - Mar 15 WEST AUCTION SERVICE                  |
| <b>MONDAY, MARCH 17, 1996</b>              | George Burton - Farm Equipment - Decio Advertisement - Mar 15 WEST AUCTIONEERS   |
| <b>THURSDAY, MARCH 21 - 10:00</b>          | 37th Annual West End Community - Buhl Advertisement - Ag-Weekly, Feb 24 MESSER BROS AUCTIONEERS                              |
| <b>SATURDAY, MARCH 23 - 10:30 a.m.</b>     | Consignment - Twin Falls County Fair grounds Advertisement - March 17 & 21 ALL AMERICAN AUCTION CO.                          |

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# Treatment targets effects of autism

# Session activity heats up

By Jennifer Bunch  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — Glenn Hall stood at the edge of the indoor pool one January morning and saw his grandson Andrew push out from the pool's edge and glide into the deep water. "It was this close to jumping in and getting him," said Hall, holding up his thumb and index finger to demonstrate a space less than a half inch.

Hall didn't know that Andrew's swimming instructor and counselor Louie Caldwell had seen Andrew swim the day before. It was an amazing experience for Caldwell, who has had to discover how to communicate with the withdrawn child that cannot speak and has a limited ability to understand things.

"Never predict the future of handicap people. They can achieve all they are capable of given the right circumstances," Caldwell said.

Andrew Cummings, 11, suffered a severe sickness when he was 2 months old that left him brain damaged. For many years he suffered seizures. Within the last five years, Andrew has been diagnosed with autism, a mental handicap that has affected his ability to speak and interact socially.

Autistic children live in their own world, Caldwell said. They are slow to learn how to talk, resistant to any kind of change and have obsessive body movements, he said. One of Andrew's tendencies is to brush a piece of paper continuously against his face, Caldwell said.

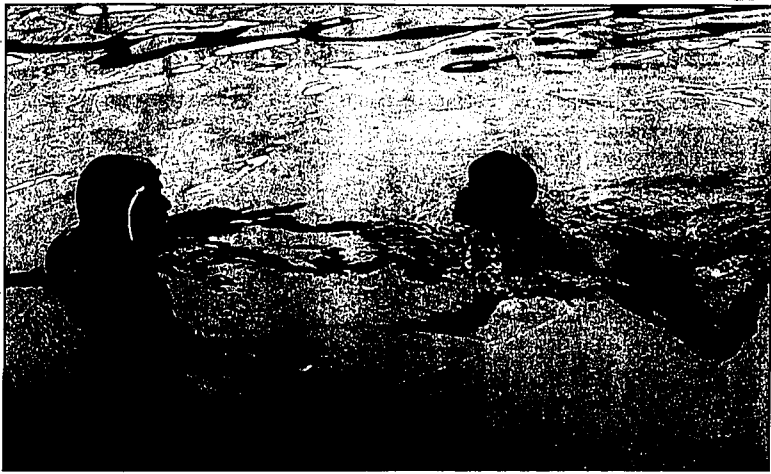
Andrew has lived with his grandparents, Hall and his wife Ramona Hall in Burley for most of the last five years. He is the son of Teresa Carter of Burley and Randy Cummings of Nampa. His grandparents have the time to give him one-on-one attention.

Andrew had been attending public school since first grade, but a transfer to a new school in the fall proved to be too stressful on him, Hall said. It was decided he would fare better out of a classroom setting, he said.

Caldwell, a licensed counselor and life-guard, works with Andrew four to five days a week at the Racquetters Racquetball and Health Club in Burley.

When Caldwell met Andrew in September, he didn't know how much he would be able to teach him. One thing working in everybody's favor was Andrew's love of water. It was decided to try and teach him how to swim.

Autistic children need to be stimulated,



Andrew Cummings, 11, right, an autistic child who has a limited ability to communicate with people, swims to his coach and counselor Louie Caldwell.

said Dr. Cory Alexander, a psychiatrist and physician at Canyon View Hospital and Counseling Centers in Twin Falls.

"Left by themselves, they veer off into space," she said.

They may fall into bizarre forms of self-stimulation, such as banging their heads against something or self-mutilation, she said.

The daily trips to the pool keep Andrew occupied with something that he enjoys, Hall said. If he isn't keeping busy with things that he likes to do, such as swimming, jumping on his trampoline or sitting in his swing, Andrew falls into his patterns of self-stimulation, Hall said.

During the swimming lessons, Caldwell learned that Andrew could hold his breath under water. He taught him to paddle with his arms and kick with his feet. One day after Christmas Andrew took of his inner tube that kept him afloat and wouldn't wear

it anymore. "Since the first of January he took off swimming like a fish. I was just tickled pink," Hall said.

According to Alexander, there is no known cause or cure for autism, she said. It is a rare psychological condition that usually shows up in children when they are about 2 years old, she said. Autism typically is diagnosed when parents notice they aren't talking, or that they have stopped talking, Alexander said.

When Andrew was a baby he repeated a few words and phrases, but then he stopped talking, she said.

It is not unusual for autistic children to have damage to the areas of the brain that are responsible for language, emotion and memory, Alexander said. An autistic child sometimes may laugh or cry inappropriately, she said.

Autistic children tend not to see the big

picture, Alexander said. If given a doll, they don't see it as a toy representation of a person. They might poke at the eyes or stare at the buttons on its clothes, she said.

If autism is caught early enough, children have a chance to develop language and other skills through therapy programs, Alexander said. The severity of the autism determines how much a child is able to learn, she said. Some autistic children learn to be self-sufficient adults, she said.

"These people tend to be very detail oriented. There are places in our work force they can function," Alexander said.

Hall hopes Andrew will one day become self-sufficient. Right now he wants others to know that Andrew and other children who have physical and mental handicaps need the opportunity to develop. "Give these kids a chance to improve their life. Don't push them aside, and don't be embarrassed by them," he said.

BOISE (AP) — House Majority Leader Bruce Newcomb had a word of caution for lawmakers late Friday afternoon as they left for the week-end.

"Bring your apples and your sandwiches and your pajamas — whatever it takes to get the job done," he said.

Legislative leaders are enforcing a new rule this year: Legislation from one chamber must reach the other chamber by the 50th day of the session or the bill won't be considered.

That deadline is Tuesday. Lawmakers in both chambers face extremely long days of work Monday and Tuesday, opening the eighth week of the 1996 session.

In the Senate, between 30 and 40 Senate bills will be up for final action on Tuesday to meet the deadline.

In the House, the list is even longer. Representative will have to plow through 63 bills, resolutions and memorials among 70 on the calendar for final action.

The effort to crowd more action into the early weeks to avoid marathon sessions later appears to be paying off.

Through Friday, the Legislative Services Office said 684 bills had been introduced in both chambers, 40 more than the highest number since 1992. The House had passed 116 bills, 35 more than the previous high since 1992, and the Senate had sent 97 bills to the other chamber.

House Speaker Michael Simpson said the 50-day rule won't be inflexible.

"There are bills on special issues that people have been working on for some time," he said. "There will be some flexibility as we try to work this out."

The House and Senate also have a rule requiring most committees to introduce legislation by the 35th day of the session. Simpson said that's causing problems because there isn't enough time between the 35th day and the 50th day for committees to hear all their bills.

"We might have to move the 35th day deadline back to the 28th day to give committees more time," he said.

Besides the huge work load, both chambers will have important issues to decide in the coming week. On Tuesday, House Human Resources Chairman Robert Schaefer starts what might be marathon hearings on legislation aimed at ending special 79-year exemption from Idaho's workers compensation law. The Nampa Republican expects to conduct another hearing on Thursday, and action on the Senate-passed bill might even be delayed into the next week of March.

Newcomb plans an effort to amend the workers compensation bill, which could kill it. The Burley farmer-rancher said he will try to change the bill to state that a farmer could either offer workers compensation or comparable or better insurance.

Newcomb told House members last week that he provides better insurance coverage to his Hispanic foremen than they would get under workers compensation.

After weeks of trying, the House appears no closer to a decision on increasing fuel taxes to pump more money into highway construction than it was when the session started.

The House Transportation Committee hopes to squeeze in a meeting Monday afternoon, with several bills aimed at increasing fuel taxes and vehicle registration fees to be decided.

Another fuel tax bill, putting money into a fund to finance bonds to improve U.S. Highway 95, is up for final action in the House.

A House committee last week killed bills from Nampa Republican Rep. Bill Taylor to allow forfeiture of vehicle titles by people convicted of repeat drunk driving offenses. But the Senate Judiciary Committee this week takes up legislation allowing the same thing.

A bill introduced by GOP Rep. Tom Dorr of Post Falls to change Idaho divorce laws will be up for a hearing Tuesday in the Judiciary Committee. It would require a one-year waiting period if a divorce was requested on grounds of irreconcilable differences, if either spouse asked for it or children are involved. The bill also mandates counseling.

## Legislature

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growing population — demands that were essentially shelved this winter.

Coming home to roost will be the administration's decisions to deplete surpluses in some special funds so general tax receipts could be stretched even further.

Budget writers appear ready to compound the problem by using the fund that finances catastrophic medical care for the poor to keep the budget in the black. They have made that fund the last piece of the budget to be finalized, giving them the leeway to simply short it by whatever amount is needed to get the books back in the black.

But those health care bills will still have to be paid, leaving yet another unpaid bill for the 1997 session.

All leaves Gurnsey worried that aid to education at all levels will bear the budget-balancing brunt.

And it makes conservative Parry uncharacteristically wonder aloud about whether taxes may have to rise. "When most of your money goes to education, that's what suffers," Gurnsey said, predicting the increase in state aid to schools approved by the 1997 Legislature will be the smallest in over a decade. It was during the near depression of the early- and mid-1980 that education support was last essentially frozen.

Parry thinks the pressures to maintain and improve infrastructure and other services for Idaho's dramatically increased population may make holding the line on spending an unacceptable response. "We could get to the point where we'll have to look for more revenue," he said. "I hate to think about that. But we've put out such slim budgets as it is. We can't just keep cutting."

## Vets

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pregnant dogs with a single vaccine against distemper, influenza and parvo. Both dogs, which were young and healthy, soon died with strange symptoms. Hughbanks suspected the vaccine was contaminated.

"I was the one who gave the vaccinations, and I was the one determined to get an answer," Hughbanks said.

He and Easterday conferred and provided tissue samples from the dogs and aborted puppies to the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory in Pullman, Wash. The laboratory identified the culprit killer — bluetongue virus. The disease normally is associated with sheep and cattle, the blue tongue indicating blood oxygen deprivation.

"Vaccines are made with the blood serum from cows, goats and sheep," Hughbanks said. "The virus was an inadvertent contaminant."

Hughbanks credits the cooperation of the dogs' owner and the persistence of the Washington scientists in identifying the virus, which is slow-growing. Hughbanks paid for the vaccine analyses and later was reimbursed by the dog company, with whom he still does business.

"Vaccines have been improved so much recently that we've just had no problems with pregnancy vaccinations," Hughbanks said. "In retrospect, it's saved a lot of dogs' lives."

But Hughbanks sees a different and increasing problem with today's dogs — behavior.

People want guard dogs, he said, but they don't understand the pack



Steve Koshlitz, DVM, of the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory in Pullman, Wash. Hugsbanks has opened a new clinic in Wendell with his partner, Monte Easterday.

nature of dogs that are overly aggressive.

Dogs that are genetically closer to wild dogs are more dangerous, he said. "If a dog views itself as the dominant member of a family or pack then it's less apt to respond to commands."

"It's going to result in legislation against such dogs if owners don't take responsibility," he said. "Easterday specializes in large farm animals, and Hugsbanks does pets, but they help each other as needed. The two have been partners for six years."

## Dance class keeps kids hopping

By Lisa Westenskow Dayley  
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A local woman has created something for kids to do that doesn't cost their parents a fortune.

"Childhood should be fun and shouldn't cost an arm and a leg," says Cindy Capson founder of K.I.D.S. Inc., a nonprofit Mini-Cassia singing and dancing group.

Capson organized K.I.D.S. — Kids in Dancing and Singing — in 1989 after moving here with her husband, Dennis. Capson had organized other children's groups in Montana, Utah, and Hawaii where her husband, Dennis, served in the Air Force.

After a childhood filled with piano and dancing lessons, Capson studied music theory and dance at Idaho State University in Pocatello and then at the University of Montana in Missoula.

"I love music, I love dance and I love kids," said Capson, who has six children of her own. She begins her 16th year of working with aspiring singers and dancers.

During an average year, she teaches more than 100 children — and doesn't charge them a dime. Other than costume costs the service is free.

In keeping costs down Capson credits Mountain View Elementary for the use of its stage and parents for donating everything from time to stereo equipment.

"It's very rare to find something of this quality that's so inexpen-



Cindy Capson instructs 6- to 8-year-olds while they dance to "At the Pop" during practice at Mountain View Elementary School in Burley on Friday.

sive," said Judy Klausner whose daughters participate in the group. Capson says she's motivated by "purely selfish reasons" as the group helps her with her kids while honing her skills as a dance and music instructor.

"There are more rewarding things than money. It just makes me feel good, and money can't do that," Capson said.

Her husband says she considers it more of a hobby, and it benefits the whole family.

"We look at it this way, the kids get to perform and she gets to teach," said Dennis Capson, an

Idaho state auditor, who coaches 75 future winners every Tuesday at Burley High School. Capson teaches 55 children at Mountain View Elementary School for two hours each Tuesday. The children, ranging in age from 3 to 12, learn the elements of tap, jazz, ballet, and hip hop. The classes are divided into ages 3 to 5, 6 to 8, and group for girls 9 to 12.

"Everyone invests in their hobbies. Some like to coach, some like to do ceramics, and I like to teach kids music," Capson said.

For information contact Capson at 678-9542.

## On the agenda

Following is a list of governmental meetings that are scheduled this week in the Magic Valley. This list is compiled from advance schedules. The Times-News suggests that you confirm the information by calling the appropriate clerk's office before attending.

### TODAY

Blaine County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
Cassia County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
Halley City Council, 6 p.m., courthouse.  
Jerome County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
Lincoln County commissioners, 10 a.m., courthouse.  
Mindokota County commissioners, 9 a.m., courthouse.  
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

### TUESDAY

Buhl School Board, 7 p.m., superintendent's office downtown.

Minidoka County Democratic Party, 8 p.m., courthouse.  
Shoshone City Planning and Zoning Committee, 7:30 p.m., City Hall.

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.  
Wood River Medical Center Board, 5:30 p.m. medical center in Halley.

### WEDNESDAY

Cassia County Memorial Hospital Board, 5 p.m., hospital auditorium.  
Heyburn City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall.  
Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

### THURSDAY

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

### FRIDAY

Twin Falls County commissioners, 8:30 a.m., courthouse.

# Sports

## Morning line

### Sportsquote

“I think they're a good team. But I don't think they strike fear in anybody's heart.”

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— Charles Barkley on the Seattle SuperSonics, who are 3-0 against the Phoenix Suns this season

### Briefly

#### Twin Falls racer takes top prize in Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Twin Falls drag racer Mark Kidd won the Super Gas Eliminator division at the ATCO Nationals here Sunday, becoming the first Idaho racer ever to win two national events.

Kidd was clocked at 138 mph in completing the quarter-mile in 9.97 seconds, driving his 1967 Chevy II. He beat Phoenix driver Larry Marshall in the finals.

Kidd, who picked up \$15,000 along with the first-place trophy, was the No. 1 qualifier out of 120 entries from 13 states.

His first national win came in August at the Northwest Nationals in Seattle.

Another local racer, Mitch McDowell of Jerome, made it to the quarterfinals (final eight) of the alcohol funny car division, turning a 5.86-second run in the quarter-mile, reaching 243 mph.

#### Mutola breaks women's 1,000 meter record

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Maria Mutola of Mozambique took advantage of Karenn Gydesen's fast early pace and broke her own world 1,000-meter indoor record with a time of 2 minutes, 31.23 seconds in the DN games meet Sunday.

Mutola had set the previous record of 2:32.08 only two weeks ago in Birmingham, England, the second stop of the four-meet European indoor tour. That run broke the 18-year world mark owned by Germany's Brigitte Kraus.

Gydesen of Denmark set the pace before dropping out near the midway point.

The 23-year-old Mutola has been red-hot on the European indoor circuit. This was her third victory in the series. She also won the 1,000 meter event in the opener in Stuttgart, Germany in 2:36.91 and posted the second fastest 800-meter time at Lievin, France, last week. Her victory in the 1,000 was worth \$25,000.

#### North Carolina's ram mascot killed on farm

DURHAM, N.C. — A ram that served as North Carolina's mascot was found dead Sunday. The animal appeared to be stabbed in the chest and gutted, police said.

"It looks like the work of people rather than an animal," Orange County Sheriff Sgt. C.S. Blackwood said.

Neither the animal's caretaker nor investigators would comment on a possible motive for the killing and there were no suspects.

Ramesses XXVI was the latest in a succession of rams which have served as mascots since 1924.

#### Babe Ruth baseball signups set this week in Twin Falls

TWIN FALLS — Magic Valley Babe Ruth Baseball will have signups this week at the Harmon Park recreation building.

Boys age 13 before Aug. 1 are invited to sign up Tuesday from 7-9 p.m. Boys age 14-15 before Aug. 1 can sign up Wednesday from 7-9 p.m.

The player's fee is \$55. Each player must have a copy of his certified birth certificate, which will be retained by the Babe Ruth league.

For more information call Dean Mayes at 736-1858 or Jim Hyde at 734-5834.

Compiled from staff and wire reports

### Sportslate

Today

High school bowling  
District team event, Twin Falls — 4 p.m.

### SPORTS LINE

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## Bulls' bench blasts Magic, 111-91

Home court does have its advantages, too, for league leading Chicago

The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Michael Jordan, Shaquille O'Neal and Scottie Pippen were on the bench. Anfernee Hardaway and Dennis Rodman might as well have been.

At the beginning of the fourth quarter, the game belonged not to the biggest names on basketball's marquee teams, but to Toni Kukoc.

"There is no doubt in my mind he was the difference," Orlando coach Brian Hill said Sunday after Kukoc buried the Magic in an avalanche of 3-pointers in leading the Chicago Bulls to a 111-91 victory. "When Kukoc came in and started dropping threes on us, I felt maybe we got a little discouraged."

A starter last season who has become a role player this year, Kukoc scored a season-high 24 points on 8-of-11 shooting — including 6-of-8 from 3-point range — as the Bulls improved to 25-0 at home. Kukoc scored Chicago's first 11 points of the fourth quarter to break the game open.

"I thought in a game like this, Mom's watching back in Croatia and he's got a reputation at stake, he would be effective," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "Toni has a tendency to play very big in big games."

Once known as "Europe's Magic Johnson," Kukoc has had trouble adjusting to life in the NBA — especially since Jordan came out of retirement last March. "I was playing 40 minutes (in Europe). I came here and my role changed," Kukoc said. "Here is MJ. Here is Pip. I've really got to wait for my chance. It was great to play like this. I wish I can every night. But sometimes it's hard coming off the bench."

The Bulls led only 74-70 before Kukoc opened the fourth quarter with three 3-pointers and a bank shot for an 85-76 lead.

After Orlando's Nick Anderson hit a 3-pointer, the Bulls scored the next 11 points run with two baskets and Kukoc capped it with a driving layup.

Kukoc also made three consecutive 3-pointers in the second quarter as the teams played to a 53-53 halftime tie.

"Kukoc really hurt us in the first half when he hit those threes," said Hardaway, who had 24 points but couldn't keep the Magic's six-game winning streak going. "Then, he did it in the second and that's what killed us."



Chicago Bull Scottie Pippen (33) dunks the ball over Orlando's Horace Grant en route to the Bulls' 111-91 win over the Magic.

The Bulls are unbeaten in 32 regular season games at the United Center, last losing to Orlando on March 24 in Jordan's first home game since returning. Chicago (49-6), rebounding from Friday's loss at Miami, moved nine games ahead of Orlando in the Eastern Conference standings. "It's a little jockeying for playoff mo-

mentum. And we defended our home court," Jordan said. "The loss to Miami was one of those games where you just stink up the place. We showed our character that we could bounce back and focus on a much better team. We knew what the game meant from a mental aspect. We were ready."

## Suns down Knicks as Ewing sits

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — Charles Barkley scored six points in the final 2:33. Kevin Johnson scored 17 of his 24 points in the second half and Phoenix beat New York while Patrick Ewing watched in street clothes.

Barkley hit a 17-foot fadeaway with 2:33 left to lift the Suns to a 107-98 lead.

### Pro basketball

Phoenix held on to win its fourth straight for the first time all season and move above .500 for the first time since Nov. 25 and only the second time this season.

Barkley finished with 25 points and 16 rebounds. Michael Finley added 17 and Danny Manning 16 for Phoenix, which outscored the Knicks 49-29.

R. Reid, Ewing's replacement, was 9-of-10 from the field and had season-highs of 22 points and 11 rebounds, and Hubert Davis scored 20 points.

Ewing is out with a sprained ankle.

### Spurs 95, Grizzlies 84

VANCOUVER — David Robinson had a below-average performance, but still managed to score nine of his 20 points in the last quarter to lead San Antonio over Vancouver. Robinson, who was 6-for-19 from the field, had two baskets in a 6-0 run that broke a 79-79 deadlock with four minutes left.

Sean Elliott led the Spurs with 29 points and Charles Smith added 11. Robinson had 11 rebounds, while Chuck Person grabbed 12 boards to go with his 10 points.

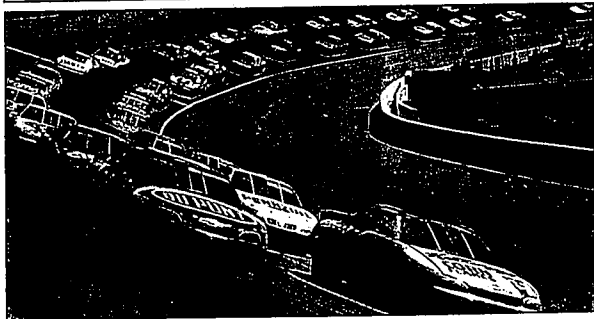
The Grizzlies lost their fourth straight despite 22 points and 10 rebounds from rookie center Bryant Reeves.

### Hawks 92, Timberwolves 76

MINNEAPOLIS — Christian Laettner didn't do much in his return to Minnesota, but he didn't need to as Grant Long scored a season-high 24 points to lead Atlanta over the Timberwolves.

The Grizzlies traded Thursday to Atlanta, was booted often and was in foul trouble most of the game.

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Pole sitter Terry Labonte (car 5) leads the field to the green flag for the start of NASCAR's Goodwrench Service 400 at the North Carolina Motor Speedway, near Rockingham, N.C.

## Daytona-losing Earnhardt races to Goodwrench 400 checkered flag

The Associated Press

ROCKINGHAM, N.C. — Although it wasn't the Daytona 500, Dale Earnhardt will take it.

A Sunday after extending Earnhardt's record to 0-for-18 in the Daytona 500, Dale Jarrett was unable to hold off the seven-time Winston Cup champion in the Goodwrench Service 400.

"We want to make every race count and not miss a beat," Earnhardt said. "If we can be in the top two all year long, it would definitely be good for the championship."

The reversal of the season-opening Daytona finish left the drivers tied with 355 points, a position from which Earnhardt hopes to vault to an unprecedented eighth driving title.

"I'm going to race whoever's there to race, and he looks like the strongest one out there right now," Earnhardt said of Jarrett.

Earnhardt, running second to Jarrett, passed him late in the race at the North Carolina Motor Speedway and stayed in front the rest of the way. Earnhardt took the checkered flag under caution for the 69th victory of his Winston Cup career.

The caution, caused when Bobby Hill Jr. hit the wall, came out with just two laps remaining at the 1.07-mile oval.

Earnhardt and Jarrett swapped leads late in the race, but it was Earnhardt who made the biggest move. He drove his Chevrolet Monte Carlo under Jarrett's Ford Thunderbird 15 laps from the end for his third Rockingham victory.

"You've got to really pace yourself at this race track because of the tire wear, but I was really going for it there at the end," said the 44-year-old Earnhardt. "Jarrett was getting stronger every pit stop."

But Earnhardt got some unexpected help. "I thought I had a shot there, but I got raced hard by a tapper car (Derrick Cope) and burned my tires up," Jarrett said.

Earnhardt, who collected \$83,840, averaged 113.959 mph.

Ricky Craven, the 1995 Rookie of the Year, finished a career-best third, followed by Ricky Rudd, Steve Grissom, Sterling Marlin and Kenny Wallace. They were the only other drivers on the lead lap.

The first part of the race, shortened this year from 500 miles to 400, was virtually incident-free. The relative quiet ended on lap 97, however.

Ward Burton, a winner last fall at Rockingham, who was about to be lapped by leader Terry Labonte, skidded sideways and backed hard into the outside wall in turn one.

On lap 108, Dave Marcis and Hut Stricklin got together in turn three, triggering an eight-car melee. Damaged were the cars of rookie Johnny Benson, Ted Musgrave, Rick Mast, Rusty Wallace, Bill Elliott and Loy Allen Jr.

Allen was later involved in the worst accident of the day, and was knocked unconscious. But the 29-year-old driver regained consciousness after safety workers reached his battered car.

## Glavine no longer public enemy No. 1

The Associated Press

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — It's funny how a little thing like being the World Series MVP can change people's attitudes.

Last year, Tom Glavine was Public Enemy No. 1 for baseball fans in Atlanta, a convenient target for those who saw him as the spokesman for a bunch of greedy millionaires ruining the game.

Now, the Braves pitcher moves many fans toward the field without a hint of apprehension, knowing he'll hear cheers, not boos.

"I'm obviously a lot more relaxed coming into this spring training," Glavine said. "All that stuff last year, wondering what the reaction was going to be every time I stepped on the field, all that stuff is out of the way."

Well, not exactly. Baseball still doesn't have a collective bargaining agreement, though there appears to be no threat of a strike or lockout this season. Glavine knows that while they haven't forgotten the bitter dispute that wiped out the 1994 World Series and delayed the start of last season.

"I'm not going to suggest that there still aren't people out there who are upset about things," Glavine said. "I understand that. That's fine."

"But I think I'm in a much better position this year coming into spring training as a pitcher trying to get ready rather than being public enemy No. 1, the person who everyone wants to take their frustrations out on."

Glavine, a friendly, articulate man, was stung by the boos and catcalls that accompanied him through much of last season. But he never let it affect him on the field, going 16-7 with a 3.08 ERA — his seventh straight season with double-figure victories.

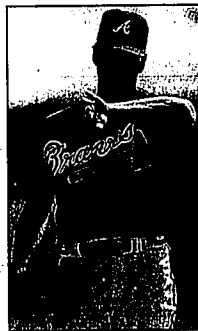
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Tom Glavine  
Expects favorable cheers

### Changing the game

In an effort to speed up the game, officials are lowering the strike zone to below batters' kneecaps.



AP/Wide World

Over the past five years, Glavine is the winningest pitcher in baseball (91), yet he's still known as the second-best pitcher on his own team. That's the way it is when one of your teammates is four-time NL Cy Young Award winner Greg Maddux.



# BSU tumbles on road

The Associated Press

As Boise State held on to Big Sky Conference leadership week after week, Montana coach Blaine Taylor patiently watched, awaiting the Broncos late-season trip to Missoula.

The Grizzlies, boasting the league's best home record, were ready on Saturday. BSU was not falling behind by 30 points before losing to Montana (19-6 overall, 9-3 in the Big Sky) 76-61.

Coupled with an 80-69 win over Idaho State on Friday, Taylor's bunch clinched a share of first place as the conference race entered its final week. The Grizzlies finished 15-1 at Dahlberg Arena.

"It's been a long climb, but the top of the hill might look like, but there's still a long ways to go." Assistant coach Leroy Washington agreed: "It's not over. The Fat Lady can't sing yet. We'll make her sing by beating Eastern (Washington) and then by beating Idaho (on the road next Thursday and Saturday, respectively)."

Shawn Samuelson led Montana to both its victories, adding 15 points and 10 rebounds against BSU to the 18 points and nine rebounds he had versus ISU.



But the Grizzlies are not alone at the Big Sky summit, sharing the view with Montana State (17-8, 9-3). In Bozeman, the Bobcats beat the Broncos 76-65 Friday and rolled past the Bengals 78-52 Saturday.

MSU — now 14-1 at Worthington Arena, the league's second-best home record — did not let down against ISU after topping BSU, something that especially pleased Bobcats guard Scott Hatter.

"We knew ... after the game (with BSU) that we would enjoy that for a half-hour or 45 minutes, but then we had to start getting ready for Idaho State," he recalled. "That shows the character of this team."

Nico Harrison's 16 points led MSU against the Broncos, while Quadre Louis had 19 points and 16 rebounds to derail the Bengals. The Bobcats try to keep their share of first by winning at Idaho and EWU this Thursday and Saturday, respectively.

BSU coach Rod Jensen was harrassed to explain how his Broncos (13-12, 9-4) tumbled from sole possession of first into a third-place tie with Weber State (18-9, 9-4).



University of Montana center Brent Smith, right, and his Grizzly teammates knocked Phil Rodman and the Boise State Broncos back into the Big Sky pack.

# Utah clinches share of WAC crown, back-to-back titles

The Associated Press

Although the Utah Utes endured a difficult trip to Colorado Springs and missed their practice time, they aren't complaining.

No. 8 Utah easily handled Air Force 74-50 Saturday night to clinch at tie for the Western Athletic Conference championship. It marks Utah's first back-to-back WAC titles.

"I'm proud of these kids," said Utah coach Rick Majumder. "Utah is a school rich in basketball tradition, but this is the first team in school history to win back-to-back titles. It's a

great accomplishment."

In other WAC action Saturday, Fresno State defeated Brigham Young 95-83; New Mexico defeated Hawaii 89-79; San Diego State defeated Texas-El Paso 72-69 and Colorado State defeated Wyoming 80-66.

San Diego State, coached by former College of Southern Idaho head man Fred Trenkle, held off a late rally to defeat Texas-El Paso and record its first regular-season sweep of the Minors since it joined the WAC. The victory also gave the Aztecs (14-11, 8-8) its first .500 season since 1984-85.

Texas-El Paso (11-14, 3-13) dressed just seven players for the game due to injuries and suspensions. In the final 15 seconds, there were only six available players because Sharrif Fajardo fouled out.

San Diego State's Kareem Anderson had 14 points and former CSI player Paul Jarrett had 13.

Utah's difficulties last week began with a 71-68 loss to Fresno State Thursday night. The Utes' arrival in Colorado Springs was delayed Friday night by mechanical trouble on the plane, so they missed both practice and film sessions.



Craig Stadler of Denver, Colo., chips up onto the 14th green during the final round of the Nissan Open Sunday in the Pacific Palisades area of Los Angeles. Stadler won the tournament with a 6-under-par 278.

# Stadler ends dry spell with Nissan Open win

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Craig Stadler, who played the entire tournament with a new putter after losing the one he had used for two years, won the Nissan Open on Sunday to end a two-year victory drought.

The rotund, bearded "Walrus" of the PGA Tour closed with a 3-under-par 68, then sweated out the finish in the locker room as his closest challengers came up short.

Stadler's 6-under total of 278 at Riviera gave him a one-shot victory over former University of Southern California roommate Scott Simpson, two-time tournament winner Fred Couples, Mark Wiebe, and Mark Brooks.

Stadler discovered on Thursday that he had lost his putter the previous day, and used one somebody had stuck in his locker.

He earned \$216,000 for the victory in the \$1.2 million tournament, his first since he won at San Diego two years ago.

In winning for the 12th time in his 20 years on the tour, Stadler came from four shots off the pace with a 5-under-par 30 on the front nine to go 8-under.

After bogeying Nos. 15 and 16, Stadler grimaced as his 12-foot birdie try on No. 18 trickled by the lip of the cup, leaving him with a meager one-shot lead.

Meanwhile, there were four groups still on the course, including Simpson, Couples, Wiebe, and Tom Lehman, who all were within one stroke of the lead on either the 17th or 18th.

Stadler watched TV in the locker room as Simpson missed a 20-foot birdie try on No. 18, a difficult 447-yard par-4. Couples, who was 4-under, barely missed an eagle as his approach shot bounced almost directly over the hole.

# 8 under par helps Irwin win American Express

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — Hale Irwin, playing all three rounds without a bogey, won the American Express Invitational seniors event Sunday, shooting an 8-under-par 64 and beating Bob Murphy by five strokes.

Irwin's total of 19-under 197 was the lowest Senior PGA Tour score since last July's Ameritech Senior Open, also won by Irwin at 21-under.

"I did a lot of things very well," Irwin said. "My execution was not my very best, but the results were. I don't think I could have done any better. I didn't leave anything out there. I got everything out of it."

In capturing his third seniors' title, Irwin won \$135,000. The payoff pushed Irwin, who joined the over-50 circuit in June, to more than \$1 million in senior earnings in just 16 tournaments or faster than any senior player.

Only once in the 16 tournaments has Irwin failed to finish in the top 10, and that was a tie for 12th.

His 197 total broke the 54-hole record at the Tournament Players Club at Prestancia of 13-under 203 set by Tom Weiskopf in the 1993 Chrysler Cup. Irwin's 64 was one shot off the course record owned by George Archer.

# Sampras downs Martin in straight sets for 38th title

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Pete Sampras knew Todd Martin has been on a roll.

Martin had won his past 14 matches at The Racquet Club, including the past two championships. And the 6-foot-6 Martin uses the indoor court to his advantage, tossing the ball high enough that his already big serves seem to come from the roof.

Sampras' antidote? Counter a hot streak with his own winning string, and it worked Sunday as he beat Martin 6-4, 7-6 (7-2) for the Kroger-S.T. Jude championship.

Sampras has won two straight ATP Tour titles, and he has lost only one set over the past two weeks. Sampras is 12-1 in matches this year with his only loss to Mark Philippoussis at the Australian Open.

He successfully converted nearly all of his first serves Sunday and took advantage of three double faults by Martin, including two in the tiebreaker.

**Pro tennis**  
game — the big serve and volley — were back at their peak.

# Schultz-McCarthy Wins IGA OKLAHOMA CITY — Brenda Schultz-McCarthy, hitting 16 aces off her booming serve, defeated Amanda Coetzer 6-3, 6-2 Sunday to retain her title in the IGA Tennis Classic.

Schultz-McCarthy, the No. 2 seed from the Netherlands, is the fastest server on the women's tour, and her serve was at full power in downing the No. 3 seed from South Africa.

She finished with 57 aces for the tournament.

Schultz-McCarthy also won the doubles title, teaming with Chanda Rubin as the No. 1 seed to defeat Katrina Adams and Debbie Graham.

# Iva Majoli Wins Essen Final ESSEN, Germany — Top-seeded Iva Majoli of Croatia defeated defending champion Jana Novotna on Sunday to win the Essen Grand Prix.

The 18-year-old Majoli won the match 7-5, 1-6, 7-6 (8-6) to claim her second tournament victory this year. Majoli took a 6-2 lead in the final set tiebreaker but Novotna battled back to 6-6. The game was decided in the duel for the last two points, won by Majoli.

# Sich Wins European tourney ANTWERP, Belgium — Michael Stich of Germany beat Goran Ivanisevic 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5) Sunday to win the European Community Championships and end the Croat's winning streak at 14 matches.

It was only the second tournament for Stich since he hurt an ankle last October, but the fundamentals of his

# Close games rule the day in NCAA

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) — Chris Collins scored 27 points for the second straight outing Sunday and Duke turned up his pressure defense to claim an 85-66 victory over No. 16 UCLA.

The Blue Devils (17-10) became the 11th unranked team to defeat a ranked opponent in the past seven days.

## Men's college basketball

UCLA (19-7) played the first half without forward Charles O'Bannon, the team's third-leading scorer whose last-second shot helped UCLA beat Southern California last Thursday. There was no explanation for his absence from the starting lineup, and O'Bannon never left his warmup jacket in the first 20 minutes.

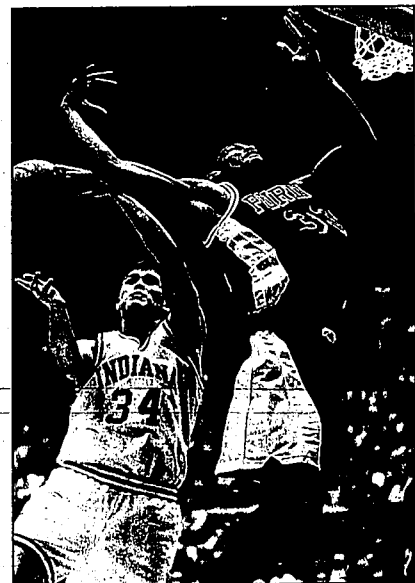
O'Bannon, whose place in the starting lineup was taken by Kris Johnson, watched his teammates while holding his head in his right hand. He walked the periphery of the team huddle during timeouts and at one point took a practice golf swing with his towel.

No. 7 Purdue 74, Indiana 72  
BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Chad Austin's 3-pointer with 13.7 seconds left gave No. 7 Purdue a 74-72 victory over arch-rival Indiana as the Boilermakers overcame more than seven minutes without a field goal in the second half.

Purdue (23-4, 13-2 Big Ten) saw an 11-point lead evaporate during its scoring drought before recovering. The victory moved the Boilermakers one step closer to becoming the first team to win three consecutive Big Ten titles outright in three decades.

No. 6 Cincinnati 65, Tulane 63

NEW ORLEANS — Darnell Burton sank a 3-point basket from deep in the corner with two seconds left Sunday, four with just over three minutes to play.



Indiana's Brian Evans (34) blocks a drive attempt by Purdue's Justin Jennings, right, in Bloomington, Ind., Sunday. Evans was called for the foul.

leading No. 6 Cincinnati past Tulane 65-63.

Cincinnati (21-3, 10-2 Conference USA) held off a Tulane second-half charge that saw the Green Wave erase a 10-point halftime deficit and lead by

four with just over three minutes to play. Cincinnati coach Bob Higgins left with just over 10 minutes remaining in the first half after picking up his second technical foul in two minutes for criticizing the officials.

# No. 4 Stanford clinches PAC-10 crown

SEATTLE (AP) — Jaimia Wideman scored 27 points as No. 4 Stanford clinched the Pacific 10 Conference crown with a 59-54 victory Sunday over Washington.

Wideman hit a 3-pointer with the shot clock expiring that put Stanford ahead for good at 55-52 with 1:20 remaining. Stanford hit four of five free throws down the stretch to seal the win.

Stanford (22-2 overall, 15-0 Pac-10) extended its Pac-10 record of consecutive conference games won to 24.

## Women's college basketball

No. 5 Tennessee 79, No. 10 Vanderbilt 71

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Chamique Holdseclaw scored 19 points to lead No. 5 Tennessee to a 79-71 win over No. 10 Vanderbilt on Sunday before the largest crowd in women's college basketball this season.

No. 7 Iowa 73, Illinois 55

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Tangela Smith scored 17 points and blocked four shots as Big Ten champion Iowa completed an unbeaten season, home with a 73-55 victory over Illinois on Sunday.

No. 11 Penn St. 72, Ohio St. 69

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Tina Nicholson's free throw with 15.5 seconds left broke a tie and Kim Calhoun added a game-tying basket with 12.9 seconds remaining as No. 11 Penn State defeated Ohio State 72-69 Sunday.



Clemson's Dory Kidd (12) struggles to stay in control of the ball as Georgia Tech's Klasha Ford (5) and Tiffany Martin, double team her during Georgia Tech's upset over Clemson Sunday in Clemson's Littlejohn Coliseum.

No. 13 Wisconsin 88, Michigan 63

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Katie Voigt was 6-for-12 from 3-point range and had 25 points as No. 13 Wisconsin beat Michigan 88-63 on Sunday.

Georgia Tech 72, No. 16 Clemson 62  
CLEMSON, S.C. — Tiffany Martin scored 19

No. 3 Connecticut 70, No. 4 Villanova 59

PHILADELPHIA — Ray Allen, the star who was allowed to play, scored 26 points Sunday to lead No. 3 Connecticut to a 70-59 victory over No. 4 Villanova, which played without suspended guard Kerry Kittles.

The Huskies (25-2, 15-1 Big East) were coming off a 77-65 loss to Georgetown that ended their 23-game winning streak.

No. 19 Memphis 57, No. 21 Louisville 54

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Lorenzen Wright and Cedric Henderson scored, 16 points each, and Wright grabbed 11 rebounds Sunday, leading No. 19 Memphis to a 57-54 victory over No. 21 Louisville.

The Cardinals had a chance to tie the game three times in the final 30 seconds, but DeJuan White missed three long-range shots, including one at the horn.

No. 23 Georgia Tech 92, N.C. State 83, OT

ATLANTA — Stephen Marbury scored 25 points and took charge in overtime as No. 23 Georgia Tech beat North Carolina State 92-83 Sunday for its 1,000th win.

Georgia Tech, which has 876 losses, won its fifth straight. It was coach Bobby Cremins' 292nd win in 15 years at Tech, tying him with John "Whack" Hyder, who was 292-271 in his career.

Temple 57, No. 12 Va. Tech 41

PHILADELPHIA — Derrick Battle scored 15 points and grabbed a career-high 17 rebounds in his final home game Sunday as Temple kept its NCAA Tournament hopes alive with a 57-41 win over No. 12 Virginia Tech.

The win was the fourth straight for the Owls (16-11, 11-4 Atlantic 10) and the lowest point total this season for the Hokies.

Temple's biggest lead was 52-33, when Battle converted a 3-point play with 3:36 remaining.

## New Mexico St. woman sets record

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Anita Maxwell of New Mexico State has become the first player in NCAA history — men's or women's — to score 2,500 points, grab 1,000 rebounds and make 300 steals in a collegiate career.

Maxwell made a free throw with 7:41 to go in the Roadrunners' game against UNLV on Saturday to score her 2,500th point and reach the milestone.

"This will really hit me when I'm about 50 and have grandkids," Maxwell said.

points and Carla Munton added 17 Sunday, leading Georgia Tech over 16th-ranked Clemson 72-62.

Wake Forest 75, No. 18 North Carolina St. 64

RALEIGH, N.C. — Tracy Connor scored 17 points and pulled down 15 rebounds as Wake Forest upset No. 18 North Carolina State 75-64 Sunday.

Okahoma State 69, No. 20 Colorado 49

BOULDER, Colo. — Gina Shaterkins scored 21 points to lead Oklahoma State to a 69-49 win Sunday over No. 20 Colorado.

No. 24 Kansas 66, Kansas St. 56

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Tameca Dixon scored 20 points for No. 24 Kansas as the Jayhawks beat Kansas State 66-56 to win the Big Eight championship.



# Money and Classified

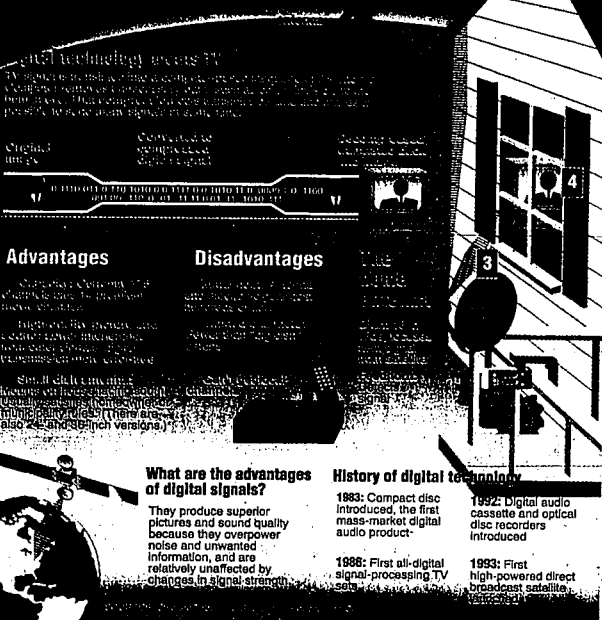
## SCIENCE MATTERS

### Television from space

Different companies direct satellite television systems, but they're all doing the same thing: beaming a signal from a satellite in orbit to a receiver on Earth.

1. Direct broadcast satellite (DBS) transmits a signal to a receiver on Earth.
2. Satellite beams programming down to a small home satellite dish.
3. Central tower similar to conventional cable systems carries the digital signal to a receiver box.
4. Receiver box translates digital signal into sound and images for VCR, TV or stereo.

Direct broadcast satellite (DBS) transmits a signal to a receiver on Earth.



### Advantages Disadvantages

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### What are the advantages of digital signals?

They produce superior pictures and sound quality because they overpower noise and unwanted information, and are relatively unaffected by changes in signal strength.

### History of digital technology

- 1983: Compact disc introduced, the first mass-market digital audio product.
- 1992: Digital audio cassette and optical disc recorders introduced.
- 1988: First all-digital signal-processing TV sets.
- 1993: First high-powered direct broadcast satellite.

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# Paying for college: Lesson No. 1 for parents - don't panic

Knights-Ridder News Service

When it comes to paying for college, Leslie McNamara likes to startle parents with an analogy. She tells them to think about what it costs to buy a new car.

Then she tells them to imagine doing it for four years straight.

"The numbers are intimidating, but people shouldn't let them throw them," says McNamara, a vice president specializing in college financing at College Board.

If they save \$225 a month and they have a two-year-old, (by the time the child is 18) they'll have \$107,000.

"If they have the spare \$225 a month — and if they get the 10 percent return on the investment she assumes.

The fact is, saving for college "is" intimidating — and the cost is growing currently at an annual average of 6 percent. A year's tuition at a private four-year college will average \$29,794 in 2010, based on the current rate of increase. Harvard could run \$66,085.

How do you tackle this?

The first thing, experts say, is to estimate the cost. But don't panic or become paralyzed into inaction. Remember, you won't need to save the total amount; half may be fine with the rest coming from loans, scholarships, grants and student jobs. In any case, save "something,"

advisers counsel, if only to show financial-aid officers you're serious.

Whatever amount you save, "start early and keep at it," says Gerald Krefetz, author of the College Board's "Paying for College."

Financial consultant Thomas Brinker of Hartstown, Pa., suggests setting up an automatic withdrawal program from your bank account, "so it feels just like paying any other bill."

Next, rethink some of your assumptions about investing for college. Your grandparents may have given you savings bonds for your education, but that was before college costs rose so rapidly.

Please see COLLEGE/C2

# How to calculate how much to save

Knights-Ridder News Service

The best way to overcome a fear of paying for college, financial planners say, is to face the truth: Do the numbers. Estimate what an education will cost at a variety of schools, and then figure out what you would have to save now in order to pay for it.

Here's how:

- Check current college costs, including tuition, room, board and books.
- Then calculate, marching forward, what that will come to if costs continue to climb as they have in the last few years.
- What rate of increase do you use? Financial planners differ over this. The more conservative use the average of the last seven years, 7 percent, and the more optimistic use the rate of the last two years, 6 percent.
- Whatever rate you use, take the current cost and multiply it by the rate, repeating once for each year until your child is due to attend college. If it's going to be Villanova and your child was born in 1995, the total bill for college, using the 6 percent

rate, will be about \$296,433. (The current yearly tuition, room and board — \$23,740 — multiplied by 1.06, which accounts for the 6 percent annual increase. Do that 16 times for freshman-year cost, 17 times for sophomore cost, and so forth.)

- Then you can figure out what you will have to save.
- Again, you'll have to decide on a rate — in this case, how much you think you can earn on investments.
- In the Villanova case, if you assumed conservatively that you could make a 7.5 percent annualized return on your investments and had 18 years for it to accumulate to cover all four years of school, you would need \$72,210 now.
- (To do a rough version of the math yourself, divide the total expected costs by the rate you think you can earn each year — in this case, 1.075. Keep dividing as many times as there are years to save.)
- But, presumably, you'll be saving in bits and pieces as the years go by, since most parents don't have that

kind of money sitting around. In the Villanova case, you would need to save \$652 a month to pay for four years of college beginning in 2013. If your favorite college costs half what Villanova does, your savings need only be half. (Calculating the monthly payments is harder than figuring a lump sum needed now. But you can get a rough estimate this way: Assuming you can earn 7.5 percent a year on your savings and have 18 years to save, divide the total expected college costs by 454. That will give you the approximate monthly payments.)

Whatever you do, don't give up, planners say. Save "something." Many parents begin by aiming to save half of what they need, in this case about \$30,000. They assume the rest will come from loans, scholarships and student jobs.

Whatever you save, remember: A college degree means an average of 35 percent more in earnings, so there is a payoff, even if you think you might die of exhaustion and worry before you see it.

# Single-state funds need close scrutiny

The Associated Press

NEW YORK — If you're a mutual fund investor looking for ways to lighten your tax burden, you're a likely candidate to be attracted by single-state municipal bond funds.

Muni funds invest in securities issued by state and local governmental authorities, which pay interest that is exempt from federal income tax.

Single-state muni funds compound the tax attractions by investing solely in bonds whose exemption extends to state and local income taxes for taxpayers in a given state.

Investors who amount \$250 billion invested in muni bond funds, as of the most recent tally by Morningstar Inc., the Chicago research firm that reports on the fund industry.

Of that, almost half is entrusted to single-state funds.

California, with more than \$36 billion, and New York, with more than \$23 billion, are the dominant states.

But another \$55 billion is spread among funds concentrating in other states ranging from Massachusetts to Hawaii.

Single-state funds flourish even in places like Florida and Texas, where the principal reason for investment to stay in-state doesn't apply because there are no state income taxes.

By Morningstar's recent calculation, single-state muni funds reported an average yield of close to 5 percent, with wide variations from fund to fund and state to state.

Now, 5 percent looks pretty attractive to an investor whose federal and state tax brackets add up to, say, 33 percent, assuming a

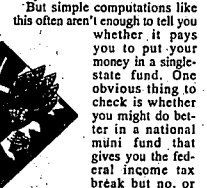
28 percent marginal rate for Uncle Sam and another 5 percent for state and local taxes. Indeed, to get the same after-tax yield with a fully taxable bond fund, you'd have to find one yielding 7.5 percent.

But simple computations like this often aren't enough to tell you whether it pays you to put your money in a single-state fund. One obvious thing to check is whether you might do better in a national muni fund that gives you the federal income tax break but no, or only a partial, shelter from state taxes.

"In instances where a state fund only enjoys a slight (yield) edge over a national competitor, you should normally stick with the national fund," says the Critical Investor, a monthly New York newsletter aimed at investors who use the mutual fund service operated by Charles Schwab & Co., the discount brokerage firm.

"By definition, state funds have less diversification than national funds. Sometimes natural or man-made calamities jolt a state fund, while national funds barely feel any impact.

Under some so-called "flat-tax" plans, proceeds from all investments could be exempted from taxation. That would effectively eliminate the key advantage muni funds, which already are exempt, enjoy over bonds issued by corporations (now fully taxable) and the federal government (now exempt only from state income taxes).



OF MULTIPLE INTEREST

# Forecasters see sluggish growth

By John Cuniff The Associated Press

NEW YORK — In a city known more for disharmony than concurrence, a notable meeting of minds has been reached between Congress and the administration on estimates of future economic growth.

### Analysis

Any cheering, however, will soon be muffled by the realization that agreement involves forecasts of sub-par growth over the next seven years, meaning only sluggish improvements in living standards.

Both the Congressional Budget Office and the White House's new budget foresee inflation-adjusted growth at a 2.2 percent rate this year and next, and 2.3 percent in each of the following five years.

Such numbers reveal a belief that the United States economy as currently constituted cannot perform as it once did — and, in fact, that it is destined at best to produce what once were thought of as mediocre results.

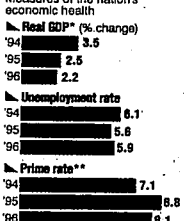
Between 1960 and 1988 the economy grew at an average of 3.2 percent a year, or nearly a percentage point higher than the Congressional and White House projections. That one point seems small, but it is really huge.

Gary and Aldona Robbins, former Treasury economists, calculate that if the economy grows at 3.5 percent while population grows at 1.0 per-

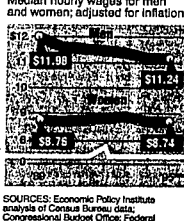
### Economy slowing, wages stagnant

The economy has grown during President Clinton's term, but a slow-down is in the works and worker wages continue to be flat.

#### Economic indicators



#### Wages slipping



cent, living standards would double in 30 years; at 2.5 percent, it would take 50 years.

The current projections would mean an even longer wait because growth is projected at 2.2 percent to 2.3 percent, not 2.5 percent.

The Robbinses, senior research associates at the Institute for Policy Innovation, a Dallas-area economic think tank, are among the most respected private-sector analysts of

budget and other economic numbers.

As they view the future, the subpar projections are destined to continue the disappointments an financial stress already evident among voters unless penalties are reduced on saving, investment and capital formation.

In their analysis, made in midyear 1995, they say "the way to do that near term is focus on policy prescriptions that lower taxes and reduce the

size of government."

The White House and Congressional projects, therefore, are central to issues now being discussed by candidates, including funding of Medicare and the future of Social Security. Can they grow while the economy doesn't?

Crises of growth since the 1990-1991 recession concede that economic weakness helped lower the inflation rate, but they remind people that inflation was even less and production rose more swiftly in the 1960s.

Inflation, they say, isn't an inevitable consequence of growth, especially with capacity utilization lower than a year ago, exports strong, commodity prices stable and technological innovation raising productivity.

The problem, say critics, is not so much the low projections, which may be justified on the basis of current tax laws and regulations. It is the inability of the economy to respond to its potential because of restrictions.

Less fettered, they say, that potential may be as good or even better than ever — and that, in fact, it had better be as good or better if expectations and obligations are to be fulfilled.

It is this realization that fuels the various proposals to change the tax system, for encouraging more savings and investments, and for all the political rhetoric about reducing the size and relative cost of government.

If the economy doesn't grow, then everything is hard or impossible.

# Falling mortgage rates produce new refinancing boom

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Homeowners are taking advantage of falling mortgage rates to create the second refinancing boom of the 1990s.

Frank Nothaft, deputy chief economist for the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., said recently that refinancing activity is approaching the levels seen during the 1992-93 boom.

"Our survey of mortgage lenders indicated that 46 percent of mortgage applications in January were to refinance existing loans," he told reporters. "That is the highest level since March 1994, the tail-end of the

last refinancing boom."

The 1992-93 boom peaked in October 1993, when refinancing comprised nearly 75 percent of mortgage activity.

Nothaft said his company expects the cost of 30-year fixed-rate mortgages to remain low in 1996, averaging just 7.3 percent.

Refinancing activity dropped to just 10 percent of the mortgage market in January 1995 as rising mortgage rates made refinancing less desirable.

After sinking to a 25-year low of 6.74 percent in October 1993, 30-year fixed-rate mortgages shot up to 9.25 percent at the end of 1995,

according to weekly surveys by the company, known as Freddie Mac. The monthly payment on a \$100,000 mortgage with a 7 percent interest rate is \$665, while the payment on the same loan with a 9 percent rate is \$805 — a difference of \$140.

As the economy slowed last year, long-term interest rates began falling sharply. Freddie Mac reported last week the 30-year loans averaged just 6.94 percent.

Nothaft said Freddie Mac expects the refinancing share of the mortgage market to remain high during the current quarter before giving way to purchase applications as the spring

home-buying season arrives.

Vassilios Lekkas, Freddie Mac's senior economist, said 68 percent of homeowners refinancing 30-year fixed-rate mortgages in 1995 chose new 30-year loans, up sharply from 54 percent in 1994. That rate jumped to 77 percent in the final three months of last year.

Just 2 percent of borrowers with 30-year mortgages chose adjustable rate loans when refinancing, down from 9 percent in 1994, he continued.

Demand for 15-year mortgages, often a popular option for people refinancing mortgages, was virtually unchanged at 25 percent.

# College

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Now, you have to be crafty. Think of it as any other investment, Krefetz and others advise, but try to harness a few special quirks that apply only to college saving.

Following are some specific suggestions:

• **Go for high growth.** Parents of young children should concentrate their investments in stocks or mutual funds composed of stocks, which historically have had rates of return that outpace bonds and CDs that require more time for riding out the ups and downs of the market, planners say.

As children get closer to college, savings should be gradually shifted to safer investments that provide steady income.

For parents who want to guarantee a part of future tuition, Krefetz likes zero coupon bonds, which sell for a fraction of their face value and promise to pay the full face value at a specific date, in this case, when your child were due to attend college in 2010, for instance, you could buy a U.S. Treasury zero coupon bond this month for \$4,134, which would pay \$10,000 in 2010. Many parents stagger the maturities to cover all four years of college.

• **Taxes.** One of the most common mistakes young parents make, says Barry Sullivan, a vice president and financial consultant with Merrill Lynch, is to avoid building up their tax-advantaged savings accounts — such as 401(k) plans — until they've saved a full college fund. In fact, he and others say, retirement savings provide an indirect way of investing for college while deferring taxes.

Sullivan notes that parents often miss the rules of their 401(k)s because they can be withdrawn from them or borrowed later without penalty for college costs.

If they can, he advises the clients to "max out" the 401(k)s because they are tax-deferred and, hence,

grow faster than ones that aren't. Later, the clients can just borrow the funds in these plans for college, then slowly repay themselves, he says. (If your company doesn't offer a 401(k), a financial consultant can set one up.)

"The number-one rule is always save before the tax dollar first," in a says Brinker, a certified financial planner and advanced state planner.

The same principle applies to your home. You can build up equity in a home, deduct the mortgage interest, and use an equity loan to help finance college later.

Another plus: If you think your child might qualify for financial aid, financial aid officers often exempt retirement savings and home-equity loans from calculations of parents' worth — so putting money into those, in a sense, a way to shield it from the prying eyes of financial-aid officers.

• **Put money in your child's name.** Children under 14 get the first \$650 in investing income tax-free, and the second \$650 taxed at the children's rate of 15 percent. (The rest is taxed at the parents' rate.) For many parents, that's reason enough to put money in a child's name — the money will grow faster if it isn't taxed highly.

Sullivan at Merrill Lynch does this for his own four children, with a neat twist: He gives them stock that has risen in value; they sell it, but they don't have to pay capital-gains tax on the first \$650 and just 15 percent on the next \$650. Then Sullivan reinvests their proceeds in a growth mutual fund for them.

Even after a child turns 14, the money is still taxed at a lower rate, 15 percent.

But Sullivan and others caution that there are down sides to putting money in your child's name. Colleges consider up to 30 percent of children's money when calculating financial costs when calculating financial

aid; parents' savings, particularly retirement savings, are much more exempt. So, if there's a chance of financial aid, you may be better off keeping the savings in your own name.

And there's the Porsche factor: Putting money in your children's names also means it's theirs when they turn 18 — for whatever use they like.

• **Prepaying for college.** If you have cash in hand, you may be tempted to prepay your child's education through a variety of public and private programs. Financial advisers warn against this, though. Prepaying your child's education locks your child into attending a school he or she may not get into or want to attend. You will get a refund, but it might not equal what you would have made on another investment.

The College Savings Bank, in Princeton (800-888-2723), offers another type of prepayment plan, under which savings are compounded in an investing income tax-free, and the money can be used for any college tuition. But it, too, is probably a poor investment, financial planners say, in that the current rate of increase for college costs is just 6 percent, so your savings will earn only 6 percent, less than can be earned on many safe bonds.

• **The college savings bond.** The old savings tool is still worth checking out if you're going to be in a lower tax bracket when your children go to school. Currently, couples who make less than \$60,000 a year — and single parents who make less than \$40,000 a year — are exempt from paying taxes on the interest of U.S. Treasury Series EE bonds if they apply the principal and interest toward their children's tuition. (This applies only to bonds issued starting in 1990.) You must be 25 or older when you buy the \$1,000 and \$5,000 bonds, and you cannot use the money for room and board, among other conditions.

# Around the watercooler

**GET TO THE NITTY GRITTY:** In choosing the car of your choice, really mean? Camry? Design? Sure, but according to the Michigan Carwash Association, you also have to consider whether a car's body traps dirt, has secure moldings, and whether people are impressed as the vehicle emerges from a carwash. So, the MCA has given the Cadillac Seville Touring Sedan its award as the Most Washable Car of 1995. In second place was the Ford Taurus, followed by the Buick Riviera, Chrysler Sebring and the Lexus GS 300. The results were published in the magazine of the carwash industry, Professional Carwashing and Detailing.

**RESCUE 911 FOR PCs:** If someone steals your PC, you may be able to get it back because of software that acts as a kind of tracking device. Home Office Computing's February issue reports that the software CompuTrace TRS will automatically dial the office of its creator, Absolute Software, if a thief hooks up a stolen PC's modem to a phone line. The software reveals the location of the PC, and Absolute Software will call the police.

**BURNING THE MIDNIGHT BREW:** If you're a

new entrepreneur and you've got the jitters, maybe you're drinking too much coffee. Entrepreneur magazine reports that people who have owned their businesses for five years or less drink more coffee than those in business longer. The magazine says that found by KeyCorp, the banking company that found 37 percent of people with young companies drink five or more cups of java a day. Twenty-nine percent of people in business 6 to 20 years drink that much coffee. Entrepreneur surmises that long hours may have something to do with it.

**SAGE ADVICE:** Nervous about keeping your job? In "The Job Survival Instruction Book," author Karin Ireland has more than 400 tips she says will help you stay employed. Among them: "When someone asks how you are, unless it's your mother or your therapist, just say, 'Great.'" And: "Accept the fact that when you wear your white suit or your friends want to go out for spaghetti." And this, in a more serious tone, "If you're anything less than 100 percent committed to your present job, keep it to yourself."

Combined from wire reports

# ATMs not convenient for everyone

**NEW YORK (AP)** Ida Sciotring worries about the "old folks" at her retirement home, the senior citizens who can't see so well anymore and are intimidated by automatic teller machines.

"They're afraid, they're frightened," said the 70-year-old widow. "And the people from foreign countries — we're getting a lot of Russian people now — they just don't understand."

Banks nationwide are cutting costs by replacing tellers with ATMs. A recent study by Deloitte & Touche, a New York-based consulting and accounting firm, estimates that half of all U.S. bank branches will close within 10 years and that 450,000 bank jobs will be eliminated in the next five years.

In Brooklyn, Citibank is convert-

ing at least 31 fully staffed banks to "all-electronic" branches.

Carmine Santa Maria, a 60-year-old retired mail carrier who is handicapped, said he already has to drive long distances to reach a full-service bank, and then has to search for a parking space. "It would be easier for me to get a full roll of quarters and go to Atlantic City," he said.

Only at a regular bank, said Santa Maria, can customers safely make business deposits, use safety deposit boxes and conduct large transactions.

He cited a funeral director who frequently makes large cash withdrawals and a priest who deposits collection-plate income.

"We are losing all the customer services," said Santa Maria, 60, a leader of the Bayside-West End Community Council. "There are so

many negative aspects to this that I can't see why anybody would want to do it."

One reason is profits. Making a deposit with a teller costs banks 6 to 12 times more than depositing money into an ATM, banking consultants say.

Citibank says its changes are part of a \$75 million reorganization of 189 branches in New York City and four nearby counties.

By the end of this year, Citibank hopes to close at least 17 branches, convert at least \$1 to ATMs only and upgrade 96 with more personnel and services, said Susan Weeks, a Citibank spokeswoman.

Weeks insisted that people who dislike ATMs will realize the conversion once they receive proper training.

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
Notice is hereby given by the Planning and Zoning Commission, Twin Falls County, State of Idaho, that a Public Hearing will be held upon the following items:

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Doug and Greg Hull on property consisting of five (5) acres located in Section 22, Township 10 South, Range 16 East, B.M. Also known as being located on lot 1 (1.5 miles) South of Curry Crossing on the West side of the road and addressed as 3753 North 2500 East, Twin Falls, Idaho.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Roger Vincent on property consisting of 120 acres located in Section 36, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, B.M. Also known as being located on one-half mile North and one-half mile North of and addressed 3723 North 2500 East, Filer, Idaho in the Agricultural Zone.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Roger Vincent on property consisting of 120 acres located in Section 36, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, B.M. Also known as being located on one-half mile North and one-half mile North of and addressed 3723 North 2500 East, Filer, Idaho in the Agricultural Zone.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Dean Diller on property consisting of three (3) acres located in Section 11, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, B.M. Also known as being located two miles South on the Castoroff Highway and 2/10 mile West on 3800 Road on the right side of the road addressed as 3801 East and 3801 South, Idaho, in the Agricultural Zone.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Patricia Stewart on property consisting of five (5) acres located in Section 11, Township 10 South, Range 14 East, B.M. Also known as being located two miles South of the road on Salmon Falls Creek and addressed as Lot #19 of Salmon River Ranches Buil, Idaho in the Outdoor Recreation Zone.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by Carl and Sue Falkhausen on property consisting of 148 acres located in Sections 17 and 20, Township 11 South, Range 16 East, B.M. Also known as being located on one-half mile South of Kimberly on the West side of 3500 East and addressed as 3200 North 3600 East, Kimberly, Idaho, in the Agricultural Zone.

**CONDITIONAL USELAND DIVISION** by F. Clyde Goodman on property consisting of 61.78 acres located in Section 12, Township 9 South, Range 15 East, B.M. Also known as being located one-quarter (1/4) mile South of Murtough Grade School and addressed as 3395 North 4600 East, Murtough, Idaho, in the Agricultural Zone.

**NOTICE RE FURTHER GIVEN** that a Public Hearing will be held before the Planning and Zoning Commission at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on the 14th day of March 1998 at the Twin Falls County Office Building, 3rd Floor, 3rd Avenue East Twin Falls, Idaho upon said request.

3rd Avenue East, Twin Falls, Idaho 83301 (208) 734-9490, before said hearing.

Retired this 21st day of February 1998  
D. Erick Mikewell, Chairman  
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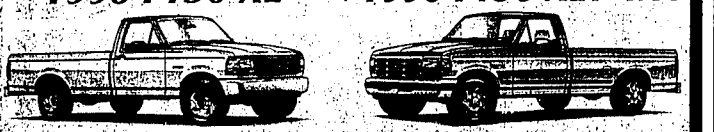
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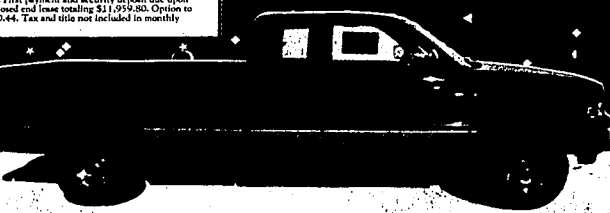


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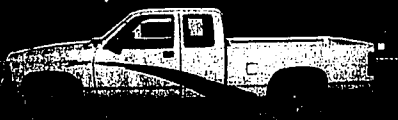
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# Health & Fashion

## 8 vital questions for Tax Man

It's income-tax time again. Americans: time to gather up those receipts, get out those tax forms, sharpen up that pencil, and stab yourself in the aorta.

No, seriously, contrary to what many so-called "people" say, doing your income taxes is not difficult, as long as you're willing to take the time to read the instructions carefully and make up numbers out of thin air. I'll have some helpful tax-preparation advice later in the column, but first it's time for a patriotic message on the topic of: Why You Should Pay Your Taxes.



**Dave Barry**  
Humor

Basically, you should pay your taxes because, in the words of the late Abraham Lincoln, "Otherwise, we throw you in jail." Your federal government needs your money so that it can perform vital services for you that you would not think up yourself in a million years. Of course not everybody feels that these services are so vital; some critics note that during the recent Budget Crisis, when the government was shutting down every 15 minutes, hardly anybody seemed to be affected except government employees. This led some critics to conclude that the main service provided by the federal government is employing government employees.

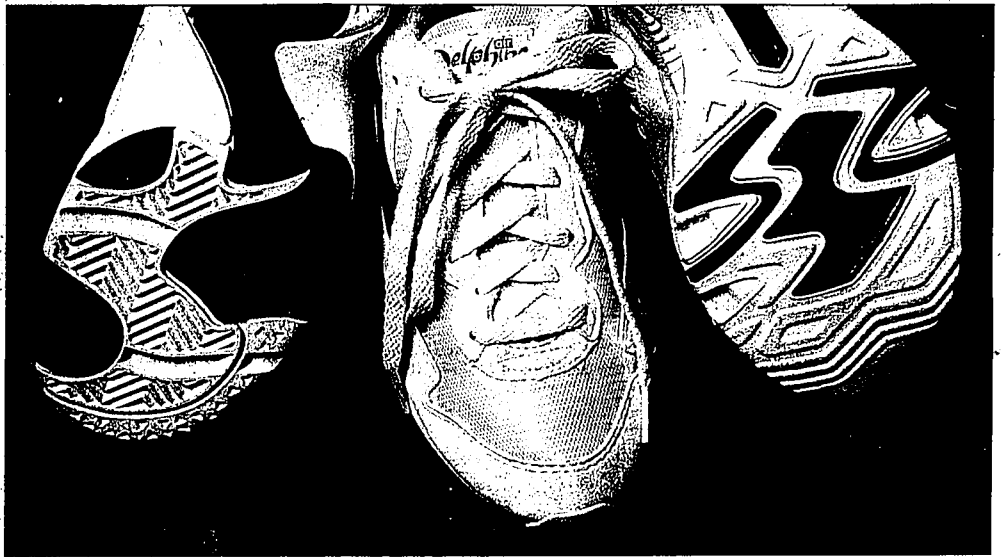
Well, here's what I have to say to some critics: "Oh, yeah?" I say this because I happen to believe that our government provides some extremely vital services, by which I mean "The X-Files." This is a special FBI operation that is portrayed on a weekly TV show, also called "The X-Files," featuring two agents, Agent Mulder and Agent Scully, both of whom always look depressed to the point of root canal. Not that I blame them: They are responsible for investigating every paranormal event in the United States, which means they hardly ever talk to anybody who has not, at minimum, been abducted by space aliens.

Recently I saw an episode where Agents Mulder and Scully were chasing around after this really disgusting slimy sewer-dwelling creature — caused, of course, by fonic radiation — that was partly human and partly lung fluke. (If you don't know what a lung fluke is, trust me, you are better off.) This creature reproduced by biting a sewer worker (whatever we are paying our sewer workers, it is not enough) and putting a larva inside him; later on, the sewer worker coughed up a baby fluke creature in a shower scene that I will never forget as long as I live because I happened to be eating a meatball sandwich at the time. The episode climaxed with Agent Mulder fighting the creature in a sewer, and I recall thinking, as I watched them splash around in the slime, that if the government is going to take my money, this is exactly the kind of program I want it to be used for.

So I'm sure we all agree that we Please see BARRY/D2

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BUDDY CHARLES MANGINE/The Times-News

# Walkin' in Rhythm

A good pair of shoes is essential for the recreational walker

By Steve Crump  
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Bill Miller just hates to see power-walkers in wing-tips.

"Depending on how far you walk and how many days of the week you walk, you don't need an expensive walking shoe," said Miller, a salesman at Donnelly's Sports in downtown Twin Falls. "But seeing people out walking in street shoes or court shoes with no arch support — well, that's got to be uncomfortable."

Miller will sell you a walking shoe, but he's just as likely to steer you toward a shoe designed primarily for runners. "It's a little more support," he said. "Depending on the person's build, that can make a big difference."

"Running shoes provide walkers with more motion control, more stability, more cushioning than walking shoes," Jack Smith, owner of a Colorado Springs,

Colo., shoe store called Runners Choice, told Knight-Ridder Newspapers. "If you spend more than \$60 to \$70 for a walking shoe, you're getting way too much shoe."

In fact, even though there are twice as many walkers as there were in 1987, walking shoes have failed to take the \$2 billion sports shoe business by storm. Although some walkers swear by their leather sneakers, most still wear running shoes.

"There's such a variety of running shoes now, that you can find one to fit," Miller said.

Smith told Knight-Ridder that he stopped carrying walking shoes a long time ago on the advice of a podiatrist.

"We're putting walkers in running shoes because they're made out of synthetic material," he said.

Walking shoes, Smith says, typically are made from leather, which stretches out of shape and locks in moisture.

Far more important, Miller suggests, is fit.

"If you're buying a walking shoe or a running shoe, you need to have somebody fit you who knows what they're doing," he said. "These shoes are designed to absorb stress. If they don't fit your foot, they're going to cause more problems."

It's also important to consider characteristics of different shoe brands, he added. Nikes, for example, might fit a walker with a narrow foot and a high arch just fine, while Reebok or Adidas might be more appropriate for someone with a wider foot.

Walking shoes — or running shoes — should be fitted with the one-thumb rule, he said, a thumb's width between the end of the toe and the tip of the shoe.

Dr. Craig Blackmer, a Twin Falls podiatrist, has suggested shopping for shoes in the late afternoon because feet tend to expand during the course of a day.

Try on both the right and the left shoe, since one foot is often bigger than the

## Step by step

The four indispensable characteristics of a good athletic shoe:

1. Firm heel counters
2. Reasonable arch supports.
3. Flexibility at the ball of the foot.
4. Good ventilation.

—Source: Dr. Craig Holman

other. And take shoes for a stroll around the shop to see if they're comfortable.

A well-built running shoe should last a walker long time, Miller said. Expect to spend \$55 to \$70.

"You don't need to spend \$120 for pair of shoes."

Except, maybe, for a new pair of wing-tips.

## Looking good

### Too sexy for your shirt?

Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph

Will a shirt stand the test of time? Here are signs of quality tailoring in one of the most enduring components of a man's wardrobe: the white shirt.

- **Single-needle stitching:** a more costly and time-consuming method of machine sewing which uses one needle to sew one side of a garment at a time, providing a consistent, careful stitch. Double-needle stitching is done to save time, and often puckers.
- **Cuffs:** should be evenly stitched around the edges, no fraying threads.
- **Fit:** sufficient blousiness in sleeve, where it joins the cuff, fabric should be gathered into pleats, not tapered.
- **Buttons:** cross-stitched and made of mother-of-pearl.
- **Split-shoulder yoke:** a vertical seam down the yoke on the back of the shirt.
- **Gauntlet buttons:** an anachronistic button on the sleeve opening, above the cuff.
- **French cuffs:** to be worn with cuff links.



A classic design from Van Housen, accessorized by a tie from Mondodi Marco Accessories.

- **Placket:** A count of fourteen stitches per inch on a shirt's placket, the strip of fabric on the buttons are sewn. Fewer than 11 per inch is lesser quality.
- **Long tails:** long enough to come together between the legs.

## Health notes

### Blocked breathing

Parents beware: A 5-year-old boy who developed a persistent cough that occurred after exercise and at night was initially thought to have asthma, but the real problem was a tiny LEGO, Hong Kong doctors report. The boy had swallowed the tiny, interlocking building block before the cough began and it had lodged in a lung. When it was removed, the cough disappeared.

### Booming Alzheimer's

Not being boy and girl wonders anymore is bad enough. But now, baby boomers, you've got Alzheimer's disease to look forward to. The number of people with Alzheimer's will triple by the year 2020 as the boomers approach the peak years for getting the degenerative mental condition, the Baltimore Sun reports. Not only will the post-World War-II generation constitute the largest population of senior citizens in U.S. history, but Johns Hopkins School of Medicine researchers report that medical advances that are allowing people to live longer also are increasing the likelihood they will get Alzheimer's.

### Drug-resistant acne

Another health problem looms in the new century — this one for teen-agers. Bacterial resistance is decreasing the effectiveness of topical antibiotics used

to treat acne. "By the year 2000, dermatologists worldwide may have few, if any, antimicrobial agents to rely on to treat their acne patients," says William J. Cunliffe, director of the Skin Research Center at England's University of Leeds.

### Teach your children well

The National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence has produced "What Should I Tell My Child About Drinking?", a publication designed to help parents talk about drinking and the effects of using alcohol. For a free copy of the brochure, send a self-addressed business-size envelope (with 55 cents postage attached) to NCADD, 12 West 21st St., New York, N.Y. 10010.

### Kids and cholesterol

Nationally, 1-to 2 percent of children have an inherited high cholesterol condition and another 13 to 14 percent have high readings unrelated to genetics, according to Yale University heart specialists. Doctors are divided, however, on who should be tested. To control high cholesterol in children, most doctors first recommend improvements in diet as well as more rigorous exercise programs. Drugs may be needed to lower cholesterol in children with readings that exceed 250.

Compiled from wire reports

# Heart disease a silent epidemic among women

Knight-Ridder News Service

Picture a heart-attack victim and you'll probably conjure up images of an overweight, overworked businessman.

That's the stereotype that has women worrying about the health of their husbands, fathers and brothers — instead of themselves.

What many women don't realize is that heart disease is the leading killer of women. In fact, more women die of heart disease than all forms of cancer — including breast cancer — combined.

Heart disease, often the catch-all term for a host of heart and circulatory conditions, includes everything from heart attack to hypertension. The majority of heart problems are caused by a narrowing or blockage of the coronary arteries caused by build-up of fatty deposits called plaque.

"There is this myth that heart disease is a man's disease," says Dr. Jo Dalal, a Tallahassee, Fla., cardiologist. "That's why it's called the silent epidemic in women. Heart disease is a risk for women — just like breast cancer."

"If a woman's husband complains of chest pain, she's more likely to take him to the emergency room. But that same woman may be sitting in the ER's waiting room experiencing the same chest pain."

To some extent, the lack of awareness of heart disease in women could be blamed on the media and the medical profession, Dalal says.

In recent years the news media have been devoted to spreading the word about breast cancer, heart disease and the importance of early detection through self-exams and mammography. Heart disease doesn't seem to make the same front-page headlines.

And until recently, as with most scientific studies, men were the focus of nearly all heart-disease research. For years, doctors made the assumption that these research findings could be applied equally to women. But recent studies have proved that that is not always the case, Dalal says.

But the cardiologist is encouraged by the recent launching of the Women's Health Initiative, a 15-

## The terminology of heart disease

Knight-Ridder News Service

Heart disease is a term that includes a myriad of heart disorders which often affect the entire circulatory system. Here's a quick primer on some of the confusing terms associated with conditions of the heart:

• **Coronary artery disease:** In most instances, when doctors talk of heart disease they're referring to coronary artery disease, a narrowing or blockage of the coronary arteries, which supply blood to the heart. Fatty deposits called plaque are what cause the build-up along the inner walls of the arteries. This typically leads to either angina or heart attack.

• **Angina:** Chest pain that often occurs with stress or exercise, often results when the heart receives an inadequate blood supply. This typically happens during times of exertion, such as emotional excitement or after climbing a flight of stairs. Angina can signal that a person is at risk of a heart attack.

• **Heart attack (myocardial infarction):** A heart attack occurs when blood supply to the heart muscle stops or significantly reduces and part of the heart muscle dies. Symptoms include uncomfortable chest pressure or pain, pain that spreads to neck, shoulder

and arms, light-headedness, sweating, nausea, shortness of breath, fatigue and upper abdominal pain. Within a year of a heart attack, 39 percent of women die; 31 percent of men.

• **Non-coronary cardiovascular disease:** Occurring in the circulatory system and not directly in the heart, strokes and hypertension (high blood pressure) are the two most common types of non-coronary cardiovascular disease.

• **Hypertension:** When a person experiences hypertension, the artery walls contract, reducing blood flow, increasing resistance and blood pressure, which forces the heart to work harder. Although hypertension usually is not fatal, it can lead to stroke or heart attack.

• **Stroke:** This form of cardiovascular disease affects the arteries that lead to the brain. It's sort of like a heart attack in the brain, where an artery with a blood clot becomes clogged or bursts. This causes the brain to be deprived of oxygen, and therefore, nerves cells die.

• **Valvular heart disease:** These heart disorders afflict more women than men.

• **Mitral valve prolapse:** It is the most common heart valve condition where the valve be-

tween the left atrium and right ventricle of the heart does not close tightly.

• **Rheumatic heart disease:** This condition is caused when the heart valves are damaged after an infection of strep throat that goes untreated.

• **Cardiomyopathy:** This term is used for any heart muscle disease, which might be the result of heart attack, rheumatic fever, high blood pressure or certain viruses.

• **Congestive heart failure:** This occurs when the heart muscle is weak and has difficulty pumping out all of the blood that flows into it, causing fluid to collect in the body.

• **Arrhythmia:** This abnormal rhythm of the heart occurs when there is a malfunction in the signaling that stimulates the heart beat. Arrhythmias can lead to heart palpitations, or sudden death. They are seen most often in people who have had other heart problems, including heart attack or high blood pressure.

• **Congenital heart defect:** A person is born with a congenital heart defect, a malformation of the heart or its blood vessels, which might be caused if the mother contracts a viral infection during pregnancy such as German measles.

year, \$628-million study on ailments like heart disease by the National Institutes of Health's Office of the Chief Medical Officer.

While men often have the first symptoms of heart disease in their mid-40s, women's symptoms don't surface until 10 to 20 years later — after menopause. Doctors tend to be more aggressive in treating heart problems that afflict a man in his 'prime' years, Dalal says, while an older woman's health problems are easier to dismiss.

But a 60-year-old woman and a 50-year-old man are about as likely to have a heart attack. At 70, both sexes have equal chances.

"We know so little about women when it comes to heart disease," she says. "I'm very concerned that

women with heart problems are not being addressed and treated as aggressively as men.

Of the good news, says Ann Evans, director of the Heart Institute at Tallahassee Memorial Regional Medical Center, is that heart disease is preventable, treatable and reversible. The bad news is that most women already have a lifetime of bad habits before they're diagnosed with the often deadly condition.

The key to beating heart disease, says cardiologist Dr. John Katapodis, is prevention. What women need to understand is that heart disease can be prevented if healthy habits are developed early in life.

"Once you have coronary artery

disease, it's like chasing a cat that's out of the bag," he says. "You don't want that to happen."

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# Body-building husband should exercise restraint

DEAR ABBY: Like the lady in Arlington, Va., whose husband lived at the gym lifting weights, I am also alone.

My husband, "Paul," is 50 and wants the body of a 20-year-old. He consumes protein drinks and energy bars, pops vitamin pills, and reads body-building magazines every day. His gym equipment amounts to several thousand dollars. Paul is constantly after me to get into exercising with him, but I'm really not interested. Besides, I still have a pretty good figure after five kids.

Now that the kids are grown, you'd think we would spend more time together, but Paul is in the recreation room working out four nights a week, so I find myself alone. He can find the time to exercise, but no time to paint the house. I told him painting would be good exercise, but he says, "It's the wrong kind."

Abby, after 30 years of marriage, I still love Paul, and I'd never leave him, but he's really overdoing the physical fitness routine. All in all, if it were up to me, I'd divorce a husband with love handles to no love at all.

—BARBELL WIDOW  
DEAR WIDOW: Perhaps I'm jumping to a wrong conclusion, but if you are literally sitting on the love all you should insist that Paul join you in some sessions with a marriage counselor.

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd be writing to you, but a family problem has gotten out of hand and I need the help of an objective party.

My older brother, "Victor," who is 28, attempted suicide two years ago after a messy breakup with his wife, with whom he was still in love. He now regrets the act and realizes that they married too young (at 21).

Since suicide is a crime in our religion, my parents and my younger sister, "Sarah" (who is



Dear Abby  
Abigail  
VanBuren

still in college), refuse to speak to Victor.

In a few months, I plan to marry a wonderful man. We had planned to include both Victor and Sarah in the wedding party. However, each has said he/she will not attend if the other does.

My parents predict that my marriage will end as Victor's did if I allow him to come. Victor says our parents will discover me, sooner or later, so it may as well be sooner. My husband-to-be just rolls his eyes. Whom should I choose, Sarah or Victor?  
—DISTRAUGHT MIDDLE CHILD

DEAR DISTRAUGHT: It is your right to invite whomever you want to your wedding; furthermore, it's unfair to be put on the spot as you have been.

Anyone who says, "If you invite so-and-so, I'm not coming," deserves to be excluded. I would exclude BOTH of them.

DEAR ABBY: My mother always used to say, "The shoemaker's family goes barefoot." Well, she was right. I married a plumber, and every faucet in our house drips.

I have begged my husband to fix them, but he keeps putting me off. I tried to repair them myself and almost lost my thumb. What should I do?

—PLUMBER'S WIFE  
DEAR WIFE: The biggest "drip" in your house is your husband. The plumbing in a plumber's house should be perfect, so tell your husband you'll give him one more chance before calling his competitor with instructions to put your plumbing in first-class condition, and send the bill to your husband.

# Is vaginal delivery safe in wake of Caesarean sections?

The Washington Post

Ultrasound images of the uterus can help doctors determine the safety of a vaginal delivery in pregnant women with a history of Caesarean sections, new research suggests.

Until recently, doctors often recommended that pregnant women who had previously given birth by C-section deliver their next child by Caesarean. They feared that the uterine scar from the first surgical delivery might rupture during the strain of a vaginal delivery, with potentially life-threatening consequences.

Studies in recent years have found that uterine ruptures rarely occur in vaginal deliveries after a C-section. In fact, vaginal deliveries are generally safer than C-sections for these women.

Professional organizations such as the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists have encouraged the switch to vaginal deliveries.

But fear of uterine rupture still lurks in the minds of many doctors and patients: indeed, uterine scarring from a previous C-section is the most common reason for a C-section in the United States today.

Researchers at Poissy General Hospital in France wanted to identify those few women whose scars may not have healed properly and face a higher risk of rupture. They knew that most women rarely show up well with ultrasound.

But they hypothesized that abnormal scars may interfere with the thickening of the lower uterine wall that normally occurs during pregnancy. So they used ultrasound to measure the thickness of the lower uterine wall in 642 women with histories of C-sections who were between 36 and 38 weeks pregnant.

The women and their doctors decided whether to deliver vaginally or by C-section without regard to the ultrasound findings, since it wasn't known whether the measure-

ments were relevant. All women were examined at delivery to see if the uterus had torn. At the end of the study, 356 had given birth vaginally, including four who experienced uterine rupture; 256 had given birth by C-section, of whom 11 showed evidence of rupture. None of the women died in delivery.

Comparing the ultrasound data to the rupture data, the researchers found that the thinner the lower uterine wall, the greater the risk of rupture. A thickness of greater than 3.5 millimeters offered a more than 99 percent chance of no rupture, the researchers report in the Feb. 3 issue of The Lancet, a British medical journal.

The researchers emphasize that even women with thin uterine walls are at relatively small risk of rupture. But in hospitals where repeated C-sections remain the norm, they hope their data will at least encourage doctors to offer vaginal delivery to women with uterine walls of 3.5 millimeters or thicker.

# Barry

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should pay our Fair Share of taxes to the best of our ability to figure out what was going through the minds of whoever, speaking of space aliens, using the U.S. Tax Code. This is why I'm going to devote the rest of this column to answering Your Common Income Tax Questions. The most commonly asked question, of course, is:

Q. Can you legally deduct the cost of the meatball sandwich, since you mentioned it in this column?

A. Don't be absurd. Yes.

Q. Does O.J. Simpson have to pay taxes on the profits he receives from his new video?

A. No, because we cannot conclusively prove that the person in the video O.J. Simpson. It could be somebody who looks exactly like him and lives in his house and is also named "O.J. Simpson."

Q. You know the guy who does those infomercials? With the black outfit and the accent?

A. Yes.

Q. Don't you get the feeling he

just thinks he's better than everybody else? A. Yes.

Q. How is the Internal Revenue Service coming along in its mission to develop a tax form so scary that merely reading it will cause the ordinary taxpayer's brain to explode?

A. Extremely well. The latest effort, sent in by alert accountant Craig Potokis, is Schedule J, Form 1117, which is entitled — I am not making this up — "Separate Limitation Loss Allocations and Other Adjustments Necessary to Determine Numerators of Limitation Fractions, Year-End Recharacterization Balances, and Overall Foreign Loss Accounts." Balances.

Q. What do the IRS instructions for this form state about Lino?

A. They state: "Be sure to consider on this line the possible interplay between the separate limitation losses and any net operating losses or net capital losses of which they may be a part."

Q. What? People have to be told

to do this?

A. That is the pathetic state of our society today.

Q. I understand that Congress is considering a so-called "flat" tax system. How would this work?

A. If Congress were to pass a "flat" tax, you'd simply pay a fixed percentage of your income, and you wouldn't have to fill out any complicated forms, and there would be no loopholes for politically connected groups, and normal people would actually understand the tax laws, and giant talking broccoli stalks would

come around and mow your lawn for free, because Congress is not going to pass a flat tax, you pathetic fool.

GO T A QUESTION OR COMMENT FOR THE IRS? Speak it clearly into any electrical fixture in your home. Then just wait.

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# BSU professors display artworks

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — A display of recent work by three Boise State University art professors entitled "Essence Flux Refinement" will be on display Tuesday through March 28 at the Herrett Center Jean B. King Gallery, located on the College of Southern Idaho campus.

Bethanne Anderson is exhibiting 12 small oil paintings mounted on boxes. She said they are "quick paintings that represent ideas or sketches" and were created between major projects and helped develop ideas for larger works.

Christine Raymond is showing small cast-paint paintings that represent "a careful balance between vibrant shifting color relationships and strong geometric forms in shallow relief."

Cheryl K. Shurtliff is displaying meticulously rendered small graphic drawings. She is fascinated by the use of images in culture at large and the power images hold for spectators.

An opening reception for the artists is planned for 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday. Refreshments will be provided.

Gallery hours are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fridays and 1 to 9 p.m. Saturdays. The Herrett Center is closed Sundays, Mondays and college holidays. For more information, call Mike Green at 733-9554, Ext. 2630.

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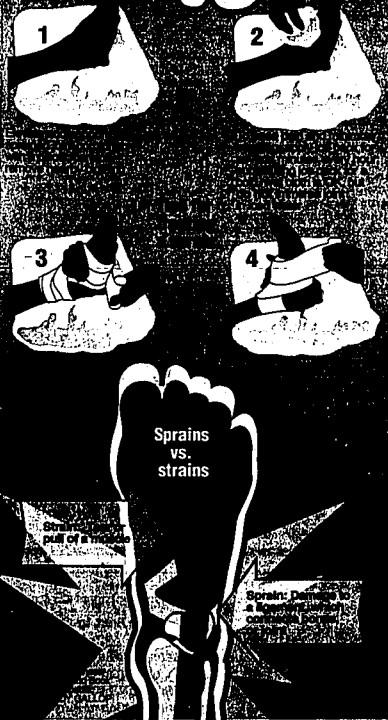
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# the lesson page

## Treating sprains

A look at caring for temporarily painful and tender injuries caused by over-stretched or partially torn ligaments.



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## Study: Time on dialysis is often not long enough

The Washington Post

Many Americans are kept too short a time on artificial kidneys, the dialysis machines that keep them alive by filtering poisons from their blood when their own kidneys fail. As a result, a drug they are given to combat anemia doesn't work, according to a study in the current New England Journal of Medicine.

Researchers from the State University of New York Health Science Center in Brooklyn speculated that inadequate time on the dialysis machine for each treatment is "the principal reason" for a mortality rate of 24 percent among U.S. patients on dialysis. Rates experienced in Western Europe and Japan are 10 to 15 percent.

The SUNY doctors, Onyekachi Ifudo, Joseph Feldman and Eli A. Friedman, blamed economics for shortening the time patients are left on the dialysis machine.

In an accompanying editorial, Saulo Klahr of Washington University School of Medicine pointed to for-profit dialysis centers, which often have a higher death rate than centers in universities or non-profit organizations.

He said patients on dialysis should


make sure that the center they go to has a mortality rate of less than 15 percent; that the center removes on average at least 65 percent of the poisons, largely urea, during dialysis; that the pay of full-time doctors on duty does not depend on the center's profits; that dialysis sessions total at least 14 hours a week per patient; and that patients are allowed to reject reused filters or outdated machines.

The Brooklyn study found that it achieved better mortality rates by adding 30 minutes each to the four-hour, three-times-a-week dialysis sessions.

The study suggested other economic factors besides the profit motive. It said the amount Medicare pays for dialysis has remained steady for 20 years while labor costs have escalated. "This imbalance may contribute to inadequate levels of dialysis by encouraging reductions in the duration of hemodialysis treatment for economic reasons."

The increased sessions allow the artificial kidney to filter out more of the poisons. When less than 65 percent of the urea was removed from the blood, the doctors found a poor response to erythropoietin, a drug designed to combat anemia that is prevalent in kidney patients.

Hi, I'm Dr. Dave Conrad. You may find this surprising, but I used to dislike chiropractors. Now I am one. Obviously something had to happen to change my point of view. I believe that many of you people out there may suffer needlessly now or in the future, because you have misconceptions about chiropractic. Why don't you let me set the record straight for you. Attend one of our weekly public information presentations, or come in for a complimentary consultation. It doesn't cost anything to find out if chiropractic might be right for you.



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## To do for you

### Breast cancer support group meets

**TWIN FALLS** - The Magic Valley Breast Cancer Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. today in the waiting area of the Southern Idaho Regional Cancer Center.

The program will be a round-table discussion. For more information, call Char Basila-Davis, M.S.W., at the SIRCC at 737-2800 or Jody Craig at the Twin Falls Clinic & Hospital at 733-3700, ext. 344.

### Rec District seeks aerobics teacher

**JEROME** - Applications are being accepted for aerobics instructors. Call the Jerome Recreation District at (208) 324-3389 for more information.

Several classes are currently being offered and begin today: 6 a.m. early bird aerobics. The cost is \$20 or \$25 for out-of-district participants; 4 p.m. afternoon aerobics, \$20 or \$25; and 6 p.m. co-ed aerobics, \$20 or \$25.

All classes are held at the Jerome Recreation Center. To register, call or stop by the Jerome Recreation District at 2444 S. Lincoln.

### Seniors set blood pressure checks

**TWIN FALLS** - The Twin Falls Senior Citizens Center will offer blood pressure checks from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. on Tuesdays and from 10 to 11:45 a.m. on Fridays at the center.

Experienced volunteer nurses will administer the checks free of charge.

### Depression clinic planned today

**GOODING** - The Gooding Business and Professional Women's Organization will hold a depression clinic at 6:30 p.m. today at the Lincoln Inn.

The speakers will be Dr. Cory Alexander, psychologist at Canyon View Hospital in Twin Falls and Peter J. Snyder, director of marketing

from Canyon View Hospital.

The clinic will help you to recognize symptoms, increase awareness, dispel myths, and motivate people to seek evaluation and treatment. The seminar is open to the public and everyone is welcome. A no-host dinner is planned. Call Jayne Shepard at (208) 934-8477, as Canyon View will have hand-outs.

### Alzheimer's group meets Tuesday

**TWIN FALLS** - The Alzheimer's Family Support Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the private dining room at BridgeView Estates, 1828 Bridgeview Blvd. For more information, call Donna Behunin at 736-3933.

### Childbirth refresher course set

**TWIN FALLS** - A prepared childbirth refresher class for persons who have previously taken a prepared childbirth course will be held from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Wednesday at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center's Education Center (located at the back of the north parking lot). The non-refundable fee is \$15 and pre-registration is required.

Childbirth preparation and medical center procedures will be reviewed. A film, a discussion on sibling adjustment and a tour of the labor/delivery unit will be included.

To register or for more information, call the MVRMC Education Department at 737-2900, weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

### Burley Alzheimer's group meets

**BURLEY** - The Mini-Cassia Alzheimer's Dementia Family Support Group will meet at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Burley Public Library.

A film on "Helping People with Dementia in Activities of Daily Living" will be shown. We will also discuss topics that you would like to have for this year's meetings. For more information, call Maureen Magee at (208) 436-6420.

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### Red Cross offers first aid class

**TWIN FALLS** - The American Red Cross is offering a nine-hour Community First Aid and Safety class (first aid and infant, child and adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation, CPR) from 6 to 10:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. The course fee is \$40 and pre-registration is required.

The American Red Cross is also offering a 6 1/2-hour Standard First Aid (first aid and adult CPR) course from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. March 9. The course fee is \$35 and pre-registration is required.

To pre-register or for more information, call 733-6464 or stop by the American Red Cross office at 718 Shoshone St. E.

### Seminar focuses on anger problems

**TWIN FALLS** - A seminar on "Dealing with Anger Problems" a solution focused four-session group will begin March 4 in Suite 3 of the Falls Professional Center (across Falls Avenue from Hastings), 1139 Falls Ave. E.

Instructor will be Howard Carroll, M.E.D., licensed professional counselor. Class will be held from 7 to 8:30 p.m. The fee is \$60 and registration is due Thursday. Classes are limited to the first 15 people who register and pay their tuition.

For more information and/or to pre-register, call Carroll at 734-1330 or 1-800-388-3761.

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

# Don't worry: Shampoo won't diminish your sperm count

**DEAR PAULA:** Please read the enclosed newspaper clipping that appears in the Times-News, dated Sept. 20, 1985, and let me know what you think. It seems Scandinavian researchers found that an ingredient found in shampoos, alkyl-phenol ethoxylates, is responsible for a decline in sperm counts. Can that be true? And alkyl-phenol ethoxylates are the same as the preservative phenoxyethanol? One more point, I really like the shampoo called Ultra Swim. I know you don't believe in chlorine removal, which I don't need, but it is a very nice, soft good cleaning shampoo. —Amy, Calgary.

**DEAR AMY:** The ingredient listed in the article you sent me, alkyl-phenol ethoxylates, is not related in any way to the preservative phenoxyethanol. It is a detergent cleaning agent similar to many surfactants used in all kinds of cosmetics as well as shampoos and conditioners. Nevertheless, without more information on the study, and I have not been able to obtain it, all I can say is it sounds interesting but specious at best. The article says alkyl-phenol ethoxylates and ingredients like it (which are also used in the textile, container, pesticide, and other chemical-dependent industries) were possibly responsible for the decrease in sperm counts reported between 1938 and 1990, and that the ingredient happens to be found in shampoos.

However, the association between shampoos containing this ingredient and a low sperm count is a leap of logic. There is a vast difference between using a pure ingredient directly on the skin and using a watered-down version of it that is meant to be rinsed off. Case in point: 3 percent hydrogen peroxide is a disinfectant, 20 percent hydrogen peroxide can strip hair color, and 50 percent hydrogen peroxide can melt hair. What is significant is that the research showed alkyl-phenol ethoxylates are hormonally active, meaning



**Cosmetics Q&A**  
Paula Begoun

they can have a direct influence on your own hormonal activity, and that deserves further investigation.

But, according to Dr. John Bailly at the Food and Drug Administration, "To suggest that they should then avoid shampoos because of this is not rational or necessary." Irene Malin, vice president of public relations at the Cosmetic, Toiletory, and Fragrance Association, stated, "You would have to stay away from a lot of things you use every day if (alkyl-phenol ethoxylates) were a problem, not just shampoo." If you still want to avoid this ingredient, the name to look for on the ingredient list would be "nonoxynol" with a number following it, but my opinion is that doing so would be a waste of time and energy.

About the Ultra Swim: It isn't that I don't believe in chlorine removal, but chlorine isn't the issue when it comes to hair turning green. Chlorine can dry the hair, but copper found in swimming pools clings to hair and turns it green and dries it out. Either way, it is important to clean the hair after swimming, and Ultra Swim is a fine option.

**DEAR PAULA:** What do you think of the enclosed ad from Longevity magazine. It's for a product called Hydrogen Peroxide Oxygen and Anti-Radical Cream. It claims to contain free-radical antioxidants that can eliminate free-radical damage, yet it also says it contains oxygen, something skin is missing when it gets older. The ad says that after age 40, up to 50 percent of the skin's respiration can be impaired (a key factor in the look of dull, aging skin). Is any of that true? It sounds great. —Linda, Long Beach, Calif.

**DEAR LINDA:** Now, if this isn't crazy, I don't know what it is. This

product contains antioxidants, meaning ingredients that keep oxygen off the face, yet at the same time it contains hydrogen peroxide (H2O2), which releases an extra oxygen molecule when it comes in contact with skin? If the antioxidants worked, wouldn't they "scavenge" up the oxygen from the hydrogen peroxide? Even if it were possible, the amount of oxygen trapped inside this product isn't enough for a prolonged breath. How the skin ages is very complicated, and there isn't any one cause that can be bandaged with a cosmetic. If extra oxygen were the answer, we would all live in oxygen tents and no one would wrinkle. But it isn't just oxygen, or free-radical damage (which requires the presence of oxygen). What we know for sure is the sun is the biggest culprit in causing wrinkles, and using a good sunscreen is what can really make a difference in how the skin ages.

Paula Begoun is the author of several books on cosmetics, including "Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me" (Beginning Press, \$13.95), a non-nonsense paperback guide to brand-name cosmetics.

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# Fans' devotion fuels celebrity clothing lines

Orlando Sentinel

Delta Burke is running late. Her rental car broke down on Interstate 4 south of Orlando, and the limo that had gone to her rescue is stuck in 5 o'clock traffic. Meanwhile, several hundred fans are waiting for her at Dillard's department store in the Seminole Towne Center in Sanford, Fla. There, on a runway set up at the store's entrance, the star of TV's "Designing Women" is scheduled to introduce her latest venture: Delta Burke Design, a clothing line for plus-size women like herself.



Smith Burke

Customers are prepared to drive the extra mile, pay the extra buck or, in the case of the Delta Burke collection, wait the extra hour—for clothing that carries the name of their favorite entertainment or sports star.

For manufacturers and retailers, that means a boost in sales. For the star-struck customer, there are benefits too.

When they buy clothing named for celebrities, shoppers get a little more for their money: more fashion and quality plus a dash of that intangible but emotionally satisfying commodity, glamour-by-association. In addition to Burke, other big names include actress Jaclyn Smith, model Kathy Ireland, talk-show host Kathie Lee Gifford and golf champ Payne Stewart.

"I may not look like Delta in this jacket, but I sure feel like her in this sexy, confident, full of life. I get a thrill when I see her name on my

clothes," said Leanaor Whitcomb, 51, of Longwood, Fla. Waiting in line to get Burke's autograph after the fashion show, Whitcomb was sporting a black-jacket splashed with huge red roses from the star's new line.

Celebrity-name clothing is not a new player on the fashion stage. But it has become a hot front and center, right into the spotlight.

Golfers were among the first to wear famous-name clothing when they donned shirts, slacks and sweaters named for Bobby Jones in 1938. In the case of other golf pros, including Arnold Palmer, Greg Norman and Payne Stewart, have put their names on golf apparel.

"Any time a name is on a label, it creates a vision of a lifestyle. Bobby Jones was the greatest amateur golfer of all time. We try to relay that through our product, by making the greatest golf shirt you can buy," said Jim Donigan, a company representative.

The golf-celebrity line offers the classic, top-quality golf wear that well-heeled golfers demand—at prices that escalate rapidly from affordable to expensive. But each also evokes the distinctive style of the player whose name appears on the label. The Payne Stewart line, for example, includes the golfer's trademark plus fours (knickers), dress shirts, ties and vests.

Women's celebrity-name lines

also reflect the personality for whom they are named. But because they are aimed at a budget-conscious mass market that includes stay-at-home mothers, working women and retirees, they tend to be less expensive than golf wear.

Even so, the celebrity name on the label is good insurance that the clothes won't be shoddy.

"Jaclyn Smith wouldn't put her name on anything she wouldn't wear herself," said Michele Jaskulitis, spokeswoman for K mart, which introduced the Jaclyn Smith Collections in 1985. Named for the star of the 1970s TV hit "Charlie's Angels" and several subsequent TV movies, the line of classic sportswear was the first celebrity line to be a major hit in the mass market.

Since then, Kmart estimates about 40 million women have bought items from the Jaclyn Smith line—which has expanded to include shoes, hosiery, watches, costume jewelry, lingerie and, most recently, plus-size clothing. Prices in this latest collection are typically low: \$26.99 for cotton blazers, \$19.99 for skirts and pants, \$17.99 for cotton/polyester knit tops.

Jaclyn Smith is now the fourth best-known name in women's sportswear, according to a 1993 survey by Women's Wear Daily, a trade newspaper.

# Viral infection may affect success of angioplasty

The Washington Post

Laboratory and patient studies provide new clues suggesting that failure of a common therapy for unclogging arteries may be partly triggered by common viral infections.

The latest evidence comes from research involving angioplasty, a procedure in which a tiny balloon is inflated in a coronary artery to remove a potentially deadly blockage. It is used as an alternative to coronary artery bypass surgery in about 400,000 Americans annually, but poses a perplexing problem: Roughly 40 to 50 percent of the time the opened vessel closes up again within the first six months and may require a repeat angioplasty or bypass surgery.

Researchers at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute sought to figure out why this happens by following up earlier leads involving cytomegalovirus (CMV), a herpes virus that often infects people as children and usually remains dormant in the body throughout a lifetime.

Stephen E. Epstein, head of the institute's cardiology branch, often infects people as children and usually remains dormant in the body throughout a lifetime. Epstein said new approaches to prevention and treatment, using antiviral drugs or vaccines, could eventually have a dramatic impact on heart disease.

ous infection, were more than five times as likely as CMV-negative patients to get restenosis, or re-narrowing of the artery, following an angioplasty.

"This is a remarkably increased risk of developing restenosis," said Epstein, who conducted the research with his colleague Yi-Fu Zhou.

Scientists at the institute and elsewhere suggest that the trauma caused by angioplasty may activate latent CMV and trigger excessive growth of smooth muscle cells lining the artery wall.

This excessive growth may in turn be linked to inactivation by the virus of a tumor suppressor gene, known as p53, which is also involved in abnormal cancer cell growth. An earlier study by Epstein and colleague Edith Speir found that nearly 40 percent of tissue samples from patients with restenosis contained evidence of CMV and inactivated p53.

Epstein cautioned that more research is needed to better understand the link between CMV and angioplasty, as well as whether CMV may also be a risk factor for the long-term narrowing of arteries in patients with heart disease. But if the branch, described preliminary findings from a study of 68 angioplasty patients at the Washington Hospital Center. It showed that those who had antibodies to CMV, a sign of previ-

# Technology changes face of plastic surgery

Knight-Ridder News Service

BOULDER, Colo. — In June, Penny Bowman's upper eyelids were lifted, laser surgery removed the wrinkles from her eyes and above her upper lip and liposuction took away the fat from her neck.

With only a week of recovery required after the outpatient procedures, Bowman says — without hesitating — that she'd do it again. My husband is nine years younger than I am and I didn't want to look like his mother," says Bowman, a Lafayette, Colo., resident who recently turned 47. "I don't think that I did, but it was very conscious of it... and I wanted to look my best."

Having cosmetic surgery isn't something people necessarily brag about. But ask doctors whether face lifts, breast augmentation, and liposuction are popular and you'll find out that, in fact, they're big business.

"The perception is that a lot of (why people have cosmetic surgery) is for vanity and frivolous reasons," says Dr. Jeff Swail, who shares a practice in Boulder, Colo., with Dr. Alan Stormo. "But for a lot of them, they have a feature that has bothered them for a long time."

"People don't talk about it, he says, "but when you do it, you're doing something about yourself, it's a very personal decision."

The most popular procedures vary

## Procedure price list

- Insurance doesn't cover the cost of cosmetic surgery. Here is a sampling of how much different cosmetic procedures cost, according to a list of national averages compiled by the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons:
  - Breast augmentation: \$2,697
  - Burttuck lift: \$3,171
  - Full face chemical peel: \$1,839
  - Eye lid surgery (upper and lower): \$2,735
  - Face lift: \$4,293
  - Liposuction for a single site: \$1,839
  - Nose reshaping (open rhinoplasty): \$3,152
  - Tummy tuck: \$3,776

SOURCE: KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWS SERVICE

depending on age, according to the American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons. Nationally, the No. 1 surgery for people between ages 19 and 34 is breast augmentation, followed by nose reshaping and liposuction. Between ages 35 and 50, you'll find more people going for liposuction, eyelid surgery and collagen injections.

While lasers have been around for a long time, only in the past couple of years have they been used in cosmetic surgery.

"The thing that's new," says Stormo, who is one of only a hand-

ful of Denver area plastic surgeons using lasers for more than a year, "is that very intense, very brief intensity of light that vaporizes the upper layer of skin."

Repogle does not use a laser in his practice — yet. He says he needs a little more research proving that it's better than former techniques — and indeed safe — before he dives into it.

"As an experienced plastic surgeon, I've seen hype come and go over the years," he says. "Currently, using laser for facial wrinkles is still in the hype phase. There are no long-term studies to show what the risks are and it's not clear that it's superior to the traditional techniques."

Stormo is confident in using laser in part because he had the technique performed below his eyes about four months ago. But he also cautions that a plastic surgeon can never give a guarantee with any procedure he does.

"I'm thrilled (with the laser) because it fixed exactly what bothered me," he says. "What bothered me was that I had this loose skin, it wiped out the lines and tightened up the loose skin. Our experience (in this office) has been wonderful."

Liposuction also has come a long way.

Most doctors use a technique called tumescence injection, which involves a small dose of local anesthesia, then injecting fat cells with saline.

But consumers must read the ingredients of all cold, fever and pain medications they take simultaneously. Many contain similar ingredients, which means you're probably taking more than the recommended dosages if you mix.

# New wave of painkillers called mixed blessing

Indianapolis Star and News

INDIANAPOLIS — Linda Stierwalt's neck hurt, her shoulders were numb and she was plagued by constant headaches, mostly because she couldn't get a good night's sleep.

Stierwalt, a 48-year-old who shares a practice in Boulder, Colo., with Dr. Alan Stormo. "But for a lot of them, they have a feature that has bothered them for a long time."

"People don't talk about it, he says, "but when you do it, you're doing something about yourself, it's a very personal decision."

The most popular procedures vary

ketoprofen-based Orudis KT and Actron last year. And drug companies promise there is more to come.

Karl W. Jackson, clinical director of the Rehabilitation Center for Pain at Community Hospitals in Indianapolis, calls the new wave of pain killers a mixed blessing.

"On the one hand, it certainly makes sense to have treatment resources available to the public if they can be used wisely," said Jackson. "But I'm hesitant to see people treat themselves on a long-term basis."

Pain is nature's warning sign that something is amiss, explains Jackson. If you mask it long enough, you run the risk of getting a disease or malady that is much worse than the initial pain.

And pain medications — even garden variety, over-the-counter types — do have side effects, he says. Aspirin, ibuprofen and ketoprofen can cause upset stomach or burning sensation, or exacerbate ulcers. (Take pills with lots of water to reduce chances of stomach upset.)

Even acetaminophen, if taken in very high doses for long periods of time, can cause liver problems.

The newer non-prescription pain medications such as ibuprofen, naproxen and ketoprofen are "non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs," or NSAIDs. They work by reducing inflammation at the site of the problem, whether that's athletic injury pain or soft-tissue arthritis injuries. It is the inflammation that's linked to pain.

The drugs also can combat menstrual and headache pain and generally reduce fever.

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# Mapping memory lane

Scientists believe cognitive memories are controlled through the brain's hippocampus. There, elements of an event — smells, sights, sounds, etc. — are processed and then stored separately in the outer, cerebral cortex.

## How memory works

Scientists are just beginning to understand the extraordinary process that creates memory in the brain. Evidence suggests that memory is created by establishing new brain circuits or altering existing circuits. The changes come at the synapses — the points where impulses pass from one neuron to another.

Scientists are almost certain that the creation of new memories involves both changes in the nerve cells of the brain and changes in their physical structure. The physical and chemical changes appear to occur in a tiny part of the brain called the hippocampus. It's part of a larger structure called the cerebral cortex, which controls most higher brain functions like problem-solving and language. Scientists have found that memory is acquired through a series of solidifying events in the brain but more research is being done to explain precisely how it happens.

## Unusual memory conditions

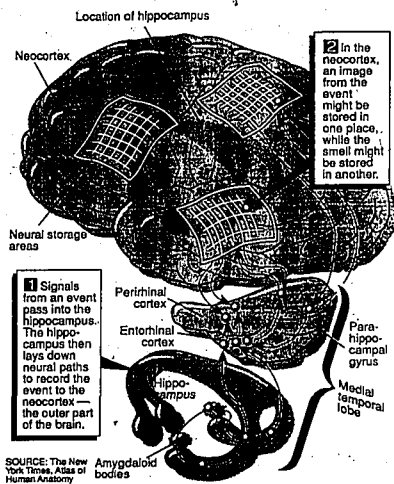
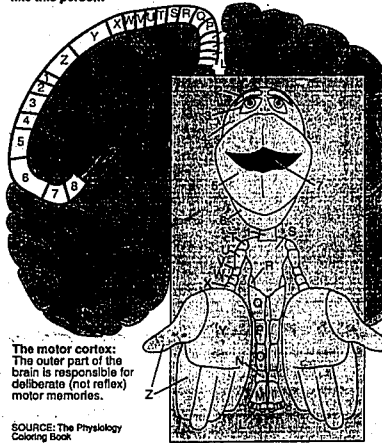
**Amnesia:** Amnesia can occur from emotional shock, injury or disease. Many cases are temporary. A person who suffers a brain injury may forget events that occurred just before the injury. The more severe the injury, the greater the memory loss. Someone hit during a sporting event might forget a few minutes of their lives; the victim of a serious accident could forget years. Some brain-injured people have difficulty remembering events that occur after the injury. Both types of amnesia can be caused by emotional shock.

**Photographic memory:** No one has the ability to look at a page of a book and capture the image in their mind, memorizing it. But some people have an extraordinary ability called eidetic imagery — a picture that remains in mind for a few seconds after a scene has disappeared. People who have eidetic imagery can give a thorough description of a scene based on a mental image. But the image fades quickly. Eidetic imagery is rare — perhaps 5 percent of children have it and most lose it as they grow.

## Motor man

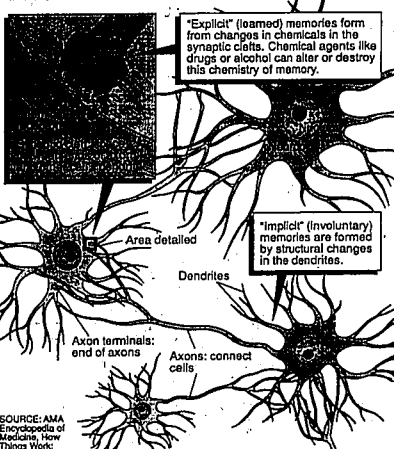
The brain can physically change over time and grow in response to increased learning. As test monkeys' motor skills increased, the corresponding parts of their brains enlarged.

If your body parts were sized proportionally to the part of the brain devoted to them, you would be built like this person:



## Neurons: Brain's building blocks

The brain is made up of roughly 14 billion neurons, or nerve cells. Alterations to these cells and their interconnections form our memories.



The Miami Herald, KRTI Infographics / DAN CLIFFORD

# Now you can have tonsils vaporized

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — A red pinpoint of light danced in her throat as Anne Zekoll's tonsils disappeared in a wisp of smoke. Ten minutes later, the teen-ager was ready to go out for ice cream.

"I sounded like Rice Krispies inside my head," Zekoll said, smiling. "You know — snap, crackle, pop."

That was how she described the surgery she had just undergone at Albany Medical Center Hospital. It was done with a beam of light, a laser, a new and as yet uncommon method for one of the most common of surgical procedures, a tonsillectomy.

The technique was developed by Dr. Yusef P. Krespi, an otolaryngologist (ear, nose and throat surgeon) in New York City, chief of the Department of Otolaryngology at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital.

Tonsillectomy is prescribed most often for young children with enlarged tonsils that obstruct breathing. This patient, Anne Zekoll, is 17.

The surgery also helps adults whose tonsils have pockets, or crypts, that trap food and bacteria. Such cryptic tonsils are the main cause of chronic sore throats and bad breath, said Krespi.

Traditionally, tonsils are removed under general anesthesia in the hospital, with a scalpel or electrocautery tool. Post-operative pain lasts a week or more.

But with new laser equipment, the troublesome tissue on the back wall of the throat can be removed under a local anesthetic in the doctor's office, with no bleeding and little discomfort, Krespi said.

It takes only minutes. The patient can go to work the same day. And the laser procedure costs less than \$2,000, compared with nearly \$10,000 for hospital surgery, said Krespi.

The procedure is called LAST, or Laser-Assisted Tonsillectomy. It's performed using a hand-held device that directs a high-powered laser beam through two rapidly rotating mirrors. The tool was developed about five years ago for throat surgery, Krespi said.

Instead of being sliced or pierced, the tissue is ablated — that is, burned away in precise, thin layers, at such intense heat that the flesh is literally vaporized.

"It's quick and painless," said Zekoll. "Afterwards, it's like a mild sore throat for a few days."

Zekoll's physician referred her to Dr. Joseph Steinger at Albany Medical Center after recurring strep-throat infections made her miss weeks of school. Steinger recommended tonsillectomy and gave her the option

of hospital surgery or the new laser technique. She chose the latter.

"The usual operation would have kept me home for two weeks (to heal)," she said. "I had already missed too much school."

Another reason standard tonsillectomy causes so much pain is that you remove the whole tonsil, leaving exposed pharyngeal muscle," Steinger said. With the laser technique, a thin layer of tissue is left covering the underlying muscle and nerves, he said, so the pain is minimal.

The laser surgery isn't for everyone, however.

Young children and some adults have too strong a gag reflex to tolerate the tongue depressor, even with the local anesthetics, Steinger said. A few adults can't bear the long needle used to inject Novocain into the throat, which is first numbed with a spray.

And some people just don't want to be awake in a chair while someone vaporizes their tonsils with a laser probe, despite assurance that it will be painless and take only a few minutes, Krespi said.

"I would say 90 percent of people tolerate the procedure," he said.

Tonsils are part of the lymphatic system, which fights infections. They're large in 7-year-olds, start shriveling after age 12 and are small in most adults, Krespi said. It's common for adults to have tonsil crypts, he said, but they usually don't cause problems.

Krespi started using a standard laser to remove cryptic tonsils about eight years ago, using general anesthesia in the operating room. The new hand-held laser attachment made the office surgery possible because it was smaller, safer, faster and more precise, he said.

Of the 7,000 to 8,000 ear, nose and throat doctors in North America, about 800 to 1,000 have lasers in their offices, said Krespi, who teaches the new procedure to surgeons.

# Scatterbrained?

It just takes a little concentration to keep the mind over gray matter

The Washington Post

If you're feeling a little scatter-brained, it's only natural. New research shows that when we recognize an object, we are pulling together information from several different regions of our brains.

Alex Martin of the National Institute of Mental Health and colleagues have been scanning the brains of research subjects with the positron emission tomography (PET), a technique that indicates the location of greatest activity in the brain. In a paper last year in the

journal Science, the researchers showed that the brain stores the attributes of objects in different areas. For example, when subjects were asked the color of a pencil, an area close to the region used to perceive color would light up on the scan. But when asked to describe its function, a different area close to the brain region used in writing would show up on the scan.

In the Feb. 15 edition of the journal Nature, the researchers take this exploration a step further, showing where the brain stores the attributes of different classes of objects in its

case, animals and tools. Victims of stroke or brain injury sometimes lose the ability to recognize a class of objects, such as animals.

When 16 normal, right-handed subjects were shown drawings of animals and tools, their brains showed heightened activity in the regions known as the ventral temporal lobes and Green's area. But animal drawings also activated the left medial occipital lobe, near an area linked to early visual signal processing in children. The tool drawings, on the other hand, activated a left premotor area that is

close to the area used to think about hand movements, and to another area of the brain that is usually activated when we use active verbs. Researcher Martin said the difference "probably reflects the way we learned about those objects." We generally learn to recognize and distinguish animals by sight and physical description, but learn about such tools as scissors and pliers by using them.

Martin said that this network of brain regions spontaneously activates in the one-half second it takes to recognize an object.

# Red Cross blood drawing falls slightly short of goal

The Times-News

WENDELL — The American Red Cross blood drawing held Feb. 25 fell slightly short of its 55-unit goal by collecting only 49 units of blood.

A blood drawing had not been held in Wendell for nearly 10 years, and donors turned out promising for future blood drives. Donors earning

pins were Virginia Moorhead with three gallons and Debbie Chandler, Roy Hopper and Tina Withers with one gallon each. Fourteen first-time donors participated.

Wendell's next drawing has not been planned, but upcoming blood drives are scheduled in Twin Falls, Buhl, Jerome and Gooding. For more information, call 733-6464.

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# Comics

**Peanuts** By Charles M. Schulz

The light mist turned to rain.

The rain turned to snow.

The story turned to boring.

**Mother Goose & Grimm** By Mike Peters

WE CALL HIM BOB BECAUSE THE VET BOBBED HIS TAIL.

BUT IT COULD BE WORSE...

RIGHT NEUT?

**B.C.** By Johnny Hart

I AM A VENTRILOQUIST.

LET'S SEE YOUR ACT.

... I DON'T HAVE A DUMMY!

HOLD IT A SEC, THIS COULD BE YOUR LUCKY DAY...

BOOKING AGENT

**Garfield** By Jim Davis

WANT SOMETHING FROM THE STORE, GARFIELD?

A RUBBER MOUSE? A BALL OF YARN?

... A SATELLITE DISH?

BLUE ME.

**Hi and Lois** By Chance Browne

IT'S NOT A "BEER BELLY"

WHAT DO YOU CALL IT, THEN?

A "BACKUP FUEL STORAGE UNIT"

**The Wizard of Id** By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart

THE KING IS GIVING HIS STATE OF THE KINGDOM SPEECH.

BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH BLAH...

... AND ANOTHER THING...

... OUR CITIZENS NEED TO TAKE MORE INTEREST IN GOVERNMENT

**Hagar the Horrible** By Chris Browne

WHY ARE YOU POURING SALT ON THEM?

AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE TOO MUCH SALT CAN BE DETRIMENTAL TO YOUR HEALTH!

**Beetle Bailey** By Mort Walker

HOW DID PEOPLE EVOLVE TAKING ONE STEP AT A TIME... INSTEAD OF TWO WITH THE LEFT FOOT THEN TWO WITH THE RIGHT?

DURN BURN IT, BEETLE! NOW YOU'VE GOT ME ALL MIXED UP!

**Frank and Ernest** By Bob Thayer

AL'S DINER

LAST WEEK I COMPLAINED ABOUT NO CHANGE IN THE MENU AND TODAY I FOUND A NICKEL AND DIME IN MY SOUP.

**The Born Loser** By Art Sansom & Chip

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THIS NEW FAT SUBSTITUTE EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT, DR. GIBSON?

IT HAS ITS BENEFITS, BUT THEY SAY SOME PEOPLE MAY NOTICE A SIDE EFFECT OF INTESTINAL DISTRESS!

OH, WELL, I'D NEVER NOTICE... GLADYS' COOKING GIVES ME THAT ALREADY!

**For Better or For Worse** By Lynn Johnston

OH, NO! NOW I'VE LOST MY PLACE ON AN AWKWARD NOVELS CLASSIC... THIS NEW PROGRAM IS BEING BOBBED OUT!

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING SIMILAR?

HEAVEN! CAN I FIND MY HAPPY TO GO TO SEEN IT?

YES, I THINK YOUR MOTHER HAD IT.

DAD! NOT THAT LAPTOP!

**Blonde** By Dean Young & Stan Drake

MONDAY CATERING A BIG DINNER TONIGHT, SO WE'RE ON OUR OWN FOR SUPPER.

SHE LEFT US A POT OF GOULASH AND COOKIES. YOU DO THE POTATOES AND SALAD AND ALEXANDER, YOU GET THE DRINKS AND SET THE TABLE.

WHAT'RE YOU & I'M GOING TO CLEAN UP.

HOPE HE MEANS THE KITCHEN.

I'LL BET HE MEANS THE CUPPER.

**Pickles** By Brian Crane

LOOKING FOR SOMETHING SIMILAR?

HEAVEN! CAN I FIND MY HAPPY TO GO TO SEEN IT?

YES, I THINK YOUR MOTHER HAD IT.

DAD! NOT THAT LAPTOP!

**Dennis the Menace** By Hank Ketcham

I TRIED CLOSING MY EYES, BUT MY HAND STAYED OPEN.

**The Family Circus** By Bil Keane

"Don't go in. You might break the spell!"

## Fish contain rainbow of colors

Every color known is found on the body of some fish.

By the time you read this, we'll be fast on our way out of the chicken soup season. January is the big month with 15 percent of said soup sold then. Only 11 percent moves in February. By March it's down to 7 percent.

Bats pollinate far more than most know. For example: No bats, no toquilla.

Q. What's wrong with this paragraph? It looks so ordinary that you'd think nothing was wrong with it at all, and, in fact, nothing is. But it is unusual. Why? If you study it and think about it you may find out, but you must do it without cheating. If you work at it long, its curiosity in it will dawn on you.

A. There's no "s" in it.

Collegiate researchers ran a Love and War survey on "the most attractive features of the human body, male and female." Fifty-five percent of the queried women said the best-looking part of a man was his face. Only 27 percent of the men said a woman's face was her best-looking part, but they didn't particularize.

The larger the land animal, the less it sleeps. Generally.

Q. Is it true the British used to give dentures as wedding gifts?

A. Many did. According to footnotes of fairly recent history, they thought your wedding day was no time to start the rest of your life with only half your teeth.

Am told the Hawaiian language has no word for "weather."

Q. What's different about a riding horse described as "Indian broke"?

A. It can be mounted from the right side in the early style of most Naive American horse breakers.

Marie was the real first name of that Eisenhower you or your folks called Mamie.

**ACROSS**

- 5 Chew on noisily
- 10 Knight's wife
- 14 Distance
- 15 Cowboy show
- 18 Old oen
- 19 He's male
- 18 Prevent
- 19 Praire
- 20 Make a firm decision about
- 22 With intense desire
- 24 Close by
- 25 Asian holiday
- 28 Baby
- 31 Object to
- 34 Household help
- 35 Sobs
- 37 Ancient prefix
- 37 Evergreen
- 38 Aches
- 39 Police action
- 40 Night before a holiday
- 41 Bleached
- 42 French river
- 43 Abated
- 44 Certain (tris)
- 45 Thrash
- 47 Give off
- 48 Musical
- 49 Intermittence
- 52 Inverted
- 56 Norwegian king
- 61 Baines
- 63 Gambling game
- 60 Tab.
- 61 Vine plant
- 62 English school
- 63 Identical
- 64 Heat out
- 65 Orange pool, e.g.
- 66 Cozy place

**DOWN**

- 1 Post
- 10 Hayman
- 2 First woman in space
- 3 Word of woe
- 4 Summer drink
- 5 Hang around
- 6 Poem
- 7 9 Spuds
- 10 Strike out
- 11 Culture medium
- 12 Heavy hammer
- 13 Whirlpool
- 21 Camera eye (betweehip)
- 26 Move forward
- 27 Unsupplimented
- 28 Court pennant
- 29 Forward open with a lever
- 30 Orange pool, e.g.
- 31 Slip
- 32 Threshold
- 33 Takes a position
- 35 Worry
- 38 Top
- 41 Herod again
- 42 Gni—(Ger. betweehip)
- 44 Shut off
- 45 Bed covering
- 47 Teacake

**Saturday's Puzzle solved:**

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You'll be told by Pluto native, "You are no threat, why do people fear you?" Main-tain emotional equilibrium, make financial commitments. Protect self.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You asked for it! Scorpio highlights responsibility, time, emotional pressure relating to romance. Capricorn, Cancer natives try intriguing roles. Bull's confidence.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Lunar position emphasizes work methods, fitness, peace, beginning of relationship with one who has basic concerns. Complete mission, look beyond the immediate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Moon position emphasizes the way you love. You set and create personal magnetism. Scenario highlights excitement of discovery; physical attraction, unappreciated.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You'll be impressed to catch lovers' raptures. Individual intrigues, offers compliment, "Your attractiveness is international!" Plenty of activity at home.

## Sydney Omarr Horoscope

IF FEBRUARY 26 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Hunch proves accurate in March, could result in hitting jackpot. You have a good understanding of time, are serious where love is concerned. You are demanding but you also live up to principles - some claim you are high-lyrical Capricorn. You may play important roles in your life. Popularity surges upward in April, you'll be invited to attend exclusive conference. You are sensitive, psychic, sympathetic catching up, you'll fight when cause is right.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Relative comes through, keeps promise relating to financial support. Involves travel, publishing, spiritual activities associated with getting message across.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Imprint style, highlight inventiveness, courage of conviction. Focus on the underlying, too hot not to cool down - draw upon reserve energies! Moon position emphasizes recovery of lost attitude.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Cycle high, don't want to be told, do the telling yourself. Intuition active, you'll know what to do without knowing exactly how you know it. Focus on the underlying.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You'll be missing, "I'm in the mood to celebrate!" Fashion featured, body image improved. Sagittarius declares, "You're an inspiration!" Gemini asks, "Can we always be together?"

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Face the music! Emphasis on past activities catching up. You'll win friends and influence people, it also could be start of winning streak. The music is more harmonious than anticipated.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Read and write, disseminate information, enjoy filtration but protect self in cloches. Travel next lunar decision made relating to different country.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Emphasis on what occurs at home, domestic adjustment. Focus on basic concerns. Complete mission, start beyond the immediate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19): Moon position emphasizes the way you love. You set and create personal magnetism. Scenario highlights excitement of discovery; physical attraction, unappreciated.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You'll be impressed to catch lovers' raptures. Individual intrigues, offers compliment, "Your attractiveness is international!" Plenty of activity at home.