

Good morning

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Sunny, warmer with decreased winds. Highs 60 to 65. Lows in the mid-40s. Winds 5 to 15 mph.

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A need to know?

Declo lawmaker pushes more sex offender disclosure; others worry about civil rights violations, suggest parents be more involved

By Liz Wright
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Local authorities knew three years ago that apartment caretaker Earl Lee Vinsant was a convicted child molester.

But his tenants, mostly single mothers, had to find out the hard way. Four children in Vinsant's former apartment building are among the new victims of his career of sex abuse, according to a grand jury indictment.

"I feel cheated by the system because the system didn't tell me there is a child molester in my neighborhood," said one mother, who worked nights cleaning homes while Vinsant and his wife babysat her daughter for \$1.50 per hour.

Until it was too late, Vinsant's neighbors didn't know that he was once found guilty of sodomy and indecent assault in Utah. He also once fondled a preteen girl at Hagerman High School, where he worked as a janitor, and forced her to fondle him.

Meanwhile, local sheriffs know that 158 other convicted offenders are living in Magic Valley counties, but they cannot alert other residents to their whereabouts.

The law

Passed in 1993, Idaho's Sex Offender Registration Law requires such offenders to make their names and addresses known to their local sheriffs.

If anyone asks, a county sheriff can acknowledge that a particular person has registered as a convicted sex offender — so long as the query is accompanied by the suspect's name, birthdate and Social Security number.

"You have got to have the suspicion first," said Sen. Denton D. Darrington, R-Declo. "I don't think the law goes quite far enough. How would you know until the person has molested?"

A tougher law, tried in only a handful of states such as Washington and New Jersey, allows police to notify neighbors of a registered sex offender in their community.

Vinsant's neighbors say they would have never allowed their children to play with Vinsant, or accompany him alone into his fancy mobile home or down into the basement, had they known about his criminal past. The five new victims all are younger than 12, the indictment says. Four are girls, one is a boy.

Others argue that notifying the public

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Convicted child molester Earl Lee Vinsant has been charged with sexually abusing children he helped baby-sit at the apartments where he was manager.

Fingerprint law angers substitute teachers

By Karen Talkington
Times-News writer



Filer substitute Debra Richards says more restrictions could eliminate the pool of substitutes now available for school districts.

FILER — A glitch in a new state law will force some substitute teachers to get fingerprinted not only once but twice, three times or even five times, depending on how many districts they work in.

Because of a new criminal background checks law in Idaho, all school employees — teachers, bus drivers, custodians — will have to get fingerprinted at local law-enforcement offices. Their prints will be scanned through the FBI's national criminal identification system, and employees who have been convicted of crimes involving child physical or sexual abuse would lose their jobs as well as their licenses or certificates.

Lawmakers heralded the law, which takes effect July 1, as a way to keep criminally minded teachers out of Idaho.

But educators now call the law a nightmare for substitute teachers, who often float from district to district, especially in an area where districts are sometimes 10 miles apart. Under the law, school employees will be unable to carry their background clearance from one district to another.

'I don't think it sounds fair.'

— Debra Richards, substitute teacher, on paying \$40 for background checks each time she substitutes in a new school district

And they will have to pay \$40 for each test.

"For the amount of money substitutes get paid, it'd be ridiculous to have to pay that," said Linda Nice, who teaches "just about anything you can imagine" in Filer, Jerome and Bluff.

She has gotten \$36 a day for as long as she's taught in those districts — 13 years. Nice would not be forced to undergo the background checks because the law applies to new school district employees and those who have worked for less than five years.

Debra Richards, a substitute for Filer

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If you have to ask: Idahoans join big-ticket Porsche love-in

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — If your friends all have Porsches, you must make amends.

Chad Dodds' friends didn't, but he bought one anyway.

"I probably shouldn't have spent that much money," said Dodds, a Twin Falls dentist who's the proud owner of a 1977 Porsche 911S. "But I just decided I wanted it."

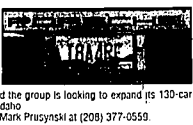
Dodds, who invested \$16,000 on his impulse, is the many others in the Silver Sage Region of the Porsche Club of America, which held a "Jackpot Tour" south of

Want to join?

If you have \$36 left after buying a Porsche, the Silver Sage Region of the Porsche Club of America would like to hear from you.

That's the annual dues, and the group is looking to expand its 130-car membership list in southern Idaho.

For more information, call Mark Prusynski at (208) 377-0550.

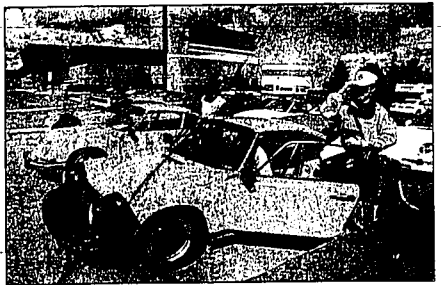


the border on Saturday.

OK, they pulled into a corner of Cactus Peters parking lot in Jackpot and admired each other's cars.

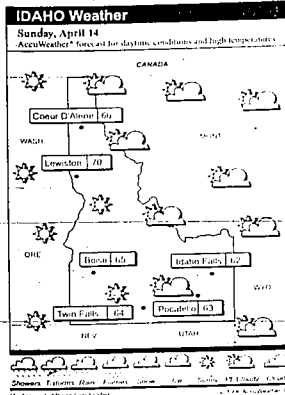
"Let somebody else drive it!" said Frank Zambie of Twin Falls, owner of a 1968

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Mark and Linda Prusynski arrive in Jackpot Saturday where they parked their Porsche in good company.

Weather



Idaho forecasts

Magic Valley

Sunday sunny and warmer. Highs 60 to 65. West winds and showers in the mid-30s. Monday mostly sunny to 15 mph. Lows in the mid-30s. Highs around 70. The ultraviolet index forecast is 8, a moderate exposure level.

Extended regional forecast

Tuesday partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the upper 30s to low 40s. Highs in the high 40s to 50s. Wednesday and Thursday mostly cloudy and cooler. Scattered showers with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms. Lows in the mid-30s east to the lower 40s west. Highs in the mid-50s east to the 60s west.

Wood River Valley

Sunday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs in the 50s. Sunday night mostly clear. Lows around 20. Monday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs 55 to 65.

Treasure Valley

Sunday sunny and warmer. Highs in the mid-60s. Sunday night mostly clear. Lows around 20. Monday mostly sunny and warmer. Highs 60 to 75.

Northern Nevada

Sunday mostly sunny and warmer with highs in the 60s. Lows in the mid-20s to lower 40s. Monday a chance of showers. Windy with highs in the 60s to lower 70s.

Northern Utah

Sunday mostly sunny and much warmer. Highs near 60. Sunday night and Monday clear and warmer. Lows in the 20s to 30s. Highs near 70. Chance of precipitation is 0. The ultraviolet index forecast is 6, a moderate exposure level.

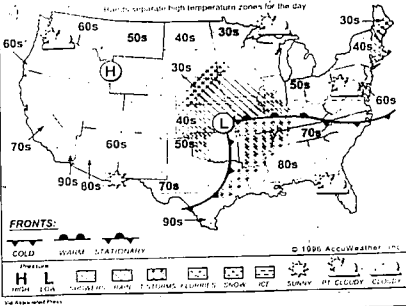
Idaho weather summary

Mostly cloudy skies dominated the Gem state Saturday afternoon as another upper level weather disturbance exited Idaho. Lingering rain and snow showers continued throughout the afternoon as a developing ridge kept these conditions confined to the north, central mountains and southwest. These conditions began involving the remainder of the state late in the afternoon. With the northwest flow, the snow showers allowed cold air to sink and produce gusty winds to accompany the showers.

A funnel was reported from some of the snow showers in eastern Idaho. As the ridge continued to move into the state, it brought promises of mostly sunny days Sunday and Monday.

NATIONAL Weather

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Sunday, April 12.



Temperature extremes

Idaho: High, 57 degrees at Lewiston, Low, 16 degrees at Stanley. National: High, 100 at Omaha, Low, 13 at Ely, Nev.

For up-to-the-minute weather information

Tune to the National Weather Service radio band at VHF-FM 162.4 or 162.55 MHz or call 443-4243. The Internet address for Idaho Transportation Department road reports is: <http://www.state.id.us/dot/dtimp.htm>

National temperatures

City	Max	Min	Pcp
Albuquerque	45	32	0
Atlanta	44	40	0
Boston	42	41	0
Chicago	41	40	0
Denver	43	32	0
Des Moines	53	43	0
Las Vegas	56	48	0
Los Angeles	61	45	0
Honolulu	87	73	0
Houston	68	48	0
Indianapolis	56	48	0
Kansas City	56	48	0
Las Vegas	56	48	0
Los Angeles	61	45	0
Memphis	70	57	0
San Francisco	64	53	0
Seattle	59	44	0
Spokane	54	35	0
Washington	70	56	0

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Almanac

Idaho	Max	Min	Pcp
Boise	64	34	0
Burley	51	33	0
Fairfield	n	n	n
Gardiner	n	n	n
Gooding	n	n	n
Idaho Falls	64	34	0
Jerome	51	30	0
Lewiston	57	43	0
Malden	n	n	n
Malta	n	n	n
McCall	n	n	n
Meridian	64	34	0
Pocatello	50	72	0
Shoshone	n	n	n
Stanley	n	n	n
Sun Valley	n	n	n

Skywatch

Sunset today 8:19 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow 6:57 a.m.
Lunar phase: Last quarter, April 10; New moon, April 17; First quarter, April 25; Full, May 3.
Visible planets: Morning: Jupiter, Saturn. Evening: Venus, Mercury.

Teachers

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and occasionally blind, would, however, she worked at Filer for just three weeks, earns \$36 a day and works just a day or two a week.

It's not unusual for substitutes to be signed up in one or more districts, even five at a time, she said. The fees and the fingerprinting would lead many to limit their

teaching to one district at a time when some districts face a severe shortage of substitute teachers.

"I don't think it sounds fair," Richards said. "They're crying for substitutes in this school district especially... If they put one more restriction on what a substitute has to do, there wouldn't be any substitute for them to access."

Bull had sought her out to teach

music on Friday, but she was already obligated to being the librarian at Filer High School.

Substitute teaching is not something she needs to do, she said. She does it to help out the school district and to be near her school-age children and teacher husband.

"I'm just a housewife, basically, coming in to help," she said.

Disclosure

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about sex offenders is asking for violent vigilantism. In Washington, a man's house was burned down after his criminal past was made public in leaders.

Many sex offenders are non-predatory, convicted of statutory rape or incest — in which case the retaliation by the community is unwarranted, the argument goes.

Rather than having police notify the community, parents should use more caution — that way they could keep their children away from predators without trampling the rights of sex offenders who have already paid for their crimes.

"I'm not saying (sex offenders) should be baby-sitters, but parents should have some idea who they leave their kids with," said Jack Van Valkenburg, executive director of the Idaho Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union. "They can't expect to avoid that responsibility."

But Darrington has been campaigning for changes in the law.

"Those people have made their own mess, but they have sexually abused children. I honestly don't have any sympathy for them," said Darrington, who tried two consecutive years to pass a notification law in Idaho.

Forty-seven states including Idaho have sex offender registration laws on the books, according to the National Victim Center in Arlington, Va.

Probation

Vinsant was one of 65 registered sex offenders in Twin Falls County as of January, according to Twin Falls County Sheriff Wayne Tinsley.

Vinsant was on probation when he moved into a shabby, inexpensive apartment complex in Twin Falls with his wife around 1990.

Two years earlier, he had been convicted of a level conduct crime. According to an affidavit by then-prosecutor Lynn Nelson, junior Vinsant took a preteen girl to Hagerman High School and forced her to masturbate him.

Instead of prison time, Vinsant received sex-offender rehabilitation, less than a year of work release from the Gooding County Jail, and five years of probation, according to court documents. Vinsant's previous convictions included sodomy in Provo, Utah in 1961 and indecent assault in Ogden, Utah in 1958.

At the end of his probation in 1993, a 515 probation officer, Sue Cummins, wrote to the sentencing judge that she had experienced "no problems whatsoever" with Vinsant. His sex-offender treatment doctor characterized Vinsant as "a group leader" whom others looked to for support and who planned to continue his treatment after his probation lapsed, her letter said.

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Some warnings OK

In a recent interview with *The Times-News*, Cummins said she recalled that a Twin Falls probation officer notified the tenants of the apartment complex sometime in the early 1990s about his recent conviction, "but whether they are the same (tenants), I'm not sure." Residents can be warned about offenders who move into a neighborhood while still on probation.

To the women who lived with Vinsant, he was a grandfatherly man who operated a complex with strict rules — he forbade men to visit the complex after sundown.

The owner of the complex, Ray Barsness, said Vinsant was not the manager, although he collected rent checks and made minor repairs to the place — tasks Barsness appreciated.

Vinsant was a tenant at the apartments when Barsness bought the place at least five years ago, he said.

"We never had a formal agreement," Barsness said. "He was older, they were younger. He kind of acted like a daddy to them. I guess when you look back on it, it could have been something of an opportunity for him."

"I had no idea about his past then," Barsness said. "I didn't know he had problems. I think I should have known. I would have told everybody in the building immediately."

U.S. mining company agrees to New Guinea tribes' demands

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Officials of a U.S.-owned copper

agreed Saturday to tighten environmental safeguards and share some profits with tribesmen, a tribal spokesman said Saturday.

James Moffet, chairman of Freeport-McMoran Copper and Gold Inc. of New Orleans, and Irian Jaya tribal leaders reached the accord after an hour-long meeting, said Tom Benal of the Lemasa Institute, a human rights group that negotiated for the tribesmen.

The session came one month after some 3,000 villagers, demanding more jobs and better economic conditions, rioted at the Freeport Indonesia mine, 82 per-

cent of which is owned by Moffet's company.

Three people were killed and at least 15 injured in four days of rioting before troops restored order. The violence forced the mine to close; it has since reopened.

The Freeport Indonesia mine, one of the world's largest copper- and gold-mining operations, dominates the economy in Irian Jaya, the Indonesian province that is the western half of the island of New Guinea.

The agreement includes more jobs for area villagers and 1 percent of Freeport's annual gross profit — about \$17 million — to be earmarked for social and educational programs for tribesmen.

Porsche

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Porsche 912, on Friday. "Well, my wife's driven it, and I liked the drive in California that I bought it from drive it, but nobody else."

To suggest that Porsche owners are fiercely protective of their purring chrome-and-steel chariots is like suggesting that Germans can be stiff-necked.

"It's hard to describe the difference between driving a Porsche and driving another car," Dadds said Friday. "It's so superior — just in the way it handles."

Dadds won't even drive his bronze Porsche to the grocery store — or leave it anywhere that it's not in his sight.

"I didn't buy a Porsche to drive it to the grocery store," he explained.

Nor did most Porsche owners: Ing. h.c. F. Porsche KG of Stuttgart sells only a few thousand new cars in the United States every year, all of which are quickly snapped up by folks who have room for six figures in their checkbooks.

That puts a premium on used

cars. "There are a surprising number of them around, even here," Zambic said. "And a lot of them are for sale."

But Zambic, whose orange '68 912 would go for about \$8,000 now, isn't selling.

"I love this car," he said. "If it needs any more than the plugs and points changed, I take it to Boise."

"This is a car that's going to last 300,000 to 400,000 miles," Dadds said.

Few Porsches pick up that kind of mileage on Idaho roads, but when they do, they tend to attract attention.

"Before I bought the car, I was driving up to Sun Valley with the guy who owned it, and my wife was in another vehicle," Zambic explained. "As we drove through Bellevue, we passed a policeman, who waved at us."

"Look, I said to my wife over the CB radio, that car is waving bye-bye."

"I'm not waving bye-bye," said the cop, who was on the same channel. "I'm telling you to slow down."

6 die as Israeli gunship fires on ambulance

Los Angeles Times

BEIRUT, Lebanon — In a grisly attack that could undermine Israel's military campaign against Hezbollah guerrillas in Lebanon, Israeli forces pounded the country for a third day with rocketed ambulances packed with refugees, killing two women and four children.

The attack came as Israel stepped up its campaign against Hezbollah fighters by imposing a partial naval blockade on Lebanon — raising anxieties in this capital city that gasoline and food supplies would be cut off.

The ambulance attack, witnessed by journalists at a U.N. checkpoint five miles south of the port city of Tyre, drew criticism from observers in Lebanon and undercut Israeli assertions that its offensive is limited to strongholds of the Shiite Muslim guerrillas and is being carried out with surgical precision.

In the Israeli drive to avenge cross-border rocket attacks by Hezbollah guerrillas, more than 3,000 shells and rockets have rained down on nearly 50 towns and villages in southern Lebanon. At least 25 people have been killed, mostly civilians, and more than 85 have been wounded, officials reported.

Corrections

An item in Saturday's paper did not identify counterfeit checks. Only \$100 Visa Bank of America Travelers check were counterfeit.

A headline in Saturday's sports section indicated the wrong result of the Wood River-Twin Falls softball games. Twin Falls won both games.

The Times-News regrets the errors.

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Nation

Episcopalians protest female assistant

WASHINGTON (AP) — Saying they are being persecuted by their bishop for holding traditional beliefs, a group of Episcopalians marched past the National Cathedral on Saturday to protest church unity by a female assistant bishop.

At a rally preceding the march, the group of about 60 Episcopalians from the Washington area protested recent appearances at two churches by Jane Haines, one of six female assistant Episcopal bishops in the United States. The event was

organized by a group called Concerned Parishioners of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, which opposes the ordination of women and practicing homosexuals. Carrying signs saying "Save Souls, Jane Dixon Resign" and "Save Us From False Doctrine," the marchers chanted a slogan taken nearly verbatim from the 1549 Book of Common Prayer and aimed at Washington Episcopal Bishop Ronald Haines. "By the tyranny of the bishop of Washington and all his detestable enormities, good Lord deliver us."

The word enormities, in that context, means deviation from moral rectitude or extreme wickedness. The chanters substituted the word Washington for Rome in the original. Haines, who sent Dixon to the churches, has said that while he could have avoided confrontation, he wanted to push the issue to attempt to untie the diocese around Episcopal Church acceptance of women priests. Haines also has ordained gay men. A telephone message left for

Dixon was not immediately returned Saturday, and Haines could not be reached for comment. Dixon presided over Sunday morning services on Jan. 14 and Feb. 11 at the church in Washington, Md., and Washington over the objections of their rectors and parishioners, who opposed her consecration. Dixon plans a visit next Sunday to a church in Washington. Church traditionalists say they view Dixon's actions as a way of forcing women priests on unwilling parishioners.

'Cool-headed' lawyer leads Unabomber case

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The federal lawyer selected to lead the Unabomber prosecutors is described as an unflappable team-builder with a distinguished courtroom record who enjoys hiking and backpacking. And although he has functioned largely behind the scenes since becoming the No. 2 person in the U.S. attorney's office here 1 1/2 years ago, Robert J. Cleary's counsel is sought on all high-profile cases, his boss said.



Cleary

"Hiring him was the best decision I've made since I became U.S. attorney," said Faith S. Hochberg.

Cleary, 40, is known as a private person, and has no public statement since Attorney General Janet Reno named him Thursday to lead the six-lawyer squad.

Attention on the Unabomber case has been huge since federal agents arrested a reclusive former math professor in Montana last week.

"I think he'll ignore that, and do his work. That's certainly what I've advised him to do," Hochberg said. "They are going to have their eye on the case, not the media."

Theodore J. Kaczynski, 53, has not yet been charged with the 18-year string of bombings that killed three and injured 23 in nine states. He is being held on charges of illegally possessing bomb components.

The Justice Department said no decision has been made on where an Unabomber case would be tried, and it is possible there could be more than one trial.

Sacramento and New Jersey are the leading candidates for a trial because federal death penalty cases could be brought in either place for 1995 and 1994 deaths in Unabomber blasts, justice officials have said.

Cleary would be the lead prosecutor "wherever Unabomber charges are brought," Justice spokesman Carl Stern has said.

Cleary has been the New Jersey office's liaison to the Unabomber task force in San Francisco since public relations executive Thomas J. Mieser was killed in his North Caldwell home Dec. 10, 1994, while opening a package believed sent by

attorney for New Jersey. He is the chief administrator for the office, which has about 100 lawyers.

"I'm real impressed with him. I think he's a calm, capable lawyer," said Cathy Fleming, a Newark lawyer who represents federal defendants, and who left the U.S. attorney's office here as a section chief in 1987. She praised Cleary for "experience, judgment and people skills."

Added another veteran New Jersey defense attorney, Joseph A. Hayden Jr., "He enjoys a fine reputation as a first-rate lawyer."

Cleary has not yet personally handled any trials in New Jersey, but Hochberg noted Cleary had a "distinguished trial career" in the U.S. Attorney's office in Manhattan, where he was chief of the major crimes unit, concentrating on prosecuting complex white-collar cases.

"The added skills that I identified in Bob... were his ability to be a team player and to motivate others to work as a team, and his cool head in a storm," Hochberg said.

It's the team leadership skills, I think, that will be a very important quality in continuing this case."

Cleary will have to work through jurisdictional rivalries inherent in the Unabomber case, which has frustrated the FBI and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms since 1978.

"Bob's the right guy to make sure this happens," Hochberg said.

Cleary, who lives in Manhattan, received a Justice Department award for convincing two lawyers in 1989 on all 16 counts of a tax fraud scheme that generated fictitious losses of more than \$1.6 billion.

Nixon tapes to be released at long last, but gradually

WASHINGTON (AP) — "I was hoping you fellows wouldn't ask me that. I wondered what I would say," said Alexander Butterfield, one of the most damning secret of the Watergate scandal spilled out.

Richard Nixon, the president, had been taping every conversation that took place in his presence in the White House for nearly 28 years.

Five microphones were planted in his desk in the Oval Office and two in wall sconces; microphones were hidden in the Cabinet Room and in his hideaway across the street and at Camp David.

Nixon struggled the rest of his life to preserve the secrets of the tapes, and two years after his death, his daughters have given up the fight.

They have agreed to the tapes' gradual release. There are 3,700 hours, and when they are out of America will have its most intimate verbatim view of the workings of any presidency — from high states-

manship to gutter language. Every word spoken when Nixon was in the Oval Office, or the Cabinet Room or his hideaway in the Old Executive Office Building, was recorded on giant reels in the basement.

When the hand played outside, when an ambulance rushed up Pennsylvania Avenue with its siren blasting, when coffee cups clattered, the sound was recorded.

After a handful of the Nixon tapes became public in 1974, the year after Butterfield's testimony, Nixon's presidency came to an end. He was shown to have been a party to the Watergate cover-up. He resigned to avoid impeachment and removal from office.

Butterfield, a functionary in Nixon's White House, was one of the few there who knew of the taping system. The Republican staff of the Senate Watergate Committee, suspecting there was one, asked about it and he told.

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Speaker doubts tax increase bill will pass House

SMYRNA, Ga. (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich predicted Saturday that a proposed constitutional amendment making it tougher to pass tax increases will probably fail in the House.

"I doubt if we'll win it because it's a constitutional amendment and requires 290 votes" in the House, Gingrich said at a town hall meeting in his suburban Atlanta district.

"It will set a benchmark for the fall campaign and really begin to define who wants to make it harder for politicians to get into your family budget and who wants to make it easier..."

The amendment, which would require a three-fifths majority of Congress to approve tax increases, is scheduled for a House vote Monday.

The measure was part of the Republican Contract With America and needs a two-thirds vote to pass the House.

The provision was dropped last year from another constitutional amendment to require a balanced federal budget, which passed the House and failed in the Senate.

If the tax amendment also fails, Gingrich said, it means only "that we need more Republicans."

About 150 people turned out to discuss tax-related issues with Gingrich and Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga.

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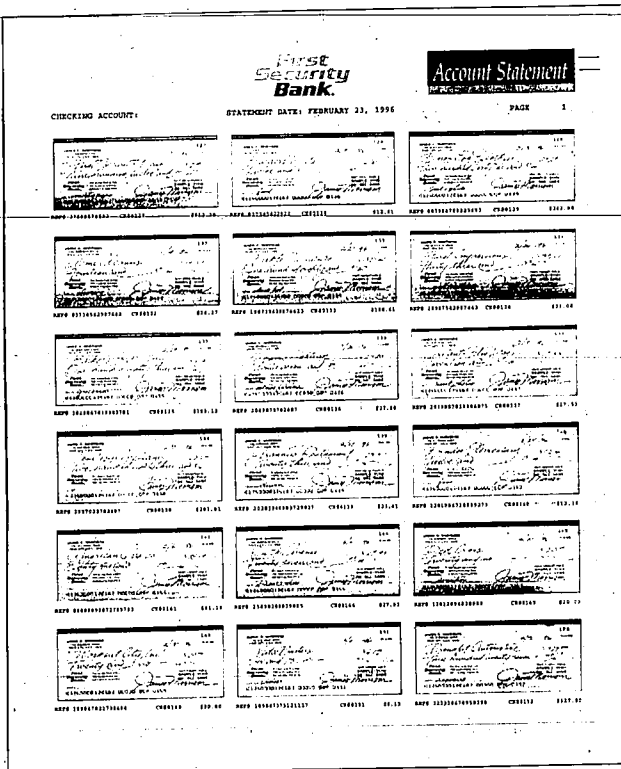
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Nation

Cops: Neo-Nazi notes explain shooting spree

JACKSON, Miss. — A white supremacist who sprayed a shopping center in a largely black neighborhood with random gunfire left neo-Nazi notes behind, leading police to conclude Saturday that racial hatred sparked the deadly shooting.

Larry Wayne Shoemaker, 53, was found dead inside the abandoned restaurant where he looted on Friday and fired dozens of shots — killing one person and wounding 10 others — before he set the building on fire and perished in the flames.

The evening standoff began during peak business hours at the bustling shopping center. Hundreds of shoppers and passing motorists sought cover in buildings and ditches along the highway.

All of the victims identified by authorities were black. One woman treated at a hospital and released was not identified.

Police gave no details about the notes left in Shoemaker's house, except that similar notes were left in multiple locations in the home, indicating he wanted at least one to be found.

"It would be safe to say," the notes indicated Shoemaker's white supremacist views triggered the shooting rampage, said police spokesman Lee Vance.

"It appears that (the shooting) was planned, because the notes were left in several places in the house," Vance said. "It appeared that he sort of expected that his house would be searched by authorities in the aftermath."

The slain victim was identified as D.Q. Holyfield, 49. Seven others, including his son, were treated for gunshot wounds and more were injured by flying glass and debris.



Shoemaker

The most seriously wounded was Pamela Berry, a police reporter for The Clarion-Ledger news-papers, who was shot three times while covering the story. She was in good condition Saturday after surgery for a gunshot wound to the neck.

The gunman's charred body was hauled out of the shuttered Polk's restaurant late Friday. An arson investigator said the fire was started with gasoline.

With the body, police found two AR-17 assault rifles, three empty 30-round clips, a MAC-11 gun, an AR-15 assault rifle, and two handguns.

"He fired at least 100 rounds," Vance said.

A search of Shoemaker's immaculate home, where he lived alone with a small mongrel dog, turned up an arsenal that included at least 15 to 20 firearms and three 80-pound boxes of ammunition, Vance said.

Shoemaker had been in trouble with Jackson police before, with arrests on misdemeanor charges of drug possession and drunk driving, Vance said. Besides the neo-Nazi notes, police also found white supremacist literature and regalia in the house.

Draped over a bed was a Nazi flag, where a note and a copy of Adolf Hitler's "Mein Kampf" was placed alongside a Bible "like a presentation," Vance said.

Lawmakers want subject to change

WASHINGTON (AP) — Still mired in fiscal stalemate with President Clinton, Congress returns from a two-week break Monday itching to change the subject in election-year debates on reining in tax increases and a balanced-budget constitutional amendment.

Lawmakers are eager to end their marathon standoff with Clinton over financing scores of federal agencies for the dwindling five months of fiscal 1996. But since Congress left town March 29, there has been no narrowing of differences over funds for high technology and police officers, Republican-sought restrictions on environmental laws and other issues.

The two sides, who may meet again Tuesday, face an April 24 deadline for settling these disputes or will stare at a new federal shutdown neither party wants. But looking ahead to the autumn elections, Republican presidential contender Bob Dole of Kansas, the Senate majority leader, and House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., plan votes — some doomed to defeat — aimed at highlighting GOP positions on other fronts.

Councilwoman wants to sell museum showing flag exhibit

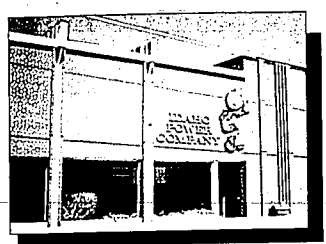
PHOENIX (AP) — Just as national criticism of a controversial American flag exhibit seems to be dying down, local opposition is flaring up.

City Councilwoman Frances Emma Barwood is proposing to sell the publicly owned building and property that houses the Phoenix Art Museum, currently displaying an exhibition that includes an American flag draped in a toilet and a flag made of human skin.

What's next? Are they going to do an exhibit making fun of people with handicaps?" Barwood said.

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Nation

Evidence says Clinton, Whitewater link weak

Los Angeles Times

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — In late 1993, David L. Hale, then an unknown municipal judge, fueled the burgeoning Whitewater scandal by going public with a dark tale of financial intrigue involving President Clinton.

He then succeeded in galvanizing national interest in the story by suggesting that he had reserved the juiciest details for government investigators.

His allegations — that, while governor of Arkansas, Clinton had conspired to benefit from an illegal loan to his real estate development investment partners — eventually became the centerpiece of the Whitewater independent counsel's investigation.

But in two weeks on the witness stand in the trial of the president's alleged co-conspirators, Hale's long-awaited evidence against Clinton was — by his own admission — inconclusive.

Furthermore, the prosecution has acknowledged that lawyers for the defendants — Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and James B. and Susan McDougal — Clinton's investment partners in the Whitewater development — succeeded in undermining Hale's testimony by branding him "a liar, a thief and a con man."

Starr and his staff insist that they have not become discouraged in their efforts to build a criminal case against the president. But it is clear that failure to get a conviction in this trial would seriously damage that effort.

Indeed, W. Hickman Ewing, the chief deputy to Independent Counsel Kenneth W. Starr, acknowledged that the independent counsel's office sees this trial primarily as a way to obtain more evidence against the president.

According to Ewing, Starr hopes that, by winning a conviction of Tucker and the McDougals, he can persuade the three to give incriminating evidence against Clinton. Defense lawyers noted that acquittals would be good news for the Clintons. Bobby McDaniel, Susan McDougal's attorney, observed that Tucker and the McDougals are not likely to cooperate with Starr if they win.

Hale's trial testimony marked the first time he has appeared in public since he began cooperating with the independent counsel more than two years ago. Until now, he has been living in seclusion on a state pension and receiving financial assistance from the independent counsel.

His testimony completed, he will report to jail in the next few weeks to begin serving a 28-month sen-

tence for his conviction in defrauding the government. He also must pay a \$10,000 fine and make restitution to the government in excess of \$2 million.

In exchange for his testimony, Hale, who has already received some leniency from the government, hopes to win a further reduction of his sentence.

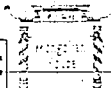
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President urges anti-terrorism

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton called on Congress Saturday to pass an anti-terrorism bill that has languished for a year despite a promise of quick action after the Oklahoma City bombing.

A majority of Republican lawmakers are hoping to craft a compromise on the bill and sent it to the president by next Friday, the first anniversary of the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City where 168 people were killed.

Clinton accused Republican lawmakers of "foot-dragging" and bowing to special interests such as the National Rifle Association in blocking passage of an anti-terrorism bill that he considers acceptable.

"In the wake of Oklahoma City, Congress promised to send me the bill six weeks after the tragic bombing," said Clinton in his weekly radio address. "And yet, unbelievably, almost an entire year has passed and Congress still has not managed to send me strong anti-terrorism legislation."

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Opinion

Editorial

Courts should remember Ron Lafferty's victims

For Jim Wright of Kimberly and his family, justice has been an open wound for 12 years.

Wright's daughter, Brenda, and her 15-month-old daughter, were savagely murdered in American Fork, Utah, in 1984 by two of Brenda's brothers-in-law. The two men were convicted of first-degree murder a year later, and Ron was sentenced to death. But in 1991, a federal appeals court ruled that the trial judge had made a mistake in determining Lafferty's competency and ordered a new trial.

Last week, a Utah jury convicted him of the killings again. If he's sentenced to death a second time, expect yet another round of appeals.

Keep in mind that there have already been seven competency hearings for Ron Lafferty. And at each and every step, the Wrights' horror has been replayed.

This is a case of America's criminal justice system at its very worst. The criminal is provided with the best legal protection money can buy — at taxpayer expense — and with a forum to air his messianic rantings.

And the victims' family? They're condemned — without charge, trial or appeal — to relive this nightmare,

as if they haven't lived it enough already.

It's time to put an end to this kind of travesty by limiting the number of appeals in death-sentence cases — as some Republicans in Congress are working to do.

The average condemned prisoner spends seven years on death row — and hundreds of thousands of dollars of your money — pursuing appeals that statistically have less than a one-in-six chance of succeeding. But even when they don't succeed, there are always fresh avenues of reversible error to explore.

For too many law-abiding Americans, the federal appellate courts have become an institution dedicated to keeping murderers alive and lawyers working.

Most of the time within that system, the wrong don't prevail and the right don't fail. But it happens often enough to make innocent people wary of the integrity of American criminal justice.

That's the fear from what the Founding Fathers had in mind. They set up a government of laws and a Supreme Court to test those laws. They wanted a system, Alexis de Tocqueville wrote, designed to "temper vengeance on the anvil of harsh truth."

That's the challenge the system is failing too often these days.

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Letters

Animal cruelty is uncalled for

To the people of Magic Valley:

This is an open letter to the two people who were in a white Ford pickup and who decided to throw out a light tan dog. I am sure you were hoping that the dog would be run over by my stepson, who was directly behind you. But to your dismay, the dog is very much alive.

I find it very disconcerting that one person in our midst is ridiculed and condemned by others for trying to provide a shelter for unwanted animals, and you two people, on the other hand, are going to get away with trying to be a day of remembering Jesus Christ and our Heavenly Father and, as far as I am concerned, God's creations, which include that dog. I don't know what the dog did to deserve this treatment, but if it was that bad, why wasn't the dog taken to the pound. And if he must be destroyed, do it in a humane manner! Needless to say, my Easter Sunday was marred by this act, and it did not set well with many of my family and friends.

We have been able to find this dog a good home, but all stories about abused animals don't have a happy ending like this one.

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Record shows job well done

A tribute to Minidoka County Prosecutor Gara Newman:

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I read in the South Idaho Press recently that she is being challenged for her posi-

tion this year. I strongly suggest that before you vote, look at Gara's record. We want a person in this position who is tried and has stood up to the job and done the job well. Don't just vote, know the person that you are voting for and what they have and can do for our community!

LEE WOODLAND
AMI of Magic Valley
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Adults don't belong in egg hunt

We wanted to thank the Optimist Club for its Easter egg hunt held for the children here in our area. We were encouraged that they had the egg hunt areas sectioned off for different age groups. It was the first Easter hunt our daughter has attended. Despite the Optimist's great effort in making this an enjoyable experience, it will also be her last.

We found the age group in which our daughter qualified for, ages 3 and under. We anxiously stood waiting at the sidelines for the signal to sound. We explained to her what she had to do: run in with the other kids and pick up as many of the eggs as she could and put them in her basket. She was very excited, looking forward to racing with the other "kids" to hunt for the eggs.

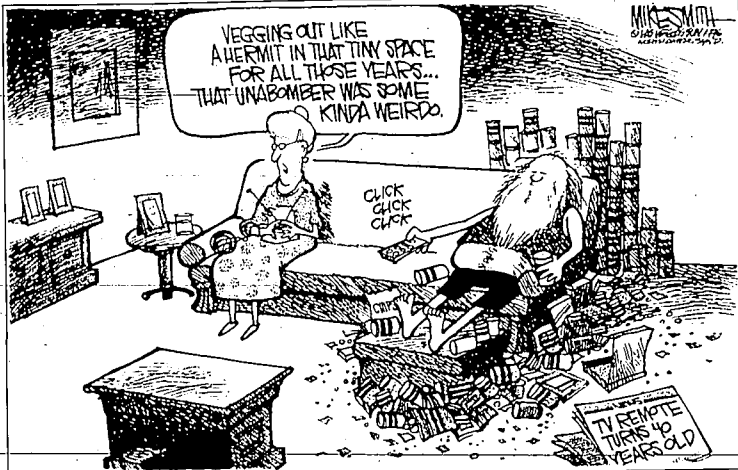
The signal sounded, and they were off. To our dismay, however, there were more adults fighting for the eggs than children. We expected our daughter to have competition with other 3-year-olds, not 30-year-olds. Needless to say, instead of a good experience, this was a giant letdown.

We would hope that, for other children's sake, next year the adults will remember this is for the little ones in the crowd, not the big ones. If I would have been one of the adults pushing a little child out of the way for a mere boiled egg, I would definitely be ashamed of myself.

Again, thank you to the Optimist Club. Maybe next year, this particular use of the adults could read, "3 Years Old and Under. No Adults Allowed." And from the way the "adults" acted today, there will probably have to be someone pretty big standing by to enforce the rule.

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History teaches cruelty of human nature

WASHINGTON—Business is brisk at the Holocaust Memorial Museum here. Visitors line up more than two hours before the doors open at 10 a.m., and about 2 million pass through those doors each year, four times more than were anticipated when the museum opened three years ago.

Explaining the museum's success, a member of the staff says simply, "Human nature has been an enormous help."



George F. Will

She means that from Bosnia, where scores of mass graves are being explored, to Rwanda, from Angola to Kurdish regions of Iraq, from Liberia to Sri Lanka, headlines proclaim the continuing prevalence of what visitors hope the museum will help them comprehend: the exercise of exterminating violence against categories of beings—this is a distinctly human activity.

The museum is an institution of memory for the victims of Germany's rampant, 1933-45. But it also is a teaching institution, and last week was the scene of a heated symposium about a new book examining the perpetrators of the Holocaust.

Reduced to an epitaph, Daniel Jonah Goldhagen's thesis in "Hitler's Willing Executioners: Ordinary Germans and the Holocaust" is that "the road to Auschwitz was not crooked." Elaborated through 619 pages of often shattering anecdotes named from survivors' and perpetrators' testimonies, Goldhagen's argument is that genocide fulfilled the logic of 150 years of German history.

Hitler's seizure of power, says Goldhagen, was a necessary but not a sufficient condition for the Holocaust. Acculturation came first. When ordinary Germans, products of long conditioning by a culture steeped in anti-Semitism, came under the sway of a totalitarian regime's propaganda that legitimized extermination, they fell to the task with attitudes ranging from dutifulness to relish. Only such thinking, says Goldhagen, can explain the participation of between 100,000 and 500,000 persons who served in the genocide infantry—those who got paid on their deaths from shooting children at close range.

When Goldhagen, professor of government and social studies at Harvard, says they were "ordinary Germans" who shot photographs of their butchery to loved ones, and even invited their wives to watch them smash skulls with rifle butts, the question becomes: In what sense ordinary? His answer is Ordinary meaning routine, predictable products of cognitive determinism. They killed Jews, often with pleasure, because an ideology told them doing so was not merely permissible but virtuous.

This monolithic explanation is made problematic by both the good and the bad that Germans did. If virulent anti-Semitism had such a vicelike grip, what explains the behavior of the significant number of Germans who abstained from, or even resisted barbarism? And if German anti-Semitism was the cause of the barbarism, why did the barbarians engulf so many non-Jews, and why were there so many non-Germans among the barbarians?

The victims of barbarism included the mentally and physically handicapped, Gypsies, three million Soviet prisoners of war, the inhabitants of the Greek village of Komono, producing Theodore Kaczynski, the prime Unabomber suspect?

Kaczynski went to an Earth First meeting at the University of Montana where a "hit list" of "enemies" of the movement was distributed. Environmentalism is usually associated with people of liberal political persuasion. Two of the individuals on the Earth First hit list were killed by bombs presumed to have been mailed by Kaczynski.

Kaczynski attended Harvard, generally considered an institution of liberal political and social thought. Were his radical views incultured on the banks of the Charles River in Cambridge?

He also taught at the University of California at Berkeley, the mecca of liberalism in the '60s. Since many liberals attempted to establish a cause-and-effect relationship between speech and action, where are their cries against radical extremism now that one of their own has been implicated in the horrific deed of bombs by mail? Why not denounce liberal institutions that turn out people like this? Where are the warnings about Earth Firsters who see the planet as something sacred and whose they claim violate it as infidels worthy of death?

Italy POWs who a few days earlier had been Germany's allies, and others. And although Goldhagen insists that the "quantity and quality of personalized brutality and cruelty" inflicted by Germans on Jews flowed from a German cultural idea, many Croats, Ukrainians and others collaborated with Germans in administering the Holocaust.

At the symposium, Christopher Browning of Pacific Lutheran University agreed with Goldhagen concerning the high degree of violence on the part of the numerous ordinary German participants in genocide. But Browning, author of "Ordinary Men," a stunning study of middle-aged conscripts who became mass murderers in a German police battalion in Poland, argued that the unspeakable cruelties committed by the Khmer Rouge against fellow Cambodians, and by Chinese against other Chinese during the Cultural Revolution, cannot be explained by Goldhagen's model—by centuries of conditioning by a singular idea.

Browning charged that Goldhagen's "unimpeachable" portrayal of German uniformity makes history one-dimensional and dehumanizes Germans. By making Germans so alien, Goldhagen's thesis is too comforting. Browning believes that mass murder and the ubiquity of cruelty accompanying it suggests the need to seek explanations in "those universal aspects of human nature that transcend the common and culture of ordinary Germans."

This Tuesday, April 16, is the Day of Remembrance for Oklahoma victims and survivors. Since 1945 the theme of remembrance ceremonies has been "Never again." But Europe is still ailing skulls from the earth over mass graves, this time of Muslims, victims of... what? Ordinary Serbs?

George F. Will writes for the Washington Post.

Did liberalism produce the Unabomber?



Cal Thomas

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Liberals. Kaczynski went to an Earth First meeting at the University of Montana where a "hit list" of "enemies" of the movement was distributed. Environmentalism is usually associated with people of liberal political persuasion. Two of the individuals on the Earth First hit list were killed by bombs presumed to have been mailed by Kaczynski.

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He also taught at the University of California at Berkeley, the mecca of liberalism in the '60s. Since many liberals attempted to establish a cause-and-effect relationship between speech and action, where are their cries against radical extremism now that one of their own has been implicated in the horrific deed of bombs by mail? Why not denounce liberal institutions that turn out people like this? Where are the warnings about Earth Firsters who see the planet as something sacred and whose they claim violate it as infidels worthy of death?

Were it not last year that Oklahoma City, Waco and Ruby Ridge were caused by radical Christian fundamentalists and conservative fanatics? Where are the comparisons between radical religious and liberal fanaticism and the Unabomber? Only ABC's Brian Ross suggested such a link.

If speech and action are related, is the Clinton Administration culpable because it denounced conservatives for making war on the environment? During the two government shutdowns, the president said that Gingrich and company wanted to starve our children, kill our grandmothers, withdraw treatment for the sick and rape the environment. So why isn't Bill Clinton being blamed, in part, for the bombs mailed by the Unabomber during his administration? And why hasn't Kaczynski been labeled a left-wing radical environmental extremist? It is because "left" is considered good and "right" is considered wrong by the political and media elites.

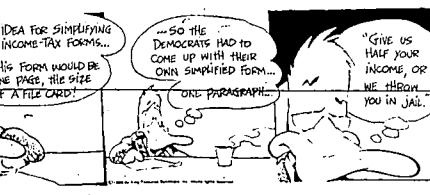
Does anyone doubt the president and his friends would have been feared from it, instead of allegedly mailing bombs to technicians. Kaczynski had targeted abortion-clinic doctors. Carried to its illogical extreme, if Gordon Liddy, Newt Gingrich and Rush Limbaugh were responsible for Waco, Ruby Ridge and Oklahoma City, why aren't Bill Clinton and his like-minded friends responsible for the Unabomber? The Justice Department should investigate!

Cal Thomas writes for the Los Angeles Times Syndicate.

By Garry Trudeau Mallard Fillmore



By Bruce Tinsley



World



Liberian factional fighters roam the streets of Monrovia, Liberia, as houses burn. In seven years of fighting between rebels and government troops, nearly half of the West African country's 2.6 million people have crammed into Monrovia.

Gunfire continues, aid groups leave Monrovia

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Nearly 1,500 terrified foreigners had fled Monrovia by Saturday and even the most stalwart of aid groups planned to follow.

The exodus was bitter for those left behind, abandoned in the midst of civil war with little evidence that a new cease-fire will hold.

"We are dying here," said Joseph Johnson, a Liberian. "Where is the international community?"

After eight days of looting and urban warfare, aid workers said they were pulling out because of the "absolute anarchy" in the seaside capital.

In seven years of fighting between rebels and government troops, nearly half of this West African country's 2.6 million people have crammed into Monrovia. The recent round of fighting has left 60,000 people homeless.

No one knows how many people have been killed in recent days, though dozens of decaying bodies have been seen on the streets and at least 13 people were confirmed dead.

Nearly 20,000 people, including foreign diplomats, missionaries and Liberians, have sought refuge in the complex holding the U.S. Embassy and U.N. offices, setting up a small city while they wait for rescue.

The U.S. military had ferried

out 1,448 people by Saturday afternoon, and a U.S.-chartered boat was headed north toward Sierra Leone carrying its employees and foreign women and children.

Peacekeeper spokesman Brian R. Kilgallen said Saturday that of the foreigners evacuated, 458 were Americans. He said about 30 Americans had elected to stay behind.

The evacuation of Americans was expected to be complete by Sunday, Kilgallen said in Washington. He said the State Department had yet to decide whether the evacuations would continue once all the Americans were out.

The plush Mamba Point Hotel, where 500 people had been hiding for days, was empty Friday night after rebels ransacked the place, destroying furniture and stealing clothes, food, money and hotel equipment.

Rebels and government troops began retreating Saturday as African peacekeeping tanks moved into the Mamba Point district, where most foreign embassies and U.N. offices are located. Along the way, they looted what little was left from burned out homes and shops, witnesses said.

U.N. specialists complete Bosnia site investigation

CALISMANI, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. war crimes specialists completed an investigation Saturday into Bosnia's most infamous massacre — a burst of violence so fierce, they said, that blood and bits of victims' flesh flew through the air.

Dozens of countries and financial organizations, meanwhile, pledged \$1.24 billion Saturday to help rebuild Bosnia, but little of the money will go to Bosnian Serbs until their war crimes suspects surrender.

U.S. deputy treasury secretary Lawrence Summers said Bosnian Serb wartime leader Radovan Karadzic and others must be turned over to an international tribunal, a key requirement of the U.S.-brokered peace accord.

For two weeks, the seven-member team gathered large amounts of evidence at a dozen sites, including farm fields suspected of being the burial plots for Muslim victims from Srebrenica.

Some 7,000 Muslim men seen being led away from the enclave after it fell to Bosnian Serbs last July were never heard from again. They are listed as missing, but survivors say they were executed by firing squads.

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Hail Montana's 'I'm outta here' strategy

Darn clever, those neighbors of ours. Weary of the Ted and James of this world taking over God's own country, Montana has devised an artful briar patch to make them go away.

Flood, fires, famine and the Freeman.

Kaczynski and Chlorine. What a state!

Heck, they even arranged a record-setting spring blizzard on the very day all those TV news cameras showed up.

Steve Crump
Don't ask me

I think it's a strategy that we Idahoans should explore:

"Welcome to the Airport Formerly Known as Idaho's South Central Briefly but Mercifully Never Officially Gateway to Sun Valley and the Great Rift. Please keep your seat belts firmly fastened and your seat backs in their locked, upright position until the aircraft comes to a complete stop, and no Joslin."

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- "Studded snowtires must be removed from all vehicles by Aug. 15.
- "All Idaho residents quickly develop a single eyebrow and hair in their ears.
- "Season passes may be purchased at the Hub Butte Landfill Visitors Center.
- "If you require emergency medical or police assistance or any other service for which you would call 911 elsewhere in the country, remember to holler real loud.
- "Please do not feed the potatoes.
- "It is illegal to disturb, harass, nuzzle, lecture or otherwise bother any cow standing astride a public highway who really does not wish to move.
- "State law requires all indoor toilets to have a half-moon carved in the door.
- "Utahns carrying fishing poles are always in season.
- "It is illegal to read any road sign without moving your lips.
- "Boxer shorts flying from a clothesline must be saluted.
- "No one may declare himself an independent republic not subject to the laws of the United States of America and of the state of Idaho unless he has resided in Idaho for about 10 minutes.
- "Californiaans will kindly pay our 800 percent Golden State Property Purchase Surcharge cheerfully.
- "Bruce and Deni spend most of their time in Malibu.
- "Cauldron Linn is the French term for, 'They filmed 'Deliverance' here'.
- "Goat tying in Idaho's No. 1 spectator sport.
- "Montana's No. 1 export commodity is wackos.
- "Idaho is Montana's No. 1 trading partner.
- "Advance reservations are recommended for the paint-drying contests at any county fair.
- "It is a two-stroke penalty to disturb any rock chuck while trying to retrieve your golf ball from his hole.
- "Remember to remove the potatoe from the sack before wearing it for any formal occasion.
- "State law requires motorists to place both feet on the highway while attempting to stop their vehicles."
- "There is no limit to the size of a feedlot that may be subdivided.
- "Be a courteous neighbor: Idaho cangrounds generally discourage automatic weapons use after sunrise.
- "Protected species in Idaho are the Batt, the Otter and the Polocast (see Legislature, State)."

Howdy, stranger. Are you still here?

Steve Crump, the Times-News features editor, wenders volitionally through the signs and turn Fairfield into Cut Bank.

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Tracker tags troubled Twin trees

By Virginia S. Garber
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Twin Falls trees suffer from people's poor planning, says a community forester who has launched an inventory of trees in the city's parks.

Some are sickly, and many are crippled by neglect.

Linda Ries says her inventory effort will help the city shift from caring for immediate needs — repairing a storm-damaged tree, for example — to long-term planning for leafy life.

A \$2,566 grant from the Idaho Department of Lands will help. But Ries, a Forest Service employee in Hailey, must also recruit \$3,260 worth of volunteer work.

The inventory, begun briefly last fall, will resume in early May, Ries said. Fresh volunteers will need about five hours of training from Ries. She expects work to conclude at the end of June.

To volunteer, call Ries at 788-1850.

Ries' tree-tracking volunteers will record species, sizes, vigor and maintenance needs of trees in each park. A com-

For more information

Tree workers and homeowners can attend a one-day tree-care workshop on May 30 in Jerome. Hands-on demonstrations will focus on pruning, disease and insect problems, tree selection, planting and tree placement. The cost is \$10, including lunch. To register, contact Lew Pence at 934-4149.

puter program computes trees' values — people take trees for granted "until you put a dollar value on them," Ries said.

In July, Ries will report to Twin Falls parks workers and help them develop a tree-care plan. She has been advising downtown's tree-troubled Business Improvement District, as well, she said.

Ries has done similar work in Hailey, Jerome and Fairfield and has Shoshone and Logansport on her list.

"There's so much work there that can be done," said Ries, who defines her job

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Linda Ries examines a honey locust tree on Main Avenue in Twin Falls, which was planted and then forgotten. Now the metal tree guard, which was set around its base to protect years ago when it was young, has grown into the tree.

Cassia hospital's new technology goes mobile

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

BURLEY — A magnet powerful enough to lift 400 pounds of junkyard scrap metal is used to create images of human body tissue so detailed doctors can see every tiny fold of tissue in the brain.

The magnet has been used in an updated form of Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or MRI, at Cassia Regional Medical Center for more than a week. A semi-truck transports an 80,000-pound, computerized machine among Cassia Regional and three other eastern Idaho hospitals weekly. The MRI unit stops in Burley every Wednesday and Friday. It is owned by Intermountain Health Care.

The new machine, valued at \$1.5 million, has a magnet twice as strong as its predecessor. The pictures it creates are more detailed as well as three-dimensional, providing doctors with a complete view inside the body, something they didn't have before.

"With the 3-D it gives a higher dimension of clarity. This just gives us more information, a little better look at things," said Don Cook, manager of Cassia Regional's medical imaging department, formerly called radiology.

The term radiology no longer covers all the types of procedures used to take pictures of the inner-most parts of the human body, Cook said. Sound waves, radioactive water, radiation and magnets all are used nowadays, he said. MRI uses no radiation, he explained.

The MRI process lines up the magnetic pull of atoms in human body tissue, which normally are being pulled in every direction, Cook said. The natural and manipulated state, and the computerized images are created in this way, he said.

MRI allows doctors to analyze blood vessels and soft tissue, such as muscle, ligaments and cartilage, from a computerized image. It can help doctors locate tumors, pinpoint injuries suffered by trauma victims and identify torn cartilage in sports injuries.

"The doctor knows exactly where to operate, before going into surgery," Cook said.

Cassia Regional performs approximately 80 MRI procedures a month, he said. Hopefully, once technological staff become more familiar with the new machine, procedures can be done twice as fast with the new computer, Cook said.

"Usually, we have more patients than we can do in one day."

Magnetic Resonance Imaging has been used in health care since 1984, said Mark Reas, a radiologist who travels with the mobile MRI unit and operates the computer.

"It's like a light-year change every time we get a new magnet," he said.

The updated machine is only the second in Idaho — the other is in Boise, Reas said. The pow-

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Radiographer Mark Reas reads a patient for Magnetic Resonance Imaging, or MRI, which creates computerized pictures of the human body and allows doctors to examine soft tissue.



Reas monitors three-dimensional computer images of a patient's leg.

Ex-GIs say 'Hokey Pokey' predates LaPrise

The Associated Press

When 83-year-old Larry LaPrise died recently in Boise, Idaho, he was mourned as the co-creator of a distinctly American sensation: the Hokey Pokey.

As his daughter, Linda Ruby, recounted the tale, he and two fellow musicians had concocted the novelty song — "You put your right foot in, you put your right foot out" — in 1949 for the apocryphal crowd at Idaho's Sun Valley resort. By the mid-1950s, it had become an integral part of every American childhood.

But there may have been a touch of hanky-panky in the story of the Hokey Pokey. After the Associated Press ran a story about the April 4 death of LaPrise and his role in the creation of the Hokey Pokey, several World War II veterans called the news agency. They had danced the Hokey Pokey in England in the closing days of the war, they said, well before LaPrise claimed to have invented it.

"I landed in England the first or second week of December 1943. The song was very

popular in England at that time," said William G. O'Brien of Tigard, Ore., in a typical recollection. "We danced that all the time over there," recalled another veteran, Anthony Elfontone of Wallingford, Conn.

But LaPrise's daughter, insisted the former GIs must have been mistaken. After all, she pointed out, her father and his bandmates, Charles Maack and Taft Baker, were granted the copyright for the song in 1950.

All three are now dead. Referring to the servicemen, she said, "They might have done a novelty dance similar to the Hokey Pokey, but the trio wrote it and that trio didn't get together until after the war."

But a December 1945 issue of Dance magazine appears to support the memory of the ex-GIs. In that issue, a Pvt. David Houser wrote about a new novelty song sweeping England: "The Okey Cokey." It began, Houser wrote, like this:

"You put your left arm out, and your left arm in."

"You put your left arm out, and shake it all about."

"You do the okey-cokey and you turn about."

"And that's what it's all about."

Houser added that the song "continued with other parts of the anatomy, starting all over again when necessary, and ending when a majority of the group has become exhausted, hysterical or both."

It is, of course, impossible to tell from the Dance magazine article what "the Okey Cokey" sounded like. But the lyrics are remarkably close to those in the LaPrise-Maack-Baker version.

Ruby said her father had served as an Army musician in France during World War II. But she was adamant that he had not learned the song then. She said she believed he patterned it, after the war, loosely after a French ditty his French-Canadian father had sung.

"So what's all this about?"

In the 1945 Dance magazine article, Houser wrote that Americans believe they hold the monopoly on novelty dances. He said an assertion that would hardly hold true today. "England had 'em first."

Tick season is coming; outdoor enthusiasts beware

By Julie M. McKinnon
Times-News writer

TWIN FALLS — Hikers, outdoor sporting enthusiasts and children beware: Tick season is about two weeks away.

And while illnesses spread by bacteria-filled ticks are rare in south-central Idaho, Colorado tick fever and Rocky Mountain spotted fever still can be found, said state epidemiologist Dr. Jesse Greenblatt.

"I think it's worth people being careful about it," Greenblatt said.

"That includes wearing long pants tucked into boots and shirts tucked into pants — along with an insect repellent such as DEET — on trips through lots of vegetation," said Twin Falls County extension educator Bob Vodraska. Wearing clothing of tightly woven cloth also helps, he said.

The dark-colored parasites, which have eight legs and are about one-quarter of an inch in diameter, lurk on vegetation until they can drop onto passing humans and animals, Vodraska said.

"They will attach themselves and wait for a warm-blooded animal to come along," he said.

People should regularly check for ticks, especially on children and in hair, Vodraska said. Combing through hair after being near vegetation helps get rid of ticks before they attach to skin, he said.

To remove ticks, grasp them between your thumb and index finger and pull, making sure no body parts are left behind. Immediately wash the area with soap and water and put an antibiotic ointment on it.

"Sometimes you leave the head behind and you might get infection there," Vodraska said. "You should always remove them as soon as you find them."

There isn't any evidence of Idaho ticks carrying Lyme disease, Greenblatt said. Tularemia is carried by Idaho ticks, relapsing fever, which can strike in 10 to 15 minutes, is the most common tick-borne disease in north Idaho, he said.

Greenblatt said north Idaho has a few cases of relapsing fever annually, but he hasn't heard of a tick-borne illness in south-central Idaho since he started working for the state two years ago.

General symptoms of tick-borne diseases include fever, pain at the site of the bite, tiredness, muscle aches and rash, Greenblatt said.

Those who need help getting rid of ticks in their hair should call their homes should call their county's extension offices, Vodraska said.

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High-speed car accident claims 2 Rupert men's lives

The Times-News

RUPT — Two Rupert men died Saturday morning after losing control of their car at 90 mph, police say.

Driver Steven Wayne Trollinger, 24, apparently lost control of the car on Highway 25 just one mile east of the Rupert fairgrounds.

The car rolled over into the yard of a vacant house and was reported at 1:09 a.m. Trollinger was flown to a hospital in Boise, where he died, said Deputy Richard Koyle of the Minidoka County Sheriff's Department.

Passenger Scott Gary Rasmussen, 22, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Neither was wearing a seat belt.

Police found open beer bottles in the car, Koyle said. He is still waiting for lab tests.

Merchants want lot turned into courtyard

By Jennifer Bunch
Times-News writer

BURLEY - A group of merchants and concerned residents will try and persuade the City Council Monday to make up for the loss of 20 downtown trees by turning a vacant lot into a courtyard.

Cassia County Citizens for Beautification was formed directly because of the loss of trees to the expansion of the Overland Avenue and Main Street intersection, said Tommie Holm, a spokeswoman for the group.

"When you see that as the first thing in town, it doesn't represent what the people of Burley are really like," Holm said about the vacant lot.

Downtown merchants want an effort to make their storefronts charming, she said.

The lot has been vacant for a year, since the old Thriftway

building was demolished. The building was given to the city as a gift.

The city has spent \$90,000 demolishing the building and securing a neighboring building that was weakened by the demolition.

The City Council voted two weeks ago to authorize the Idaho Transportation Department to pave the lot. Main and Overland are state highways, and the Transportation Department is handling the intersection expansion. Council members held off making any decisions about whether to turn the lot into a courtyard, parking lot or sell it.

The Transportation Department offered to help the city with the cost of fixing up the lot to help make up for the loss of downtown parking and convenience to the city by the intersection construction, said Andrea Storjohann, a department engineer in Rupert.

It's not too late for the city to decide not to pave it, she said. But, using the \$2,000 set aside for the paving project in any other way would require approval from department officials, she said.

Holm hopes the beautification group can persuade the City Council to not use tax money to pave the lot just yet. The committee has been gathering signatures of county and city residents in favor of a courtyard. The last signature came was Tuesday. At that time they had gathered 600. They are shooting for 1,000 by Monday.

Committee members have been researching ideas for what realistically could be included in a courtyard there, Holm said. One issue is how to spruce up the scarred wall of the neighboring building, which is not owned by the city, she said. The wall was exposed when the attached Thriftway building was demolished.



Betty Holm and Marie McKnight shop in downtown Burley, which has lost about 20 trees during the widening of the Overland and Main Street intersection.

One person suggested turning the lot into a "heritage park," including Burley's history and picturing the historical downtown, Holm said. None of the original buildings are left at the corner of the intersection, she said.

Merchant Marianne Welch of Recollections Inc. is a member of the beautification group and supports the idea of a downtown courtyard. A parking lot there would be unsafe, she said.

"With the loss of so many trees downtown, I think we need something," she said.

Whether the beautification group will continue after the City Council decides what to do with the vacant lot is not certain, but is a possibility.

"We feel that this is not going to be the end of what we'd like to see done," Holm said.

Magic Valley Study will focus on Northside for new jail

By Rob Lundgren
Times-News correspondent

SHOSHONE - A Blaine County group's study would determine if and how a regional jail could be built on the Northside.

Commissioners from Blaine, Gooding, Jerome and Lincoln counties met this week to continue exploring the possibility of cooperating on a regional jail.

After a discussing county populations and jail capacities, the group talked about the need for a study. The study would include a current and future "needs" assessment, analysis of population and inmate growth, ability of counties to finance a jail, financing options, prisoner transportation options and jail location recommendations.

According to Blaine County Commissioner Tom Blanchard, the completed study should provide the data necessary to decide whether the counties should proceed with the regional jail, and it would be used as part of the background information for securing financing.

The study could cost as much as \$50,000, the commissioners said, though much of the background data already has been collected for Blaine and Jerome counties.

How much of the study's cost each county would pay was not determined, nor was a county's financial obligation should it decide not to participate in the regional jail.

Blanchard said the group of Blaine County investors interested in doing the study also wanted to build and run the jail.

Other issues the group will discuss in the near future include:

- Private versus four-county cooperative operation.
- Services that will be offered in current jail facilities.
- Whether a courthouse will be located at the regional jail.
- Whether to contract with the state for prisoners.
- Questions of liability.
- Type of construction.
- Timelines for the study were not available.

Pocatello native never expected to get jail time for hacking spree

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - Terry Ewing was late. His plane left in an hour and he was cutting it close. But he couldn't tear himself away from his computer and the hole he'd hacked into the security network of Tower Records.

The Pocatello native kept poking around, looking for something interesting to take to the hackers' convention he was going to. Finally, five minutes before the airport shuttle beeped in front of his apartment, he downloaded a file containing 1,700 credit card numbers.

"I thought, I'll grab this database and see what's on it that I can use, as sort of a leverage at this hacker convention — to actually be somebody instead of just spouting off a lot of garbage," Ewing remembers.

"We didn't expect anyone was watching," he said seven months later — through an inch of Plexiglas at the Sacramento County Jail.

Looking back on it now, with 21 months in federal custody stretching before him, the 21-year-old manages a wry grin and says, "Idle hands, I guess."



Terry Ewing, 21, appears at Bannock County Court House in Pocatello in October with his mother, Linda Ghywick. In an unrelated incident, Ewing was convicted in federal court of conspiracy to commit fraud and possession of credit card information obtained during a computer hacking session.

The stakes are higher, and the old days of getting nosy e-mail from a system administrator for breaking in are long gone.

"It's not fun and games. It's not cowboys and Indians. There's too much commerce happening online to allow these cases to go unprosecuted," said William Foranahova, the assistant U.S. district attorney in Sacramento who prosecuted Ewing and Kim.

Ewing had had second thoughts about taking the Tower Records file with him on July 31, so he left it on his hard drive while he and Kim hit DeCon, the biggest of the West Coast hacker gatherings, for a week-end of bragging, haggling out and messing around.

"We never guessed they were out on us. Their security was so weak it really blew," the 20-year-old Kim says by phone from the sixth floor of the same jail that held his friend. He is facing an 18-month sentence.

It was the golden-age of the network, when what are called hackers today were known somewhat affectionately as "tourists."

"You've got the older hackers justifying what they're always doing, giving these kids a false sense of what the situation is — and it's not the same situation," said Bill Benton, a Secret Service agent in the agency's financial crimes division in Washington, D.C.

Business has come online in a major way in the past three years.

Idle hands and an ethic that says, "If your security can't keep me out, it's your own fault if I break in." Overwhelmingly male, often young and generally whipsmart, hackers are bright when it comes to technology.

But they can be dumb when it comes to reality. They imagine themselves to be invincible, invisible and smarter than the people on the other side of the screen.

The truth is, most hackers who steal get caught, most intrusions are noticed and the authorities on the other side of that screen are becoming more and more technically astute — and they're serious about prosecuting computer crime. Despite dreams of glory, most hackers don't get media attention, just jail time.

Smart, likable and funny, Ewing and his best friend, Michael Kim, are a case in point. They figured it out early enough, they'd get some kind of warning, they'd stop and everything would be fine.

That's how it might have gone down in the old days. The hacker community grew up in the 1960s and

Police worry about safety when speed limits increase

BOISE (AP) — Linda Keifer, who braves the I-84 Connector in Boise about twice a week, has one reaction to the state's decision to raise the speed limit from 55 mph to 65 mph.

Fear.

Keifer says even with the speed limit at 55 mph, cars sometimes fly past her like she was standing still.

"I'm scared," she said. "I think people aren't driving responsibly at 55. If you raise it to 65, I can't predict what's going to happen."

Keifer's fears are shared by the Boise Police Department, which opposes the Department of Transportation's decision to increase the speed limit to 65 mph on I-84 and on I-84 from Caldwell to the Broadway Avenue exit.

The changes were announced Thursday as part of a package that will raise the speed limit on most of Idaho's 570-mile Interstate system from 65 mph to 75 mph with higher limits on other highways.

Particularly dangerous, Boise

Police Lt. Jim Tibbs said, is the stretch of I-84 that connects to I-84. He said there have been several recent fatal accidents at the intersection, nicknamed "the Flying Wye."

"When it goes up to 65, we're going to have really serious accidents, and people are going to get hurt," said Tibbs, a department spokesman. "It's sad."

The new speed limit signs are expected to be posted on interstates by May 3. New signs should be posted on the other highways by May 15.

Speed limits on Idaho's highways will not change until the new signs are posted.

A spokesman for the Transportation Department said the agency engineers studied areas where speed limits are to be increased but determined that safety will not be compromised.

The changes were made possible by legislation signed by President Clinton last year lifting federal speed limits and leaving it up to the states.

Tree

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as "getting a town on line" for smart tree care.

Too often, she said, trees are planted and ignored.

On Main Avenue, she found three homegrown trees with ingrown tree guards. Now that tissue has crept around the metal, the guards can't be removed without damaging the trees. "It's definitely a major stress to the trees," she said.

In Harmon Park, ash trees weren't pruned at the appropriate time to encourage growth of a single main stem, Riles said. Now their multiple branches — which make trees susceptible to damage from heavy snow loads — have split and had to be banded together.

In several Twin Falls parks, Riles suspects, compacted soil and poor drainage have suffocated the roots of pine trees. But when her inventory is complete, she'll suggest ways to revitalize them and many of the city's oaks.

A deep watering in the fall, she said, would prevent the redish needles of "winter burn" in evergreens. Greater species diversity would

improve the stability of the city's tree populations.

If trees are healthy, Riles said, insects and disease aren't much of a threat — people are the real environmental hazard for trees.

In City Park, she found a chain — previously fastening a trash can protruding from an elm's trunk. Other trees, pressed into service as light poles, have grown around the wiring conduit, she said.

If city officials say they're ready for this summer, Riles will tell them to establish a "tree ordinance" that would develop responsibility for trees in public places and on roadsides, outline the city's and homeowners' roles in tree care, and provide for a tree caretaker of some sort — perhaps a city-paid arborist or a volunteer board.

"Such an ordinance qualifies as city as a 'Tree City USA,'" if the city also celebrates Arbor Day and spends \$2 per resident per year on purchase and care of trees. Only a handful of Idaho cities have reached Tree City status, Riles said.

"To me, that's a little sad."

MRI

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erful magnet is shielded by a copper plate that prevents it from attracting metal objects like someone's watch or any other metal objects nearby, Reas said.

Patients don't feel anything during the process, Cook said. But they must be careful not to wear any jewelry, he said. The faces of patients who do wear jewelry are X-rayed before the procedure to identify any flakes of metal that may be pulled toward and lodge in the eye, he said. Some surgical metal implants may be affected by the magnetic pull and could damage the body internally, he said. An extensive questionnaire is given to patients before the MRI process to identify such cases, he said.

The procedure lasts 30 to 45 minutes, and patients must lay still inside a narrow cave, Reas said. The new machine has a slightly larger cave, which helps ease cases of claustrophobia, he said. Radiographers can pipe in patients' favorite music, or patients can bring their own compact discs to listen to during the procedure, Reas said.

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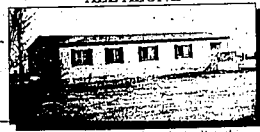
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Tuesday: Chicken strips on french fries.
Wednesday: Pork on chicken strips.
Thursday: Pancakes with apple-spiced up.
Friday: Chicken burger on a bun.

BLISS
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: Choice of mainline or salad bar available Monday through Thursday with optional chicken nuggets.
Monday: Chicken nuggets.
Tuesday: Chicken.
Wednesday: Hamburger, gravy over mashed potatoes.
Thursday: Lasagna.
Friday: Pizza.

BUTTE
Breakfast: Juice served everyday.
Lunch: Veggies with magic sauce.
Monday: Breakfast pizza.
Tuesday: Cereal and cinnamon toast.
Wednesday: Sandwiches and meat.
Thursday: Cereal and toast.
Friday: Chicken strips with meat sauce.
Saturday: Salisbury steak.
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets with barbecue sauce.
Thursday: Cheeseburger on a bun.
Friday: Beef a la mode.

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Breakfast: Juice and toast served everyday.
Lunch: Choice of salad bar with sandwich or soup and sandwich every day.
Monday: Pizza.
Tuesday: Chicken strips.
Wednesday: Hamburger or burrito.
Thursday: Hamburger and chili.
Friday: Hamburger and chili.

CASSIA COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
Breakfast: Fruit or juice served everyday.
Lunch: Choice of salad bar with sandwich or soup and sandwich every day.
Monday: Cereal and cinnamon toast.
Tuesday: Cereal and cinnamon toast.
Wednesday: Chicken strips on a bun.
Thursday: Chicken strips on a bun.
Friday: Chicken strips on a bun.

CASTLEFORD
Breakfast: Monday: Raisins and cereal.
Tuesday: Blueberry pancakes.
Wednesday: Chicken strips.
Thursday: Pancakes.
Friday: French toast.
Lunch: Self-serve salad bar everyday.
Monday: Spaghetti.
Tuesday: Grilled cheese sandwich.
Wednesday: Chicken nuggets.
Thursday: Turkey and chives.
Friday: Grand nosh.

CHUBBUCK
Breakfast: Choice of juice, milk, hot chocolate, cereal, toast or muffin.
Lunch: Salad bar and variety of fruit choice every day.
Monday: Pepperoni pizza.
Tuesday: Turkey and noodles.
Wednesday: Chicken patty on a bun.
Thursday: Chili.
Friday: Tacos.

FILER
Monday: Spaghetti.
Tuesday: Hotdog.
Wednesday: Chicken strips.
Thursday: Turkey sandwich.
Friday: Shrimp pie on a bun.

GLENN'S FERRY
Monday: Tacos.
Tuesday: Foot-long hotdog.
Wednesday: Canadian bacon pizza.
Thursday: Shepherd's pie.
Friday: Barbecued beef on a whole wheat bun.

GIBBONS ELEMENTARY (GOODING)
Breakfast served everyday.
Lunch: Salad bar or potato bar available on alternating days.
Monday: Turkey dip sandwich.
Tuesday: Chicken nuggets.
Wednesday: Sandwich with cheese and meat.

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FBI tries 'family intervention' in standoff

JORDAN (AP) — The cool voice of reason from family members — not guns and test jays — is the FBI's current weapon of choice as it tries to end the standoff with Freeman, the Garfield County attorney said Saturday.

The anti-government group's besieged compound about 25 miles northeast of here was quiet Saturday. A man carrying a rifle held up to take a long walk through the fields in a bitter wind.

"I think what the FBI is content to do right now is family intervention. Let the families of some of these people inside talk them into surrendering," County Attorney Nick Murnion said in an interview.

Murnion said the tactic has yielded some success. More than a week ago, Val Stanton and her 5-year-old daughter left the compound voluntarily after conversations with family members and were whisked away by the FBI.

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Family Life

The Last Picture Show

Keeping movies alive in Shoshone is a family affair for the Zechs

By Steve Crump
Times-News writer

SHOSHONE — Terry Zech's favorite movie is Charlie Chaplin's "Modern Times."

Made in 1936, it's a silent talkie — began before pictures had sound but completed after "The Jazz Singer" had changed the world forever. Neither Chaplin nor his co-star, Paulette Goddard, speak a word in the film, but there are sound effects and music.

It's the story of a country girl who sets off to find her fortune in the big city and falls in love with a tramp instead. "Modern Times" ends with a tune of Chaplin's own devising.

"Smile" is a love song about sweet illusions — about the importance of things larger than life and of memories more honorable than the events they purport to recall.

"He did everything on that picture himself," marvels Zech, a 46-year-old veterinarian by trade and theater owner by heart. "He wrote it, he directed it, he acted in it, and he wrote the music."

On a sleepy Friday afternoon in a sleepy town, it's not so hard to imagine Chaplin's ghost whistling that tune beneath the vaulting art-deco arches in Zech's Shoshone Showhouse, just as ghosts have danced across silver nitrate film from the earliest days of this high-desert railroad crossroads.

At 85, it's a building past its prime in a place out of its time, but that's the charm of both, Zech believes. They don't build movie palaces — or places like Shoshone — anymore.

"I've lived in a lot of small towns, and I've learned that when the theater goes, the town dies," he said. "I didn't want that to happen to Shoshone. I didn't want my kids to miss that."

Five of Zech's six children bustle across the lobby and in and out of the adjacent Simdhe Mattie's Ice Cream and Pizza Parlor, which Zech and his wife, Gayla, built soon after they bought the theater nearly 12 years ago. It was a hole-in-wall bar back then; they gutted it, tore out the wall, scrounged fixtures, antiques and movie bric-a-brac from an old drug store and garage sales, bought a pizza oven, and turned the place into a soda fountain.

"That's one of the reasons we go there," said Twin Falls attorney Tom Kershaw, who describes himself as a regular. "It's a fun, pleasant atmosphere."

On this particular Friday, Zech's daughter Kamille, 18, is dispensing phosphates and malted milks from the soda fountain. Brother Derrick, 16, is upstairs warming up the venerable carbon arc projector. Cody, 15, and

Matt, 13, are selling popcorn. Josh, 10, is taking tickets, while Zachary, 7 months, is absorbing the movie business with some detachment from his baby carrier.

"This business is basically for them," Zech said. "This is how they earn their spending money. They have a say in what we do and what movies we book."

The Showhouse's fare runs to Disney and PG-13 movies, but rarely anything stronger.

"We've had R-rated movies, and the truth is we just don't do as well as we do with the family movies," Zech said.

"It's a good, clean family type of place," said Byron Webb, who visits often with his wife, Ruth, and three kids. "And the prices are cheap." Ruth added.

Small-town showbiz isn't lucrative, Zech allowed. The theater is open only on Friday, Saturday and Monday nights, and closes down during the Lincoln County Fair and during the winter in this basketball-mad town.



While sweeping the hall, Josh takes a peek in to see the previews.

But it's a priceless experience for his kids, he said.

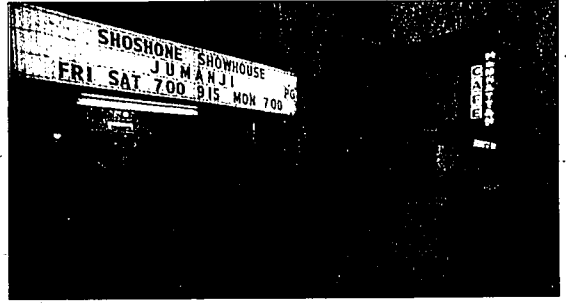
"They learn responsibility, they learn to be organized, they learn to be on time," Zech said. "When they leave here, whatever they decide to do, they're going to be better prepared to do it as a result of this experience."

Ten percent of the Zech children's earnings goes to their church, half into savings, Zech said. Forty percent is theirs to do with as they wish.

"We don't make an issue of forcing them to work here," he said. "They're free not to work if that's what they want, but they don't get any money if they don't."

Zech says his family learned to appreciate old movies when it lived in a

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Movie goers rush in before the start of the late show at the Shoshone Showhouse.



The Shoshone Showhouse is owned and operated by the Zech family. From the left: back row, Gayla, 7-month-old Zachary, Terry, 15-year-old Derrick, 15-year-old Cody; front row, 13-year-old Matt, 10-year-old Josh and 18-year-old Kamille.



Above, changing film without the audience noticing is always tricky. But with the help of his father and brother, Derrick has mastered the task.

At left, Cody serves the drinks while Matt shovels popcorn in the snack bar, which is always busiest just before the start of the show.

Photos by Buddy Charles Mangine

Foolishness runs course with help

One of my presentations is entitled "Understanding and Successfully Managing Your Teenager (and Yourself Through Your Child's Teen Years)." As you might imagine, it's all requested, and the seats never go begging. The typical attendee is a relatively well-educated late-30s to early-40s parent whose standard of living could be described as "comfortable," but who is definitely not comfortable with this stage of his or her parenthood. Nervous, angry, scared, and confused are more like it; nervous over what the teen in question is capable of doing, angry concerning what he or she has already done, scared of what's to come, and confused about what to do.

I begin the presentation by asking for a show of hands from those people who, as teens, "did something fairly bad that their parents never found out about." A few weeks ago, nearly 100 of 200 folks in Statesville, N.C., raised their hands in response to that query.

"Keep your hand up," I said, "if yours was a good family where you learned good values?" I didn't see any hands go down.

"Once again, keep your hand up if you never did the bad thing



Parenting
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Rosemond

in question ever again?" Three-fourths of the hands stayed up.

As I then pointed out, these survey results — and I get pretty much the same results with every audience — mean several things.

1. There's a fairly good likelihood that even a teen from a good family background, one in which proper values are taught, will occasionally misbehave in some outrageous way. Therefore, the fact that a teen-ager does something really bad doesn't mean his/her parents have been deficient or negligent in some respect.

2. As exemplified by the parents who come to my presentations, most of these same teens grow up to be responsible members of their communities. Therefore, the fact that a teen-ager does something really bad doesn't mean he or she is going to grow up to be a bad person.

3. Most teen-agers who do something really bad eventually — if

not immediately — regret having done it, even if their parents don't find out. Therefore, when a child

basically good values does something bad, the likelihood is he will feel bad about it and learn the appropriate lesson even if he is never caught. Another way of saying this: A teen with a well-developed conscience never gets away with anything.

Parental nervousness, fear, anger and confusion don't prevent teens from doing bad things, but this mix of emotion most certainly prevents parents from acting effectively when they need to.

As the once-upon-a-time parent of two teen-agers, I found that in order to act effectively when the proverbial iron gets hot, one needs to keep one's cool.

I also discovered that it's im-

possible to keep your cool if you think everything your teen-ager does is a reflection of your parenting.

There's a fairly good likelihood that even a teen from a good family background, one in which proper values are taught, will occasionally misbehave in some outrageous way.

If you've done your job well to this point (and if you're reading this column, that's almost a given), the overwhelming likelihood is that your teen's foolishness will run its course in due time. Just like yours did.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist in North Carolina. Questions of general interest may be sent to him at P.O. Box 4124, Gastonia, N.C. 28054 and at <http://www.rosemond.com/parenting> on the Internet's World Wide Web.

Movies

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small town in California while Terry was finishing graduate work at the University of California at Davis.

"We didn't have a TV, but we had access to a lot of old movies and a old projector," he said. "We'd watch old movies all the time."

But his own cinematic education goes back much further.

"I grew up in Wisconsin, near a town called Baraboo, which is the headquarters for the Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus," he explained. "We'd go to the show at the El Ringling Theater, which had really elaborate, ornate decor."

The El Ringling was a true movie palace, something like the Shoshone Showhouse in its prime. Whenever Zach cranked up the venerable glass-side projector that still sits in its projection booth, he sees shades of a more genteel past.

"We do whatever we can to make this

look and feel like an old-style theater," he said, noting that the structure is on the National Registry of Historic Places. "We've spruced up the place, but we've kept it pretty much as we've found it."

That extends to the "crazy" room —

once a fixture of theaters for parents with unruly infants — off the lobby and the classic-style ticket booth off the street.

"If this was all I had to make a living, I'd have a hard time of it," he said. "But it's about more than money. It's a place I enjoy coming to work, and so do my wife and kids."

None of the kids has declared an intention to run the theater when they grow up. Zach said that, but that was change: In a town with limited entertainment options, after all, the last picture show is still a big deal.

"I go over to the high school every year on career day to talk about being a veterinarian," he said. "And all the kids ask about the movies."

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Anniversaries

The Nields

PAUL — Oran and Mardenne Nield of Paul celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday. The couple celebrated the event with family members and friends by attending the Logan, Utah, LDS Temple.

After the session, the couple were feted at a dinner at the Juniper Inn in Logan, hosted by their children, Nicole Smith of Rupert and Michael Nield of Shoshone.

The couple were married April 13, 1946, in Afon, Wyo., and lived in Richfield, Twin Falls and Kimberly before settling in Paul in 1962.

Nield was employed by the State of Idaho as a brand inspector for 23 years before retiring in 1983. She taught English at Minidoka High School for 20 years, retiring in 1988.

He is an avid golfer and fisherman, and she is active in Delta



Oran and Mardenne Nield

Kappa Gamma, an honorary society for women educators, the Minicassia Retired Educators Association; and is co-chair of the Minidoka County Outreach Committee, who work with senior citizens.

The couple have two grandchildren.

The Downings

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Downing of Twin Falls will be honored at an open house April 21 in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 1 to 3 p.m. at Conn Springs Inn on Blue Lakes Boulevard N.

Downing and Doris Cocannauer were married April 21, 1946, in Jerome. They have lived in Twin Falls for 40 years. He worked for the United States Postal Service for 33 years and various part-time jobs since retiring. She worked at the Mayfair Shop in Twin Falls.

They have been active in the American Cancer Society, American Legion Post No. 7, and the National Association of



Robert and Doris Downing

Retired Federal Employees.

The event is being given by their daughter, Donna and son-in-law, Kent Christensen and grandsons, Jeff and Evan.

Teen-agers need reliable information about sex

Postponing sexual involvement or remaining abstinent until marriage have been the most popular sex education theories in schools and communities in recent years.

But a new study suggests that leaving information about contraceptives out of the curriculum may be a big mistake.

The study may cause some discomfort among adults who believe that talking about condoms and the like encourages promiscuity.

the Journal Family Planning Perspectives, found that among the teens who received education before the first sexual encounter, 44 percent used a condom, 10 percent used the pill; 2 percent used another form of contraceptive; and 44 percent used nothing.



Your kids

Moreover, the findings have emerged at a time when school districts are struggling to come up with new approaches to sex education. For example, late last year, California Gov. Pete Wilson stunned health educators by announcing that he was dropping the state's three-year, multimillion-dollar sex education program for 12- to 14-year-olds called Education Now and Beliefs.

Later, because Wilson said, it had failed to reduce teen pregnancy rates.

While the new study doesn't claim to have all the answers about what constitutes an effective sex education course, it makes a strong case for teaching detailed information about contraceptives to youths by at least age 13 or 14.

"This study is a kind of red flag," says lead author Jane Mauldin, assistant professor of public policy at the University of California, Berkeley. "It says, 'Hey, folks, wake up and pay attention.' We've been writing off sex education, and we should not do that. This is a strong piece of evidence that contraceptive information makes a difference."

The work, co-written by Kristin Luker, a UC Berkeley professor of sociology, analyzed data from 1,479 American women who were unmarried teens at the time of their first sexual experience.

The survey, published recently in

The Bellems

RUBERT — Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bellem of Rupert have friends and family to help celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday with Mass at 6:30 p.m. at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, and a reception and dance at 8 p.m. at the Rupert Elks Lodge.

Bellem and Lillian Engdral were married April 22, 1946, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church.

They have continued to live in Rupert where he farmed east of Rupert until retirement. She worked at the Minidoka County Motor Vehicle Department for eight years and Trevino Equipment for eight years.

They have been active in the Catholic Church, Elks and Ladies Elks, and the American Legion. He is a veteran of World War II where, as a First Lieutenant, he served as a bomber pilot and transport pilot in the Air Force. He has also been on the Executive Committee of Agricultural Consultants Council at the University of Idaho for the past 15 years and served as president of the council during the 1985-86 period. He was the chairman of the Minidoka County Commissioners for two years.

She is presently on the Senior



Clarence and Lillian Bellem

Citizens Board and is a past president of both the Lady Elks and the American Legion.

The couple has eight children, Daniel Bellem of Marina, Calif., Stephen Bellem of Rupert, Bruce Bellem of Boise, Robert Bellem of Kimberly, Harlan Bellem of Murtaugh, Karen Hartley of Pocatello, Trudy Overlin of Idaho Falls, and Deborah Lee of Teton, Ariz.

Along with their family, all of their bridesmaids, groomsmen, and even their now gray-haired ring bearer will be joining in the festivities.

The couple has 11 grandchildren.

The Chuggs



Jay and Emma Chugg, at left in 1946

RUBERT — Mr. and Mrs. Jay L. Chugg of Rupert will be honored at a reception with dancing to be held April 21 in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Friends and relatives are invited to call from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Rupert Elks Lodge, 200 W. 185 S. The couple requests no gifts.

Chugg and Emma G. Gerlack of Paul, were married April 21, 1946, in Delta, shortly after he returned from two years of overseas duty with the Navy.

They have lived in the Aequia area their entire married life where they farmed. He was also employed with Amalgamated Sugar Co. for many years, retiring in 1988. She is a homemaker and was employed with the Minidoka County School District. She retired as bookkeeper at Minidoka High School in 1988. Since their retirement, they have spent winters in Arizona.

The event is being given by their children, J. Alan of Baltimore, Md.,



Mr. and Mrs. Bob (Cathy) Brown

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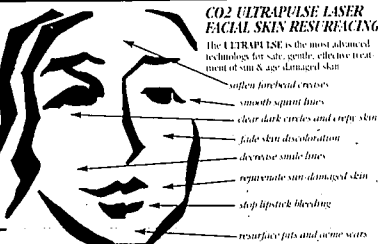
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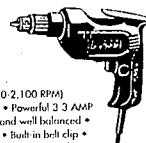
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Engagements

Huffman-Wright

FILER — Ron and Betty Huffman of Parker, Colo., announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Ann Huffman, to Brent Robert Wright, son of Bob and Judy Wright of Filer.

Huffman is a graduate of Ponderosa High School in Parker and the University of Idaho. She is employed at Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont.

Wright is a graduate of Filer High School and the U of I. He is employed by Inter-Mountain Inc. in Bozeman.

The wedding is planned for Saturday.



Brent Wright and Lori Huffman

Hobbs-Berkey

TWIN FALLS — Dr. and Mrs. Brad R. Hobbs of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Kamie Kay Hobbs, to Bryan Douglas Berkey, son of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Berkey of Littleton, Colo.

Hobbs is a graduate of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah. She is employed at A.P.M. as a health consultant in San Francisco.

Berkey is a pre-med student at BYU and served an LDS Mission to Brazil.

The wedding is planned for April 25 (St. Salt Lake City LDS Temple).



Kamie Hobbs and Bryan Berkey

Camacho-Fuentes

TWIN FALLS — Abel and Maria Guadalupe Camacho of Guzman Jalisco, Mexico, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lucy Camacho, to Humberto Fuentes Jr., son of Humberto and Blanca Fuentes of Twin Falls.

Camacho is a graduate of Guzman High School and College. She is employed at Bridge View Estates and the Twin Falls Care Center.

Fuentes attended Twin Falls High School and the College of Idaho. He is employed by the Mountain Home Police Department.

The wedding is planned for April 27 at St. Edward's Catholic Church in Twin Falls.



Humberto Fuentes Jr. and Lucy Camacho

Church in Twin Falls, with a reception to follow. The couple will then take a honeymoon trip to San Francisco.

Leichliter-Swofford

TWIN FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. Jim Leichliter of Twin Falls announce the engagement of their daughter, Heidi Marie Leichliter, to Aaron Allen Swofford, son of Jan Tackett of Twin Falls and the late Allen Swofford.

Leichliter is a 1992 graduate of Twin Falls High School and is scheduled to graduate from Boise State University in 1996, with a health science degree. She plans to continue her education by obtaining a degree in physical therapy.

Swofford is a 1990 graduate of TFHS and is a 1994 graduate of Albion College of Idaho where he majored in physics and mathematics. He is currently attending BSU earning an engineering degree.

The wedding is planned for June 1 at the Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls.



Heidi Leichliter and Aaron Swofford

at the Valley Christian Church in Twin Falls.

Aguirre-Fretz

CASTLEFORD — Tony and Kay Aguirre of Castleford announce the engagement of their daughter, Jesusa Maria Aguirre, to Brad Alan Fretz, son of Phil and Juliet Fretz of Jacksonville, Fla., and Loretta Fretz of Amarillo, Texas.

Aguirre is a 1988 graduate of Castleford High School and the College of Southern Idaho. She is employed by Dr. Paris and Dr. Woods in Hailo.

Fretz is a 1990 graduate of Amarillo High School and Amarillo Community College. He is currently attending West Texas A&M. He is employed by



Jesusa Aguirre and Brad Fretz
Albertsons in Amarillo.
The wedding is planned for May 17.

Strickler-Bothof

BUHL — Duane and Ann Strickler of Buhl announce the engagement of their daughter, Debbie Lynn Strickler, to Donnie Bothof Jr., son of Barbara Bothof and Don Bothof Sr., also of Buhl.

Strickler is employed at 4 Ways Travel in Twin Falls.

Bothof is employed by Valley Hay in Buhl.

The wedding is planned for May 18.



Donnie Bothof Jr. and Debbie Strickler

Fischer-Gates

FILER — Dale and Dean Fischer of Filer announce the engagement of their daughter, Wendy Dean Fischer, to Randy Lee Gates, son of Ron and Mary Gates of Hansen.

Fischer is a graduate of Filer High School and attended Idaho State University. She is employed at Sears in Twin Falls.

Gates is a graduate of Hansen High School and attended the College of Southern Idaho and Boise State University. He is employed at The Car Store in Twin Falls.

The wedding is planned for June 1 at the Grace Baptist Church on Eastland Drive in Twin Falls.



Randy Gates and Wendy Fischer

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Absolutes not absolutely worthless

Last year my uncle was mugged while he was waiting for a train in Chicago. It was the second time he'd been assaulted since he moved there. At the train station, a woman bent down to the floor where my uncle was lying and asked, "Do you have the tape?"

Meanwhile, in small-town southern Illinois, someone was grabbing my mother's purse in the supermarket parking lot. Her home has been robbed twice in the past five years.

Bad enough, but easy to explain away.

My uncle's problem? Three words: Big city crime.

My mother? She lives in a troubled town that's remained in the forefront of racial tensions since the 1960s.

But something happened last month that can't explain so easily. My son's bicycle was stolen out of our garage. And lunch money has been missing from kids' backpacks in area classrooms.

People everywhere, even in "low-crime areas" like the Magic Valley, are complaining that nowhere is safe any more. Sometimes it seems as if we are surrounded by the bad guys.

Not long ago, Jay Leno shared a newspaper story with his TV viewers. A man's house had been robbed. The man told police he was glad the robbers only stole his TV, because he was worried they might have been after his priceless collection of paintings.

A lot of people just don't seem to get it these days.

One teacher told me she is trying to instill good values in her kindergarten kids, but they always seem to be sticking crayons up their noses and pretending to be walrus when they are supposed to be listening.

We've been on a something-for-nothing kick in our country for a long time now, and we have come



Life and Times
Denise Turner

to despise absolutes or rules of any sort. Lots of people seem to feel no guilt when they steal—or kill.

I know a preacher who often speaks on the Ten Commandments.

"To be lost on the freeway is bad enough, but to throw the map out the window is worse—and to argue at length that the map isn't valid is the worst condition imaginable," he tells his congregations. "When all else fails, read the instructions."

A very wise man once told me

that life is an echo: If you drive a car into an immovable object at the speed of 65 miles per hour, there is a law that goes into effect. The speed of the car, the weight of your body—you will strike the windshield with a certain impact and the equation will be the same even if you are the king of England or the president of the United States or the head of the biggest corporation in the world.

Life is like that. You get back pretty much what you put in. Who among us would want to be operated on by doctors who cheated their way through medical school?

Of course, it might be possible to be too moral and honest. A friend of mine, on the eve of turning 40, asked his wife if he looked 40.

"No," she told him, "but you look 45."

Kidding aside, there do appear to be some shrills of hope. A few months ago, for example, Reader's Digest reported the results of a real-life test of integrity.

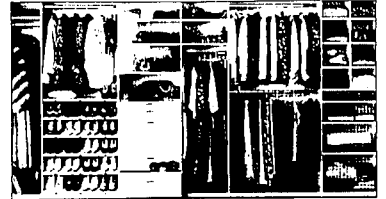
The magazine's editors last wallet, on purpose, in 12 American cities and towns. Each wallet contained \$50. In 67 percent of the cases, the wallets were returned, with the money. (Seattle was the most honest city, with nine out of 10 wallets returned.)

A better world? It's not likely to be the result of earthshaking developments on the national scene. Rather, a better world is built little by little, in the neighborhoods around us, on small acts of kindness, compassion and honesty.

Denise Turner is assistant features editor at The Times-News.

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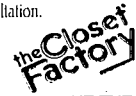
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Family news you can use

Wrong kind of attention?

We may be creating a generation of drug addicts through widespread use of the drug Ritalin to treat attention deficit disorder. So warns University of California at San Francisco behavior pediatrician Lawrence H. Diller. He says he faces considerable pressure from many parents and teachers to medicate children, and that managed health-care economics also creates pressure for a rapid diagnosis and treatment, which usually means medication.

Overkill

Speaking of overmedication, the Food and Drug Administration says parents should not overuse a prescription drug for treating lice infestations because too much could cause neurological damage. The drug lindane is safe when used as directed, the FDA says. But it warns problems can arise when zealous parents pour too much on a child's head or reuse it because the child still itches after a first application.

Infant immunization

Give your child a shot in the arm. April 21-27 is National Infants Immunization Week, and health officials are urging you to make sure your children receive regularly scheduled immunizations against serious childhood diseases, such as measles, mumps and polio. "Today, nearly five million children in this country are needlessly at risk—since these diseases are entirely preventable and vaccines are readily available to all children," says Jeffrey Koplan, Prudential HealthCare's chief medical research officer.

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As an employee, I appreciate all the members and co-workers that made this a possible dream come true. I'd also like to thank Natural Way Health Food Store for donating some of their products to keep me healthy before the race.

Plus you all and thanks again.
HOLLY ANDERSEN
Twin Falls

Jazz Ambassadors appreciate concert goers

Thank you for your part in sponsoring the Jazz Ambassadors of the United States Army Field Band. Judging from the comments, the tapping toes and applause, the concert was a musical success. What a joy to have entertainment of this caliber — and for free! The College of Southern Idaho Jazz Band was also great.

Again, thank you very much.
BETTY NEWBY
Twin Falls

Business support of soup kitchens helpful

Thank you to those businesses that donate to the community soup kitchen and other helping hands. Congratulations to the many volunteers that give of their time, and God bless those who receive the help.

KEITH AND ANGIE BURGESS
Twin Falls

People and businesses deserve hand for helping

The students and teachers at Twin Falls High School would like to thank the following people and businesses for their help by giving our students the opportunity to explore different job opportunities.

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Thank you Steve Westphal for kindness

I would like to take a moment to thank Steve Westphal, who helped me out in a time of need on Tuesday, April 2. As I was driving into Twin Falls from my apartment in Filer, I blew out a tire. I knocked on Steve's door, and he let me place several phone calls. He then drove me and my children into town after we could not find a ride. He wouldn't let me give him any money, so I want to tell

him, "Thank you so much for your kindness."
ANDREA RICHARDSON
Filer

Habitat for Humanity appreciates Towsley's aid

To Sheriff Wayne Towsley: Habitat for Humanity of the Magic Valley thanks you for your help escorting 20 Habitatre 96 walkers for Habitat for Humanity of the Magic Valley on Saturday, March 30, on their walk from Filer to Twin Falls.

We appreciate your staff's efforts. We realize it is difficult to staff a weekend event. Jerry and Cindy Schultz were walking from Olympia, Wash., 3,000 miles to Atlanta, Ga., to raise the money in celebration of the 20th anniversary of Habitat for Humanity International. Your effort contributed to that effort.

FRED D. DECKER
Treasurer
Habitat for Humanity of the Magic Valley
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Harney brothers' mouse support thoughtful

I was at work when it happened — dead mouse. Apple Macintosh mouse, that. There are no businesses in Twin Falls that I could find that sell Macintosh Apple mice.

But that doesn't mean I didn't find one. One of the businesses I called, Aspen Data Systems, referred me to Tom Harney at Sunset Memorial because he knew Tom used an Apple mouse. Well, Tom had loaned his mouse to his brother, Hugh, at Hamilton Manufacturing. To make a long story short, the Harney brothers let me borrow their mouse so I could get through my work day.

Thanks to the three businesses who saved my work day!
KANDY JENKINS
Twin Falls

Group made school's booth a success

The Valley Support Our Schools organization and the junior class would like to thank the following businesses for their donations to our booth at the school carnival. Their help was greatly appreciated.

Pioneer Idaho, Papa Kelsey's, Douglas Service, West One Bank, Valley Cafe, Black Oil Co., Anderson Camp, Jensen's Jewelry, Vicki's Flower Basket, Danny Marona's Family Billiards, Tom's 50-Minute Photo, Valley Service, Mac's Market, Donnelly's Sports, Magic Bowl, SkateLand, Bowladrome, Kitchen Magic, Pedersen's, Hastings, Little Red Hen, L&L Market, Shear Magic, Made in Idaho, Leonard and Eunice Kelso, Royal Lounge, Trinidad-Benham/Conida, The Buckle, Robin Todd, Trophy Club, Pine Club, Maeda in Idaho by Gerald, Harold and Doris Cameron and Smith's Food King.
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Somebody needs you

- Volunteers are needed for the hospice program at Magic Valley Staffing Services, Hospice Division. As a hospice volunteer you will have a special role to help deliver quality care to terminally ill patients and their families. Volunteers are needed in the Magic Valley area. Volunteers can also help in the office. Hospice orientation and OSHA training are available every second Wednesday of each month. For more information, call Susan Harris at 734-0600 or 1-800-303-0602.
- Senior community volunteers are needed at Wood River Care Center in Shoshone to play bingo, lead small discussion groups, or crafts. If you have a particular interest or hobby, you could share your information with others who are eager to learn. Music, scriptures, literature and travel are of great interest to the residents at Wood River Care Center. If you would like help, call Debra Eavenson, volunteer coordinator at (208) 886-2228.
- The Senior Companion Program in Mini-Cassia has openings for Hispanic and bilingual persons 60 or older who are lower income. Senior Companions lend a helping hand with homebound older folks that really want to stay at home. The program pays a stipend, travel reimbursement, provides some meals, and annual physical and accident liability and excess auto liability insurance. For more information, call Ida at HIC Home Care at (208) 678-8844.

- The Hagerman Senior/Community Center is in need of volunteers for the following home delivered meals, drivers, servers, clean up or maintenance, activities, advertising, fund raising activities, cashiers, and seniors assisting seniors. If you can help, call (208) 837-6120.
- The College of Southern Idaho Refugee Center is in need of the following items for individuals and families in transition: large men's clothing.

ing, women's maternity clothing, baby items, and miscellaneous kitchen items. If you can donate, call Gail Hancock at 736-2166.

- A 72-year-old male would like a companion to go fishing with, to the senior citizens center or lunch and possibly play card games or a game of pool. He has lost his voice box due to cancer and uses a servox (teletro) to communicate.

The enjoys getting wood and cutting it. He is willing to pay for gas, lunches, etc. Wants to get out of the house more with other adults. If you can spend a few hours a day or week with him, call Jean McGuire at 736-2122, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- The Mini-Cassia Juvenile Corrections and Probation Department needs volunteers for the mentoring program, tutoring program and other volunteer programs. If you can help, call Jana McGill, volunteer services coordinator at (208) 436-7150.

- Caregivers of the Magic Valley. There is a program that is tailored for just your needs in coping with

the everyday job that is your responsibility. If you need us to help with your loved one because of business or pleasure, give us a call. The time is set according to your needs. We strive to give the type of experience that will allow you to be at ease while absent from your loved one. Call the Office in Aging at 736-2122. Kitty Andrews in the Mini-Cassia area at (208) 436-1230 or (208) 436-0727, or Claudia Loomis at (208) 543-5815 or 1-800-574-8656.

- Friends in Recreational Opportunities Group (FROG) is in need of volunteer drivers for recreational activities. If you can help, call 734-5045 during the day or (208) 934-4263 or (208) 324-6591 during the evening.

- English as a Second Language (ESL) classes offered through the College of Southern Idaho need volunteers to assist instructors Monday through Thursday evenings. Class times are 6:30 to 9:40 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. If you have an evening free and want to help others, call 733-9554, ext. 2536 for more information.

Nominate an everyday hero

The Times-News

Do you know an everyday hero?

Someone who works with kids, gives his or her time and resources, helps a stranger in need — without taking any credit?

We'd like to hear about such people.

The Times-News is beginning a series of articles about the unsung heroes in the Magic and Wood River valleys. We'll publish them as a regular feature.

Anyone who does something extraordinary — neighbors, scoutmasters, church group members, hospital volunteers, tutors — with out getting paid for it, qualifies. So do professionals, such as caregivers and teachers, who contribute something extra.

Send your nominations to Everyday Heroes, The Times-News, P.O. Box 548, Twin Falls 83303. We'll need your name, phone number, the name of your Everyday Hero, and a few sentences about the person and what he or she does.

My everyday hero is _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

I'm nominating this person because _____

Your name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____

Study: Estrogen helps keep teeth

The Associated Press

A California study offers another reason for older women to take estrogen replacement therapy: It helps them keep their teeth.

The study looked at nearly 4,000 women residents of Leisure World, a California retirement community. It found that women who took estrogen had a significantly lower rate of tooth loss than women who didn't and were much less likely to lose all their teeth and wear dentures.

The finding makes sense, since tooth loss is closely related to osteoporosis.

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"My aunt gave me this plate for my birthday when I was just 12. I kept it in my room because she said it was of some value. When the plate broke, it was as if my childhood memories had shattered too."

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Trail association plans yearly meeting

The Times-News

POCATELLO — The Idaho Chapter of the Oregon-California Trail Association has planned its annual meeting for 10 a.m. April 20 at the Quality Inn.

A field trip from Chesterfield Reservoir to Fort Hall will be held in the afternoon. The public is invited to both events. For more information, call Alton Patrick at 733-6897.

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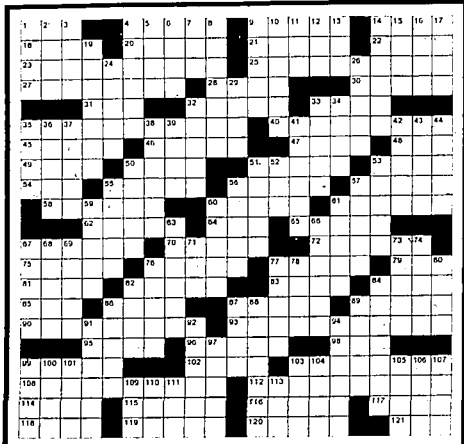
By Dorothy B. Martin

THE Sunday Crossword

Edited by Herb Ettenson

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Senior Calendar

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Gooding County Senior Citizens Inc.
308 Senior Ave.
All dinners at noon.
Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors and \$4 for non-seniors.
Monday: Chili/baked potato
Tuesday: Chicken fried steak
Wednesday: Chicken enchiladas
Thursday: Roast beef

Activities
Monday
Pool at 9:30 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.
Line dancing at 9:30 a.m.
Ladies pinocle at 12:30 p.m.
Hand & Foot card game at 6 p.m.
Tuesday
Pool at 9:30 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.
Knitting at 9:30 a.m.
Bridge at 6:30 p.m.
Nationally renowned vodeler, Leeland Smith of Reno, Nev., will entertain before and after lunch. He will be accompanied by Reuben Miller of Fairfield.
Wednesday
Pool at 9:30 a.m. and again at 1 p.m.
Line dancing at 9:30 a.m.
Crafts at 12:45 p.m.
Shuffleboard at 6 p.m.
Thursday
Pool at 9:30 a.m.
Fiddlers will perform at 12:30 p.m.
Open pool at 1:30 p.m.
TOPS at 5 p.m.
Pinocle at 12:30 p.m.
Friday
Bridge at 9 a.m.
Open pool at 9 a.m.
Wild One card game at 6:30 p.m.

Jerome Senior Center
212 First Ave. E.
All dinners at noon.
Suggested donation is \$2.50.
Monday: Lasagna
Tuesday: Chicken fricassee

Wednesday: Porkloaf
Thursday: Chicken marinara
Friday: Meatloaf
Activities
Monday
Aerobics at 11 a.m. and again at 3 p.m.
Tuesday
Aerobics at 11 a.m. and again in the afternoon.
Pinocle at 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday
Metodians will perform at 12:15 p.m.
Pinocle at 7:30 p.m.
Thursday
Aerobics at 9:30 a.m. and

again in the afternoon.
Friday
Pinocle at 12:30 p.m.
Silver & Gold Senior Center
203 Wilson, Eden
Dinner is served at noon.
Suggested donation is \$2 for seniors, \$3.50 for non-seniors and \$1.50 for children under 12. Home delivered meals suggested donation is \$2. Center hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday-Thursday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday.
Tuesday: Meatballs
Thursday: Soup and sandwich

Activities
Monday
Breakfast from 8 to 10 a.m.
Tuesday
National look-a-like day. Everyone wear stripes.
Wednesday
Bake day.
Friday
Friendship club.
Friday
Brunch with biscuits and gravy from 9 a.m. to noon.
Hagerman Senior and Community Center
140 E. Lake
Dinners served at noon on

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays. Suggested donation is \$2.50 for seniors, \$4 for non-seniors and \$2.25 for children under 12. Breakfast served from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays. Prices posted in dining room.
Tuesday: Egg chorizo and potatoes
Wednesday: Baked ham
Thursday: Soup and sandwich buffet
Friday: Roast pork
Activities

Tuesday
Tale painting from 7 to 9 p.m. at the center.
Wednesday
Gaggy Band will perform at 11:30 a.m.
Thursday
Center clean up from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
Friday
Show and tell from 11 a.m. to noon.
Blood pressure checks at 1 p.m.
Saturday
Fund raiser breakfast from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$4.

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JEROME 4

West Main ... 324-4875

Matinees on Sat-Sun
Sat. Bilko (PG) Steve Martin 7:00-9:00
Sat-Sun 1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00-9:00

James and Giant Peach (PG) Wolf Disney
Daily 7:15-8:45
Sat-Sun 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:15-8:45

Down Periscope (PG-13) Kelsey Grammer
Daily 7:15-9:15
Sat-Sun 1:15-3:15-5:15-7:15-9:15

Jumpin' (PG) Adults \$2 ... Kids \$1
Pebin Williams ... Daily 7:00-9:00
Sat-Sun 1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00-9:00

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Richard Gere - Sooner or later a man who wears two faces forgets which one is real.
Daily 7:00-9:30
Sat-Sun 4:30-7:00-9:30

TWIN CINEMA 9

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MATINEE PRICES
From 12:00-1:00 p.m. Adults \$3.00
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Child 12 or Under ... Unsees \$2.75

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Adults \$5.50 Seniors \$2.00 Child \$2.75

Sat. Bilko (PG) Steve Martin
Flirting with Disaster (R) Alan Alda
Daily 7:15-9:30
Sat-Sun 12:30-2:45-5:00-7:15-9:30

Executive Decision (R) Kurt Russell
The Bird Cage (R) Robin Williams
Up Close & Personal (PG-13) Redford Pfeiffer
Daily 6:45-9:15
Sat-Sun 1:45-4:15-6:45-9:15

James and Giant Peach (PG) 7:00-8:45
Sat-Sun 1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00-8:45

Fear (R) Together forever? 7:00-9:15
Sat-Sun 12:15-2:30-4:45-7:00-9:15

Mr. Holland's Opus (PG) Daily 6:45-9:30
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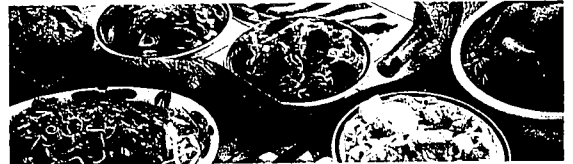
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Community events

Quality of life workshop set

JEROME - A workshop series designed to increase the quality of life and empower people and relationships begins this week.

The Rev. Jeff Frost, vicar at Holy Trinity/Cathedral Episcopal churches, will facilitate the series entitled "Developing Capable People." He will use concepts and materials developed by H. Stephen Glantz.

An introductory video session is set for 7 p.m. Monday at the Jerome Civic Club Memorial Library. Admission is free.

Training sessions will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. April 21 and 28 and May 5 at the library. Topics include "Helping People See Themselves as Capable," "Helping People See Themselves as Significant" and "Developing Responsibility." Cost for the training sessions is \$35.

Registration for training will be taken at the end of the night or may be made in advance by calling 324-8931.

Sons of Norway local meets

TWIN FALLS - Sons of Norway Magic Valley Viking Lodge 2160 will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the KMYT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

The agenda includes group singing and a hardanger demonstration by Sheryl Westorhold. A date will be set for a hardanger lesson. Lefse and finger foods will be shared, and Norsk language classes will begin. Anyone is welcome. For more information, call Carol or Ken Joa at 324-8096.

Retired Sugar Workers gather

TWIN FALLS - Retired Sugar Workers will meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday at the KMYT Community Room, 1100 Blue Lakes Blvd. N.

Rep. John Alexander from Pocatello will speak. Everyone is welcome.

Learning event for kids set

TWIN FALLS - Math & Science at the Mall is planned for 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Magic Valley Mall.

The activity is for children in kindergarten through eighth grades and their parents. Students accompanied by an adult will receive a link containing hands-on math and science activities. Questions are categorized by grade level and will cover basic math, geometry, algebra, earth science, biology, physical science and other math and science-related topics.

Goals of Math & Science at the Mall include educating students on the relationship between concepts learned at school and real-world applications and experiences, encouraging student/parent relationships in solving math and science problems and putting businesses and community members in touch with area schools.

Sports card night scheduled

TWIN FALLS - A sports, non-sports and gaming card night is planned for 6 p.m. Tuesday at Haffner's, 304 Fourth Ave. W. (in the Old Town district).

The public is invited to bring extra cards and games to trade with others. For more information, call Laura at 733-0016.

Mom's Network in works

TWIN FALLS - Suzanne Kanninen is organizing a Mom's Network of the Magic Valley.

The Mom's Network offers play groups, children's craft day, mom's craft day, mom's night out, support for moms and other activities. Anyone interested in joining the group is asked to meet Kanninen at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the park on Carriage Lane, just off Addison past Kmart, or call 733-3950.

Retired workers group meets

TWIN FALLS - Magic Valley Chapter 1959 of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees has planned its monthly meeting for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Elmer's Pancake & Steak house on Blue Lakes Boulevard North.

All current and retired federal employees are welcome and encouraged to attend, whether members or not. For more information, call Russel Rosenau at 733-0909.

Grief teleconference at CSI

TWIN FALLS - The third annual National Teleconference on Grief will be presented via satellite from Washington, D.C., from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday in Rooms 120 and 121 of the Canyon Building at the College of Southern Idaho. The public is invited, and admission is free.

"Living With Grief: After Sudden Loss" is an interactive, professional development program specially designed for both families bereaved by sudden loss and professionals who deal with these situations daily, such as health care providers, police and other law enforcement officials and medical services personnel. The conference will cover loss as a result of accident, suicide, homicide, heart attack and stroke. It features a panel of experts.

Mighty mural



Marco Lopez, pastor of the First Baptist Church in Castletown, adds to a mural he is painting at the Castletown school last week. The mural depicts the entrance to Castletown, the school and Balanced Rock. Lopez said the three elements are the main points of interest in the small Twin Falls County town. The school is the "main attraction," he said. His first big art project, the mural is in its third week of creation and Lopez said he hopes to finish it next week. He works a few hours each afternoon on the painting. It's his way of giving something back to the school, he said.

Continuing Education Units are available, and complimentary program companion books will be distributed. Seating is limited, and those attending are advised to arrive early. Participants may bring a sack lunch.

The teleconference is sponsored nationally by the Hospice Foundation of America, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers and the Association for Death Education and Counseling. It is co-sponsored locally by the Magic Valley Regional Medical Center Hospice and Family Bereavement Committee and the College of Southern Idaho.

For more information, call 737-2508 or 737-2901.

Learn to cope with widowhood

TWIN FALLS - Widowed Information and Consultation Services is beginning an eight-week series of meetings on "Coping with Widowhood" this week.

Meetings will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, beginning April 17, at the College of Southern Idaho Office on Aging. Widowed people will receive information and support. For more information or to register, call 736-2122.

Help Harrington celebrate 100

TWIN FALLS - Flo Sweet Harrington will celebrate her 100th birthday at an open house set for 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Garden Room at Woodstone Retirement Center, 491 Casswell Ave. W.

The public is invited. No gifts please.

Flo Sweet was born April 17, 1896, in Purdy, Mo. Her family moved to Gooding when she was in the fifth grade, then to Missouri, where she finished high school, and then to Twin Falls. She married Owen Harrington in 1917, and they had three children, two of whom died in infancy. Harrington and her son, J. Gene Harrington, both volunteered for service in World War II. Gene was in the Marine Corps and was killed in the Korean war in 1951. Flo became a licensed practical nurse, worked on an Indian reservation and served with Volunteers in Service to America. She also worked as a nurse at the Twin Falls County Hospital and the Skyview and Hazelwood nursing homes.

Bloodmobile hits Gooding

GOODING - The American Red Cross

CSI cheerleader tryouts set

TWIN FALLS - Tryouts for the College of Southern Idaho cheerleading squad will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday at the CSI gymnasium. For more information, call Sylvia Jensen at 734-9554, Ext. 2278.

Standards perform in Filer

FILER - The Standards will perform a benefit concert at 8 p.m. Saturday in the auditorium at the Filer High School. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Cost is \$5 in advance or \$7 at the door. Tickets are available at the Print Shoppe in Filer and Everybody's Business in Twin Falls. Proceeds will be used to purchase books for the Filer Middle School library.

Classes

Active Parenting class begins

TWIN FALLS - An Active Parenting class open to all parents will begin its next six-week session this week.

Classes will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, April 18 through May 23, at the Little House Family Center located on the corner of Elizabeth and Eastland Drive-Corpe-Poolson will lead the discussions.

No sign-up is required, and admission and materials are free. Free child care during class is available at South Central Child Care, 296 Falls Ave. W. Call Tahna at 736-7649 to arrange child care.

The program is sponsored by the Child Care Resource Center (South Central Community Action), Twin Falls School District, Title I and Student Assistance programs, and Region V Health and Welfare. For more information, call Marlene Yardley at 734-9351.

Focus on people

Richfield girl accorded honor

Kristie Holland, daughter of Linda and Larry Holland of Richfield, has been chosen as a finalist in the 1996 Pre-Teen Idaho Scholarship and Recognition Program, set for May 25-26 at the Sun Valley Resort in Sun Valley.

Pre-Teen Idaho is a by-invitation only scholarship and recognition event involving 7- to 12-year-old girls, based on their academic records, awards and honors and their participation in outside activities. Kristie would like to thank her sponsors: Dr. Lawrence Child of Gooding, First Interstate in Richfield, Mowland of Shoshone and Costco of Twin Falls.

College students grab 1st

The Carroll College Talking Saints recently finished their regular season with a first-place sweepstakes victory at Whitman College, winning their sixth consecutive Northwest Conference Regional Championship. Magic Valley-area participants include junior Manda Hicks and sophomores Katie Neff and Christina Vogel, all from Jerome, and Teneale DePew, a sophomore from Twin Falls. Hicks won first in after-dinner speaking and program oral interpretation and partnered with Neff to win third in duo interpretation. DePew and Vogel also won awards.

CSI students learn business

Several College of Southern Idaho students attended the Business Professionals of America State Competition March 6 in Boise, where they took home awards and qualified in various categories for national competition. The National Leadership Conference will be held April 30-May 5 in Phoenix, Ariz.

The first five places in Desktop Publishing were won (in order) by Ramona Woratash and Zsuzsanna Laslo, both of Twin Falls; Shannon Gnesa of

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Gooding; Dennis Frisby of Jerome; and Bill Hamilton of Twin Falls. Laslo placed second and Fran Dennis of Twin Falls was fourth in Computer Aided Graphics. Dennis also qualified in the yearbook committee. The presentation management team of Gnesa, Hamilton, Maria Mejia of Twin Falls and Darla Prescott of Richfield qualified for the national contest. Shannon Davis of Jerome placed second in the Office Assistant competition.

Denise Tiggen of Burley, local chapter president, will be a national office candidate.

Ridinger serves as intern

Jenny C. Ridinger served as a legislative intern for the Joint Finance Appropriations Committee during the recent legislative session.



Ridinger

She served as a ballot clerk - recording motions, calling roll and tallying votes by committee members.

She also observed the worker's compensation debate from the House gallery.

Ridinger, a student at Boise State University, is majoring in political science and minoring in psychology; she plans to graduate in December.

A former resident of Shoshone, she is the daughter of Renee Regelin of Meridian and Leo Crane of Orofino and the ex-wife of Rep. Tim Ridinger, R-Shoshone, who serves Lincoln, Gooding, Blaine, Camas and Elmore counties in District 21.

She has two children, Tara, 8, and Jordan, 5. Ridinger works part time in the fiscal office of the Idaho Supreme Court. She has been on the dean's list and is a recipient of a Laura Moore Cunningham Scholarship.

Solomon makes president's list

Dusty Solomon has been named to the president's list for the fall semester at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston for earning a 4.0 grade-point average.

She graduated from Wendell High School in 1994, where she was valedictorian. She served as president of the Residence Hall Association at LCSC, but recently stepped down when she changed her major to elementary education to allow time to maintain 23 credits for the spring semester.

Moreno earns honor roll

Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Ky., has named senior Sylvia E. Moreno of Twin Falls to the honor roll for the fall 1995 semester.

5 generations



Photo courtesy The Life-Vigle Family

The family of Lito Vigle of Twin Falls gathered recently to have a five-generation photo taken. Seated in the front is Vigle, on the left, and her daughter, Cindy Hovde of Olympia, Wash. In the back row are Vigle's granddaughter, Ladonna Shaw of Rochester, Wash., on the left, and her great-granddaughter, Kelly Berta of Kalispell, Mont. The child is Vigle's great-great-granddaughter, Ashton Mario Berta of Kalispell.

Sports

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“I was shocked and surprised — I don't know how we scored a run.”

— Eric Dennis, athletic director at Chicago's Robert Morris College, after the school's baseball team lost, 7-1

Briefly

Humanitarian-Hall-of-Fame to induct trio

BOISE — Speedskater Bonnie Blair is among the latest trio of athletic role models to be inducted into the World Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame.

Distance runner Kip Keino and diver Pat McCormick also will be honored when the hall holds its third annual induction ceremony on Nov. 8.

The event will be televised nationally by CBS Sports, said Hall of Fame President Myron Finkbeiner.

Blair is a five-time Olympic gold medalist, and gives generously of her time to charities in her home town of Champaign, Ill. Keino, of Eldoret, Kenya, was his country's first noted distance runner. He and his wife now run an orphanage on their ranch in western Kenya.

McCormick was the United States' premier diver in the 1950s, winning four gold medals. She is founder and organizer of "Pat's Champs," a group that oversees an educational program for at-risk students in Los Angeles schools.

Football player, woman found dead on Miami campus

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — A Miami football player and a woman were slain Saturday in a campus apartment attack discovered by a student who found the door blocked by a bloody body.

Marlin Barnes, 22, a reserve linebacker for the Hurricanes, and the unidentified woman were killed in a "double homicide," police said. They were found in the apartment at about 7:30 a.m.

Police said Barnes had "sustained trauma" but did not elaborate. The woman was found in an adjacent room, wounded and in critical condition. She was taken to Jackson Memorial Hospital where she died.

Metro-Dade Police Detective Tony Carvajal said he didn't know the method, motive or weapon used. Carvajal said police were trying to confirm the woman's identity, but said she apparently was not a student.

The victims were found by a student who returned home, to find his apartment door obstructed. He peered inside and saw a man lying against the door in a pool of blood, police said.

Jerome booster contest set to raise cash tomorrow

JEROME — The 2nd annual Jerome Boosters Basketball Mania fundraiser is slated for 7:30 p.m. Monday in the high school gym.

Parents, faculty and alumni will battle the boys' and girls' varsity teams. Door prizes and a kiss-the-pig contest also are planned.

Admission is \$2 per spectator, \$1 per participant and \$10 per family. Money raised will be used for the Jerome High School Boosters scholarship fund.

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Sportslate

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Rodeo wraps up at CSI

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The District high school rodeo wrapped up its two-weekend run at the College of Southern Idaho Expo Center Saturday night.

Dusty Lapp of Filer took the bull riding competition with a 68. Raft River's Jocko Hutchison scored 63 to win the saddle bronc competition.

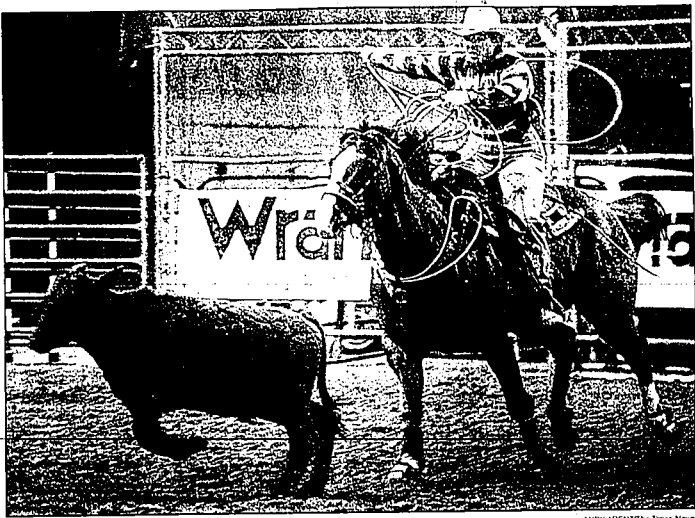
In cow cutting, Dusty Nelson of Burley took high honors for the boys, while Twin Falls' Kala Vitek won the girls' division.

Jerome Koepnick, Rupert, took the barrel racing with a 50. Raft River rider Beau Hutchison won the cat roping in 13.7 seconds. Schoolmates Waylon May and Cody Laumb were up in team roping at 7.1.

Bo Chadwick, Rogerson, and Dusti Rogers, Rupert, tied in goat tying at 10.2. Murtagh steer wrestler Tanner Stanger threw his steer in 4.9 seconds to win, while Kurt Wright, Bluff, won the breakaway roping in 2.9 seconds.

Filer's Cody Roundtree, hospitalized Friday night after a nasty spill in the saddle bronc competition, was reported in good condition at Magic Valley Regional Medical Center.

The next high school rodeo is in Bluff Friday at 2 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m. Complete results will appear in Monday's edition of The Times-News.



Heather Lloyd of Oakley zoro in on her calf during a 7.4-second performance in the breakaway roping event Saturday.

Eagle snatches 2 from Twin Falls

By Brad Bowlin
Times-News sports editor

TWIN FALLS — Only about half of a baseball game takes place on the diamond. The rest is played between the fans.

That second phase of the game abandoned Twin Falls Saturday as the Bruins dropped a non-conference doubleheader to Eagle, 9-7 and 5-4.

"I gave the kids a day off this week, maybe that was a mistake," said Bruin coach Dan Creeker after the Mustangs executed the doubleheader to perfection to wipe the second game.

Twin Falls had watched a 4-0 lead evaporate to a tie when relief pitcher Isaiah Day fell victim to a play that cost the Bruins a game earlier this season.

With two outs in the top of the fifth and third inning, Day was in control of hitter Chris Easley, with a ball and two strikes. Eagle's James Yee represented the go-ahead run at third and Jed Robinson danced off the first-base bag.

As Day set to deliver the next pitch, Robinson broke for second, drawing an ill-advised pick-off throw. The runner stopped, Yee scrambled home, and the throw to the plate was too late to prevent the Mustangs (7-9) from taking the lead.

They moved down Easley on the next pitch to end the inning, but the damage had been done. The Bruins went down in order in the bottom of the fifth, falling to 5-7 overall.

"It's not like we don't practice that," Creeker said of the double steal by Eagle. "We lost one to Capital on the exact same play."

The Associated Press

Norman closer to 1st Masters

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The only thing left for Greg Norman is to win the darn thing. The Masters is difficult enough when a guy like Nick Faldo is breathing down your neck. But it's even tougher when you have to drive history around the Augusta National Golf Club with it.

But Norman handled it all on Saturday, making every big shot and turning every apparent Faldo advantage into a gain for himself. He posted a gutsy 71 to be at 13-under-par 203 after 54 holes, six strokes ahead of Faldo going into the final round.

After so many heartbreaks — twice finishing runner-up in the Masters, seven times settling for second in major championships — Norman was only 18 holes away from the Augusta National victory he wants so badly.

"This sure could be his time," Duffy Waldorf said about Norman. "No one deserves a green jacket more than him."

Olympics near, but plenty of work remains

Dallas Morning News

ATLANTA — At the far end of Billy Payne's reporters office, in front of a bank of floor-to-ceiling windows, sits a stationary bicycle. The bike has been positioned so that Payne, while he pedals, can look out over the bulldozers that are giving shape to a new park in a long-neglected corner of downtown Atlanta.

At the other end of Payne's office, on a balcony behind his desk, sits a small black-and-white TV monitor hooked up to a closed-circuit feed from the Olympic Stadium across town. The monitor allows Payne to keep track, minute by minute, of the construction work at



Twin Falls' Jeff May dives head-first into second to beat the force by Eagle's Jeff Tupper, but May was called out on the play during the first game of a doubleheader Saturday in Twin Falls.

Jeff Hanchey started the game with a double for Twin Falls, and the Bruins capitalized on Mustang miscues behind the plate for three runs in the first.

Hanchey tripled in the third, missing an inside-the-park homer when he slipped rounding the third-base bag. He scored on Jeff May's strikeout when a dropped third strike forced the catcher to throw May out at first.

Eagle drew within 4-3 in the fourth. Yee was hit by a pitch and Robinson drew a one-out walk before Easley doubled in the first Eagle run. Jon Hewlett's single plated two more.

With the '96 Olympic Games not that far away, these two things — the bike and the TV screen — represent the forces that continue to tug at William Porter Payne, president and spiritual force of the Atlanta Olympic effort.

A real estate lawyer who first contacted the plan to bring the Olympics to Atlanta, Payne rides the bike these days to keep his triple-pumped heart in good shape. And true to his Type A nature, he uses the TV to make sure his new stadium is in good shape, that it will be ready and resplendent for the

July 19 opening ceremonies. Some 3.5 billion people will be watching the opening-night pageantry, and Payne wants it done right.

The Olympic flame arrives from Greece on April 27 — a week from Saturday — and the subsequent cross-country torch relay will take 84 days. But Atlanta organizers' flames are already burning bright, and there are plenty of obvious signs that the Olympics are bearing down on the city.

"With 100 days to go, this is the time when all the naysayers and doomsmongers start to come out of the woodwork," says Al Oerter, the venerable discus thrower who won four gold medals in four consecutive Olympics.



Atlanta 1996

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Naming top high school athletes no easy task

I thought high school basketball season was over March 2 when the boys' state tournament wrapped up. "Bring on spring," I said — baseball, softball, golf, tennis, track, warm weather. But then the calls started coming in. When would we be printing the names of the players on the All-State basketball teams as other newspapers had done?

Well, we won't. There is no official "all-state" designation in Idaho as there is in many other states. The statewide media doesn't pick an all-state team. Neither does the Idaho High School Activities Association or the coaches, for that matter.

And neither does The Times-News. The reason? It would be a bogus selection, muddy by guesswork and relying



Brad Bowlin
Out in Left Field

heavily on intuition rather than clear evaluation of players' talents.

Consider this: 138 high schools in Idaho field basketball teams. We regularly cover less than one-fifth of those, and even with the state tournaments prohib-

its we see 50 or fewer players at least once. Picking the best players from the four divisions given that limited amount of exposure is impossible without extensive interviews with fan-flung coaches and reporters at other papers. Even

with that, the validity of comparisons would be marginal at best.

How does Cheyenne Wornell of Burley stack up against some of the better shooters from North Idaho? Or how about Shoshone's Brian Ross against Eastern Idaho's best?

Players and fans like to see "all-state" teams for a variety of reasons — bragging rights, scrapbook fodder, even the hope that a favorable news clipping will prove the difference in a college scholarship bid.

But until a more accurate way of picking a statewide all-star team can be established — perhaps through The Associated Press — you aren't likely to see "all-state" honors bestowed here. Incidentally, a statewide selection of football honorees would have been done

last fall, but it was dropped due to a lack of participation by my media colleagues elsewhere.

That said, here are my picks for the Magic Valley's best high school basketball players of the past year, based on the players' talents and their contribution to their teams.

Boys — A-1 and A-2

— Ryan Peterson, Twin Falls. Great shooter. Played a lot of minutes and won several games for the Bruins in the final seconds. Should have been a better defensive player.

— Shyawn Jerome, Bluff. Scored a lot, but a solid inside defender despite being only six-foot tall. Usually ended up guarding the opposing team's

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Magic Valley Speedway roars into another season

The Times-News

TWIN FALLS — The Magic Valley Speedway thundered to life for an another season on a chilly April afternoon Saturday.

Track veteran Eddy McKeen

picked up victories in the A-Bout and main event of the featured Grand American Modifieds class. Jim Peterson won the modifieds class.

Paul of Golf, Idaho, went to Coral Martinez, with Jeff Campbell taking the Pony Blount. Curt Campbell

Local sports

won the main event in the Pony (Class 1).

Dan Hammerback won the Street Stock heat, while Clay Pundt roared

to victory in the Thunder Stock Main event. Complete results will appear in Monday's Times-News.

North Idaho drops CSI
COEUR D'ALENE — The College of Southern Idaho dropped a 144-run decision to North Idaho in

Scenic West baseball action Saturday. The Jets left CSI with a 2-1 series win and still in first place at 7-2 in the Northern Division.

"It was just one of those unfortunate things where you combine every poor officiating with loss of poise," CSI coach Jim Walker said.

CSI's scheduled set with Utah Valley this week has been cancelled, leaving Treasured Valley as the next foe, coming in for a key three-game set Friday and Saturday.

The Chukars kept CSI two games in front by beating Rick's Saturday.

CSI (25-13) surrendered eight earned runs over the first three innings to set the tone. Not even a fiery fifth sparked by Jeff Duff's two-run homer — his third — could bring the Eagles back.

Twin Falls softball team a pair of close non-conference games Saturday.

Eagle's pitcher surrendered just nine hits in 16 inning over two games, picking up 5-1 and 5-4 victories.

Twin Falls committed six errors in the first week but Mandy Edwards absorbed the seven-inning loss.

The afternoon game went nine innings before the Mustangs pulled out the victory, with Tami Osborne taking the loss for Twin Falls.

Filer takes 2 from Pilots

FILER — A 12-run Filer outburst in the first inning erased a 4-0 Glens Ferry lead and the Wildcats ran away with a Class A-3 doubleheader sweep Saturday.

Filer got solid pitching from Kara Hickey in the first game and Jennifer Cowger in the second to boost its record to 11-3 overall, 5-1 in conference.

"We gave them some support offensively, and I think that helped a lot," Filer coach Bruce Lenington said. Marie McLaughlin and Cindy Sutherland each went 3-4 at the plate, and Melissa Bean belted a homer for the 'Cats in the opener.

Janie Harvey had a round-tripper for Filer in the second game.

Tom Basel and Bob Bowden are two strokes back entering today's final game of the season.

On the ladies' side, the familiar Twin Falls duo of Shanna Robinson and Virginia Henderson are still streaking.

First flight leaders are Dick Flynn and Paul Ross (66) from Gooding, along with Marlene Lanting and Lucy Hall of Twin Falls (65). (Net scores)

Baseball

Minico splits pair
POCATELLO — The Minico Spartans rallied to salvage a split with Region III foe Highland and remain in second place in the league Saturday.

Both teams scored four times in the first inning, but Minico committed seven errors en route to the 7-5 loss in the opener.

The Spartans (6-6 overall, 2-2 league) came back to win night game 7-4 in the seventh. Austin Crist doubled and moved to third on a Dan Price single. Joe Jensen was hit by a pitch and Russ Edgar knocked in the game winner.

Filer sweeps Glens Ferry

FILER — Glens Ferry rocked Filer for 35 runs on 33 hits to sweep a Class A-3 baseball doubleheader Saturday.

The Pilots led 17-12 before the Wildcats scored three in the sixth and one more in the seventh to lead within one. With runners at second and third, Glens Ferry pitcher Chris Uhl struck out the final two batters to seal the win.

Kurt Hoagland and Casey Martinez each ripped four hits in five at-bats.

In the second game, sweep the visitors pile up 15 runs over the first four innings. Filer falls to 6-8 overall, 0-6 in league play. Glens Ferry is 3-3 in the league.

"We only walked six guys" over two games, Filer coach Bob Parent said. "But we have to play a lot better defense if we want to win ball games."

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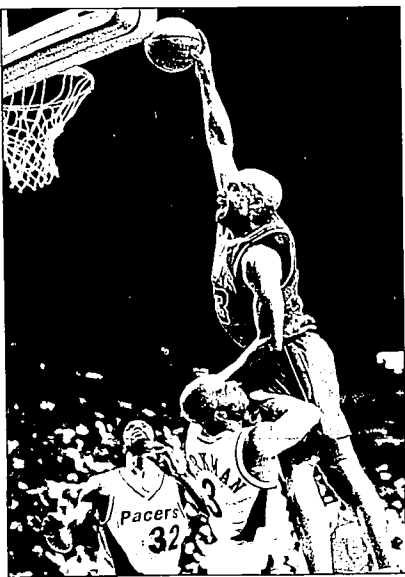
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Detroit Piston Grant Hill's skies over Indiana Pacers Haywood Workman for two in Indianapolis Saturday night.

Spurs clinch Midwest with win over Sonics

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — David Robinson scored 24 points and the San Antonio Spurs clinched the Midwest Division championship Saturday, beating the Seattle SuperSonics 84-81 in a game between the Western Conference's two top teams.

The Spurs held Seattle to 12 points in the fourth quarter in winning their second straight Midwest title.

San Antonio took control early in the fourth quarter on a tip-in by Charles Smith, giving the Spurs a 74-72 advantage.

That sparked a run in which San Antonio scored nine straight points and held the Sonics scoreless for more than four minutes. Chuck Person's 3-pointer capped the rally, giving San Antonio an 81-72 lead.

The Sonics shot just 22 percent (4-for-18) in the final period. They tried to rally as they scored seven straight points, closing to 81-79 on Hersey Hawkins' only basket of the game, but Shawn Kemp missed two 3-point attempts in the final 10 seconds.

Heat 103, Knicks 95

MIAMI — Alonzo Mourning had 25 points and 14 rebounds, leading Miami past Pat Riley's former team and a step closer to the playoffs.

The Heat, 0-3 previously this season against New York, moved one-half game ahead of idle Charlotte in the race for the eighth and final playoff berth in the Eastern Conference.

Miami holds the tiebreaker edge over the Hornets and has the easier schedule in the final week of the regular season.

The Knicks retained a one-half game lead over idle Cleveland in their battle for the home-court advantage.

Briefly in sports

Upsets send Pierce, Spirela to tennis final
AMELIA ISLAND, Fla. — It's not the finals that tennis fans were pulling for, and certainly not the one that was expected.

But don't tell that to No. 7 seed Mary Pierce and No. 8 seed Irina Spirela, who posted straight-set upsets Saturday to earn the right to meet in Sunday's finals of the \$450,000 Bausch and Lomb Championships.

It marks just the second time in the 17-year history of the tournament that a No. 1 seed failed to make the final. The other time was in 1988. Only twice before has a player seeded higher than fourth earned a shot at the championship and this year's first prize prize of \$79,000.

Spirela's 6-1, 7-5 victory over Arantxa Sanchez Vicario foiled the No. 3 player's shot at a third Bausch & Lomb victory.

In the other semifinal match, Pierce continued a comeback with a 6-2, 6-4 defeat of Mary Joe Fernandez.

Spirela captured the first set in 16 minutes and opened a 4-1 lead in the second after breaking Sanchez Vicario's serve five times in six tries.

Enqvist, Stark reach Indian Open finals

NEW DELHI, India — Top-seeded Thomas Enqvist of Sweden outlasted American Jonathan Stark 7-6 (8-6), 7-5 on Saturday to reach the final of the Indian Open Tennis Championship.

Enqvist will face No. 3 seed Byron Black of Zimbabwe in Sunday's final. Black beat Alex Radulescu of Germany in the other semifinal.

Although ranked 32nd on the ATP Tour computer, 23 places below Enqvist, Black has won three of his four matches with the Scandinavians, including their last meeting in the 1995 U.S. Open quarterfinals.

Stark also had a winning record against Enqvist entering Saturday's match (2-1), and outscored the Swede nine aces to one.

Compiled from wire reports

Mariners show it's a team effort

TORONTO (AP) — The Seattle Mariners want everyone to know that they're more than a one-man team.

Ken Griffey Jr. was the only Seattle starter who didn't reach base Saturday as the Mariners trounced the Toronto Blue Jays 14-3.

Dan Wilson hit a three-run homer that capped a six-run first inning and Alex Rodriguez doubled twice and drove in a career-high four runs. Jay Buhner drove in three runs and Edgar Martinez added a two-run double for Seattle.

Wilson, who hit three home runs in Detroit on Thursday, homered into the second deck in left field. Martinez hit a two-run double and Jay Buhner had an RBI single before Wilson hit his fourth homer of the year.

Chris Bosio (1-0), activated from the disabled list before the game, won for the first time since last Sept. 12. Coming off his seventh knee surgery, he gave up three runs on four hits in 5 1/3 innings with three strikeouts and two walks.

Indians 14, Red Sox 2
BOSTON — Albert Belle homered and drove in four runs Saturday, leading the Cleveland Indians past the Red Sox to their worst record in 50 years.

The Red Sox lost their third consecutive game and dropped to 28, matching their 1955 start.

Belle also had a single and a double in five at-bats, and he scored three in his previous 15 at-bats, homered, doubled and drove in a career-high four runs for the Indians. Omar Vizquel homered, drove in two runs and scored three times for Cleveland.

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Ken Griffey Jr., who homered twice in a '96 win Friday night, was 0-for-4 and the only Mariners starter not to reach base.

Figers 9, Angels 5
DETROIT — Cecil Fickler hit his 11th major league-leading sixth home run and also doubled as Detroit beat California.

Fickler's double began a four-run sixth inning that broke a 3-3 tie. Eddie Williams hit a two-run double that chased Scott Sanderson (0-1), and Mark Parent homered off Mark Fichthorn.

Fickler hit a two-run homer in the fourth and Melvin Nieves followed with a home run.

Royals 3, Brewers 2
MILWAUKEE — Michael Tuck-

er's three-run homer — the only hit off knuckleballer Steve Sparks in eight innings — lifted Kansas City over Milwaukee.

The Brewers put men on the corners with one out in the ninth, but Jeff Montgomery got Jose Valentin to ground into a double play. After Valentin hit a comebacker to the mound, Montgomery threw to shortstop Jose Offerman, whose low throw to first was scooped by Joe Randa.

White Sox 6, Athletics 5
CHICAGO — Tony Phillips' RBI single in the 12th inning gave Chicago a victory over Oakland.

Darren Lewis opened the inning with a walk off reliever Don Wengert (0-1) and was sacrificed to second by Ozzie Guillen before Phillips singled into the gap in right-center.

Matt Karchner (0-1) picked up the win with one inning of relief.

Orioles 7, Twins 6
BALTIMORE — Brady Anderson hit a solo homer with one out in the

bottom of the ninth inning, capping a rally from a five-run deficit.

Baltimore came back for its seventh straight victory at home. The Orioles won their fifth in a row overall and ran their record to 9-1, best in the majors.

Pat Mahomes (1-1) got one out in the ninth before Anderson drove a 1-1 pitch into the right field bleachers. Anderson, who doubled and had a sacrifice fly earlier, hit his third home run of the season.

Rangers 10, Yankees 6
NEW YORK — Dwight Gooden struggled in his second straight start for New York, and Jason Giambi hit a three-run double for Texas.

Gooden (0-2) was tagged for six runs on nine hits and three walks in 5 1/3 innings in his first Yankee Stadium appearance. He received positive applause when he was pulled.

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National League

Rookie starter Rick Hunter (1-1) earned his first major league victory, allowing two runs on eight hits in six innings. Ricky Bottalico pitched a scoreless ninth for his fourth save.

Giants 3, Cubs 2, 10 innings

SAN FRANCISCO — Pinch-hitter Shawn Dunston singled home the winning run with two outs in the 10th inning against his former team.

Dunston, who played 11 seasons for the Cubs before moving to the Giants as a free agent in January, was hugged and put on the shoulders of teammates after his hit off Rodney Myers (0-1).

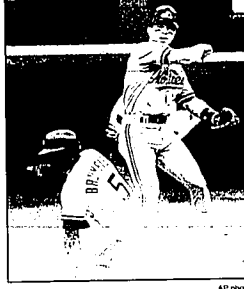
Matt Williams singled with one out in the 10th, his third hit of the game, and Mark Carreon walked. Glenallen Hill fouled out to right field, leaving Williams to third.

Dunston batted for Steve Seaneome and delivered the game-winning hit. Dunston did not start the game because of a slightly strained left groin.

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Pittsburgh Pirate Jason Brumfield, left, breaks up the relay to first after being forced out by Montreal Expo second baseman Mike Lansing in Pittsburgh Saturday.

Dolphins hope to dominate NFL draft

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Dressed for success, the man in the pinstripe suit sits on a counter in the Miami Dolphins' media room, swinging his legs frantically like an excited child at Christmas.

Jimmy Johnson is looking forward to the NFL draft.

"It's a very critical time," he says, "for any team that expects to win championships."

Sidelined the past two years, Johnson returned to the draft meet Saturday and Sunday as the Dolphins' new coach. He expects to win championships in Miami, and he hopes to dominate the draft the way he did at Dallas.

The Dolphins are slated to pick 20th in the first round, which means the draft could be four hours old before Johnson makes a selection.

Nonetheless, ESPN's coverage will include a remote-control camera following his every move behind closed doors at Dolphins headquarters.

There could be a lot of moves. Johnson made 55 trades in Dallas, most of them involving draft picks.

He had one major advantage: he picked up eight extra picks, including three extra first-rounders by trading Herschel Walker and Steve Walsh, giving him more ways to maneuver.

"It's like we're going into battle," says Dolphins director of football operations Bob Ackles, who worked with Johnson in Dallas. "It's just like being on the sideline on game day."

"If you look at the whole picture," Johnson says, "it should be more exciting than a game day. If you do well on draft day and you're able to bring in three or four players who make an impact on your team — not just this year but for years to come — it's going to make those games easy."

In Dallas, the draft made the games easy.

The Cowboys went 1-15 in 1989, Johnson's first year as the coach.

He used the draft to build a team that won the Super Bowl in 1993, 1994 and 1995.

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And the 3-13 record the year before gave him the first pick in the 1989 draft, one he could use on Troy Aikman, a no-brainer.

Still, the record is impressive.

"We drafted eight Pro Bowlers in five years," Johnson says. "That's pretty good."

He chuckles at pundits who assess the depth of talent in the draft. For Johnson, every draft is deep.

In Dallas he chose 17 players who became starters for a Super Bowl championship team. His first three picks in 1989 — Troy Aikman, Troy Johnston and Mark Stepnoski — went on to the Pro Bowl.

Anticipating similar results in Miami, Dolphins fans are delirious with draft fever. The Panthers and Heat



Miami Dolphins head coach Jimmy Johnson tells reporters how he hopes to dominate the NFL draft for Miami as he did for the Dallas Cowboys during a press conference in Davie, Fla., earlier last week.

may be scrambling for playoff positions, and the Marlins' season may be under way, but on sports talk shows in south Florida, the favorite topic is football.

Boston set for 100th marathon

Chicago Tribune

BOSTON — The two women were on opposite sides of Clarendon Street in the Back Bay when the world's most venerated and venerable footrace celebrated its centennial first-hand — or first foot — is why Spitzley trained through the winter despite bronchitis and pneumonia and Boston's record 12 feet of snow.

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Earnhardt starts race in 26th spot

NORTH WILKESBORO, N.C. (AP) — Dale Earnhardt did absolutely nothing on Saturday's second round of time trials for the First Union 400, a fact that made him the big winner in the session.

Earnhardt, who had the 26th fastest speed in Friday's opening round of qualifying, when the first 25 starting spots were set, elected to stand on his speed during Saturday's second round at North Wilkesboro Speedway. Doing likewise were the drivers who were 27th through 32nd Friday.

None of the seven drivers who attempted to repass Saturday could crack the top 42, so the drivers who were 26th through 32nd in the first round all earned those identical spots on Sunday's starting grid.

Starting back in the field is nothing new for Earnhardt, who finished fourth two weeks ago in Bristol, Tenn., after starting 19th.

"We've got a good race car, and we've got a good cup on this race track. We'll just have to wear a little bit on come race day," Earnhardt said. "We just wanted to get in the race. I wish we had a better starting position, but we'll get 'em."

Michael Waltrip and Hut Stricklin, who led second-round qualifying, got two of the five provisional starting spots that filled the remainder of the 37-car lineup. Waltrip got the 34th starting spot and Stricklin the 35th.

Five drivers were sent home: Ward Burton, Bobby Hillin, Randy MacDonald, Dave Marcis and Mike Wallace.

HEAT'S ON ANDRETTI: For many drivers, earning the 20th starting spot at North Wilkesboro is hardly newsworthy. For John Andretti, it was a huge step in the right direction.

Andretti hasn't finished three of the first six races this year, and he didn't even make the field at Bristol, dropping him to 39th in the 1996 point standings.

Andretti is well aware that his car owners and sponsors expect much more than the team has produced so far.

"Right now we're under a lot of pressure," he said. "Our backs are up against the wall and the guns are pointed at us."

JEFFY PAYDAY: Should pole-sitter Terry Labonte win Sunday's 400-lap event, he would get about \$230,000, one of the largest first-place prizes in Winston Cup short-track history.

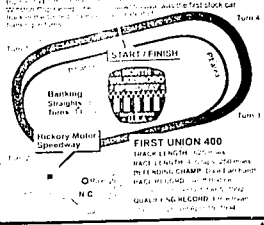
The winner's share of the \$1,220,353 race purse will be about \$100,000, and Labonte is also eligible for a \$129,200 bonus for winning from the pole. Unusual 70 offers a \$7,600 bonus each race to any driver who starts first and finishes first, and the bonus has been growing since last August — 17 races ago — when Bobby Labonte won from the pole at Michigan.

Who was the last driver to win from the pole at North Wilkesboro? Terry Labonte, in 1988.

RUSTY'S MILESTONE: Rusty Wallace needs to win \$35,998 on Sunday to eclipse the \$13 million mark in career winnings.

Wallace ranks fourth in all-time money won, behind Earnhardt, Bill Elliott and Darrell Waltrip, respectively.

North Wilkesboro Speedway



Winston Cup

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. Dale Jarrett	933
2. Dale Earnhardt	896
3. Ricky Rudd	852
4. Ricky Craven	836
5. Terry Labonte	819
6. Jeff Gordon	800
7. Mark Martin	787
8. Bill Elliott	751
9. Rusty Wallace	743
10. Ted Musgrave	724

INDYCAR

Top 10 drivers

Driver	Points
1. Jimmy Vasser	47
2. Scott Pruett	42
3. Christian Fittipaldi	28
4. Andre Ribeiro	25
(tie) Al Unser Jr.	21
(tie) Gil De Ferran	21
7. Greg Moore	20
8. Bobby Rahal	18
9. Robby Gordon	14
(tie) Alex Zanardi	14

Detroit's best season nothing without Cup

DETROIT (AP) — Their 61 wins are the most ever for an NHL team in a regular season. Yet the Detroit Red Wings and their fans will feel cheated if the Stanley Cup doesn't return to the Motor City for the first time since 1955.

It is a fact of life in the NHL that regular season games don't count for very much. The label of greatness only gets hung on teams that win the Cup. It has been 41 years since Detroit did that.

"We've got a great team here," says Paul Coffey, who won three Cups with Edmonton and one with Pittsburgh. "But we don't rank with the others until we win a Stanley Cup."

Coffey scored two goals Friday night as the Red Wings rallied from a 3-1 second-period deficit to surpass the 1976-77 Montreal Canadiens with their 61st victory this season.

For the purist, however, even that feat comes with an asterisk. The Canadiens played an 80-game season. The Red Wings close out an 82-game season Sunday at Dallas.

The Red Wings tied the NHL record of 36 home wins in a season set by the 1975-76 Philadelphia Flyers—but they won't be able to equal Montreal's record of 132 points in a season. Even if they win their final game, the Red Wings will finish one point shy of the Canadiens' mark.

"We feel good about it," says coach Scotty Bowman, who also coached those dominant Montreal teams. "It's a record, but once Sunday goes, teams don't even remember where they finished."

Right. All anyone seems to remember is what happened in the playoffs. That is why a cloud has hung over this entire season. Nobody can forget what happened last year when Detroit had the best regular season record yet was swept in four games by the New Jersey Devils in the finals.

"Last year's finals was a humbling experience for this team," Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman says. "As a result, we've been able to keep things in perspective and not get caught up in things."

It seems almost a shame that the Red Wings can't enjoy their little dance through the record book. Yet they seem to accept their situation. In fact, some of



the players are as vocal as their critics when it comes to the importance of winning in the playoffs.

"We know it's not done," forward Darren McCarty says. "It's up and back in church in the morning."

But, say the Red Wings do win the Stanley Cup. What then? It might still be hard to call them the greatest team of all time.

On the reconfiguring Montreal team, Bowman coached Guy Lafleur, Jacques Lemaire, Steve Shurt, Guy Lapointe, Larry Robinson, Serge Savard, Yvan Cournoyer and Ken Dryden. All are in the Hall of Fame.

The Montreal teams also won four consecutive Stanley Cup championships. Detroit is a long way from that feat.

Stanley Cup champs miss playoffs

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — By losing to the Ottawa Senators 5-2 on Saturday, the New Jersey Devils became the first defending NHL champions in 26 years to miss the playoffs.

The top-to-bottom trip for the Stanley Cup champions was the sixth in NHL history and the first since the 1969-70 Montreal Canadiens, a team which included current Devils coach Jacques Lemaire.

Failed Stanley Cup Champions

Teams that have failed to qualify for the playoffs the season after winning the Stanley Cup, with the season they won the title and record the season after:

- 1918 — Toronto Arenas (5-13-0)
- 1922 — Detroit Red Wings (12-25-11)
- 1937 — Detroit Red Wings (13-25-11)
- 1938 — Chicago Blackhawks (12-28-8)
- 1945 — Toronto Maple Leafs (19-24-7)
- 1967 — Toronto Maple Leafs (33-31-10)
- 1969 — Montreal Canadiens (38-22-16)
- 1995 — New Jersey Devils (37-33-12)

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Knight-Ridder News Service

AKRON, Ohio — Ten years ago, Jim Blake was unemployed and looking to get into the commercial cleaning business. He realized that on the surface at least his timing wasn't great.

But he knew he was taking a risk: About 80 percent of business startups fail in their first five years. In addition, to pay for the franchise, he had to sell his home.

Coverall calmed Blake's fears with assurances of training, sales and marketing support, debt collection service and the promise of guaranteed business.

"I felt more comfortable going with a franchise," said Blake. Indeed, owning a franchise has worked for Blake. He and his subcontractors now clear 25 offices and plants, using the Coverall name and business method. He is now negotiating another 10-year contract with Coverall.

Check it out before investing
Before you invest in a franchise, investigate your franchiser thoroughly, cautions the U.S. Federal Trade Commission. In addition to reading the

Attorneys and accountants — They help you understand the legal and financial statements, develop a business plan and make earnings projections. An accountant also can help you choose a franchise that fits your investment goals.

Banks and other financial institutions — They often give an unbiased view of the franchiser. Your banker also should be able to get a Dun and Bradstreet report on the franchiser.

Better Business Bureau — Check with the BBB in the cities where the franchiser has its headquarters. Ask whether any consumers have complained about the company.

Federal Trade Commission — For publications, write: Public Reference, Federal Trade Commission, Washington, D.C. 20580, or call 202-326-2222.

Read some books: "Franchising: The Inside Story," by John P. Hayes, which explains

franchising from the points of view of both the franchisee and franchiser. "Franchise Opportunities Handbook" by the Department of Commerce and Lawrence L. Ludeke, which lists 1,500 franchise opportunities as well as gives valuable advice on analyzing franchises.

"Franchise Opportunities Guide," a listing published by the International Franchise Association.

"The 220 Best Franchises to Buy," by Constance Jones and the Philip Lief Group.

And research on-line: A forum compiled by Franchorp, a management consulting firm in Chicago (<http://www.franchorp.com>)

The Franchise Handbook, by Enterprise Magazine's Milwaukee (<http://www.franchise1.com>)

Federal Trade Commission's web page, which includes tips on how to be a good franchise buyer under its "investing" icon (<http://www.ftc.gov>)

But there are many other franchise owners who tell a different story about getting into a franchise.

A recent survey, compiled by the American Franchise Association and Indiana University Southeast found that

40 percent of U.S. franchisees have "unsuccessful relationships" with their franchisers.

"This preliminary data suggests that all is not so well in franchising," said Frank H. Wadsworth, assistant marketing pro-

fessor for the university. "At least, not on the franchisee side of the fence."

Franchising, under which franchisers sell to franchisees the right to do business

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Briefly in business

Old Towne restaurant set to open next month

TWIN FALLS — Dining options in Old Towne will expand soon with the opening of Creekside Steak House, serving steak, poultry and some seafood.

Creekside should open in early May beside Castle Gallery and Frame Shoppe in a renovated warehouse on Fifth Avenue South, said Jim Dutt, who owns the new restaurant with his wife, Shawna Gilmore.

A brick interior, wooden floors, an indoor fountain, antiques and a "heck of a wine display," Dutt said, are meant to make the new business compatible with the historical and artistic flavor of the developing warehouse district.

Creekside will serve a variety of steaks and "unusual" sandwiches for lunch, with prices ranging from \$4.95 to \$8.95. Formal dinners will cost from \$8.95 to \$24.50, Dutt said.

Dutt's specialty will be a beef tenderloin steak stuffed with mushrooms, and his restaurant will make "everything from scratch." Sundays at Creekside will feature a sit-down champagne brunch, Dutt said.

Alarm service firm opens doors at Twin Falls location

TWIN FALLS — A company that sells, services, installs and designs a variety of alarms recently has opened at 252 Deers St. Suite C.

Low-voltage electric contractor Life Safety Systems Inc. deals primarily with fire alarms, nurse calls, security alarms and intercoms, said Robin Oleynski, who with his partner, Robert Alexander, have 30 to 35 years of experience between them in this type of business.

The company also employs two technicians. Alexander mainly handles sales, while Oleynski is the projects coordinator.

They also do computer-type work.

Jerome firm earns honors from national engine firm

JEROME — Cummins Engine Co. Inc. has recognized Trebar Inc. of Jerome for its achievement in the dealer QUEST for Excellence program. Increasing customer support is the primary focus of the program.

According to Bob Weimer, vice president — customer support at Cummins, dealers are recognized for achieving at least 90 percent of the program's criteria. In all 501 dealers in North America participated in the program.

Weimer said the QUEST program is focused on employee training, maintaining a positive image and quality improvement. The program is administered by Cummins distributors under the guidance of factory personnel in Columbus, Ind. — the site of Cummins world headquarters.

Cummins Engine Co. is the world's largest producer of 200-hp diesel engines. Cummins is also a leading designer and manufacturer of diesel engine components and power systems.

Free budgeting, management workshop set next week

TWIN FALLS — Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Magic Valley will provide a free budgeting and money management workshop from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Twin Falls County Extension Office Conference Room, 246 Third Ave. E.

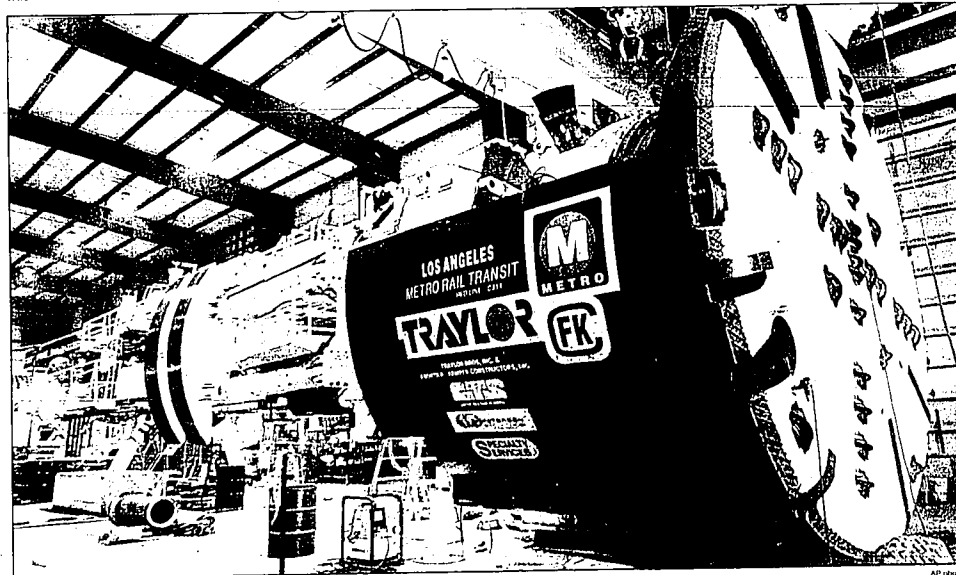
Using hands-on experience, participants learn basic budgeting skills including tracking, goal setting and spending plan techniques.

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Utah firm bores into tunnel business

The Associated Press

FARR WEST, Utah — Let's say you're going to dig a tunnel through 6.3 miles of a Southern California mountain range. Your first choice of tools would not be a shovel.

You'll need something that's capable of carving about 1,000 feet of 21-foot high tunnel through solid rock each day. It'll need to be roughly the size of a nuclear submarine. And you'll have to find some guy who's willing to build the thing in his back yard.

Oh ... and you'll need two of them.

This definitely rules out the hardware store. So Los Angeles' Metropolitan Transportation Agency turned to 151-

Employee Petersen Engineering, Fabrication and Machining, which next

'It's our first major start-to-finish project.'

— Steve Petersen, Farr West president

week will begin dismantling the second of two tunnel boring machines the company refurbished. They'll load the monster onto roughly 30 trucks and send it to L.A., where the city plans to use it and its sister machine to dig twin tunnels from Hollywood to Universal City.

It's the final piece of a \$2.5 billion project that will, by August 2000, tie downtown Los Angeles with the Universal Studios theme park via rail. And it started just outside Steve Petersen's back

door. Literally.

Petersen is the president of the Farr West company that until now had been better known as a steel subcontractor to major players like Thihokol, McDermott Douglas, Alliant and Western Zincium. The tunnel boring machine project, though, put the family business — which started in 1961 and still remains behind his father's house — in a larger league.

"It's our first major start-to-finish project," Petersen said. "It forced us to become a bigger company."

Petersen took a design from a Seattle company. Construction Tunneling Services, and turned it into a 21-by-280-foot reality in just under nine months. Some of the machine was refurbished, but much of it — including the giant, 74-ton cutter face that actually crushes the

rock — was fabricated in Farr West.

Powered by six 400-horsepower electrical motors, the machine was such a departure for the company that it had to ask Utah Power to double its electrical capacity just to test it. It also had to build an 80-by-250-foot building just to build it. (No, your math isn't wrong. The 280-foot machine had to be broken up into pieces to be built.)

Once the half-million-pound machines are set up in Los Angeles, probably in August, they'll begin the process of plowing through the Santa Monica Mountains. "In theory, if they run around the clock, the machines can go 1,000 feet a day through solid rock," Mark Jones, Petersen's project manager, said.

In the meantime, the company will be looking for more tunnel business.

It's spring and time for baseball on the Internet

By Glenn Gamba
Knight-Ridder News Service

On line

It's spring — that glorious time of year when the fancies of young men (and women) turn to, uh, well, ESPN SportZone.

The popular World Wide Web site (<http://www.sportzone.com>) has been an on-line haven for up-to-date sports scores and information since it was launched last April. And it will likely get a surge in usage when the seasonal influx of baseball fans gets back on the Internet.

But the folks who want the latest stats on Orel Hershiser and Eddie Murray aren't the only ones checking out ESPN these days. Corporate executives, desperate to figure out how to get a return on the millions of dollars they

are pumping into their own web sites, are stopping by ESPN to see how it's done.

Other sites may be more technologically advanced, more broadly based, or even more popular.

But ESPN is on the verge of turning a profit — maybe its soon as next year.

Brian Ratliff, product manager for SportZone, won't talk about the finances of the site, which is a joint venture between the sports cable network and Starwave Corp., the media company owned by Microsoft co-founder Paul Allen.

"We just want it to be good and fun — an attractive service and product," said Ratliff. "People will pay for con-

tent if it's good enough."

That's basically been the mantra in the on-line industry for years. However, hard-core users of the Internet know they can get almost anything they want on the massive global computer network for free if they simply look hard enough. That fact has made it hard for traditional information heavyweights — like Gannett's USA Today, the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal and Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. — to build any sort of substantial paying subscriber base.

But ESPN has built one. And it's a legend.

Last month, when it asked subscribers to enter their picks for the NCAA basketball tournament, more than 100,000 people responded. "It almost crashed us," said Ratliff.

Industry experts estimate that the site has 140,000 subscribers who pay \$4.95 a month (or \$39.95 a year) for special benefits on the site, including access to news from the Associated Press, 40 expert columnists, video highlights and detailed statistics for all the major sports.

That revenue doesn't include the thousands of members who pay to be part of the site's fantasy sports leagues. Last fall, about 2,000 people paid \$9.95 to join the site's fantasy football league.

This spring, Ratliff expects even more subscribers to pay \$49.95 to play in the fantasy baseball league.

Next month, the site will debut its own line of merchandise, said Ratliff.

Between the subscriptions, the mer-

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Tradewinds

TWIN FALLS—Ken and Jane Edmunds have acquired the Twin Falls and Burley locations of Inspirations, a fine furnishings and complete home design center from J&K Goringe Inc. Janet Goringe will continue to work with Inspirations as an independent designer.

BOISE—Maria Y. Somero has been promoted to Region Sales Manager of West One Bank, Idaho's Central Region.

Her responsibilities include setting and communicating goals for the sales force and implementing portfolio management sales behavior guidelines and customer service standards for the region.

Prior to her promotion, Somero, who has been with West One since 1985, was manager of the bank's Kimberly Road branch in Twin Falls. She has worked in the banking industry for more than 14 years.

Somero, a graduate of Minidoka County High School, attended college in Arizona and has completed numerous professional banking classes during her career. Her community involvement includes service as a board member of Sawtooth Chapter of the American Red Cross, a board member of the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce and as a participant in the Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce Magic Valley Leadership class.

TWIN FALLS—Magic Valley Realty is proud to announce that David "Hutch" Hutchins has joined their office as a full-time associate broker listing and selling real estate.

Hutchins, a longtime resident, previously owned 2nd Time

Around.

He is currently owner of All America Auction Co. and is well-known for his biannual antique & collectible auctions at the Filer Fairgrounds. He will continue to hold estate, antique, business and farm auctions in the area.

He has held his real estate broker's license for a number of years and now through Magic Valley Realty he will continue to offer and sell real estate at auction. Magic Valley Realty is pleased to offer this new service to their clients.

BOISE—Sandra J. Madden has been promoted to Region Service Manager of West One Bank, Idaho's Central Region.

Her responsibilities include providing strong leadership and expertise to branch/district management in the areas of personnel administration, operating procedures, regulatory compliance and service quality.

Prior to her promotion, Madden, who has been with West One since 1977, was the manager of the Mini-Cassia Office in Burley. Madden has also worked at the bank's Burley and Boise branches, and has served as the region's sales manager.

Madden is a graduate of Minidoka County High School and has completed several American Institute of Banking classes and college courses during her career. She is active in Soroptimist International of Burley and the



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BURLEY—Caldwell Banker Candid Realty Inc. in Burley, has been selected as a Coldwell Banker Premier Office, the highest honor given to Coldwell Banker real estate offices that consistently demonstrate exceptional performance and dedication. The honor places CBK Inc. in the top 25 percent of all Coldwell Banker offices.

CBK Inc. is locally owned and operated by Manuel and Darlene Gutierrez and services the entire Mini-Cassia area. They are members of the Mini-Cassia Multiple Listing Service. CBK Inc. is located at 633 E. Main.

TWIN FALLS—The Derma Clinic, a day spa is proud to announce it will be a donation site for The Weidner Star Foundation Magic Valley Chapter, an organization which grants wishes for ill children.

While the Derma Clinic has not changed its no-tipping policy, donations to Weidner Star will be gratefully accepted. Anyone interested in making a donation may stop by the Derma Clinic at 1425 Main Ave. S. or may call 736-7175 for more information.

dugout of other big-swinging sites to check out.

Fastball (<http://www.fastball.com>) is dedicated entirely to spring training and features all the pre-season statistics and news about all the teams. Word of warning to Cleveland Indians fans, however: This site is created by Cox Newspapers in Atlanta, so it's kinda Braves-centric.

The Sports Network (<http://www.sportsnetwork.com>) also has a healthy dose of sports news and baseball information. And, of course, there's always the Beacon Journal's Cleveland Indians site (<http://www.beaconjournal.com>), which supposedly impartial outsiders have called one of the best sports team sites around.

Forget that that's a commercial ploy. Check it out and you be the judge.

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By Gary Storrer Gary's Westland Motors

SMELLY BUT DELICIOUS

The durian, a tropical fruit from Southeast Asia, smells so foul it is a wonder that anyone ever tried it. But it is a wonder that it is regarded as a delicacy throughout the region.

Essence of durian, a potent flavoring compound, is sold in this country in oriental markets. It is packaged with great care to reduce the risk of its aroma escaping the bottle.

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Computers

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clouding and the advertising on the site, ESPNet will soon take enough money in to pay off its overhead and the salaries of the staff of 50.

It is very expensive to be on the Internet," said Ratliff. "But our owners always envisioned that this would be a moneymaking business."

And Ratliff said Allen and ESPNet's other owners see the current site as the warm-up for the time when high-speed modems will make the Internet a viable competitor for entertainment time and dollars to television.

"This isn't a mass market product while people are still accessing it with 14.4K modems," he said. "But the experience we get will be of use when we can get higher bandwidth transmission."

Ratliff said ESPNet will debut its new high-speed online services this summer. However, he wasn't sure whether the site would be part of Time Warner Cable's online service, LineRunner, which is set to make its national debut in the Greater Akron-Canton market this summer.

The high-speed version of the site would feature video feeds from ESPN that would be available on-demand.

And while watching the video, subscribers would be able to receive other pertinent statistics and scores.

"That will change everything," said Ratliff.

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Franchise

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under a well-known name and established business format, has been around since the 1950s, when fast-food restaurants and hotels were the fare du jour.

Today, there are franchises in the automotive, construction, insurance, optical, real estate and vending businesses, among others. Some H&R Block offices are franchises. So are Krispy Kreme doughnut shops and Jazzerie dance fitness programs.

The fast growth of franchising points to its benefits for franchisees. Buying a franchise often is less risky to an owner than starting a business from scratch.

But there also are drawbacks: A franchise usually pays an upfront fee that can range from several thousand dollars to hundreds of thousands of dollars. A franchisee often pays ongoing royalties—usually a percentage of sales—and must follow standard operating procedures set by the franchisor. Some franchisees are required to buy their raw materials from their franchisors.

In almost every way, the success of a franchise is tied to the success of the franchisor. So if the franchisor has a solid operational and financial history and has aggressive plans for the future, the franchisee could prosper.

But if the franchisor doesn't have good business practices and goes under, the franchisee could be out a lot of money. Or if the franchisor makes changes that jeopardize the franchisee's business, there's not much the franchisee can do outside a courtroom.

So, it pays to thoroughly research potential franchisors before you buy a franchise.

It also pays to do a little personal research, according to the International Franchise Association in Washington.

Ask yourself: "Are you willing and able to take on the responsibilities of managing your own business? Are you willing to completely follow the franchisor's system? Do you have a history of success in dealing and interacting with people?"

You might also ask yourself whether making a lot of money and working only a few hours a

day are your main goals. Most franchisees don't strike it rich. And they usually work more hours than they did for their previous employers, experts say.

The next step is choosing a business. Ask yourself questions like, "What do I really enjoy doing? Can I picture myself doing this activity for several years, day in and day out?"

From your activities list, choose a business. Then familiarize yourself with the franchisors in your chosen business. Once you've narrowed this list to a few, investigate each one. Start with the franchisor's disclosure documents, called a Franchise Offering Circular. Under the Federal Trade Commission's rule, you must receive the document at least 10 business days before you are asked to sign any contract or pay any money to the franchisor.

The circular includes the franchisor's background, litigation history, costs, restrictions, franchisor assistance, and current and former franchisees. Also included is some indication of earning potential.

What you're looking for is a reputable franchisor with strong financials that will give you the level of support you need.

Some questions to ask: "What is the business experience of the franchisor's directors and officers? Does the franchisor help you buy the franchise? Is the franchisor available for on-the-spot counseling?"

Also, when you visit the franchisor's home office, take a read-up of the employees there. These are the people with whom you will work most of the time, said Mili Lintung, owner of the Fastsigns franchise in Akron, who is quite happy with his Fastsigns franchise, which makes custom banners and signs using self-adhesive vinyl letters.

"My biggest thing is I would not get involved in a franchise that controls your whole market," Lintung said. "Most franchisees merely get a royalty for using their name and marketing support. If they make you buy products from them, you are totally captive."

What should you expect from your franchisor? Some franchisors offer marketing and sales advice. Some help you find your location for you, stock it and then hand you the key. Others offer very little support. It depends on their franchise agreements.

Larry Burger, for instance, looks for retailing advice from House of Blinds & More, a franchisor of window treatment retail stores based in Smithfield, Mich. Burger has 16 years' experience in the business, but it's all in product knowledge, manufacturing and wholesaling.

"I don't have a strong back ground in retailing. I'm looking forward to my franchisor backing me up," said Burger, who is in the process of buying an existing franchise from another franchisee.

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Money

He proved ones avoid financial grief with a will

By Donna Kato
Knight-Ridder News Service

You own things. Maybe they're valuable. Or special. Or important.

When you die, you want those things to go to specific people or places.

Maybe your kids. Your best friend. The university where you spent the best years of your life. So, who knows about your wishes? Have you discussed them with your family? Most crucially, where are they documented?

If we've anything at all, it's usually in the form of a will. But it seems not enough of us have done that. And, if we have, we haven't updated it in a long time. Children grow up, marriages fall apart, we get richer. Last Will and Testament you tucked away in the file cabinet years ago could still have your ex-husband's mother as one of the beneficiaries. If, yes, you have enough assets to interest Uncle Sam.

Baby Boomers are in line to receive what will be the richest inheritance in history from the generation before them, according to a 1993 Cornell University study that put the figure at \$10 trillion. That inheritance might include a house, vacation property, stocks, bonds, cars and savings.

Yet as many as 70 percent of adults don't even have a will, according to Mary Randolph, an estate-planning writer and editor at Nolo Press, a Berkeley-based publisher of self-help legal books. "Everyone needs at least a will, and if you have a lot of assets, you need much more," she says.

How much more, well, depends. And that's where most people get stuck because — like tax preparation — estate planning can be incredibly confusing and complicated. Nevertheless, it's important to understand the basics.

Oh, and if you're reading this, it's not too late to get your affairs in order.

W.L. Everson of Santa Cruz, Calif., just got motivated two years ago. He's now 87.

"I decided I might go at any time," he says, without a hint of foreboding. "So I wanted to make sure my lady friend knew what to do and who to notify. Actually, she got me thinking about it because she said she'd be grieving and didn't want the added burden of deciding what had to be done."

With a small estate, Everson decided on a simple will, updating one he wrote in the 1950s when his children were young. It designated that his "lady friend" should sell his mobile home, his guitar and his computer and give up the money even when among herself and his four children.

"I don't have a lot, but now I don't have to worry about it," he says.

Peace of mind is the main reason to take the time to assess your assets and determine what works best for your situation, says one of some suggestions for handling your estate:

Where there's a will, there's a way

According to tax attorney Melvin J. Kreger, you need a will if you want:

- Declare your wishes regarding your funeral, burial or cremation.
- Choose the person or organization (i.e., a bank) who will act as the executor.
- Make bequests of specific property.
- Make charitable bequests.
- Set the order of preference of beneficiaries.
- Determine who among your heirs will bear any tax burdens.
- Distribute your half of community property.
- Nominate guardians of minor children and determine what will happen to the children.
- Create trusts to delay the receipt of certain bequests to certain beneficiaries.
- Disinherit certain people.

Like Everson, the first thing you must do is talk about your actual demise. If you don't talk about death, you can't begin to talk about how to do after it happens.

"Our culture runs madly away from talking about death," says the Rev. Paul Crowley, a professor of religious studies at Santa Clara University. "We're all afraid of it because it's the unknown — even people of faith."

Crowley has found that as people age, they come to terms with the reality of dying and planning for their exit becomes matter-of-fact. But that planning needs to be done by young people as well. "It doesn't have to be a grim task," he says. "The planning process can be profoundly spiritual."

Or, it can be practical. In essence, what you're doing is getting things organized so that your heirs will have an easier time with the business side of your death. You assume they'll be grief-stricken and probably not thinking clearly. "People have to get beyond the emotional side of it to ask things like, 'Who will take care of my kids?'"

Start with a personal inventory. Not only of what you have, but what you might amass or inherit in the future.

Calculate your personal assets. Add up the accounts, stocks, equity in houses, retirement plans. List your debts. They won't just go away when you die.

This largely determines the kind of planning you need to do. "When planning is done poorly, it can cause a lot of hurt," says Alice MacAllister, a Cupertino, Calif., attorney who is a certified specialist in probate, estate planning and trust law who often conducts seminars on the subject.

Think of who will be affected by your death, she says. Your parents, spouse and children, of course. Are there stepchildren? A disabled child?

There are three basic things you want to accomplish: You want your heirs to avoid having to go to court because of what you've left them. You want to minimize what gets taken away in taxes. You want to make sure the people who will manage things for you when you can't.

In order to do these three things, you have to have certain documents. Usually what's recommended is:

1) A will or a trust that protects what you have and outlines who gets what.

2) A durable — or long-lasting — power of attorney for financial affairs, which means you appoint someone you trust to take care of your money matters when you are not.

3) A durable power of attorney for health care, which means you appoint someone to make health decisions for you if you can't. For example, if you're on life support.

"This should all kick in when you attain your first asset," says Bob Strong, a tax and estate planner in Fremont. "Death shouldn't be what triggers anything."

What you need to legally protect your assets and make sure your wishes are carried out depends on what you have and how much it's all worth. In most cases, you start with a will, but you may need a trust as well.

A will lets you write down your wishes and appoint an executor who will take the responsibility to carry them out after you die. Legal experts say a will is generally enough for people who have less than \$60,000 in total assets and an uncomplicated family situation. Keep in mind that wills also can be contested.

Leaving just a will could thrust your estate into probate court. The process is supposed to prevent the fraudulent transfer of the deceased person's assets. But probate is an expensive legal process that requires filing your will publicly; inventorying your property

and having it appraised; paying legal debts and taxes; then proving the validity of the will in court.

"Probate means expensive lawyer fees and executor's fees that could easily eat up an estate," says Michael Gilfix, a Palo Alto, Calif., attorney who is also a specialist in estate planning. "In most situations, probate doesn't add any benefit."

A better option to avoid probate and protect assets might be a revocable living trust. When you set one up, you are giving that trust ownership of your assets and basically becoming the manager, or trustee. You can change what's in the trust at any time, but it becomes irrevocable when you can no longer handle your own affairs.

You appoint a successor trustee to take over if you become incapacitated and after your death. A living trust usually allows the distribution of what you leave behind without the government or courts getting involved. It can preserve your savings for your spouse or kids in the event that you need a nursing home.

A trust won't protect you from paying all taxes, but it might enable you to save an estate and inheritance taxes and will keep your financial background private. "Where the IRS gets involved is in estate and gift tax situations" and when individual assets amount to \$600,000 or more, explains Al Russell, an estate tax attorney with the agency in San Jose.

Trusts are not perfect, and their complexity means there's plenty of room for mistakes and abuse. Setting up a living trust requires expert advice and may take some time as well as maintenance. The legal fees range from \$800 to \$2,500 or more, depending on the intricacy of the estate.

"Keep in mind that what you want to set up the process in such a way that it minimizes the grief, confusion and financial burden for your loved ones as much as possible," says estate planner MacAllister.

The completed living trust will be in the form of a notebook of sorts that outlines exactly what you want done. It should be put in a safe place, and you should notify your executor where it is.

"I recommend trust for any type of step-family situation," Gilfix says of the reality faced by

many families these days.

What commonly happens is that a couple marries and both have children from previous marriages, he says. They merge their assets and make out a will saying the first to die leaves everything to the other spouse. Upon the second spouse's death, his or her children get everything, leaving the other side out, intentionally or not.

It creates bad feelings all around — the opposite of what the parent probably wants," he says.

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
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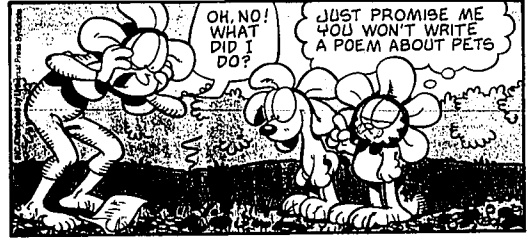
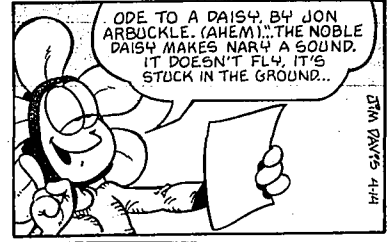
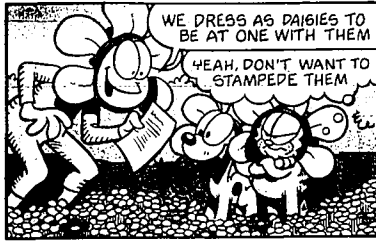
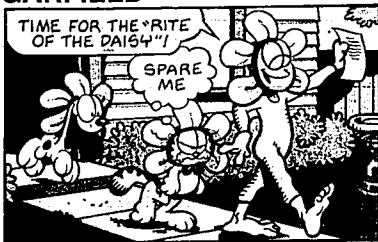
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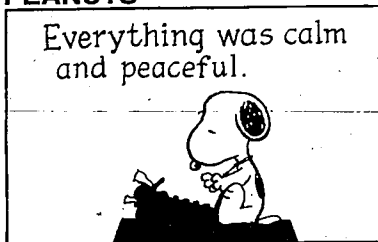
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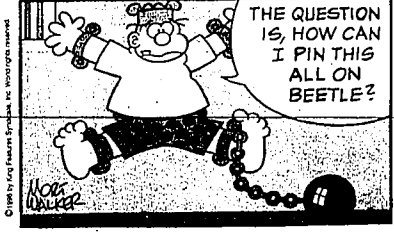
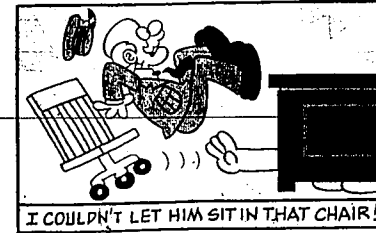
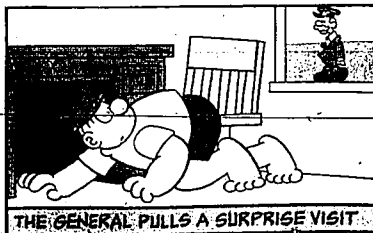
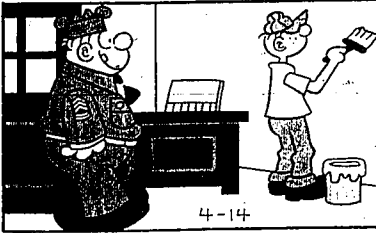
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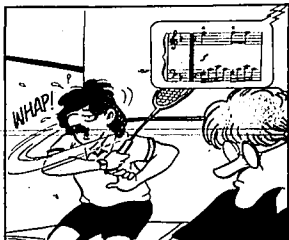
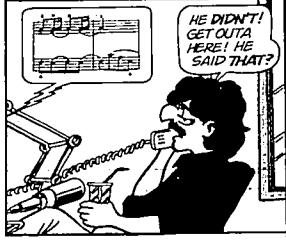
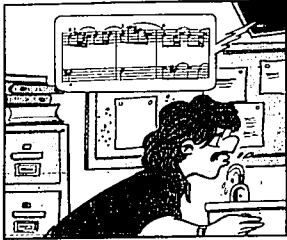
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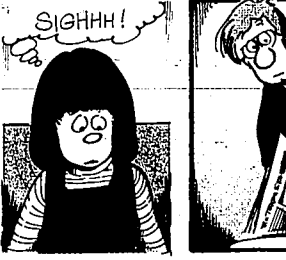
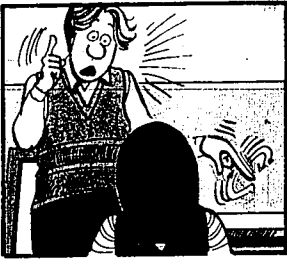
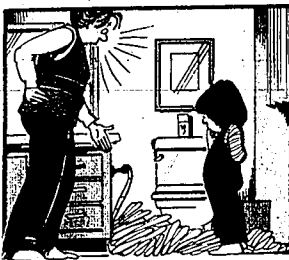
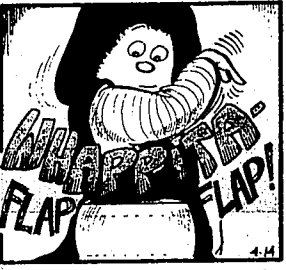
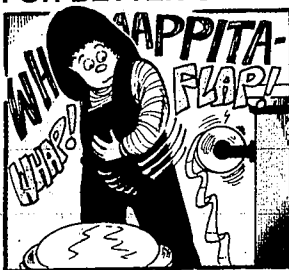
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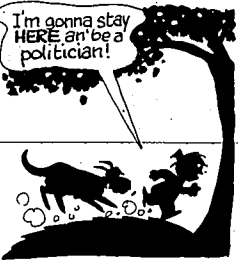
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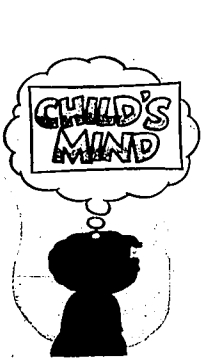
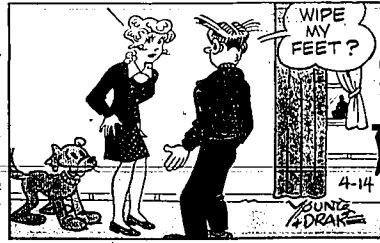
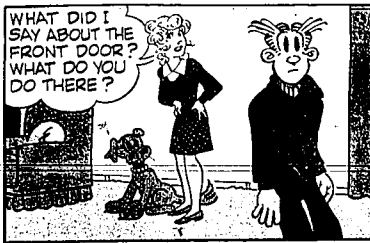
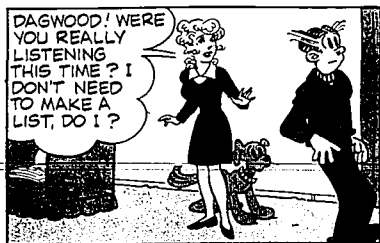
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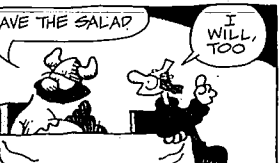
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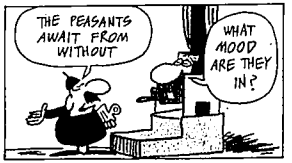
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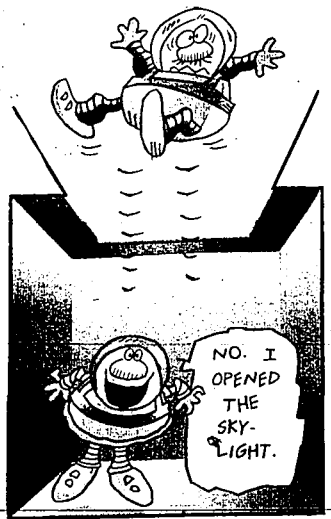
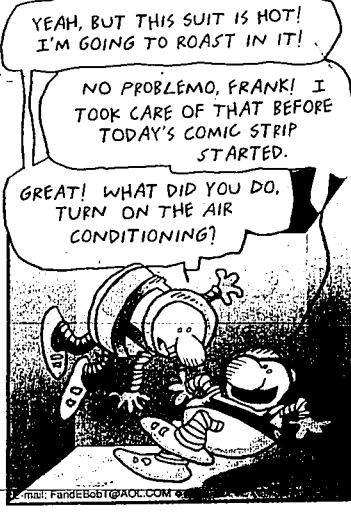
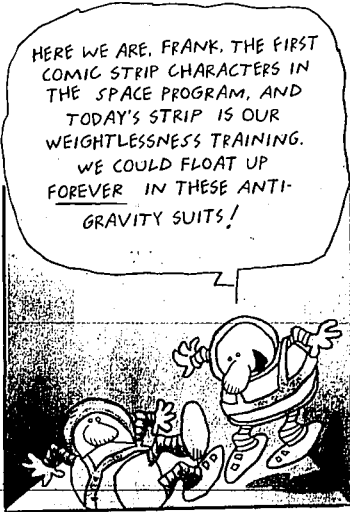


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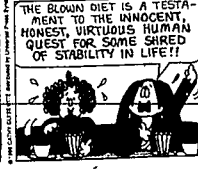
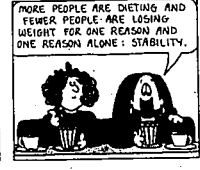
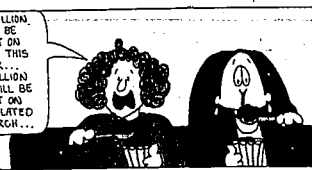
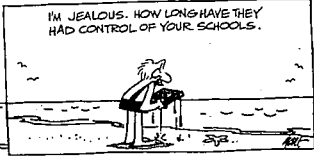
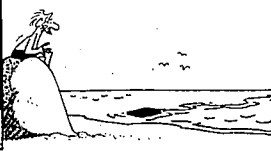
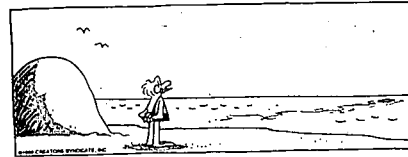
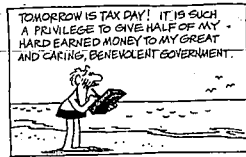
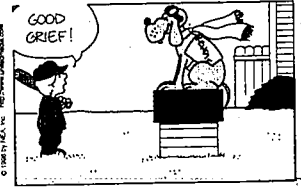
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Most physicians in the U.S. are competent and conscientious. But an estimated 5 percent may, at some time, put their patients' health at risk. That is 31,000 physicians. Should we have more safeguards?

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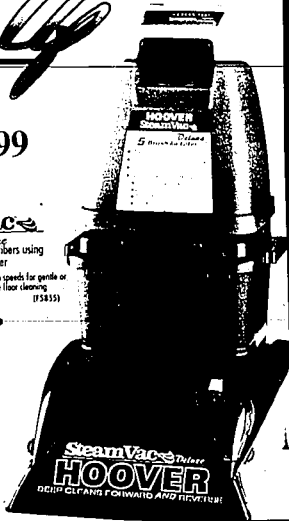
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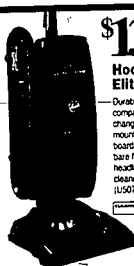


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Why Some Doctors May Be

BY BERNARD GAVZER

THROUGHOUT AMERICA there are thousands of doctors—working in hospitals, clinics and private offices—who hurt and even fatally injure patients through incompetence or carelessness yet remain in active practice. It is almost impossible for the typical patient—you and me—to find out who they are.

"There are between 620,000 and 650,000 licensed physicians in the country," says Dr. Ted Lewers, a kidney specialist in Easton, Md., and a board member of the American Medical Association (AMA). When asked how many of them could be categorized as incompetent, unscrupulous or impaired, Dr. Lewers replied, "Very few—5 to 10 percent." But that could mean 31,000 to 65,000 physicians who pose a significant risk to patients.

The risks are very real.

- In Denver, Richard Corbett Leonard, 8, died during a routine ear operation because the anesthesiologist allegedly fell asleep.

- In Tampa, a surgeon amputated the wrong lower leg of Willie King, 52, a diabetic.

- The wrong lung was removed from 59-year-old Benjamin Jones Jr. in Fort Worth, Tex.

- Guadalupe Negron, 33, bled to death after her uterus was cut by a doctor who was still operating while appealing the revocation of his license.

- In Boston, Betsy Lehman, 39, was killed when a doctor prescribed a dose of an anticancer drug that was far too high.

"You can go into the offices of two different doctors, side by side, and see an impressive wall of framed diplomas," says Dr. Sidney M. Wolfe, co-creator with Ralph Nader of the nonprofit Public

Citizen Health Research Group. "But you have no way of knowing whether one is supremely competent and the other has a pattern of misdiagnosis, mistreatment, incompetence. Information that might guide you exists, but much of it is secret, even to doctors."

How, then, can you figure out if a doctor is okay or questionable? Who has the information? Is it secret? Why?

The route to finding answers is complex. We'll lead you through the maze. But please keep in mind that this report focuses on incompetent, impaired doctors. It is not an indictment of the vast majority of physicians, who are conscientious, hardworking, trustworthy, reliable and dedicated to fulfilling the Hippocratic Oath to "abstain from harm." Day after day, they provide patients with medical treatment that meets the highest standards of care.

Still, it is in the public's interest, as well as the medical profession's, that the questionable doctors be identified. That goal is supported in varying degrees by such groups as the AMA, the American Board of Medical Specialties and "watchdog" organizations such as the Public Citizen Health Research Group.

HOW BAD IS THE PROBLEM?

How likely are you to be hurt by a physician? A detailed report about doctor-caused injuries was contained



Dr. Rolando Sanchez, the surgeon in Tampa who amputated Willie King's left leg by mistake: The Florida Board of Medicine fined Sanchez \$10,000 and suspended his license. It has ~~kept~~ him on probation. He began practicing again in February.

in *The Harvard Medical Practice Study*, published in 1990. Dozens of expert researchers in medicine, law, economics, statistics, policy analysis and peer review analyzed health care in New York State in 1984. Their findings were based on patient and physician and surgeon interviews, hospital records, peer reviews, insurance claims and malpractice suits. The results showed:

- Of an estimated 2.7 million patients hospitalized in New York State at the time, 98,609 (or 3.65 percent), suffered injury attributed to medical intervention rather than their underlying disease. (An example would be a cancer patient dying from an overdose of chemotherapy.)
- Of those medical injuries, nearly 38 percent resulted from negligence. (An example would be if a physician failed to order a biopsy after seeing a chest

X-ray with a detectable lesion).

- Of the medical injuries, 69 percent were caused by errors.
- More than 13,000 (about 0.5 percent) of the total 2.7 million patients died at least in part as a result of those injuries.

This means that for every 1000 patients who entered the hospital, five died at least in part as a result of poor care. Although these findings do not encourage confidence, the situation can be reversed, according to Dr. Lucien L. Leape of the Harvard School of Public Health. He contends that most doctor-related injuries "are due to errors and are, therefore, potentially preventable."

But, again, the dilemma for patients lies in how to detect which doctors to avoid. Isn't there some list or a government agency keeping an eye on bad doctors?



Dr. David Benjamin allowed Guadalupe Negron to bleed to death following surgery at his Queens, N.Y., clinic. He was convicted of her murder in 1995.

Hazardous To Your Health

WHO HAS THE NAMES?

The government does have a very restricted file with the names of more than 80,000 physicians who were involved in malpractice suits, were disciplined by state medical boards, lost hospital privileges or had adverse reviews regarding membership in professional societies. It is the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB). Only hospital medical boards and similar health-care providers can check the information in the data bank. Doctors can check on themselves but not other doctors.

"The NPDB was developed because it was very difficult to get information about bad doctors and hospital mishaps," says Dr. Stephen B. Perlmutter, deputy director of the Health Resources and Services Administration, which oversees the data bank.

"Medical boards, medical societies and insurance companies clamored up."

Even if you had ac-

cess to the NPDB, there is no guarantee that it has the full story on questionable doctors. The law says that all of the nation's 6,374 hospitals are required to supply the NPDB with the names of any doctors whose privileges have been suspended for 31 days or more. But more than half of the nation's hospitals have never listed a single doctor.

How is it possible that so many hos-



Sen. Ron Wyden (D., Ore.) with his wife, Laurie. He wants the public to have access to data on questionable doctors.

Doctors take an oath to "abstain from harm." Occasionally, however, serious mistakes are made. Can more be done to identify potential risks?

pitals have not made a single report? Dr. Jack Lund, the American Hospital Association's senior adviser for clinical affairs, says there is a valid reason: "Hospitals have quality-assurance programs in which the behavior of physicians and clinical outcomes are monitored," he explains, "and the issues have been adequately addressed before getting to a stage which would require making a report."

On the other hand, Thomas C. Croft, director of the Division of Quality Assurance of the Health Resources and Services Administration, says: "When suspensions are put at less than 31 days, they do not have to be reported. We do not have the legal authority to get hospital quality-assurance records to determine how many 30-day or less suspensions there may have been to avoid reporting to the data bank. It would be

valuable to see what the trend in suspensions has been over a 10-year period. Right now, all we can do is speculate."

CAN YOU GET THE NAMES?

Sen. Ron Wyden, the Oregon Democrat who introduced the legislation that created the data bank when he was a member of the House of Representatives, is preparing legislation to open it to the public. "When our citizens get into HMO programs," he says, "and have to choose between doctors, I think they should be able to get information from the data bank to help them make a sound choice."

But the American Medical Association, in a 1995 policy statement, said it "opposes all efforts to open the NPDB to public access." Why? "There is information the public can't use or interpret," explains Dr. Lewers. "It does not really tell you anything about a doctor other than he's listed, and you might jump to an unwarranted conclusion."

Dr. Ciro V. Sunayna, administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, supports some limitation of access to the information. "It could lead to pandemonium, misperception, to a lot of confusion for the public working with pieces of information," he says.

But two consumer advocates—Richard E. Vuernick, legal policy director



Dr. Sidney M. Wolfe, director of the Public Citizen Health Research Group. Today, he says, we have no way of knowing which doctors are competent.

AVOIDING A BAD DOCTOR

Here are some questions to ask when choosing a doctor:

- 1) Has the doctor been disciplined or formally charged with misconduct?
- 2) You can find out by calling or writing the state medical board.
- 3) Has your doctor lost hospital privileges? Ask the doctor.
- 4) Is the doctor board-certified? Check with the American Board of Medical Specialties. Call 1-800-778-2378 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Eastern time.
- 5) Has your doctor's malpractice insurance ever been canceled? Some state medical boards will tell you when a doctor has had insurance canceled (but most doctors can get insurance no matter how bad their record).
- 6) What does the AMA have on file about your doctor? The American Medical Association, published by the AMA, lists the affiliations of its members. It should be available at your public library. For 50¢ the AMA will provide biographical information on as many as four physicians. Write: AMA, Department of Physician Data Services, Dept. P, 515 N. State St., Chicago, Ill. 60610.

of Citizen Action, a 3 million-member organization based in Washington, D.C., and Mike Donio, director of projects for the People's Medical Society in Allentown, Pa.—say there is a strong public interest in having access to the data bank.

"We are not interested in sensationalizing or witch-hunting," says Donio. Vuernick adds: "What we want is to have the profession take the responsibility of removing bad doctors from patient contact. If a physician has an alcohol or drug problem, get him out of the arena, dry him out and get him back to where he should be. If he's a surgeon fouling up operations, retrain him. Don't wait until it happens for the 42nd time."

IS THERE A CODE OF ETHICS?

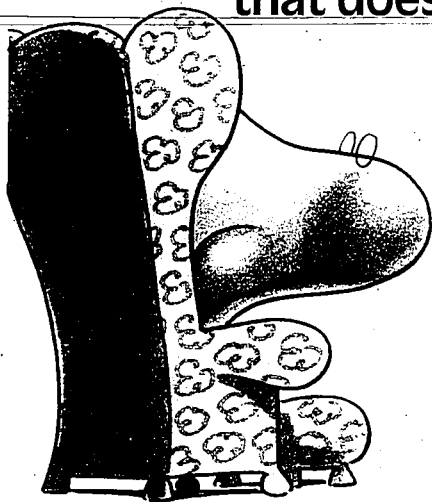
The AMA Code of Ethics says that doctors are obliged to report evidence of incompetence, substance abuse or unethical conduct. But critics, such as Sandra Gainer—a registered nurse who is the associate director of the National Center for Patients' Rights, an organization based in New York City with more than 4000 members who believe they have been injured by doctors—say there is another code that comes in to play: Silence.

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Of those who once be-
lieved that the world
was flat, who—if any-
one—ever explained
how the oceans were
kept from pouring over
the edges into where?
—Margaret Holm
Medford, Ore.



Did Columbus

really show

the world

that the

Earth was

round?

Because we've learned that, al-
though most folks will never have
a problem with alcohol, some do.
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ly-bled group from growing.

Preventing a bad habit is far
easier than getting rid of one, and
marijuana not 't provide us with
anything positive that alcohol
doesn't already provide—it's there
for the people who enjoy it in mod-
eration. That is, there's little to gain,
so why take a chance on a possi-
ble negative consequence? If we
were lucky, nothing much would
happen from legalizing marijuana;
but if we were not, we might
cripple another segment of society.
And we'd have only ourselves to
blame. Can you imagine just how
dumb we'd look in retrospect?

Do fish chew?

—Anonymous, Neenah, Wis.

Not too well! Of course, you'd
have a tough time following your
mother's admonition to chew
your food if your teeth were in
your throat (like so many fish),
wouldn't you? But it doesn't
matter to them. There are plenty
of fish playing in the sea and
bodies of fresh water where fish
can just gulp-and-go. And for
them, it's easy. Fish have teeth
just about everywhere you can
name—in their jaws, on their
tongues and on the roofs of their
mouths, among other places. Some
look a little like molars, some are
pointed and some are hooked. A
few are like chisels, and others
are long, curved and piercing.

You'd have an even tougher
time if you ate like a starfish
(which isn't actually a fish at all).
The little darlings extrude their
stomachs out through their mouths
and onto their lunches, which
they then begin to digest leisure-
ly before finally retracting the
whole mess back inside to finish
up. Now that's a good way to
clear out the school cafeteria list.

**Can you cut this slice of
cheese into four equal parts?**

—Patrick Banks,
Sarasota, Fla.

The concept of a flat Earth is a
myth, as we all know. Here's the
big surprise: It's also a myth that
most people believed in a flat
Earth until around the time of
Columbus and Magellan. They
certainly did not. We "modern"
folks of the 19th and 20th cen-
turies just like to think they did.
And their fondness for dating everything important
from Columbus, like the notion
more than anyone!

Ancient scholars knew per-
fectly well that the world was
round. This was a basic tenet in
Aristotle's theories, and Erato-
sthenes measured the circumfer-
ence of the planet back in the
third century B.C. Of course,
there were a couple of crackpots
and plenty of uneducated people
throughout the ages who thought
all sorts of nutty things (there still
are), but mainstream scientists
didn't forget everything they
knew 2000 years ago, only to re-
discover it in the 15th century!

Even the story of Ferdinand
and Isabella's fearing that Col-
umbus would "fall off the edge"
is untrue. They and their learned
commission (which included
members of the church) did in-
deed question Columbus' claims
of success, but they said that the
circumference of the Earth was
too large for him to get all the
way to the Indies—not that the
Earth was flat. And they were
right. Columbus used the wrong
figures and bumped into North
America instead.

During a family discussion,
we found ourselves divided
as to why marijuana has not
been legalized. If alcohol is
as impairing (or more so,
some say) to society, why is
it so legal? Is marijuana as dan-
gerous to a person's physi-
cal health, why is alcohol
legal and marijuana illegal?

—Diane Le Duc,
Harwich, Mass.

One answer appears at the end
of the column. And this is a slice
of cheese? I'm glad you didn't
decide to make it Swiss cheese,
or I'd probably still be thinking
about it.

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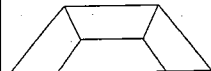
I'm coordinating the events at our high school class reunion, which will be attended by 105 people. We plan to hold an elimination tournament with tiddlywinks, two people playing-at-a-time. (One person will sit out at the start, and whenever there is an odd number of people, another person will sit out.) How many games will have to be played?

—G. Vitale, Mobile, Ala.

You don't even need a pencil and paper to get the answer to this one, and you can determine it in a split second too. If there are 105 people in an elimination tournament, each game eliminates one of them, so 104 games will have to be played.

Here's how to convince yourself this works: We begin with 52 games (104 people); one person sits out. The result is 52 winners and the person who sat out, a total of 53. Then we play 26 games (52 people); one sits out. The result is 26 winners plus 1, a total of 27. Next we play 13 games (26 people); one sits out. We get 13 winners plus 1, a total of 14. After that, we play 7 games (14 people) and get 7 winners, and after that, we play 3 games (6 people); one sits out. We get 3 winners plus 1, a total of 4. Almost finished, we play 2 games (4 people) and get 2 winners. One more game ends the tournament. So the total is $52+26+13+7+3+2+1=104$ games.

Answer to puzzle:



The answer was "The Sacred Belt." Here are some of the questions that got light in our expanding universe:

—Bill Sellers, Chambersburg, Pa.
What's probably going to replace the Bible Belt someday?

—The Editors, Thompson, Ga.
What usually causes a rocket to be replaced when your flying saucer breaks down?

—Steve Spring, Md.
What highway do you take when you want to bypass Miami?

—Joe Bradford, Carmel, Ind.
What does the alien boxer give to his opponent when he tries to make him look stupid?

—William Roberts, Sissonville, West.
Ready to try another one?

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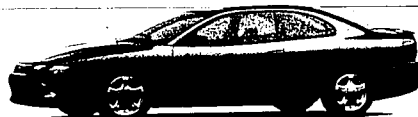
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Brady's Bits



And just how does Nancy keep that "adorable, scantily clad" bod in shape? "I'm very sporadic when it comes to exercising," she said. "The only two things I do with any consistency are bathe and brush my teeth."

Nancy and her husband of two years, the producer Rob Fried, live in L.A. "Down by the beach," she said. "I love to look at the ocean. But not to go in it. I'm not a big beach person." But Nancy enjoys swimming, and she swims well, so it's a good thing they've got a pool. Any children yet or on the way? "No kids to speak of," said Nancy, who apparently "doesn't need a script-writer to know how to get into a funny line."



NANCY TRAVIS

BY JAMES BRADY

I FIRST BECAME AWARE of Nancy Travis during the filming of *Three Men and a Cradle*, when she played the mother who left that cute little girl to the tender handling of Tom Selleck, Ted Danson and Steve Guttenberg. I was writing about Selleck for *PARADE*. But even though this was her first movie, Nancy told me the role wasn't really all that big a deal. "I came in at the end and had one big scene and cried a lot," she said. "Then, in the sequel, I really got to know them [the three guys]. Tom and I had a love affair in that one, and I had more of a role. It was shot in England, some castle way far out. I wish I could remember where."

Where Nancy is these days is stirring in one of the best new series of the TV season, *Almost Perfect*, on CBS. She plays Kim Cooper, the exec producer of a cop-show on the tube, a job Kim does very well. As for her private life...well, Kim has her little problems.

Does Nancy like the character? "Very much so," she said. "It's comedy, and she's multi-dimensional—not just a wife or just a career girl. And they let me go off into these wacky directions."

At the time we spoke, CBS had not yet renewed the show for a second season, but Nancy said, "I think we'll be back. I'm ready for it. I've signed on for six years."

She added, "We this series, for the first time I don't have to work to pay the bills."

Nancy is a New Yorker who studied drama at New York University. Was she "discovered" right out of college? "No, never struck by light-

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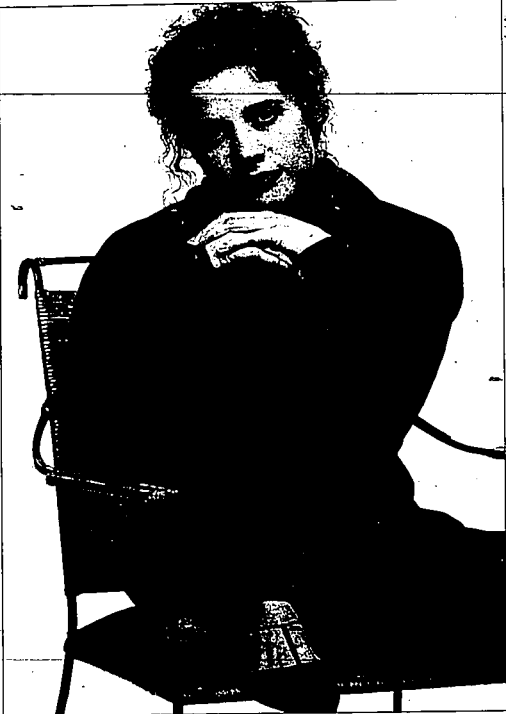
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ning," she said. "I waitressed and did some off-off-off-Broadway work and lots of commercials. Do I remember any? Oh, sure, Canada Dry, Excedrin and Twinkies. Lots of Twinkies."

A move to L.A. helped, then along came *Three Men and a Cradle* in 1987, and she was on her way. Her movie credits range from *So I Married an Axe Murderer* to *Chaplin* to *Internal Affairs*. Her latest film is *Bogus*, with Whoopi Goldberg and the French star Gérard Philipe. "I'm not in it much," Nancy said. "I played the mother of the little boy."

On TV, Nancy Travis is "almost perfect."

In real life? "The only two things I do with consistency," she says, "are bathe and brush my teeth."

Then there's *Duckman*, the hot animated series on USA cable, in which Nancy does the voice of Bernice, "the brash, aerobized sister-in-law." Is that fun? "I enjoy it," she said. "It's effortless. I'm hoping it will keep going. With all those political references, I guess it will."

People call her character in *Almost Perfect* "adorable." Just who is the target audience? A lot of fans are very young," Nancy said. "But a lot are men who have seen movies in which they remember me for being scantily clad, like *Internal Affairs*." 16

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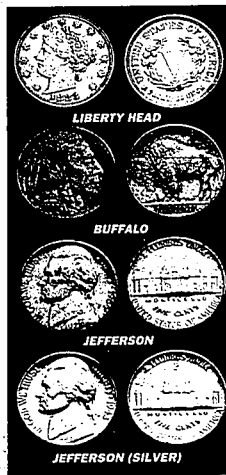
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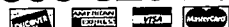
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Oliver's Widow Bares Letters

Joan Plowright—the third wife of Laurence Olivier. Strongly denies his involvement in a homosexual affair, as alleged by Donald Spoto in a 1992 biography. To counteract this and other "tales told by people who never knew him," Olivier's widow has authorized someone who did know him—Derek Granger, a London theater critic—to pen the official biography of the man many call the greatest actor of our age.

When we spoke recently, Plowright confided that she'd given Granger a private stash of correspondence dating from 1957, when she met Olivier, to his death in 1989. There also are documents detailing Olivier's previous marriage, to the actress Vivien Leigh.

Plowright and Olivier fell in love while co-starring onstage in *The Entertainer*. He still was married to Leigh, and the British tabloids bounded them. "But they are much worse today," said Plowright, 66. "Invasion



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of privacy is out of control."

Regarding Spoto's assertion that Olivier had a fling with Danny Kaye, Plowright told me: "I have quite a few gay friends who said, 'It's rubbish.' She and

Larry and Joan in 1969: She wants to end those tales about him



Larry had a son and two daughters. He also had a son by his first wife, the actress Jill Esmond.

Granger's book is due out in 1998. Plowright is now eying in a film version of *June Eyre*, which just opened.

Did Planes Fly Over Cuba?



Basulto faces the disbelieving media: The answer is 'blowin' in the wind'

On a Feb. 24, four members of *Brothers to the Rescue* died when Cuban helicopters shot down their Cessna 337s. The anti-Castro group said its unarmed planes had been over international waters, looking for Cuban refugees in rafts. Cuba—which had reported 25 violations of its airspace in the previous 20 months, including a *Brothers* sortie to drop leaflets in January—said the planes had illegally entered its territory.

When Jose Basulto, president of *Brothers*, spoke at the UN last month, he insisted his planes were in international airspace in both January and February. To show how his dollar-bill sized leaflets could have drifted so far (at least 12 miles) and landed in Havana, he let one fall. "It drops 2.6 feet per second," Basulto said. "At a certain altitude, with a wind at 25 knots, the leaflets would be blown over the city." The UN press corps expressed its disbelief.

"I checked it out with a Defense Department official, who said: 'In the Gulf War, we dropped leaflets from Saudi Arabia, and they blew into Kuwait. But we used C-130s—four-engine transports. Technically, it's possible [to drift 12 miles], but if somebody sees your airplane over the beaches of Havana [as Cuba reports], it's a moot point."

Basulto says his Miami-based group will continue flying its missions near Cuban airspace, noting: "U.S. authorities can't prevent us from doing that." After all, it's a free country.

Carl Lewis Seeking Date With Olympic History

Carl Lewis of the U.S. will be in Atlanta in July when, at age 35, he'll be trying for his fourth straight gold medal in the long jump. But the filmmaker Bud Greenspan, an authority on the Games, notes that Lewis faces tough competition this year, including his teammate, Mike Powell. Powell set a world record in Tokyo in 1991, when he jumped 29 feet 4 1/4 inches—breaking Bob Beamon's mark, set at the 1968 Olympics.

Lewis, one of the great sprinters

of all time, also may compete in other track events in Atlanta. Three more wins would give Lewis 11 gold medals and make him No. 1 in Olympic history, passing Ray Ewry, a track star who won 10 events between 1900 and 1908.

Speaking of Olympic history, the TBS cable network is offering viewers 100 Years of Olympic Glory, a three-hour documentary by Bud Greenspan. It premieres tomorrow, and a video version goes on sale next month.

The Five Deepest Pockets in Congress



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Five members of Congress (or their families) are worth \$50 million or more, based on 1994 financial-disclosure forms and other sources, reports "Roll Call," the Capitol Hill newspaper. They are, in order:

- 1) Sen. John Kerry (D., Mass.), \$760 million. Virtually all of it is holdings of his new wife, Teresa Heinz, the widow of Sen. John Heinz (R., Pa.). Kerry himself has assets of only \$50,000 to \$100,000 and liabilities of \$65,000 to \$180,000.
- 2) Rep. Amory Houghton (R., N.Y.), \$350 million. His disclosure form says \$10 million, but he also controls family trusts with a fortune estimated at \$530 million.
- 3) Sen. Herbert Kohl (D., Wis.), \$250 million. Owner of the Milwaukee Bucks basketball team plus real estate.
- 4) Sen. Jay Rockefeller (D., W.Va.), \$200 million. Gives his net worth at \$7 million, but the Rockefeller family fortune is estimated at \$6 billion-plus. (His great-grandpa, John D. Rockefeller, was America's first billionaire.)
- 5) Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D., Calif.), \$50 million. Lists her net worth at \$8 million. Earlier forms valued holdings of her husband, Richard Blum, at \$38 million or more.

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Many countries get free U.S. arms. That's because it's often cheaper (in the short run) to give obsolete weapons away than to destroy them, explains Paul Pines of the Arms Sale Monitoring Project of the Federation of American Scientists Fund. Last October, for instance, we gave Bahrain two anti-aircraft missile launchers, 60 missiles and 10 attack helicopters.

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First Team

Jaime Walz	Highlands	Fort Thomas, Ky.	5'9"
Shea Ralph	Terry Sanford	Fayetteville, N.C.	6'0"
Mayiana Martin	Peris	Perris, Calif.	6'3"
Paige Sauer	Carl Albert	Midwest City, Okla.	6'2"
Lynn Pride	Sam Houston	Arlington, Tex.	6'5"
Lisa Hosac	Heritage	Littleton, Colo.	6'2"
Kisha Brown	Woodward Academy	College Park, Ga.	5'9"
Tajua Catchings	Stevenson	Lincolnshire, Ill.	6'0"
Nikki Teasley	St. John's at Prospect Hall	Fredrick, Md.	6'0"
Kristen Clement	Cardinal O'Hara	Springfield, Pa.	5'11"

Second Team

Latonya Washington	Paxton	Paxton, Fla.	5'10"
Tamika Jackson	Lincoln	Dallas, Tex.	5'9"
LaShonda Stephens	Sequoyah	Canton, Ga.	6'3"
Tamika Catchings	Duncanville	Duncanville, Tex.	6'0"
Kyra Elzy	Oldham County	Buckner, Ky.	6'1"
Melody Peterson	Mater Dei	Santa Ana, Calif.	6'0"
Jennifer Mowe	Powers	Powers, Ore.	6'5"
Maxann Reese	Bishop Borgess	Redford, Mich.	5'8"
Tammi Blackstone	Washington	Cherokee, Iowa	6'1"
Katin Smucka-Duffy	James Madison	Vienna, Va.	5'9"

Third Team

Renee Robinson	Sacred Heart Preparatory	Atherton, Calif.	5'7"
Casey Lombard	Dowens Grove North	Dowens Grove, Ill.	6'5"
Danielle Butler	Captain Shreve	Shreveport, La.	6'2"
Maren Walsoth	Simsbury	Simsbury, Conn.	6'2"
Candice Storey	Bob Jones	Madison, Ala.	6'3"
Smeka Randall	Trinity	Garfield Heights, Ohio	5'10"
Stacy Hamsmeyer	Norman	Norman, Okla.	6'0"
Tiffany Adkins	Gibson County	Dyer, Tenn.	6'1"
Jackie Higgins	Hillside	Durham, N.C.	6'1"
Juana Brown	Harding Academy	Memphis, Tenn.	5'11"

Fourth Team

Carolyn Moon	The Blake School	Hopkins, Minn.	6'0"
Shawnetta Stewart	University City	Philadelphia, Pa.	5'11"
Nikki Weddle	Montbello	Denver, Colo.	5'4"
Grace Daley	Lake Weir	Candler, Fla.	5'7"
Helen Darling	Columbus Brookhaven	Columbus, Ohio	5'7"
LaTonya Sims	Racine Washington Park	Racine, Wis.	6'3"
Najah Wallace	Woodrow Wilson	Camden, N.J.	5'11"
Christina Batistini	Class	Providence, R.I.	5'9"
Jill Norton	North Decatur	Greensburg, Ind.	5'6"
Jackie Stiles	Cliffin	Cliffin, Kan.	5'8"

BY MICHAEL O'SHEA & HASKELL COHEN

JAIME WALZ, A 5-FOOT-9 guard from Highlands High in Fort Thomas, Ky., has been chosen Player of the Year on PARADE's 20th annual All-America High School Girls Basketball Team. Forty players

from 26 states were selected by coaches, scouts and recruits. California and Texas lead, with three players each.

There are nine repeaters. Tamika Catchings of Duncanville, Tex., is a three-time PARADE pick. The two-year veterans are Kristen Clement of Springfield, Pa.; Kyra Elzy of Buckner, Ky.; Lisa Hosac of Littleton, Colo.; Lynn Pride of Arlington, Tex.; Shea Ralph of Fayetteville, N.C.; LaShonda Stephens of Canton, Ga.; Latonya Washington of Paxton, Fla.; and Jaime Walz.

"There is nothing Jaime can't do on the court," says Jim Higgins, Walz's coach. Jaime averaged 27 points, 11 rebounds, 8 assists and 5 steals a game this year. She has a career total of 3830 points and just helped lead her school to its best record ever: 29 wins and 2 losses. Jaime has a 3.4 grade-point average. She will attend Western Kentucky University.

Shea Ralph is a 6-foot tall point guard. Her coach, Gil Bowman, says: "Shea's a once in a lifetime player for a high school coach—an extremely hard worker. She's an inspiration to young girl basketball players." Shea averaged 34 points, 8 rebounds, 9 assists and 8 steals a game this year. In her career she has 2862 points, 722 assists and 495 steals. Shea also runs cross-country and track. She has a 4.2 grade-point average and will attend the University of Connecticut.

Maylana Martin of Perris, Calif., is a 6-foot-3 center. Her coach, Marvin Williams, says: "You won't find a player that goes as hard and as physical in play." This year she averaged 32 points, 19 rebounds, 3 assists and 5 blocked shots a game. In her career she has 2863 points, 1501 rebounds, 154 assists and 530 blocked shots. She has a 4.3 grade-point average and will attend UCLA.

Paige Sauer of Midwest City, Okla., is 6 feet 5. Her coach, Janell Jones, says: "Paige can shoot the 3-pointer and can go inside and outside. She has a great touch." Paige, a center, averaged 21 points, 9 rebounds, 2 assists, 3 blocked shots and 2 steals a game in her senior year. In her career she has 1491 points, 656 rebounds, 114 steals and 164 blocked shots. Paige has a 3.5 grade-point average. She will attend the University of Connecticut.

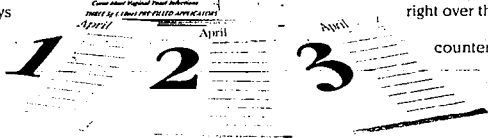
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AN ANGRY CHILD CAN CHANGE

A new program to prevent violent and anti-social behavior is showing signs of promise.



At Chadwell Elementary School in Nashville, all students—including those at risk—attend classes together. Along with regular subjects, the children are taught lessons in sharing and getting along with each other.

the school day, she quietly asks permission. "She's become my special helper," Hackney said. "She's wonderful."

The change in Hackney's classroom did not come by accident. Chadwell Elementary School is participating in a research project to see if children at risk for developing chronic aggressive behavior problems—such as bullying, truancy or other angry, disruptive behavior—can be identified and changed before their lives go irretrievably wrong. The first results hold promise that they can.

Called Fast Track, the project began when a group of scientists pooled their knowledge about children at risk and found that most of them have similar histories: "If there's violence in the home, if parenting is inconsistent or violent, that's predictive of problems later on," explained Kenneth Dodge, professor of psychology at Vanderbilt University and a co-founder of Fast Track. "Children who are socially rejected by their first-grade classmates and/or may be failing academically are also at risk."

"Of course," added Dodge, "not every child with these problems will grow up to have serious trouble. But they are predictive of adolescent violence, chronic crime and dropping out of school."

After developing a set of guidelines, Dodge and his colleagues went to schools in Seattle, Durham, N.C., Nashville and rural Pennsylvania and found 447 students who fit the criteria to enroll in an intervention program. They then formed two comparison groups—one for those at risk, the other for children without any behavior problems, who would not be given special treatment. (Neither the children nor their parents were told which comparison group they were in.) "We do not select on the basis of gender," said Dodge, "but about three-quarters of the children who fit the criteria were male."

Special training sessions were set up for all teachers in each school. Then the teachers began to work with their entire classes each week—not just with the at-risk kids—on issues such as anger, aggression, sharing and getting along with each other. Though all the children attend classes together, the ones in the intervention program get extra attention and attend special weekly groups.

"We start very basically," explained

When Violence Threatens

For many young people, dealing with a violent peer can be a problem. In a recent issue, PARADE asked, "How do you stop a bully?" Many of you recommended a "stand tough" approach—some with a creative twist. Here's a sampler:

• **FIND THE BULLY'S WEAKNESS.** I was the victim of a bully in high school. At one point, I finally got up the courage to see a teacher, who told me to find the bully's weakness. I eventually learned that when he went to Great Adventure, he wouldn't go on any rides. He was afraid of heights. One day he took my book and told me, "I'll warrant it, I had to meet him outside and fight for it. I stood up and loudly said—no everyone in the lunchroom could hear: 'Meet me after school on the roof of the gym.' More than 100 students came to watch. We waited 10 minutes before a teacher came. But he never showed up. And he never showed with me again."

• **TELL AN AUTHORITY.** Last year, when I was in the seventh grade, I had a girl grab my hair and make me say really nasty things about myself to get away. I told my mom, and she told the vice principal, who brought the bully in and said someone had left a note saying I was harassing a student. Of course the girl thought it was me, so she beat me even more. I was afraid of running into her, and in the morning I'd tell my mom I didn't want to go to school.

My mom went to the vice principal again, and he had another talk with me and the bully in the room. He told her, if she ever bothered or hurt me again, she would be suspended and they'd bring in the cops. I admit I was upset with my mom for talking to my vice principal, but if she hadn't, I would have kept going to school in fear. Kids shouldn't have to be afraid of going to school.

—Laura Boles, 13, Encinitas, Calif.

• **TAKE A LEGAL ROUTE.** The son of a friend of mine was in junior-high school and was being teased by a much bigger boy. He told his father, "Dad, I just don't know what to do. This big kid at school wants me to fight him, and he says if I don't pick a time and place soon, he'll jump me." His dad told him, "Just tell the bully you'll fight him any time and any place, at noon as you get a letter signed by both of his parents saying they will not hold him responsible for any damages and injuries to their son."

"The boy did what his dad said. After thinking about it for a few days, the bully decided he did not want to fight, and the two became buddies."

—Don Magraw, 14, Houston

THERE ARE SOME children you become familiar with before you ever teach them," Janet Johnson told me. After nearly 20 years as a first-grade teacher at Chadwell Elementary School in Nashville, Johnson knows when trouble is coming. "You hear their names repeatedly," she said. "These are the children that other teachers have given up on. They're angry, they're self-centered. Their energy cannot be directed to academics."

Consider the experience of Johnson's colleague, Barbara Hackney. One year, Hackney learned that she was about to get a new student—a girl whose first year at school had been a nightmare. The girl refused to do schoolwork, used obscenities in addressing her teacher and fought with classmates.

After a year in Hackney's class, however, the child has changed. Now she dutifully takes attendance for the teacher. And if she wants to leave her seat during

BY MICHAEL RYAN

Taylor Martin, a specially trained teacher who has worked with children at risk. "The rules are: No fighting, no hitting, no putdowns, and listen to the teachers." The children are taught simple techniques to put brakes on their emotions, using "time-out" and diagrams-of-traffic signals to remind them to imagine a red light when they feel aggressive.

If Fast Track students are suffering academically, they are offered special tutoring, both in and out of class. And in the summers, teachers take them on outings, combining fun with solid lessons in learning to cooperate with others.

Yet while much of the work is done in school, Dodge pointed out, "The parents are the real experts on the child. We need their expertise." Parents come to the school once a week in the first year (and less often later) to discuss their children with teachers, psychologists and social workers, and to engage in supervised role-playing. Shirley Davis, a social worker in the Nashville program, has seen the progress parents and children can make together in these settings.

"I had one parent who had absolutely no communication with her child," Davis recalled. "The best she could do was say, 'Get over here and sit down'—that sort of thing. But we do a lot of role-playing, a lot of talking about how the parent should relate to the child. And it works. She's become a much more accepting parent."

The program is now in its sixth year, and some of the early results are available. One in particular, from the Nashville project, holds promise: When Fast Track began, all the children—both in the intervention group and in the comparison groups—were in regular kindergarten classes. By the fourth grade, about 40% of the comparison group with at-risk children were in special education classes, but only 23% of the intervention children were in special ed. "That," said Dodge, "is a direct cost saving."

Of course Fast Track is not a panacea. The program isn't cheap (in the Nashville school alone, it costs \$480,000 a year), and Dodge admitted that even in the comparison group of those at risk, 25% will turn out fine with no intervention. Perhaps simply because they mature, or because a parent, caring teacher or mentor turns them around.

For many children, however, early results suggest that a comprehensive intervention program like Fast Track—designed to help children in their family lives, their social lives and their schoolwork—may be the best chance for a successful, healthy life. **h**

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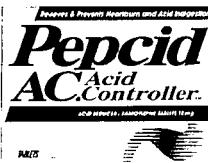
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"NEWS FLASH! MEN HAVE FEELINGS TOO"

A white back, we talked with a Washington teenager who went out with a guy who told her she was wonderful—and then didn't call. She felt betrayed and wondered whether she'd done anything wrong. By the time he did call, a week later, she was so upset that the budding relationship fizzled.

Several readers reacted strongly. Here are excerpts:



Maybe he called her once or twice while she was out of the house. Or he may have been too scared to call her, thinking she thought he was a loser.

News flash! Men have feelings, too.

Or he may have been busy. I'm sure she's not the only thing the guy thinks about. But she draws her conclusions: "Oh, well, 'he must have wanted me only for sex.' Well, why didn't she call him?" —Chuck Heitzel, 20, Arvada, Colo.



Sometimes guys are just saying they care about a girl to get what they want. But sometimes they really did go for her at first sight—but, in retrospect, they can't believe they said all that.

—Rafil Kroll-Zalid, 15, Austin, Tex.

I did the same thing her date did: After a little kiss on our first date Friday night, I waited until Sunday night to call her, so I wouldn't be "too pushy." She

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said, "How come you haven't called me?" I said, "It's only been two days." She answered, "Yeah, but do you know how long that is to 'girl' days?"

—Steve Brewer, 18, Marietta, Ga.



What's wrong with you? Do you have so little self-esteem that you think just because a guy doesn't call you right away, there's something wrong with you? You made yourself paranoid and ruined the relationship before it even had a chance to start.

If you were so mad that he didn't call you, why didn't you call him? It's not his total responsibility. Girls: PLEASE STOP WAITING BY THE PHONE! HAUL YOUR BUTTS AND GET A LIFE!

—Jamie Chubb, 18, Walnutport, Pa.



I would like to apologize to that girl for all of those jerks who don't know how to treat a lady. They make all the good guys suffer, because a girl puts up her defenses after a horrible event with a guy who doesn't call.

When I take the time to go out with a girl, give her my undivided attention, talk intimately, I already have an interest and certainly would call her the next day. It's natural for you to want to call her, to get to know more about each other.

—Arthur Shattuck, 17, Okego, Mich.

I think the gender gap is based almost completely on misperceptions, not on malicious behavior. I have five brothers and many male friends, and there is definite consensus on many points: Men too are afraid of being used and hurt. And many guys have a rule of not calling a girl for at least three days (for some it's seven), no matter what. This is a test to see how possessive or desperate she is. But I don't ever expect a teenage (or older) sex-starved guy to be absolutely truthful about his feelings until after a date is over.

—Syvilia Dickinson, 30, San Rafael, Calif.

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THE NEW GIRL

Many people responded to our question, "When have you misjudged someone—and what happened?" Here is another excerpt from the responses:

Unfortunately, I have misjudged people many times. But there was one occasion that I will probably never forget. About a year ago, a new girl started to come to our school. She was wearing really ratty clothes and carrying an old torn-up school bag. Everyone teased her because of her clothes, including me. And then some people started spreading nasty rumors about her. By the end of three weeks, she had no friends whatsoever.

I was beginning to feel really sorry, so I went over and started to talk to her. I found out that her life wasn't so easy—her mother was raising her children all by herself and didn't have much money. It made me feel so lucky about my own life—and so ashamed of making her life harder than it already was.

After that, I decided to think twice before judging people when I don't know the whole story.

—Lindsay Swihart, 13, Troy, Ohio

"MY GRANDFATHER WAS ALWAYS THERE FOR ME"

At a crucial moment in her relationship with her grandfather, a teenager in Ohio decided to speak up:



Two years ago last summer, my grandfather went into the hospital for his second open-heart surgery. He had been in and out of the emergency room all that spring and summer—my mother, grandmother and I cared him there over and over again.

It seemed like a never-ending cycle, and I was weary of it. I complained about the waits in the emergency room and the inedible food at the hospital cafeteria. But we all knew that every time the phone rang, that could be it—that could be the last time. And I wanted to be there for him. Because he'd always been there for me.

My grandfather worked hard his entire life, living on faith and for the love of God. Looked down on for being a hillbilly from Tennessee, he held down two jobs—as a shoe cobbler and a gas-station attendant—to feed his children.

When he could, he used to repair antique clocks—he had a basement full of them. And from the time I was very young, I would go down there with him, and he would show me the different parts of the clocks and how to put them in. Every time I would spend the night over there, I would hear the clocks ticking, hear them go off in all the parts of the house. To this day, that is a very reassuring sound for me.

But the real thing with my grandfather was country music. We would listen together and argue about the awards shows and sing like crazy.

My grandfather just looked on me like I was something special.

So that morning in the hospital, I decided to speak up and tell my grandfather what had always been unspoken between us. The words flowed from my heart as I let him know how I felt about him. He opened up as well. His last words to me were, "I love you, girl, and don't you ever forget that."

That precious old hillbilly man died that day. This summer, it will be three years, and while I miss him so much, I rejoice that he knew I loved him and I know he loved me just as much.

—Gina Good, 15, Toledo, Ohio

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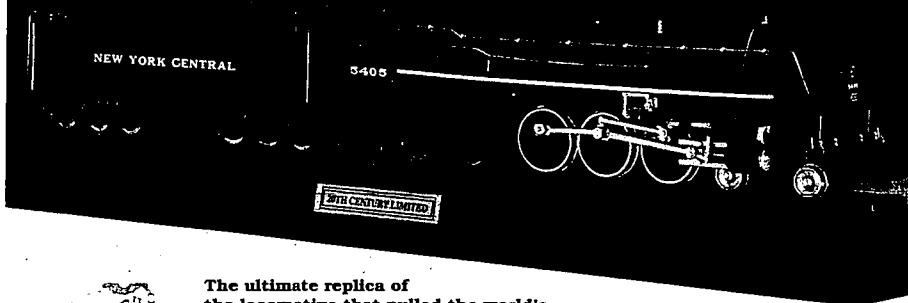
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